



WOMEN'S REAL ESTATE NETWORK
Connecting women in the real estate industry

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Network raises funds for Rachel's family

More than 70 women working in the real estate industry have attended a fundraising function in memory of 23-year-old property manager Rachael Myring, who was shot dead at a Brisbane Elders Real Estate office in January.

The fundraiser, organised by the Women's Real Estate Network Brisbane South Branch, raised more than \$3,400 for Rachael's family through entry tickets, raffles, auction items and donations.

WREN Branch Manager Lenore Sieber, from RE/MAX United Vision, said the money had been forwarded to Rachael's partner Nathan Edwards and their three-year-old son Jacob.

Nathan and Rachael had been planning their wedding and were renovating a home they had only recently purchased. A devastated Nathan, also an Elders employee, said the couple had been looking forward to the future. He was represented at the WREN luncheon by Phillis Pearson, Amy Stamp and Glynis Binder, colleagues from the Elders Real Estate Logan City/Marsden branch.

Elders Real Estate Queensland Franchise Manager Keith Walker was overwhelmed by the donation. "Just the fact that the Women's Real Estate Network took the time to do this is incredible," he said.

"The real estate industry tends to be so insular that it's not until a tragic event like this that you are forced to look outside your own office. It's a big thing that people within the industry, from across different real estate groups, stopped to think about how they could help in this tragic situation.

"I congratulate WREN for their efforts and thank them sincerely for such an outstandingly generous result."

Lenore said women from across Brisbane had been bighearted in their support of the fundraiser which featured auctioneer and renowned real estate identity Anne Lindsay as guest speaker.

"We greatly appreciate Anne's involvement in the event and thank her for her wise words and spirited auctioning," Lenore said. "Some of our luncheon guests were so very generous with their bidding and we truly thank them. Special recognition must also go to corporate sponsors domain.com.au, Caseco, Rent Pay, Console, Real Estate Dynamics and RE/MAX Australia for giving either cash or prize donations to the cause."

Lenore said WREN was founded in Brisbane in 2006 with the aim of connecting women working in the real estate industry.

“Providing information to women about personal safety while at work has been an important issue for WREN which acknowledges female salespeople and support staff often find themselves working alone with strangers or in confrontational situations,” she said. “Therefore, we felt it was only fitting that we offered our support to a colleague in a time of great need.”

For more information about the Women’s Real Estate Network, visit www.wren.net.au.

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