## THE ROTARY CLUB OF ELIZABETH INC



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# **BULLETIN**

#### **MEETING 2545 - MONDAY 16 OCTOBER 2017**

### Report from meeting held on Monday 9 October 2017 at the Grenville Community Connections Hub

President Alan in his opening of the meeting welcomed members – Anthony James, Delwyn Watts, Gay Smallwood-Smith, Lesley Trevilyan, David Adamson, Elizabeth Adamson, Viv Valladares, Raelene Trickett, Jackie Webb, Shirley Halls, Sharka Byrne, and guests Robin Trevilyan from the Rotary Club of Playford, and Mr Ly Luan Le.

Apologies: Margaret Green and Jim Buckoke

Sergeant Lesley gave the toast to the Queen, the people of Australia, and the invocation.

Chairperson P Alan called for spots.

♣ P Alan reminded members that our next Bunnings barbecue is on 24 October and he'll send the roster around soon.

The show Annie is being held at the Shedley Theatre and we have a tentative booking for ten people in row K (for more leg room) on Friday 20 October. We are planning on doing something similar to what we did last time (canapes in the park). Please let Delwyn know. P Alan asked for a show of hands.

The tickets for the Trailer Raffle have been printed so if you are able to take a few books and sell them it would be appreciated; if you have a business it might be an opportunity to have some on the front counter.

P Alan has sent out the invitation to the Raffle Morning Tea to all members; please pass it on to all that may be interested.

Please start thinking about your availability to help in the selling tickets; perhaps it's time to start recruiting friends by selling the idea of it being a couple of hours of light entertainment.

The Playford Pageant has been confirmed and will occur on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017. If you are interested in participating please let P Alan know. We will have two or three floats in the parade.

The Community Carols will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December so please mark that day in your diary as we'll need lots of help as P Alan has been informed that there is a significant drawcard.

- David informed members that he had brought books of tickets for our twenty-fifth Annual Trailer Raffle and asked members to take some books to sell before we start selling them at the Elizabeth City Shopping Centre.
- Elizabeth spoke to Sian Campbell on Friday night, 6 October, who asked if the club would like to nominate someone who "lives, works, plays" in the Playford area for the "Living Life to the Fullest" Awards.

Lesley asked members to bring a friend on Hat Day, Monday 16 October, and to bring a donation for Mental Health.



Ly Luan Le

After dinner Chairperson P Alan introduced our guest speaker, Mr Ly Luan Le. Mr Le is a qualified teacher who escaped Vietnam in 1981 and following a treacherous journey by sea, arrived in the Philippines. While there he developed an English curriculum for refugees at the request of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. After arriving in Australia in 1982 he obtained a Masters degree in Education and became a specialist in teaching English as a Second Language.

Mr Ly Luan Le was born into a family of nine children. With the high cost of education he was the only one in his family to attend university in Saigon where he studied education.

Ly Luan escaped Vietnam in 1981 in a small boat that wasn't meant to travel on the ocean. The boat broke down after a few days. He was rescued by a German boat, called the Vielen Dank. He was taken to a refugee camp in the

Philippines where he started working for the High Commissioner as a "jack of all trades" on his second day in the camp. Within months he had been accepted for resettlement in Australia. Before coming to Australia Mr Le had a wisdom tooth removed in the camp by a Rotarian who was visiting the camp. He thanks the Rotary wheel every time he sees it.

Since coming to Australia Mr Le has been active in the community. One area he has worked towards is recognition of Virginia being important to the Vietnamese community due to the large community of Vietnamese Australian farmers and their contribution to Australia.

Another passion for Ly Luan Le was the establishment of the Vietnam War memorial near Torrens Parade Ground honouring the 41 South Australian Service People who gave the ultimate sacrifice during the Vietnam conflict, and acknowledgement of the contribution of the South Vietnamese people. This took a number of years of negotiating before it became a reality.

No fines were given and there was no raffle.

President Alan then closed Meeting 2544 and thanked everyone for attending.



**Rotarians Gay and Shirley** 

DUTIES	16 OCTOBER	23 OCTOBER	30 OCTOBER	6 NOVEMBER
	2545	2546	2547	2548
Chairperson	Raelene Trickett	Viv Valladares	Jackie Webb	Alan Murphy
Cashier	Anthony James	Anthony James	Anthony James	Anthony James
Visitors	David Adamson	Gay Smallwood- Smith	Jim Buckoke	Sharka Byrne
Regalia	Anthony James	Anthony James	Anthony James	Anthony James
Sergeant	Lesley Trevilyan	Lesley Trevilyan	Lesley Trevilyan	Lesley Trevilyan
Speaker	Sharka Byrne	Glynn Jones - Holdens	Port Adelaide Aviation Museum Visit	Committees

N.B. If you are unable to attend please arrange a replacement for your duties. Thankyou.

<b>DIARY DATES:</b>				
2017	DATE	EVENT	VENUE	TIME
FRIDAY	20 OCTOBER	Annie	Shedley Theatre	8:00pm
TUESDAY	24 OCTOBER	Barbecue	Bunnings	8:00am to 6:00pm
WEDNESDAY	25 OCTOBER	Northern Business	Grand Central	7:00am to 8:30am
		Breakfast		
MONDAY	30 OCTOBER	Museum Visit	Port Adelaide	6:00pm
			Aviation Museum	
SATURDAY	25 NOVEMBER	Playford Pageant		
SATURDAY	2 DECEMBER	Playford Carols		
TBC	TBC	Fire Station Visit	Salisbury Fire	TBC
			Station	



# Who is celebrating in October?

**BIRTHDAYS:** - Shirley Halls 12<sup>th</sup> Ian Murray 18<sup>th</sup> Mayor Glenn Docherty 20<sup>th</sup>

Paula Tose 23rd

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: None INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES: None

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Meet at the Grenville Community Hub, Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth 6:15 p.m. for 6:45 p.m. start

<u>If not attending please send apology to Delwyn Watts – Club Secretary</u> <u>Mobile – 0412 814 394 or Email – delwynwatts46@gmail.com</u>

to assist with catering for meal numbers