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President's Corner from Cr Betty Gill JP

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Diamond Do Dinner - ALGWA SA Event highlights:

❖ Congratulations to inaugural Grace Benny Award Winners and Participants

The inaugural Grace Benny Awards were announced at Diamond Dinner celebrating 60th anniversary of national ALGWA. Congratulations to our Metropolitan winner: **Cr Anna Leombruno** from Campbelltown Council and to our Rural winner: **Cr Julie Reis** from District Council of Grant. Thank you to our other participants: **Cr Rosalie Chirgwin** (Kangaroo Island Council), **Cr Mirella Honner** (City of Salisbury), **Cr Claire Boan** (City of Port Adelaide Enfield) and **Area Cr Natasha Malani** (City of Adelaide).

The Grace Benny Scholarship Award, provided by the Australian Local Government Women's Association South Australian Branch Inc (ALGWA SA), celebrates Grace's pioneering spirit by offering the opportunity for two women elected members (one from a Metropolitan Council, one from a Rural Council) to be awarded a scholarship of \$500 each to be put towards a cause that will enhance their skills as an elected member.

❖ Unley Council awarded First Silver Gender Equity Award in South Australia

Cr Darrieta Turley, national President ALGWA, presented Equity Gender Awards:

- Silver Level Award to **Unley Council**
- Bronze Level Awards to **Campbelltown, Tea Tree Gully and Salisbury Councils.**

Councils apply for accreditation across three levels - bronze, silver and gold and must move through these levels sequentially. The accreditation and identification of councils as 50:50 Vision employers of choice will make it easier for councils to attract and keep strong female candidates and officers.

Congrats also to Cr Turley who has been selected to represent Australia at the 56th Session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in 2012 in New York.



Unley Council Mayor (R) accepts Silver Award from Cr Darrieta Turley (far L).



Unley Council team with Gender Equity Silver Award.



Salisbury Council CEO John Harry (L) Mayor Aldridge & Cr Betty Gill (far R) accept Gender Equity Bronze Award



Mayor Smith (L) & CEO Di Rogowski (R) accepts Tea Tree Gully Gender Equity Bronze Award



A former ALGWA SA President Yvonne Caddy cuts the ALGWA 'Diamond' cake.



Cr Jill Whittaker (L) accepts Campbelltown Council's Gender Equity Bronze Award

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