



Executive 2010 / 11

President Peter Smith
Secretary Roger Vince
Treasurer Keith Stockall

Wednesday 1st September, 2010

September

New Generations Month

President's Column

Vocational Service Visit: What a wonderful night we all had last Wednesday at Ryde Hospitality College. A good roll up of 35 Rotarians (we had 5 late apologies) and partners enjoyed great food, great wine and great fellowship.

And to think that we while enjoyed our selves we were doing our bit to help the future stars of the hospitality world learn the tricks of the trade! The hospitality students practise and develop their skills in the restaurant, creating memorable meals and service in a modern setting.

Ryde College has exceptional hospitality training facilities including four bars, two restaurants, a café, the Sydney Coffee Academy and the Sydney Wine Academy. The college is also home to the Le Cordon Bleu Sydney Culinary Arts Institute. It was an enlightening vocational visit. My thanks to Darrell Slater for organising the evening - and to my wife for originally suggesting the venue!

Tonight we are pleased to welcome our District Governor Marilyn Mercer.

Getting to know our DG - Marilyn was born in Sydney and now lives in Windsor. She is married to PP Dudley and they have five children. Marilyn holds a Bachelor of Education Degree and a Diploma in Teaching. Working in science education she has worked with the NSW Board of Studies in writing and reviewing Science Syllabuses and was the NSW representa-

tive for the team which wrote the National Standards for Science Teachers. Her teaching at the Australian International Space School resulted in Marilyn being selected as the first Australian Teacher to work with NASA's "Future Flight" at the University of Hawaii.

Marilyn has been recognised with the Australian Academy of Science Teachers Award, the Ben Lexcen Teachers Award and the NSW Science Teachers Award. After 38 years of teaching in High Schools around NSW, the final 12 years, were spent at Bede Polding College, South Windsor, from which she retired in 2002, as Head of Science.

Marilyn joined the Rotary Club of Hawkesbury in 2003 - and became President in 2005-2006. However, her association with Rotary began earlier due to her work with Dudley on the 9690 Rotary Youth Exchange Committee. At District level, she and Dudley have been Hosts for YEP, PACE and GSE inbounds.

However, tonight Marilyn is here to talk to us in her role as District Governor - and will no doubt discuss how we, as part of District 9690, can help make Rotary "Bigger, better and bolder"!

Cowboy logic 2 - "*The quickest way to double your money is to fold it over and put it back in your pocket*"

President Pete

This Weeks Program:

Visit by **District Governor Marilyn Mercer**

International Toast: (Carryover)

Rotary Club of Chicago, Ill. USA (Club No.1) District 6450, Chartered 23/2/1905, 158 members, Interact & Rotaract Clubs, Meets on Tuesday @ 12.00 noon in Union League Club of Chicago. President for 2010/11 is David L Durham (david.durham@ubs.com)

Major Project: Job1— In 2003, the Rotary Club of Chicago was looking for a vocational services program that would deliver significant community value and engage rotary members as well as the community it serves. With that, the Job1 Summer Internship Program was created. The Job1 Summer Internship Program provides job readiness training and summer jobs to qualified CPS high school students. Job1 is part of the city's KidStart Corporate Initiative, preparing CPS high school students for the workplace by providing substantive internship opportunities with local business' and firms in the Chicago land area

LAST MEETINGS STATISTICS:

Attendance: **25** **52.3%**
Make Ups:
Leave of Absence **8**
Apologies: **5**

Visitors & Guests: 10 Partners

Sergeant: **\$ 126.60**
Raffle: **NO Raffle**
Winners:

LAST WEEK'S GUEST SPEAKER:

We were individually briefed on the finer points of what cuisine we had just eaten.



DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS NOTICES:

Peter Smith (President) Photo says it all
Roger Vince (Secretary) NO Report
Keith Stockall (Treasurer) Club Dues (1/2 Yearly—\$200.00) are now overdue.
Please contact Treasurer Keith as soon as possible
Darrell Slater (Club Service) The club program is almost full until February, 2011.
There is still room for Guest Speakers. If you know of someone you would like to see included in our Program, please contact Darrell Slater 0438546025 or email the details to Darrell.Slater@AUE.salvationarmy.org

STOP PRESS

Advice is at hand that our Nominee for the Outbound GSE team to the Philippines in 2011 has been successful. Congratulations to David Martin (Westpac Bank—Strathfield) Other successful applicants were Rebecca Rose (Richmond), Martin Crew (Kurrajong), Kylie Pitt (Hawkesbury) who are going to the Philippines. The Team going to Taiwan includes James Leitch (Parramatta Daybreak), Brad Billett (Prospect), Josephine Harrison—Cobby (Lower Blue Mountains and Edward White (Windsor)

GSE NEWS:

With regard to the incoming teams from D3470 Taiwan and D3860 Philippines you will soon be sent details requesting expressions of interest for hosting the teams next February/March. Please give it some early consideration now and discuss it with your club. Clubs are asked to host the team for 4-5 days for social, vocational, cultural and club activities. There will be four or five people in the team and each will need a family to host and at least one vocational day whilst with you.

GSE is a real, hands-on way to get involved in International Vocational Service and an ideal way to encourage your members to participate. Those clubs who put up their hands to host, often plan to do so regularly. *From Graham Wilson GSE Chairman*

The Red Cross Blood donor centre would like to ask you for your assistance. Over this winter blood supplies have been stable. Recently however our blood stocks have been declining, particularly blood type A and blood type O.

**“Blood types A and O are critically low.
Please call 131495 to donate blood.”**

**Do something special. Give blood.
Call 13 14 95 or visit donateblood.com.au**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays: Terry Rohan (2/9), Trevor Duxbury (2/9), Margaret Croft (4/9), Janelle Watson (5/9)
Wedding Anniversaries: Peter & Jan van der Sleen (7/9)
Rotary Anniversaries: A Bala (1/9), Kevin Beltrame (4/9) Domenico Alvaro (5/9)

Make up Options:

100% Attendance is a challenge which is easily attained in your Rotary membership. If you cannot make it to a regular club meeting, try one of the following options. You have 14 days either side of your regular club meeting to make up. Don't forget to let the attendance desk know when you are next at a meeting.

24/7	eClub One	http://www.rotaryclubone.org
Monday	Burwood (pm), Concord (pm), Bankstown (pm)	
Tuesday	Granville (pm), Padstow (pm), Blacktown City (pm)	
Wednesday	Prospect (am), Liverpool Greenway (Lunch)	
Thursday	Breakfast Point (am)	
Friday	Parramatta Daybreak (am)	
Anytime	Rotary Club Activities and Board Meetings	

Meeting Diary

Meeting Date	Topic	Guest Speaker	Special Notes
08/09/2010	Boosting your brain	Dr Helen Popovic	
15/09/2010	Parkinson Support Group	Dick Babb & Alex Borey	
22/09/2010	Iceland	Cate Thomson	Meridan Interact Visit
29/09/2010	Rotary Emergency Services Recognition Awards	Peter Wilson	

Rosters

Meeting Date	Attendance	Fellowship	International Toast	Introduce Guest Speaker	Thank Guest Speaker
01/09/2010	Trevor D	Bradley A	Peter v d S		
08/09/2010	Peter F	Kevin B	Roger V	Connie G	Paul W
15/09/2010	Niall K	Angelo F	Harley T	Paolo G	Ray W
22/09/2010	Stephen T	Kevin F	Janelle W	Trevor D	Ian J
29/09/2010	Allan T	Keith B	Peter M	Doug P	Terry R

Calendar

Date	Event	Involvement	Information
24th October, '10	Strathfield Spring Fair		
26th October, '10	District Golf Championships		
11th December, '10	Carols in the Park		
18—20th March '11	District Conference		
4th May, '11	40th Anniversary Celebrations		
1st July, 2011	Changeover		

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good,
We thank thee for our daily food,
May Rotary friends and Rotary Ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days. AMEN,

APOLOGIES or **Eric Khu** (by 4pm Tuesday)
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