

The Rotary Club of Subiaco



The Esther Foundation - our Guest Speaker

This week, our Club was addressed by two ladies from the Esther Foundation, which helps young women who have had issues with drug misuse, homelessness etc. Our guest speaker was Patricia Lavater, but she delegated most of the presentation to Tina Damasco.

Tina told us that Esther have 7 houses in South Perth in which the young ladies can rehabilitate. Tina told us that she had been a heroin user for many years, and how her life has been transformed after going through the Foundation's rehabilitation course.

At the moment, the Foundation is very busy and all their houses are full. They provide a variety of training and experiences during their rehabilitation courses, from self help discussion groups to cooking and motherhood classes. They have had parents bringing their 14 year old daughters to them, pleading for help – in most cases, good families looking for help with children that they cannot control. All are taught to lead a healthy lifestyle with a full on programme.

From the questions asked and the answers given, members and guests at the meeting found this presentation very interesting and challenging.