THE ROTARY CLUB OF ELIZABETH INC

District 9500 - Charter granted 23 Nov 1966 PO Box 233, Elizabeth SA 5112

> Rotary International President: Barry Rassin District Governor 9500: David Egan AG Group 4: Colin Willington President Elizabeth Rotary: Elizabeth Adamson



BULLETIN

MEETING 2599 – MONDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2019

Report from meeting held on Monday 11 February 2019 at the Playford Civic Centre

President Elizabeth in her opening of the meeting welcomed members – Delwyn Watts, Shirley Halls, Gay Smallwood-Smith, Theo Nitz, Anthony James, David Adamson and Katrina Stroet and guests Sue Hill, CEO Raising Literacy Australia and Janet Leske, Raising Literacy Australia.

Apologies: Sharka Byrne and Eryn Halls

Chairperson Gay gave the toast to the Queen, the people of Australia, and the invocation.

Chairperson Gay called for spots.

♣ P Elizabeth Salisbury is holding a car boot sale on Saturday 24 February. The cost is \$15.00 for a 2x2m area or\$30.00 undercover. Further information, salisburyrotarysales@gmail.com.

David and P Elizabeth met with Sian from the Grenville Centre this afternoon, (Monday 11 February). We discussed a possible change in meals on our 2nd meeting in the month.

The Group 4 Intercity Meeting is on Wednesday 6 March. The cost is \$35.00 per head and includes a drink on arrival. If you would like P Elizabeth to send you the information again, please ask. RSVP is 27 February.

Our meeting on 8 April is a combined meeting with the Lions Club. As it is our turn to host our meeting with Playford Club. P Elizabeth suggested that we also invite them.

- David informed members that the next Northern Business Breakfast will be at the Parafield Gardens Community Club and that bookings need to be made by 4pm on Saturday 23 February.
- → Delwyn informed members that Alan Murphy will fix the ramp for a family on Wednesday 13 February.
- Shirley indicated that the club's usual Clean Up Australia location is very clean. Alternate locations were discussed with the final decision to be made in within 2 days.
- Katrina informed members that at the Civic Events Committee meeting on Wednesday 6 February the Australia Day Breakfast and brought up concerns such as the fire equipment being tied up.



After dinner Chairperson Gay introduced our guest speaker for this evening, Sue Hill, CEO Raising Literacy Australia. Sue grew up in Elizabeth Downs and went to the Downs Primary School. She also attended Fremont High School.

Raising Literacy Australia started in 2002 as the Big Book Club Inc. after Sue had seen poor literacy outcomes from students in schools. Many of these students hadn't been taught their ABC's before starting school and 1 in 4 children aren't read to before they start school.

Sue Hill

They started by giving out baby packs (free reading packs with a variety of books) in 2005 to every child generally given by nurses or libraries. This helps encourage parents to read to and interact with their children with quality books and to take them to libraries.

70% of families who received the packs changed their ways and were reading to their children more. They have now expanded to giving packs out for toddlers and preschool children as well.

The books get packed in one week by about five hundred volunteers and they've now given over fifty thousand books to families. Many vulnerable families need more than three packs though and funding is an ongoing concern.

The raffle was drawn by Sue and won by P Elizabeth.

President Elizabeth closed the meeting.



Rotarian Gay thanking Sue Hill and Janet Leske for coming

| DUTIES | 25 FEBRUARY | 4 MARCH | 6 MARCH | 11 MARCH |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | 2599 | 2600 | 2601 | |
| Dinner | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Chairperson | Delwyn Watts | Committees and | Group 4 Intercity | Adelaide Cup Day |
| | | Board Meeting | Meeting | |
| Cashier | Anthony James | 7pm Start | 6:30pm for 7pm | Public Holiday |
| Visitors | Sharka Byrne | | Para Hills | |
| Regalia | Anthony James | At the Lions Den | Community Club | No Meeting |
| Sergeant | TBC | | | |
| Speaker | Rachael Zalton - | | | |
| | Backpacks For | | | |
| | Kids | | | |

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

| DIARY DATES: | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 2019 | DATE | EVENT | VENUE | TIME |
| MONDAY | 25 FEBRUARY | Joint Meeting with | Playford Civic | 6:30pm for 7pm |
| | | Rotary Club of | Centre | |
| | | Playford | | |
| WEDNESDAY | 27 FEBRUARY | Northern Business | Parafield Gardens | 7am to 8:30am |
| | | Breakfast | Community Club | |
| WEDNESDAY | 6 MARCH | Group 4 Intercity | Para Hills | 6:30pm for 7pm |
| | | Meeting | Community Club | |
| MONDAY | 8 APRIL | Joint Meeting with | | |
| | | The Lions Club of | | |
| | | Elizabeth Playford | | |



Who is celebrating in February?

BIRTHDAYS: - None

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: None

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES: Anthony James 15th

CONTACT DETAILS:- RC of Elizabeth PO Box 233 Elizabeth SA 5112

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Meet at the Grenville Community Hub, Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month 6:15 p.m. for 6:45 p.m. start

<u>If not attending please send apology to Eryn Halls – Club Secretary</u> <u>Mobile – 0408 848 961 or Email – agaparthera@gmail.com</u>

to assist with catering for meal numbers