



ZONTA Club of Roma

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status of women.*

Newsletter – June 2009

District 22 Governor: Vicki Varthas

Area 4 Director: Robyn Burton-Ree

President's Report Jill Sabine

Dear Members

The end of year is fast approaching and this month will see us saying farewell to Denise who is leaving for new adventures in Beaudesert. I am sure I speak for everyone, Denise when I say that you will be sorely missed and that you will be a valuable addition to the Zonta Club of Beaudesert.

With Denise leaving us we will require someone to step up and take on the responsibility of the Monthly Newsletter.

Our PR Committee have been very active in providing us with interesting speakers and last meeting was no exception. Noela gave us a very informative view into the activities of the Maranoa Regional Council and particularly her role as the Manager of Community Development. Thank you ladies and we look forward to our next speaker in October.

At the end of the last meeting Barbara put forward the idea of applying for a grant to go towards building a rotunda, somewhere in town, as a gift to the community from the Zonta Club of Roma. I would like everyone to give this idea some serious thought as the Volunteer Grant Program closes on the 25th of September. I think it is a wonderful opportunity for us as a club to leave a legacy to the Roma community.

Our Status of Women Committee once again hosted a very successful Seniors Morning Tea at the Arts Centre. We catered for approximately thirty of our Senior Citizens who from all accounts thoroughly enjoyed the morning. Thanks to Vicki and her committee.

Following up on the emails that I have sent this month, I would like to thank those of you who have responded. We will be gathering at Heather Hall's place for our Honzons Dinner this month. Thank you, Heather. I have received some responses regarding the venue for the Christmas Party. At this stage it looks like the Muckadilla Pub is heading the list. Please put forward your suggestions, otherwise we will go with the Pub and look into hiring a bus for the evening.

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Member Responsibilities

- Attend Club and relevant committee meetings and club events
- Pay all dues, fees and assessments promptly
- Be familiar with club bylaws and parliamentary procedure
- Participate actively in meetings and deliberations and accept majority rules
- Accept leadership roles and give time, talent and enthusiasm to the organization
- Identify and suggest prospective new members

Board Responsibilities

- Develop goals and monitor progress towards their achievement
- Supervise the affairs of the club between meetings, without conflict to club actions
- Recommend, but not determine, policy, projects and donations for adoption by the club
- Receive reports of the committees
- Review financial reports
- Evaluate unexcused absences and member resignations
- Approve leave of absence for a specific period of time
- Consider budgets and present them to membership for adoption.

I feel we need to reconnect ourselves with our role as members, why we joined Zonta, what we would like to receive from Zonta, what we can contribute to Zonta and what we would like to achieve as an individual as well as a club.

Finally, just a quick reminder that our next meeting is our Honzons Dinner at Heathers on Tuesday 22nd, Lesley Dillon is hosting a BBQ at her place on Friday 18th and Food & Fire is Saturday 12th. Hope to see you all there.

Jill Sabine

PS Welcome back Jenny

**Please let Lesley Dillon know if you will not be attending the meeting on Tuesday. 46224549.....46223122
In the absence of an apology, an invoice for \$15 will be sent to non-attending members to cover the cost of their meal.**

Finance & Fundraising Jenny Loughnan

My thanks to Denise for doing a wonderful job with the Newsletter, she always has things set out so clearly with all the information we need. As a chairperson I value her comments and suggestions with my reports and thank her for all her assistance over the years. I am sure the lady who takes on this role will be well tutored and find the task quite easy with the hardest job being to get us to write the reports and in on time. Thank you, Denise.

Once again the Fin and Fun ladies have not had a meeting but I think we are all aware of the "happenings". I am still desperate for Art Union Ticket Sellers on a few dates, please look to your diaries/calendars and fellow Zontians and decide on a day that you can sit for a few hours and chat. (I can always apply for another .

Food and Fire Festival this Saturday, markets start at 2.30 pm according to the program I have seen on the walls around town so think I will set up at about 2 so I can get tent, trailer and goods into position without a lot of hassle. I have a couple of volunteers lined up but a few more would be handy, please let me know a time you are available so we don't have a feast or famine situation. I shall be there the whole time so you can contact me on 0488553395 if your situation changes. There was talk of a crowd of 4000 so it could be huge, maybe bigger than Ben Hur.

Hope to hear from you re Art Union ticket selling.

p.s. Thank you to Janice for holding the treasury reins while I was away.

P R Committee Kell Freeman

Noela Ward, from the Maronoa Regional Council was our speaker last month and she has given us a few ideas about how we might access support for projects from the Council. We won't have a speaker this month at the Honzon Dinner.

The September Dinner meeting will be our last with Denise Martin as she prepares to move to Beaudesert - this has all happened so quickly and we will miss Denise's experience and advice on the PR committee. Thank you, and our very best wishes, Denise.

It has long been an ambition of Denise's to get everyone in the club to register on the Zonta Website. Let's try and achieve this for her by our next meeting so she can leave feeling she's fulfilled this mission. IT'S EASY. All you need is your membership number which you'll find on the address page with your Zontian Magazine, then visit www.zonta.org, go to 'Members' Login', click on 'Login Help', and follow the prompts. Please ask us if you'd like help, it doesn't take long.

NEWSLETTER: Denise has prepared our newsletter, and we need someone to take it on. If you could be at all interested, please contact her and she can explain what it entails.

Please note when you have meeting duties and arrange to swap with someone if you're unable to fulfil.

Yours in Zonta, Kell Freeman.

LATE NEWS: Kerri Hacker has offered to do the newsletter. Thank you Kerri.

U N Officer Stellarose Owens

SEPTEMBER ROSTER

DUTY	ZONTIAN	DATE
Blessing	Denise Martin	22nd September
Objects	Vicki Holberton	22nd September
Raffle	Kell & Maree Geraghty	22nd September
MOW	Betty Bates	23rd September

Reminder – If you are unable to do your rostered task, please arrange a swap.

Zonta Dates to Remember

- **18th September - Get-together at the Dillon residence**
- **22nd September - Dinner Meeting at Heather Hall's**
- **25th September 2009 - District 22 Conference - Townsville - it's not too late to register**
- **17th October - Zonta Race Day**



*In October both Kell Freeman (4th) and Jenny Loughnan (8th) celebrate their birthdays.
Have a lovely day ladies.*

A note from me:

Being a member of Zonta has opened my world. I have made some good friends in Roma, had the opportunity to travel to World Conventions and make international friends.

It has opened my eyes to how many women in this world need our help and what a great job we are able to do from the comfort of our own homes. I urge you to continue to think globally and to support the Zonta International projects.

I look forward to joining the Beaudesert Club and continuing in this great organisation.

Thank you for your friendship. dm