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## LEA SERVICE AWARD

## Rosilyn Frieberg

## For services to Lutheran schooling 1978 – 2017

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Rosilyn Frieberg to Lutheran education over a period of forty years.

Rosilyn started in the Lutheran school system in 1978 when she joined the staff of Concordia Lutheran College in Toowoomba as a teacher of Commerce, Accounting and Economics, serving as a subject co-ordinator in two of these disciplines. In her thirteen years of service she excelled in the classroom and also took on many other responsibilities. The chief one was the role of Senior Mistress which, for two years, included being in charge of Girls Boarding. She contributed broadly to the school program including the teaching of Mathematics, Christian Studies and Geography. She could turn her talents to anything: calling at bush dances, running ballgame carnivals, coaching volleyball, assisting with eleven musicals as wardrobe mistress as well as overseeing social activities for boarders.

In 1991 Rosilyn moved to Brisbane to take on the position of Assistant to the Headmaster at Redeemer Lutheran College in Rochedale. She continued teaching Economics, where she was also the Subject Coordinator, and Accounting. In 1999 she took on more responsibility as Assistant Head – Administration. In 2002 she was appointed to the position of Deputy Head of College, followed by Deputy Principal, and is currently Assistant to the Principal. At all times, Rosilyn has performed her duties with distinction. One of her many areas of responsibility at Redeemer has been the huge co-curricular program. Besides being in charge of the area generally, she has personally produced fourteen college musicals over 23 years, an astonishing contribution in itself. Added to these accomplishments Rosilyn has actively assisted with the school magazine, ball games, the arts and crafts festival, Redeemer Fair, the Student Representative Council and environmental committee.

Rosilyn is an acknowledged curriculum leader and highly professional teacher. She has acted as a panel chair for Economics both at regional and state levels, and is a respected member and former secretary of the Queensland Economics Teachers Association. Her students regularly win prizes in state and national competitions. This excellence in teaching has been consistent throughout her career and is strongly evident for her final cohort in 2017. Within the Lutheran Church of Australia Queensland District, she has served on various committees involved with education, Lutheran Youth of Queensland, affirmative action, tertiary ministries and human resources.

Two characteristics pervade all her endeavours. The first is her amazing ability to manage a high degree of complex organisation. Rosilyn works hard and everything she does is performed with determined skill and attention to detail. The second is a caring heart. Rosilyn is concerned for the welfare of the people with whom she works and is always in the background making sure they are looked after, especially in difficult, taxing or vulnerable times. Motivated by her Christian faith, she is both efficient and loving.

Rosilyn is a fine Christian leader who forged a pathway for many other Lutheran women leaders to follow. Her faithful and conscientious service to the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service in Lutheran schools, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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