



Zonta Club of Caboolture Inc Charter Date: August 3, 1993 District 22 ... Area 1 Club Number 1428

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### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Well as I write this I sign off as the President of the Zonta Club of Caboolture Inc.

Thank you to Pam B, Glenda and Joanne for the wonderful table decorations, flower arrangements, menu etc and to the club for my beautiful orchid.

I have enjoyed my two years as President and I wish

Diary Date:

District Conference on 27/28 September.

Carole and her board all the best.

President Patricia

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE TREASURER!!

Treasurer's report should have been received by now.

The cost per member for our dinner meetings is \$30. The club charges us \$25 per meal with the other \$5.00 being for club expenses ie guest speakers dinner, guest speakers gift, stamps etc

**If you miss a meeting** regardless of apology, you need to pay \$5.00 at the next meeting you attend.

If you are <u>unable</u> to attend a meeting please give <u>Patricia</u> a telephone call on 5498 6066 or 0410 617 825. If she <u>doesn't hear from you by midday Monday PRIOR</u> to the meeting she will presume that you are attending. If you then unable to attend after this time you will be liable for the cost of the meal - \$30.00.

We are charged for 20 meals <u>regardless</u> of how many attend our dinner meetings

Treasurer, Pam B



**JUNE BIRTHDAYS** 

Joanne (something ending with a "0") on 14 June (Patricia is so kind but I'm excited about turning 50!)
Birthday wishes also go to ex Zontian Cathy who turned another number ending in a "0" on 24 May



#### **SERVICE**

Nothing to report this month from Carole.

Thankyou Sara for hosting our Breast Cushion Stuffing Day on Sunday.







# FINANCE AND FUND RAISING

Please remember to ask friends and family if they have any SHOES or HANDBAGS that they would like to donate to our fundraiser. Please bring them along to our Cake and Coffee Meeting. If we collect enough then we will hold this fundraiser in July.



We have 3 Bunnings BBQ's coming up later in the year. They are in September, October and November. A Roster nomination form will be circulated closer to the time.

Sara, Chairman







**MEMBERSHIP** 

Roaring Twenties" themed 20th Birthday Cocktail Luncheon:



The movie "The Great Gatsby" currently showing around Australia should provide loads of Jazz Age costume ideas for members, HonZons and friends celebrating our two decades since formation on 03 August 1993. This is not decadent, but magnificent! We are the seventh Zonta Club formed in Queensland – Lucky Seven!

**Date**: Saturday 03 August 2013 **Time**: 12:00 noon to 2.30pm

**Venue**: "The Place 2 b", 120 Mt Mee Road, Delaney's Creek – left at the D'Aguilar Hotel and a little way along on the right hand side; a well sign-posted cream/white low-set building with ample off-road parking and wheelchair access. We will be at one end of the main building behind Chinese style screens (very appropriate Roaring Twenties décor) so that other patrons can use the verandahs.

**Menu:** Warm and cold savoury and sweet finger foods should cater for all dietary requirements.

**Drinks**: Two non-alcoholic drinks per person will be included and further soft drinks, juices, tea and coffee are available at individual cost. BYO Alcohol would cost approximately \$1.00 per person corkage for EVERY person but this would be unfair for the several members who do not drink alcohol.

**Cost:** This should be available in mid-June and then an invitation will be emailed to all members. A deposit is required late June.

Therefore happy flappers and slick dudes please start thinking about your Roaring Twenties costume as the date is just a few month away.

Sandra Cooke for Chairman Chris

# **UNITED NATIONS REPORT**

Nothing from Lorraine, this month, however you might be interested to know the following from:



The United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) and UN Women have urged Afghan authorities to step up their efforts to ensure the full implementation of the law on the Elimination of Violence against Women (EVAW), in line with their international commitments.

The EVAW law contributes to deterring harmful practices and protecting women from violence in their daily lives.



UNWomen Australia are working to raise \$50,000 to secure a brighter future for women and girls in Afghanistan.

Decades of war in Afghanistan have prevented many women and girls from accessing education, health and support services. As a result of the conflict, 2.2 million women – 12 per cent of the population - are widows. Every day they face extreme poverty and economic insecurity.

- 87 per cent of women in Afghanistan have experienced at least one form of domestic violence; including physical, sexual, or psychological violence or forced marriage.
- Targeted attacks on civilian women and children as they go to work or school have increased by 20 per cent in the last year.
- Only 12 per cent of Afghan women aged 15 and over are literate.
- Between 60-80 per cent of marriages in Afghanistan are forced.
- Female political candidates are the target of 90 per cent of all threats against candidates in Afghanistan.
- Only 16 per cent of peace agreements in the last two decades have contained a reference to women and gender.

For information on how to make a donation:

http://www.everydayhero.com.au/event/womenonfrontlinetax appeal.

For more information on the Australian National Committee for UN Women visit www.unwomen.org.au.

## Advocacy

Nothing from Chris, this month, however you might be interested to know the following from:

Last Thursday, 23 May 2013 was the first International Day to End Obstetric Fistula. Zonta International has donated US\$1.9 million to UNFPA since 2008 to prevent and treat obstetric fistula in Liberia.

The following is some abstracts from the " **Statement on** the Occasion of the International Day to End Obstetric Fistula

by Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, United Nations Under-Secretary General and UNFPA Executive Director ":

An estimated 2 to 3 million women and girls in developing countries are living with obstetric fistula, a condition that has been virtually eliminated in industrialized nations.

Obstetric fistula is preventable and in most cases treatable, and yet more than 50,000 new cases develop each year.

The victims of obstetric fistula are women and girls, usually poor, often illiterate, who have limited access to health services, including maternal and reproductive health care. In an age of rapid globalization in which mobile and etechnologies have changed the face of human communications and revolutionized the frontiers of science and medicine, it is unconscionable that the poorest, most vulnerable women and girls continue to suffer needlessly from this scourge. These vulnerable women and girls are at the heart of UNFPA's efforts to ensure that every pregnancy is wanted, every child birth is safe, and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

UNFPA leads and coordinates the Campaign to End Fistula, working with its partners for the past decade to make fistula as rare in developing countries as it is in the industrialized world.

On this first-ever International Day to End Obstetric Fistula, let us redouble our efforts to put an end to this grave global injustice. By raising awareness and support, including funding, we can make this a "game-changing" year for fistula. Working together, we can end the shame, end the isolation, and end fistula"

Date Claimer – 25 August for our Club's Birthing Kit Assembly Day.

#### CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS REPORT

Nothing to report this month from Sandra

In Closing, I would like to thank every member of our club, past and present for your wonderful support whilst I have been Vice President. I would especially like to thank Patricia for her friendship, leadership and dedication to our club during our biennium. Equally, I would like to thank Pam Berkett and Glenda Moor for their work as Treasurer and Secretary respectively and for opening their homes and hospitality for board meetings.

Congratulations to the new Board! Joanne



Nothing to report this month.

However, I trust that you have all had the opportunity to look at our photos from the Change-Over Dinner. Thanks again to Edith and Joanne for bringing their cameras.

Glenda Moor Chairman