



BeauZontian

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear fellow Zontians,

The last couple of weeks have been rather trying for us all weatherwise. We have gone from dry, almost drought conditions to inundation within a very short time. Grahame and I had a Sunday drive around the district and were quite shocked by the state of local roads and river crossings, not to mention fences down on many properties. I hope the area can recover quickly from this disaster.

By now you would have heard that our club has been selected to hold the Areas 1 & 3 Meeting in 2018. Ellen is negotiating with staff at the Centre to see if it is available on any of the dates given to us. At this stage, it is looking like either 17th or 24th March. This will give us a little breathing space after International Women's Day and our 30th Anniversary of Charter celebrations. We will keep you up to date as more information becomes available.

The Nomination Committee has been working to fill the slate over the last few weeks. I look forward to welcoming those who have agreed to hold positions on our new board at the Annual General Meeting next Tuesday. To those who have agreed to continue in their position for another year I am very grateful. Our current board has been a great asset to our club during 2016/2017.

The organising committee for the Changeover Dinner will be holding a meeting on 21st April to work out the final details for the evening. I will be asking for suggestions for the committee at our General Meeting on Tuesday. The District Governor, Ans van Erp, and Area 3 Director, Elaine Harrington, will be our guests and the evening will be a highlight of our 2017 Zonta Calendar.

Please remember that dues of \$150 should be paid during April. Treasurer Ellen can provide bank account details for electronic transfer or bring along cheque or cash to the meeting.

I look forward to catching up with you all next Tuesday evening.

Yours in Zonta

Anne

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This Tuesday, 18th is one of our busy nights. It starts at 5 pm with the Board meeting, Then at 6.00 pm it is our AGM which is followed by our General meeting. There are no committee meetings. Also a reminder for the committee chairmen to present their reports.

As we were informed by email earlier in the week, Pam's email has been down so she has asked if you WILL NOT be attending the Zonta meeting on April 18, 2017 at the RSL - please ring her on 0432 192 212 - not sure if the house phone 5546 9863 is working either.

It's time to pay your annual fees. If you can pay them by Direct Deposit:

Zonta Club of Beaudesert Area Inc

BSB: 084 536 A/C: 39-636-5064

Ref: (Your name please)

If not please bring your \$150, cash or cheque to the meeting so Ellen can get it all sorted

CHARTER DINNER ...

We have made the booking at the RSL for our 30th anniversary and the date is Saturday, 24th February 2018.

Obviously we will make plans further on down the track but please pop the date in the diary and make your travel plans for other dates!



Coffee morning in April will be without me I'm afraid. I'll be on holidays in Sri Lanka! It is **Thursday 27th April** so come along at **10.00 am** at **Everyday's**.

Other very good news for us is that Deirdre Parkins has accepted our invitation to join our club. She will be inducted at our Changeover on 13th May.

You will notice she has been added to Alice's email list so you can just highlight her name, right click and "add to contacts".

OTHER DIARY DATES:

May	13 th	Changeover is on Saturday this year
	16 th	Planning meeting at Scott Buchholz office at 5 pm
June	11 th	Cakes, slices and sandwiches for Rotary's function in Jubilee Park
September		8 – 10th District 22 Conference – Brisbane
February	24 th 2018	30 th anniversary Charter Lunch

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This was taken at Maleny Area meeting with a good friend of the Beaudesert Club.

Denise Conroy joined Zonta in 1989. Her first Area Meeting (before actually becoming a Zontian) was at Kooralbyn Resort, hosted by our Club in April 1989. Heather Waldron was the President at the time. Denise has been to EVERY Area Meeting since then!

Ellen, Denise C, Anne & Denise M.

And this from the Zonta International website:

Zonta launches Global Membership Drive to recruit advocates in its mission to empower all women and girls

After almost a century of advocacy and action to empower women and girls around the world, Zonta International has launched a global campaign to increase awareness of the organization's vision and goals and to attract more volunteers.

"Zonta is fully committed to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal No. 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls," said Zonta International President Sonja Hönig Schough. "By 2030, we want to see a world in which every woman and girl is able to achieve her full potential. We want them to have greatly improved access to resources and to be equally represented in decision-making positions. Above all, we want to see a world in which no woman or girl lives in fear of violence."

"New members are the lifeblood of any volunteer-driven organization. Through our Global Membership Drive over the next 12 months, Zonta clubs in 66 countries will reach out to like-minded women and men. We want them to join us as advocates in combating inequality and violence, and to work alongside us as volunteers providing hands-on service in their communities and raising funds for our international projects and education programs."

Prospective Zonta members can learn more about Zonta and how to join at www.zonta.org/Add-Your-Voice, and Zonta leaders can find tools to assist them in recruiting at <http://membership.zonta.org/Tools/Global-Membership-Drive>.

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