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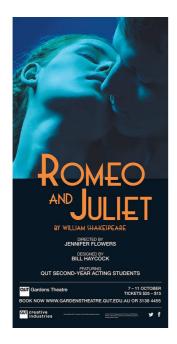
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July 2014 Newsletter - Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc.

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## **Conta Club of Brisbane Inc.** Member of Zonta International Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide



The United Services Club has a strict deadline for finalising meals. As it is assumed you will be attending all meetings of the Club unless an apology is received, it is critical that you inform Christina Carelton by noon on Monday, 1 September if you will not be attending the meeting.

Tel or text: 0424 047 053, email: christina@abftservices.com.au

Any member from whom an apology is not received is automatically invoiced for her meal (\$45).



On 26 August 2014 long-standing charter Club member Ann Shevill passed away. Details of her funeral arrangements, and some notes in honour of her life, will be circulated shortly.

### **President's message**

Reviewing our membership age range, I noticed that we have at least three 80 year olds in the club who are STILL WORKING!

Take a look around and see if you can guess who they are- Liz Heber is one of them!

And the rest of the (at least six) 80+ year olds are active members of the club and the community, contributing and attending as they have always done. Is Zonta the new miracle anti-ageing serum?

I love that we have members aged from their 20's to their 90's. What an achievement! And what a tribute to our own tolerance and mutual appreciation of the strengths that every age has to offer.

Congrats to the Gen Y's who aren't afraid of working

Buy your Zonta Fashion Showcase tickets from 1 September by clicking here!

#### Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc board

Susan Davies (President) Adrienne Irvine (Vice-President) Christine Maclean (Secretary) Christina Carleton (Treasurer) Nerida Cooksley (Director, membership) Lyn Agnew (Director, service) Jane Keating (Director, advocacy) Genevieve Gray (Director, fundraising) Anna Bratti (Director) Amanda Stoker (Director, communications)

Our speaker at September's meeting is Leila Abukar. She is a community worker, who arrived in Queensland as a refugee from Somalia.

She is a past member of the Queensland Multicultural Roundtable, the Council for Multicultural Australia and Refugees Resettlement Advisory Council.

She has been recognized for her community work with several awards including a Centenary Medal for contributions to Crisis Counselling, Advocacy and Settlement for the Somalia and African communities in Queensland. alongside the 80 year olds, and to the octogenarians who nominated them to join.

Don't be fooled, not every group can bring off what our club has done - many groups fall into agesegregated ghettos. It's not easy - and requires lots of good will and humour, but it is soooo worth the effort. Who agrees?

SUSAN DAVIES President

#### Happy snaps from the August Club meeting









Vale Geraldine Pestorius

By Leneen Forde

#### Dates for your diary

Mon 1 September, noon - cut off for apologies for Club dinner meeting (strictly enforced) Mon 1 September -Zonta Fashion Showcase individual tickets go on sale Wed 3 September -Club dinner meeting 8 September -International Literacy Day (especially important for young girls!) 21 September -International Day of Peace Tue 7 October -**Babette Stevens** theatre night, 7pm Sat 1 November -Beat the Band fundraiser, to be held in Kedron

### Windana wishes...

For donations of some toothpaste, toothbrushes, body wash, shampoo and conditioner. If you can spare some, please bring it to our next meeting.

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Conviction Commitment Covrage 2014 - 2016 Geraldine (Sweeney) Pestorius was a former Club member who died on August 14th.

Geraldine was orphaned as a young girl. Her mother died when she was 9 and her father only 4 or 5 years later. She was sent to board with the Loreto nuns who fostered in her a love of literature. In the 1950's Geraldine worked for the Courier Mail, writing for the women's social pages and as their fashion editor. She married Geoffrey Pestorius, a brilliant architect, and had two children, David and Margaret. Geoffrey died soon after, leaving Geraldine a bereaved young widow with two very young children. She mothered her children with much love.

She worked for Jacaranda Press and joined our club under the publishing category. She was clever, wise and witty, kind-hearted and vulnerable, loyal to her friends.

I will miss her very much, but particularly her phone calls to "The Widow Forde? It's the widow Pestorious here" - as if I could't have guessed.

# Beat the Band music trivia night: 1 November

Don't forget to plan a great night out at our Club's music trivia night, scheduled for 1 November. More details to come! All proceeds will fund domestic violence education programs for school aged children.

Lions Lady of the Year: Susan Scott

Former Club member Susan Scott has been Check out UN Women's campaign on the "Girl Child" by clicking here

## Advocacy facts:

Every week, DV Connect need to find emergency accommodation for 75 women and their children fleeing family violence.



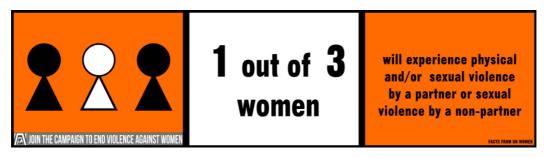
awarded the 2014 Lions Lady of the Year for the Bangalow Club for her work with organising the Billycart Derby and her efforts to establish a local men's shed. What wonderful recognition for her community service efforts!

You are invited to join the United Gathering of Women in Prayer for Peace and Candle Lighting Ceremony of Hope

for all people across the world suffering from the injustices of war and persecution.

Thursday 2 October 2014 commencing at 7:00 pm St John's Anglican Cathedral 373 Ann Street. Brisbane

This event is an initiative of the National Council of Women of Queensland Inc with the gracious assistance of St John's Anglican Cathedral and the support of NCWQ's Affiliated Organisations. For more information please contact Annette Lourigan 0409 793 818 or dourigan@invocare.com.au If you would like to join us for a cup of tea after the service. please RSVP by 27 September 2014 for catering purposes. Call Welcame



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