

MEMBERS' UPDATE

September 2017

Dear AnglicareSA Members,

On Tuesday 22 August we recognised and celebrated the outstanding work of our employees, volunteers and foster carers before an audience of special guests at our annual AnglicareSA Awards ceremony at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre.



The awards recognise and reward excellence in service, achievement and innovation by employees, teams, programs, volunteers, volunteer teams and foster carers over the past 12 months.

I am extremely proud of the great work that Anglicarers do each and every day, and it's always an honour to be able to recognise a few exceptional individuals and teams. As always the stories about the winners were very inspiring, and told a great story about the wide range of work AnglicareSA does in the community.

Congratulations to our award recipients and finalists, and thanks to those who made the effort to nominate them. The full list of award recipients is below.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Individual employee:

Achievement: **Nicole Hunt**
 High Achievement: **Leonie Fuchs**
 Excellence: **Jo Carter Jones**

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Employee team:

Achievement: **Severn Team, Exceptional Needs**
 High Achievement: **HIPPY Elizabeth Home Tutors**
 Excellence: **Bridge View Connected Housing**

Individual volunteer:

Achievement: **Janette Carroll and Don Kimber**
 High Achievement: **Alison Bradshaw**
 Excellence: **Anna Lattas**

STOP PRESS – Anna was also acknowledged at the Anglicare Australia National Awards for Innovation and Excellence, winning the Volunteer Achievement Award.

Volunteer team:

Achievement: **Peppertree Fashions Op Shop Volunteer Team**
 High Achievement: **Lifestyle Volunteer Team Westbourne Park (formerly All Hallows)**
 Excellence: **Elizabeth Mission Gardening & Driver Volunteer Team**



FOSTER CARER AWARD

Recognition: **Jane & Peter Arthur**
 High Recognition: **Karen & Chris Saunders**
 Excellence: **Maureen & Graham Madden**

INNOVATION AWARD

Achievement: **Disability Support Services and AnglicareSA Brompton (formerly Ian George Court)**
 High Achievement: **Emotional Robot, AnglicareSA Westbourne Park**
 Excellence: **Turning Point Program**

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PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Achievement: **Sing-and-Grow, AnglicareSA Elizabeth East** (formerly Canterbury Close)
 High Achievement: **Better Places Stronger Communities - Community Leadership Group**
 Excellence: **Northern Community FoodHub**



CORPORATE AWARD

Achievement: **Gino Bria**
 High Achievement: **Paige Mower**
 Excellence: **Payroll Team**

RECONCILIATION AWARD

Achievement: **Aboriginal Trainee Collaboration**
 High Achievement: **Family Matters SA Working Group**
 Excellence: **Sacred Little Ones**

AnglicareSA Housing's Success in the West



AnglicareSA Housing successfully responded to a State Government tender request in 2016 for a housing transfer parcel consisting of 737 homes and 1444 tenants in the Woodville region. Tenancy and property management of homes from eight western suburbs were transferred to AnglicareSA Housing on 23 September for a period of at least 20 years. This brings the total number of houses managed by AnglicareSA Housing to 1941.

The newest members of the Housing team **Lee Ann Chaplin, Lyn Edwards, Karen Phillips** and **Kevin South** have spent the last ten weeks out and about meeting our new tenants. The team have been answering questions concerning the transfer and assisting people

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with the necessary registration forms. With 737 properties transferring, it has been a big project but everyone involved has put in a great effort!

As an incentive for tenants to complete the registration process by mid-August, our future tenants were given the opportunity to win one of five \$50 Woolworths food vouchers and pictured here are two of our lucky winners Elaine and Dinh receiving their prize!

A new AnglicareSA site office at Kilkenny has been fitted out and we can't wait to replicate the success we have had with Better Places Stronger Communities in Elizabeth Grove/Elizabeth Vale.



Peter Sandeman, The Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith and Premier Jay Weatherill at the opening of our new Kilkenny office on 22 September.

AnglicareSA at Holden Job Expo



Last month **Julie Edis** and **Adris Salih** represented AnglicareSA Home Care at a Holden Job Expo. They joined 65 other companies at the event, which attracted over 1250 attendees, with many showing an interest in the aged care sector. Adris spoke with many people about his transition from manufacturing to aged care. He worked at Holden for 28 years before retraining as a care worker and joining Home Care North two and a half years ago.

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Woodcroft College's lesson in 'Selflessness'

It's great to hear stories of Anglicarers getting out and about in the community and spreading the word about the important work we do here at AnglicareSA. Anglicarer **Louise Smith** recently shared a story about a recent visit she made to Woodcroft College:

"As part of my role as Emergency Assistance (EA) Coordinator I quite often get asked to go and visit donor groups to talk about what we do in the EA program and how much donations mean to us.

Because I am passionate about the work that I do and educating the community about it, I relish the opportunity to talk about it with as many people as possible. This is a part of my role that I truly enjoy!

The Woodcroft College are fantastic partners with AnglicareSA Outer Southern Hub EA Program and always contribute to our hampers each year.

Recently one of the Year 6/7 classes were learning about 'selflessness' and decided to do a collection of winter knitted goods and food for winter. They then presented them to me in the classroom and gave a little speech.



I then went on to do my talk which was about 15 minutes long and proceeded to ask the kids if they had any questions...well... all the arms went up and the questions went on for about half an hour. It was a great day!"

Well done Louise – thanks for sharing your story!

The Picket Fence community – have your say

The Picket Fence community needs you! They have commenced a consultation and planning process inviting people to contribute any ideas about programs and activities that keep St Mary's with AnglicareSA providing a strong and needed community presence.

St Mary's with AnglicareSA is a unique partnership between the Parish of St Mary's and AnglicareSA. The site at 1167 South Road St Mary's includes a Community Centre, Op Shop, and Community Garden.

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The Picket Fence community – so named to reflect the picket fence in front of the church and the association of neighbours chatting over the fence, has a long history of providing community outreach and mission to members of the local community.

If you have an interest in the programs and activities at the Picket Fence, there are various ways you can become involved. You can complete a [survey](#), or add some ideas to the 'Vision Wall' (pictured) set up in the Community Centre, or you may want to have a chat to a member of the consultation Steering Team.

The booklet *One Community* provides more information on how you can become involved. The booklet - along with the *One Community Survey*, is available from St Mary's Church, Picket Fence Community Centre, or online at www.anglicanparishofstmarys.com.au

Please feel free to contact **David Albrecht** (St Mary's with AnglicareSA Coordinator) on 0478 473 345 or david.albrecht@anglicaresa.com.au for any further information, or for a chat. The Picket Fence community looks forward to your contribution.

In the News

Last month I had two opinion editorials published in *The Advertiser*. The first piece was on homelessness and the Don Dunstan Foundation's Zero Project. As I stated, it is clear that the current approach to homelessness isn't working. Drugs, alcohol, domestic violence and mental health issues go hand-in-hand with homelessness, and such services should work together to enable each person to move out of chronic homelessness. The Zero Project will ensure people sleeping rough in the city are known by name and individual needs are identified. It will also bring together the community sector, business groups, council and government agencies to end chronic street homelessness in Adelaide.

The second piece was on marriage equality. I argued that separation of the roles of the church and the state would permit both to determine which relationships they wish to recognise. Adoption of the European system would have a civil service for State sanctioned marriages in a registry office. Those who wish to have their relationships consecrated would have a second ceremony in church. We live in a post Christendom multicultural and multi-faith society, so it is important to recognise we can't simply impose one religion, but must ensure we have religious freedom for all.

Until next month,



The Reverend Peter Sandeman
Chief Executive Officer
AnglicareSA