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July 2014 Newsletter - Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc.

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Member of Zonta International

Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide



Incoming District Governor Judith Trevan-Hawke with outgoing District Governor (and Club member) Judith Anderson OAM.

President's message

Dear Zontians,

The conviction of Gerard Baden-Clay has put this ultimate act of domestic violence into sharp relief. I have been troubled about this story for months - and if there is only one beneficial message, it highlights the need for women to be more assertive in the face of persistent abuse - verbal or physical.

I feel anger at the sugary way we bring up girls to be "nice" under all circumstances.

I saw a wonderful poster on Pinterest recently. It's the best advice-for-life for girls I've seen :

Do your squats

Eat your veggies

Wear RED lipstick

And NEVER let boys be mean to you!

(....personally I would probably strengthen the last line, but that wasn't the quote!)

As Zontians committed to the improved status of women, let us promise Allison Baden-Clay that we will never again put up with abuse, putdowns, ridicule, and betrayal of us as women, as colleagues, as wives and as mothers.

And to acknowledge that this girl-rearing of sweet little princesses and ever-yielding saints has got to stop!

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, 4 August 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).

The United Services Club has informed us that, effective immediately, the cost per head for dinner has increased to \$45. Please keep this in mind for our next meeting.

Malala Yousafzai addressed the UN Youth Assembly on 12 July 2014. You can watch her speech by clicking here


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PRESIDENT**

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Here are some photos from the Birthing kit assembly day - thank you to everyone who participated! Thank you, Barbara Murray, for all of your work coordinating the effort.

You can see more photos on our facebook page.

Club member and director Anna Bratti was recently married to Daniel Caruana. The celebrations were held on 28 June 2014 at the Villager Hotel in Brisbane City. Congratulations Anna!



Save these dates!

Mon 4 Aug, noon - cut off for apologies for Club dinner meeting (strictly enforced)

Night of Hope

Zonta Club of Redcliffe has organised a night of dinner and dancing to raise funds for breast cancer support and research. It will be held on Saturday 16 August at 7:00pm at the Sunset Blue Function Centre, Bird O'Passage Parade, Scarborough. Tickets are

Wed 6 Aug - Club dinner meeting

Tue 7 Oct - Babette Stevens theatre night, 7pm

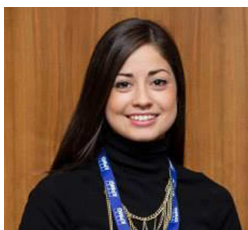
Sat 1 Nov - Music trivia night, to be held in Kedron



Project NOW update

The Moonyah Women's Recovery Services Project has given us a progress report. You can [download and read it here](#). (400 KB)

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Meet Sheridan Eccleston, our Club's Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship winner. She will be speaking at our August dinner meeting.

Check out UN Women's campaign on the "Girl Child" by clicking here

\$60 each and can be booked through Heather (3283 5447), Lisa (3283 3313) or Adrianna (hewett60@bigpond.com). [Download the invitation here](#). (226 KB)



Vale Blair Wilson

Beth's darling husband Blair passed away last week at 84 years of age. His funeral was marked (in a church he designed) with humour (they even played the Vicar of Dibley theme) and an outpouring of love from a family who clearly adored him - right down to his eight grandchildren, who each spoke of their lasting memories. Many spoke of his devotion for his wife of 56 years, our own Beth Wilson. We mourn with you, Beth.

High tea and niceties

Join the members of the Zonta Club of Brisbane East at a high tea to raise money for local and international service projects. It will be held on Saturday, 4 October 2014 from 2:00pm to 4:30pm at Yeronga State High School Auditorium, 159 Villa Street, Yeronga.

The cost is \$30 per person and includes sweet and savoury finger food, tea and coffee and either bubbly

or juice on arrival. There will also be lucky door and spot prizes, and entertainment by Yeronga State High School Choir. A cash bar will be available. RSVP by 26 September to brisbaneeast@zontadistrict22.org or to Ros (0419 026 756). [Download the invitation here.](#) (500 KB)



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