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2014 Focus: Living with Numbers



Forum on Financial literacy

Date: 9th May 2014
 Where: Education Development Centre Hindmarsh
 Time: 9.00 am–11.30 am

Put this date in your diary
 Come along and listen to our guest speakers present on a range of programs to support adults to improve their financial literacy skills
 More info to follow...

Executive Committee 2014 roles and responsibilities

Office Bearers

President
 Vice President
 Secretary
 Treasurer
 ACAL Representative

Michele Sutcliffe
 Vicki Hartman
 Stuart Jones
 Teresa Howie
 Kita Scott

Other positions

Literacy Matters Website
 Public officer
 CEASA representative
 2015 ACAL Conference Committee Chair
 Membership Database

Penne Skewes
 Sue James
 Vicki Hartman
 Stuart Jones
 Kita Scott
 Jen Zhao

For the full listing of Committee members, please see page 3

E-Links

- www.skillsworkshop.org
- www.esolcourses.com
- <http://readtheory.org>

Ipad Apps

- British Council
- Collins Business Grammar
- Real English Grammar Essential
- Learn English (Listening)

National Adult Language, Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Conference 2014

ACER's third annual national adult language, literacy and numeracy assessment conference aims to address the issue of lifelong learning and how to improve work and life skills for youth and adults by investing in programs, policies and practices that target the core skills of literacy and numeracy.

Registrations close 25 April 2014

Conference dates: 1–2 May

Location: Melbourne

For further information visit:
<http://www.acer.edu.au/nallnac>

Jane Gunn (20th April 1955 – 20th October 2013)



Jane Elizabeth
GUNN
20th April 1955 -
20th October 2013

Jane Gunn

Past President of the South Australian Council for Adult Literacy and SACAL representative on the Australian Council for Adult Literacy.

Jane passed away after a long illness on October 20th 2013 and will be remembered for her passionate work and advocacy in the field of adult literacy.

Jane's strong leadership and guidance as president of SACAL and as a member of ACAL ensured South Australia was always well informed and represented in all areas of Adult Literacy.

She also worked with community organisations to create opportunities for adult learners who experienced exclusion from work and social life and she focussed on the literacy needs of women who had experienced domestic violence.

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6th Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations

Thursday, 13th February, saw Australians (Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal) around the various states came together in recognition of the 6th Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations. I attended the Anniversary breakfast held at the Adelaide Convention Centre where I was one of over 600 people from various organisations and communities who came together on this day.

In the absence of Professor Peter Buckskin (co-chair Reconciliation SA), the Honourable Dr Robyn Layton AO QC (Co-chair of Reconciliation SA) shared MC duties with Joel Bayliss. Both did an amazing job. We were welcomed to Country by Auntie Josie Agius, who as always is a treat to hear her speak so fluently in Kurna.

This was followed by the Timpilypa Ceremony/ Music Sticks, a ceremony honouring the Stolen Generations and which is part of continuing the journey of healing. The message of the Timpilypa began back on the 5th May 1999, where representatives of the Stolen Generations from each state and territory were invited to Uluru by the Mutitjulu community, as an expression of “Welcome Back” to the Stolen Generation and who were invited to also participate in an Inma (Ceremonial Dance).

The Mutitjulu elders then handed the music sticks to each representative of the Stolen Generations who in turn passed the music sticks to a non-Aboriginal representative in recognition that the

“Journey of Healing” is a shared journey, with a non-Aboriginal representative placing the sticks in the coolaman. The meeting at Ulura represented the Heart of Australia, and healing comes from the Heart.

This journey of the message sticks was mirrored at yesterday’s breakfast, where representatives of the Stolen generation, handed the music sticks to a non-Aboriginal representative, until the Honourable Ian Hunter, MLC, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs & Reconciliation received the message sticks and laid them into the coolaman, symbolising the return of the Stolen Generation. We were also privileged to hear “Brutha ‘n’ I” – Jake and Scott Rathman who are not only talented guitar players but singers too, who gave a beautiful rendition of Brown Skin Baby and 1000 Feet .

This was then followed by an address by keynote speaker Ken Wyatt AM MP, Member for Hasluck in Western Australia. Ken shared his story, as the son of a member of the Stolen Generation. Ken spoke of the Former Prime Minister, Mr Kevin Rudd and the “Apology”, given six years ago and how the apology had assisted him in his healing process.

Vicki Hartman
(SACAL Executive Committee Member)

Do you have a story to share?

An event coming up?

Or Job Vacancies?

Send your information through to info@sacal.sa.edu.au along with your name and a contact phone number (for the editorial committee)

As a guide, articles of 500 words fit to one page of the newsletter. Longer articles will be considered but no promises can be made as to their publication.

Requests for advertising may also be submitted, for consideration by the SACAL Executive Committee.



[Details of our Executive Committee for 2014](#)

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Jen Zhao	Coordinator, Applied Learning	TAFE SA, City Campus

**Our website is being upgraded.
You can still access the current one.
Stay tuned for our "new look" web presence**

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Updates from our first professional development session (9th May) on "Financial Literacy"