



# BeauZontian

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear fellow Zontians,

I write this the day before the Country Music Muster in the Park. I hope this day will be a great financial success for the Club and enjoyable for the volunteers working on our stall providing delicious morning teas and snacks.

You will be pleased to know that we get to do it all again in two weeks time. We have been asked once again to provide sandwiches, cakes and slices at the 4Real Milk Open Day on Sunday 26 June 2016 from 10 am till 3 pm. So don't put the baking trays away just yet. We will not be doing tea and coffee as other organisations will be providing those but Ellen is negotiating for us to do soft drinks, poppers and water. This was a great fundraiser for our club last year and also for *beyondblue*. The roster for this event will be available at our meeting on 21 June.

We have been advised by the RSL Club that the cost of dinner at our monthly meetings will be increased to \$22.50 per person from June. Members will still pay \$25.00 to Pam but it means that the Club will only make \$2.50 per person to go towards our administrative funds. Also, if we have fewer than 10 attending our meeting we will need to order from the bistro menu. Our Treasurer Ellen will keep an eye on this for now, but we may need to revise the cost next year.

On a very cool morning on 7 June, the Board members met over coffee/breakfast for a planning meeting. It was great to have such an enthusiastic start to our new Zonta Year. A calendar of club events for 2016/2017 has been drawn up and tasks allocated to the various committees. You will receive an email from me indicating who is on each of our committees before the June meeting.

Sadly, Grahame and I are travelling to Denman in the Hunter Valley tomorrow for his sister, Leonne's funeral on Tuesday. Some of you met her at our coffee morning in February. Her diagnosis of terminal cancer last September didn't slow her down until the last couple of weeks. She was very courageous. We will be back on Friday and I look forward to catching up with you all at our June meeting.

Yours in Zonta

*Anne*

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*Dinner meeting next Tuesday (21st) at  
Beaudesert R.S.L at 6:30pm.*

*New committees will meet at 6:00 pm*

*Our guest speaker will be our new librarian, Sue Prenzler, who is keen to tell us her new ideas for the Beaudesert Library.*

**OTHER DIARY DATES:**

**May:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> coffee at Everyday's at 10.00 am. In fact mark all the last Thursdays in the month in your diary.

**June:** Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> , the 4Real Milk open day at the dairy. More about that at the meeting.

**July:** 2-6<sup>th</sup> is the World Convention in Nice. Ellen is going to be there, soaking up the summer sun there in Nice before cruising from Amsterdam to Budapest. Yum! I think we will invite Jim and Ellen to talk about their adventures at the August meeting so bring your partners and make Jim feel welcome.



Coffee & Chat



Well I did get a reply when I mentioned there were no birthdays in June or July, as Pam Greenway is in July – is there anyone else I have missed?

Speaking of Pam, remember to let her know if you can't be at the meeting otherwise you will have to pay for the meal. Also let her know if you have a guest and of course, you can bring someone whenever you would like.

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We have a "Get Well Soon" again this month and it is for our newest member, Carolyn. I trust you are coming along in leaps and bounds and hope to see you on Tuesday night.

Robin, Pennie and Margaret taking advantage of a break in business at the Rotary country music day.

Note the ancillary workers in the background, David, Burton and John. Thanks to all who contributed to the day. We were a little

disappointed overall but we added some dollars to the coffers.

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## Zonta International news I noticed on the website:

Before Convention someone from the ZIF visits the sites of each project and here is the report on the Obstetric Fistula program in Liberia from January to December 2015.

In cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Zonta International has supported the Liberia Fistula Project since 2008. In that time, Zonta has contributed US\$2.55 million to improve the health and socio-economic status of women and young girls in Liberia.

### RESULTS

The project's goal was to surgically treat 125 women by December 2015. During the reporting period, a total of 161 women were recruited and screened, of which **154 patients** were treated.

**Forty-three (43) women** successfully completed their training program, graduated and were reintegrated into their communities. In October, **22 of them** successfully completed the four to six months training cycle and graduated.

**One hundred sixty (160)** community health volunteers and community leaders were trained as fistula advocates through strategic stakeholders' advocacy meetings.

Other indirect beneficiaries include about **500,000 women, girls, men and boys** who were sensitized on fistula prevention through door-to-door community awareness outreach, advocacy meetings, live radio talk shows and airing of jingles on fistula prevention in six counties.

To read the rest of this article and lots of interesting stories of things that are happening in clubs all around the world log onto [Zonta.org](http://Zonta.org)

You need your Club membership number but if you haven't registered and need help ask me.

I noticed also that the Ipswich club is helping to start another club in the Greater Springfield area. This is one of 37 clubs being mentored around the world as listed in the "Membership Tools" area of the website.

***Appreciation can make a day, even change a life. Your willingness to put it into words is all that is necessary.***

**Margaret Cousins**

*Would you like to put something in the newsletter? Let me know by the Wednesday before the dinner meeting. [oleander@tpg.com.au](mailto:oleander@tpg.com.au)*

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