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Kristen Meagher

Meeting 22nd May, 2013

Our newest member Kristen Meagher was our speaker this week. Originally from Invercargill in New Zealand, with divorced parents the biggest influence on Kristen has been her mother, a hardworking nurse. She always had an interest in languages and the big wide world in general, studied French and German at school, went to Christchurch aged 17 to attend Otago University where she studied International law and Politics. In all, Kristen spent five years at Uni ending up with a Masters in Law, however, this does not allow her to practice law.

Her mother works in Aged Care and through this, at the age of 16 Kristen became involved with organising activities for the aged, which on reflection, has taught her skills in communicating in other ways than language, a skill that she now uses in her work.

With a brother in Perth and looking to broaden her horizons, she purchased a one way ticket to Perth and very happily works with PVS, involved with the resettlement of refugees. PVS Workfind is the largest private provider of Government employment services with 43 sites across Australia. Established in 1992 it delivers case management, employment and related human services to highly disadvantaged jobseekers via Vocational Rehabilitation, Contracted Placement and Case management, JobNet, Indigenous Employment Programs and Disability Employment Network. In April, 2011 PVS started delivering HSS (Humanitarian Settlement Services) in the northern metro area of Perth. HSS is a program administered by the Dept of Immigration for the purpose of providing support to humanitarian clients and assist with their initial settlement into Australia.

Now Settlement Support Manager, Kristen provided information and statistics which all members found of immense interest. She is passionate about her work and enjoys working with her great team of 17, 15 of whom come from different cultures, and compassionate in her job with helping to settle those in need into the community.

Meeting 29th May, 2013

Even though he is a Charter member of the RCFB we've not yet had a presentation on Tr./Dir. Rajah Senathirajah's Life and Times, however, next meeting Rajah will tell us more about himself.

Meetings

Community/Vocational meeting will be held on Friday, 7th June, at the O'Hara's 22 Otram Way, Churchlands at 5.30pm

Joint Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, 13th June, at the Collins' 1 New Court Green, Mt Claremont at 5.30pm

With the Rotary year coming to a close, much of the work of the Committees is winding down, with a number of projects for the year brought to fruition.

Upcoming events for your Diary **Vocational Visit to Manna Industries**

Wednesday, 12th June, 2013, Manna Kitchen at the Maddington Primary School, Albany Hwy, Maddington. May be joined by the Interactors and members of the Rotaract Club of Subiaco. Time: 6.00pm

Changeover Night Dinner *Thursday, 27th June, 2013 at the Nedlands Golf Club,* Melvista Ave, Nedlands.

Time: 6.30pm for 7.00pm .

Cost: \$45.00 for a three course meal. Special dietary requirements to be advised to Sec. Di

Pre payment: Payment in advance is requested into the RCFB's Westpac Bank Operating A/c BSB 036034 A/c 304015. This event can be paid for in cash at any of the meetings prior to then.

New Generations Committee name reverts back to Youth

At the recent Council on Legislation in Chicago, the name of the New Generations Committee has been reverted back to Youth Services.

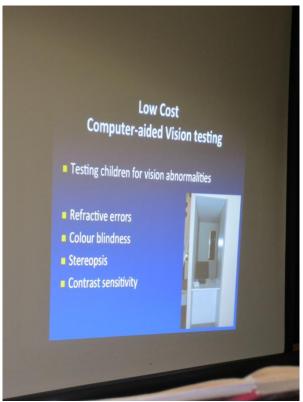
Dir. Jenny Day would like to step aside as Director of this Committee next year and work more closely with Nathan's project of resettlement of Refugees. Liz Hollingdale has kindly agreed to take over this role. A huge thank you to both ladies.

Fundraising Activities

A short list of suggestions was published in last week's bulletin. Rajah has been in contact with UWA Guild re an International Food Fair and some discussion took place regarding this. The other major activity being considered is the Nedlands Monumental Walk. Kristen has a video on the Boat People which she has offered as another possibility, as these types of activities at UWA / Christ Church Chapel are always well attended. Sub committees will be required to investigate and put into action fundraising events for the coming year

Meeting of incoming Presidents

PE Mike advised that 2013-14 Presidents have been invited to meet with DGE Hank de Smit on 13th June.



Check I Project

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Pres. Ken has organised appointments to speak with a couple of local schools about this project as the Club is keen to assist with getting the computer eye check into schools. Canning Vale PS (with 650 students) is very supportive of early intervention programs and is interested in a presentation on the project at an upcoming IT evening they are having in June on cyber bullying and other IT matters.

RYPEN

Both Dir. Jenny Day and Principal of the Brookton District high School, Rae White reported that the three students who attended RYPEN (the Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) camp benefited enormously from their attendance. The following is from an email received from Principal Rae White on the return of Zane, Tate and Braydon on Sunday evening.

'The boys have returned to Brookton. I am so disappointed that you were not able to witness their excitement, animation and enthusiasm. They had a wonderful experience - one that will make a huge difference in their lives. Thank you. I had to email you immediately to let you know that you provided them with an opportunity and they have embraced it through your generosity you have made a difference in their lives.

Jenny has been amazing. Making them feel worthwhile and looking after them so well.

Thanking you - you are wonderful.'

The RYPEN attendees are having a reunion on Saturday, 8th June and Jenny has arranged to once again, drive to Brookton to bring all the students to Perth to attend the reunion and then return them to Brookton.

PE Mike and Laura set out to attend the RYPEN dinner, but due to a string of circumstances, on arrival at the camp, found themselves unable to enter or find anyone to let them in so came away without being able to attend.

Jenny asked if the RCFB might consider reimbursing the cost of a sleeping bag for Tate, whose grandmother purchased one for him for the camp, but due to their circumstances it would take her some time to pay it off. The members readily agreed and a cheque for this is already in the mail to Brookton DHS.

Rotary Four Way Speech Contest

Liz Hollingdale received the material for the schools and has delivered it to the appropriate people at CCGS, MLC, Scotch College and PLC.

Interact

The Interactors held their first meeting last Thursday, 23rd May, since their break for the April holidays. Liz had a very full 'Rotary week this week' as she attended their meeting on Thursday and has the three small President's plaques for Pres. Martha to attach to their lectern.

Microscopes in Schools

Kate has the proposal for funding for the Microscopes in Schools project. PE Mike will arrange a Club Forum where it will be able to be discussed in full by all members of the RCFB.

The RC of Busselton-Geographe Bay has agreed to sponsor the request for units from Capel Primary School and the RC of Victoria Park have gained



Children using Microscopes

approval from their Board to fund up to 9 schools, some of which are not very large. The RC of Attadale declined to sponsor units to Santa Maria Junior School as they only have 150 students in years 5 and 6 (adding more years downwards in the future). The RC of Melville have now been approached to assist with this request. Still awaiting communication from the RC of Scarborough as to which school the Club has agreed to sponsor. The Water Corporation have taken another set of units which they use for incursions in schools.

The stronger, 2.5V replacement globes ran out prior to the supply of the final set of microscopes in the last shipment of units. Hence, Makybe Rise Primary School in Baldivis have this last week been supplied with 30 of the replacement globes.

International Service Committee

Dir. Rajah advised that the ISC has set its budget for 2013-14 at \$10,000. This is looking at putting \$5,000 into a Global Grant, \$2,000 for Polio Eradication and the remainder for other projects to do with this committee.

RC Kalamunda – WAAPA Musical Grad. Concert

The Rotary Club of Kalamunda is staging a Concert to be held at the Performing Arts Centre Canning Road Kalamunda on the 8th June at 7.30pm Featuring performers from WAAPA and a couple of friends.

The Classical music students from WAAPA include Rebecca Bunn Mezzo Soprano, Noelle Zhao Piano with Sonya Maher violin and Beren Scott on cello forming the Aria Trio, Michael Bednall Saxaphone, Richard Symons Tenor and DU Toit Brandemkamp, a music theatre vocalist. The concert will help the students financially and the Rotary Club of Kalamunda is pleased to be staging the event again. For Tickets phone Rosemary Milton (a friend of WAAPA) on 9257 2024 or 0409572024 If you prefer email: <u>kalconcert@gmail.com</u> Pre booked tickets can be picked up and paid for on the night by 7.00pm Doors open at 6.45 pm Champagne and wine available Tea and coffee are a gold coin donation TICKETS ARE \$25

Aboriginal Reference Group

D. 9455 & the Aboriginal Reference Group invite interested club members to the official launch of the "Manual: Engaging With Aboriginal People in WA through Mutual Friendship and Trust", that has been prepared specifically to assist Clubs wishing to engage with Aboriginal Communities.

Time/ Date:6.30pm to 8.00pm Wed. 10th July, 2013Venue:Aboriginal Family Service, 890 AlbanyHwy, East Victoria Park.

Cost: \$10 per attendee.

Update on members

Jenny Day had surgery during the week. A speedy recovery Jen. Welcome back to Nathan and Sivo. With all your travels Nathan, you have both been missed. Stephanie is on a work related trip to New Orleans.

It was reported in last week's Bulletin that good friend of the RCFB Ralph Martins' father passed away. Ralph caught an early flight back to Perth, arriving with chest pain, spending time in hospital. Look after yourself Ralph!

Adam and Nabila will soon have a Moroccan food stall at the Subiaco Markets three days a week – Friday to Sunday. Looking forward to a Moroccan social function in the near future! Every success to you both with the new venture.

Rotary receives top honours for Future Vision

Rotary has received a silver Edison Award in recognition of the Future Vision Plan, the new grant that enhances the scope, impact, and model sustainability of humanitarian and educational projects The Rotary Foundation. funded by Since 1987, the Edison Awards have recognized innovative new products, services and business leaders in the United States. The awards symbolize the persistence and excellence personified by Thomas Edison. Winners represent active contributors to the cause of innovation in the world.



From left, RI President-elect Ron Burton and wife, Jetta, Foundation Trustee Chair Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, Past RI President Luis Vicente Giay, RI President Sakuji Tanaka, RI General Secretary John Hewko, and Celia Giay at the awards banquet.

RI President Sakuji Tanaka accepted the award during the annual Edison Awards gala held 25 April in Chicago, the city where Rotary was founded in 1905. The Future Vision Plan received top honours among funding models competing in the Lifestyle and Social Impact category. Nominee ballots were judged by a panel of more than 3,000, including members of seven associations that represent a wide range of industries and disciplines.

"This Edison Award recognizes and validates Rotary's innovative approach to humanitarian service, as we constantly strive to improve lives and communities by addressing the world's most pressing problems," says Tanaka. "It is a great honour to accept such a prestigious award on behalf of Rotary's global membership of 1.2 million men and women."

The Edison Award coincides with the successful completion of a three-year pilot in which 100 Rotary districts in more than 70 countries tested Rotary's new grant model.

The Future Vision Plan simplifies Rotary's grant process, and focuses Rotarian service efforts where they will have the greatest impact. The model is innovative in combining Rotary's volunteer base and a global reach with local resources to support sustainable, high-impact results in communities all over the world. The model funds more than US\$100 million in service projects annually. This will be implemented worldwide 1st July, 2013

Program for May/June

Date	Program	Attendance	Introduction and Thanks				
29 th May	Rajah Senathirajah – Life & Times	John Duff	Max Hipkins				
5 th June	ТВА						
7 th June	Community/Voc Meeting, O'Hara's 22 Otram Way, Churchlands	5.30pm					
12 th June	Visit to Manna Industries, Maddington PS, Albany Hwy, Maddington	6.00pm					
13 th June	Joint Board Meeting – Collins' 1 New Court Green, Mt Claremont	5.30pm					
19 th June	ТВА	5.30pm					
27 th June	Changeover Dinner – Nedlands Golf Club	6.30pm for 7.00pm					

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