

A busy social schedule for the NTWLA

I am pleased to report that the dinner at the Hanuman Restaurant was a great success. The Chief Justice spoke revealingly about his life and times growing up in Adelaide and graciously withstood the good-natured heckling from some senior members of the profession.

The Chief Justice was presented with a print by Jimmy Pike as a gift for giving up his Friday night. The print came from Framed Art Gallery. There were two prizes given on the night. The door prize, a dinner for two at E'voo Restaurant kindly donated by SkyCity, was won by Katherine Oldfield. Kate Hughes won the raffle prize which was a generous \$200 travel voucher from Travellers' World. Thanks to both SkyCity and Travellers' World

for their kind donations.

The women lawyers of Alice Springs enjoyed the company of the Hon Justice Murray at dinner at The Lane in Alice Springs on 26 October 2004. Sally Gearin (Barrister from Darwin) and Meredith Dixon (Barrister from Adelaide) also attended. Justice Murray was the second female Judge to be appointed after the late Dame Roma Mitchell.

The next event for the Alice Springs women lawyers is a dinner on Wednesday 1 December, with Magistrate Melanie Little as a guest speaker. Please call Helen Nicholls (Povey Stirk) on 8952 6400 to book your place. More events are planned for next year are planned.

I attended the Australian Women Lawyers (AWL) face-to-face meeting on 6 November 2004. It was an all day meeting and the AGM was held at the end of the day. The new AWL President is Noor Blumer (ACT), Vice President is Jane Knowler (SA), the Treasurer



NTWLA President, Gabrielle Martin

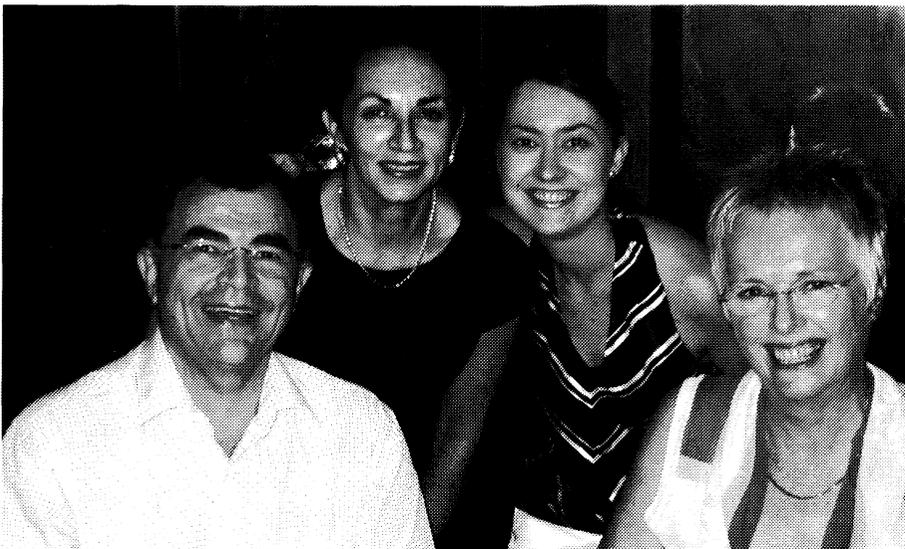
is Marilyn Bartole (NSW) and I am the new Secretary.

The priorities for AWL for the next year were decided by the Board. Priorities which were identified include: a National Equal Opportunity Briefing Policy; child care issues; a national internet directory for Barristers; nationwide gender-based statistics on appearances of barristers study; the issue of an Australian version of "Empowerment and Leadership"; part-time Practising Certificates; Mentoring; Reciprocal Rights; and the AWL Employer of Choice Award. The next AWL face-to-face meeting is planned for May next year in Darwin.

The next NTWLA event is the Christmas party on Tuesday 21 December 2004. Please RSVP Danielle on 8999 6083. ①



Leigh Martin presents Kate Hughes with first prize in the raffle.



Chief Justice Brian Martin, Gabrielle Martin, Jodi Mather and Leigh Martin at the NTWLA dinner at the Hanuman in Darwin.



Sally Gearin, Justice K A Murray AO and Meredith Dixon at the NTWLA dinner held in Alice Springs.