

#### Zonta Club of Caloundra City Inc Newsletter Member of Zonta International

"Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide"

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## **Next Dinner Meeting**

The June meeting will be held Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July from 6:30pm at Urban Espresso & Wine Cafe, 14/5 Innovation Parkway, Britinya.

Please advise Lyn Colautti on 0409-494-870 or <a href="mailto:lyncolautti@hotmail.com">lyncolautti@hotmail.com</a>
by 31st May whether you will be bringing any guests or need to make an apology. If you accept the invitation for dinner and cannot make it you are still liable for the \$35.00 cost.

## **REPORTS**

## **DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S REPORT**

Marie Cameron, our incoming Area 5 Director, working with the Mackay Zonta Club, has done an outstanding job this biennium to establish and strengthen Z Clubs in our District.

The newsletter located at <a href="http://www.zontadistrict22.org/wp-content/uploads/D22-Z-Club-Newsletter-June-2014.pdf">http://www.zontadistrict22.org/wp-content/uploads/D22-Z-Club-Newsletter-June-2014.pdf</a> is highly recommended to you all as it gives Zontians an overview of Z Club activity in our District and some helpful tips about setting up new Z Clubs.

Thank you, Marie!

Judith Anderson OAM

District Governor

Zonta International District 22

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### STATUS OF WOMEN/SERVICE & ADVOCACY

An idea presented itself when I was in the local Kawana Shopping Town "Grill'd". This business supports clubs by setting up 3 containers on a monthly basis. Each container is labelled with the local charity that is chosen for the month. Each customer is given bottle tops, number depending on how much they spend and are asked to put the top in the container which they wish to support. "Grill"d" then pays \$300 to the container with the most tops and \$100 each to the other charities. So, we are going to be a charity at the Kawana Shopping Town "Grill'd". We just need to tell all our friends to go along and have a great burger and support us. When I spoke with the Manager, I was given to understand that we might get a monthly "gig" because of our RISE Project. However, they are aware of our other projects so we will get something when these are the chosen charity for that month.

I have also heard about the Loyalty cards at IGA Supermarket, Wises Road, Maroochydore. From what I understand if you sign up for a Loyalty card then you nominate your charity and they make donations. I know there won't be many of you who would shop up this way, but it might be worth checking with IGA Supermarkets. I am going to sign up for a card because the staff are wonderful and there is a huge array of products. Hope all is clear about that but we need to get everyone behind us and show their support!

Bev Bellet and I visited the local Radio Station 104.9FM and met the manager and lovely staff. We can have all of our functions advertised for free. They would even like to do a talk about our RISE Project! So exciting times ahead. We have had a call for BREAST CARE CUSHIONS for the Sunshine Coast University Hospital so these are being delivered.

Also I met Courtney Angel again. Courtney was one of our Equity Bursary Winners and we had a chat about what she is up to. She has now been given a "Jane M Klausman Bursary" from Noosa Club and is studying Marketing. Courtney would love to come along to a meeting and let us know how things are progressing for her. Also might be useful from the marketing perspective!

Our committee has yet to meet formally but our first one is on 8th July. So once we get sorted out with our other Service projects, we will be reporting back.

Lyn Colautti and Joan Fitzgerald Co-Chairs Service

#### FINANCE & FUNDRAISING

#### Committee

Marie Pigott Chair

Cathy Govey

Sandy Miller

Bev Barton (on Leave)

**Dorothy Barnes** 

Vicki Christie (Treasurer)

## Events planned for the year

- Ray White Xmas in July Movie "Rise of the Guardians" to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> July at Kings Beach, Caloundra, we will be selling glow bracelets and necklaces prior to the Movie at \$1 and \$2 each
- Zonta Monthly Dinner Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> August to be held at the Caloundra Regional Art Gallery at 6pm. Cost \$35
- Commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> August will be three hours per Sunday at Sunshine Coast Turf Club,
   Corbould Park, Caloundra, Mary Henzell in charge. Rosters to be compiled.
- The Spring Fashion Parade Luncheon is to be held at the Event Centre on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> October from 10am to 4pm, tickets cost \$65 for adults and \$50 for students. Rosanna from Channel 7 has accepted as Emcee. Participants are Matthew Flinders College, Sunshine Coast TAFE, Homeleigh House and Sussanahs. Meriden College will assist with the models. The rehearsals and music to be arranged, Mary has donated a holiday at the Gold Coast. Target is 250 people, so members need to start filling tables one table per member.
- Cynthia Morgan has donated one of her Art Quilts. Marilyn will co-ordinate
- A race day will be held in late January.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS. COMMUNICATION & UNITED NATIONS**

#### **Facebook**

We went live with our Facebook page so please check it out and "like" the page, here is the link: https://www.facebook.com/zontacaloundra

All members please send me photos of recent events so that we can keep the Facebook page up to date.

## **Publicity**

The RISE Project received front page publicity in the Caloundra Weekly on 5<sup>th</sup> June, "Funds boost Zonta plans" member, Mary Henzell donates \$20,000.00. Mary explained that "she donated the money to honour her mother's memory and felt it would be a nice gesture as both her mother and herself were charter members of the club". "RISE is a really good project and hopefully it is going to help a number of people within the community and the Zonta club has been working very hard for it". "It's really nice to see women helping women".

#### **United Nations**

Australia is one of the top five donors to UN Women, according to the organisation's 2013-14 Annual Report. The release of the Report coincided with a speech by Australia's Foreign Minister Julie Bishop on new policies on foreign aid funding.

In her speech at the National Press Club in Canberra on Wednesday, Minister Bishop outlined the six key focuses of aid funding, including the empowerment of women, a goal which she describes as "a personal passion".

While expressing concern about overall cuts to the Aid program, Julie McKay, Executive Director of the Australian National Committee for UN Women welcomes the priority being placed on women. "We are very pleased that the Australian government has made women's empowerment and gender equality a priority of its foreign aid program. As Minister Bishop noted, women's equality delivers social and economic benefits to all, and UN Women's delivery of effective aid programs demonstrates this time and again."

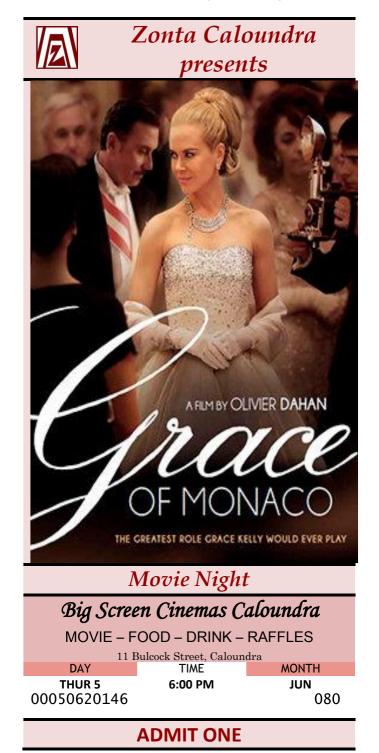
(Quoted from the United Nations Women website, Article: "Australia one of top five donors to UN Women: 2013-14 Annual Report"; 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014).

## ORGANISATION, MEMBERSHIP & CLASSIFICATION

- In the Changeover the new Membership Committee is Bev Bellet and Chris Urquhart as Co-Chair.
- No other members allotted at that time. Mary Henzell past Co-Chair now President for 2014-15.
- Virginia Harris, Bev Barton and Libby Zernike are on Leave of Absence and Eunice Grayson resigned.
- New members Christine Alder and Kate Wearmouth will be inducted at the July meeting and Val Roberts will be inducted in November as she is away until then.
- We will be welcoming another prospective member, Sue Meehan at the July Meeting and a
  Membership Form to fill out. So we may have another member to induct in the next couple
  of months. Christine has been allocated to our Membership Committee
- Kate to the Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee with Jill Scott her Mentor and with me, Chris Urquhart, as Christine's Mentor. So a big welcome to Christine and Kate and a sad farewell to Eunice.
- Looking forward to an exciting year with Mary and Dorothy at the helm.

## FOR CALOUNDRA MEMBERS

Caloundra City Movie Night – Huge Success!



## **CLUB CALENDAR 2014**

Timeline	Date	Event/Action Required	Who to action
May	1	Club Officer's Report Form due to ZI and D22 Sec.	Club President – Bev Bellett
May	1	Recommended Club planning meeting for year ahead.	Club President and all Members.
May	12	Deadline for advising ZI of delegates for Convention.	Club President – Bev Bellet
May	31	Rec. closing date for Jane M Klausman applications.	All clubs
May	31	End of Zonta Financial Year (1st June to 31st May).	Club President and Treasurer
May	31	ZI and D22 fees due	Club President and Treasuer
May/Jun		Clubs to submit updated District and Area Directory information.	Club President
June	1	New Zonta year begins and new Board takes office.	All clubs
June	5	Movie Night Fundraiser at BigScreen Caloundra Cinemas.	All members
July	5	Christmas in July movie night at Kings Beach with Ray White Caloundra giving proceeds to Zonta.	Marilyn, Gillian, Cathy, Chris, Lyn and Kerri.
August	1	Race Track each Sunday for three hours, raising \$10,000 a year for RISE Project.	Club President – Mary Henzell
October	11	Annual Fashion Parade at Event Centre.	All members
November	8	Zonta International birthday celebrations and Zonta Says No Campaign with United Nations.	All clubs

#### **ZONTA DISTRICT 22**

### A 'thank you' message to the Zonta Clubs of District 22

When I was elected as District Governor and began to set goals for my biennium, I gave myself the challenge of visiting every Club in the District at least once, to ensure that every Zontian had the opportunity to hear about Zonta directly from a District and international perspective. After more than 50 Club meetings and events, two Leadership Workshops, eight Area Meetings, and a District Conference, I feel I have reached that goal and I want to thank you all for the warm welcome and the generous support you have extended to me in the process.

International President Lynn McKenzie's 'visibility and credibility' catchphrase for her biennium has resounded with us all, and every Zontian can be proud of the extent to which the *Zonta says NO* campaign was embraced as a means of making Zonta more visible in communities across the District, attracting interest not only in the issue of violence against women, but in membership of Zonta.

Amongst other achievements, the District has also taken a strong leadership role in advocacy. Thanks to Denise Conroy, submissions have been made on no fewer than seven issues affecting the status of women. We have also made an exceptional contribution to the growth of Z Clubs this biennium with one chartered by Charters Towers, and three by the Mackay Club. In addition, our Clubs continue to make and distribute Breast Care Cushions as a District project and to make an outstanding contribution to the Birthing Kit Foundation through assembling thousands of kits each year (27 of the 43 D22 clubs collectively made 32,800 kits this biennium) – all of that on top of making a very real difference to improving the status of women in our local communities.

The District can also take pride in the international success of our candidates in the programs directed at the next generation of women leaders (Young Women in Public Affairs Awards, Jane M. Klausman Scholarships and Amelia Earhart Fellowships) and in the exceptional financial contribution made to the Zonta International Foundation to support both those programs and Zonta International's service and ZISVAW programs. At 30 April, the cut-off date for contributions to be recognised at the Orlando Convention, this District had contributed USD\$232,024.99, making it the fourth most generous District in the Zonta world. Congratulations!

A second personal goal of my biennium was to strengthen communication and to consolidate the District administratively. The development and launch of a new District website was a critical part of this process as was adopting a practice of communicating with Club leaders through 'single issue' e-mails rather than newsletters. Area boundaries were changed to produce a more even distribution of Clubs, with Gympie moving from Area 1 to Area 2 and Brisbane River moving from Area 1 to Area 3, and the Zonta Clubs of Mt Isa Breakfast, Logan, Emerald and Tamborine Mountain, which were either inactive or at risk of failing to meet legal obligations, were supported in exiting from Zonta International with grace and pride, collectively contributing a legacy of more than \$5,700 to the Zonta International Foundation from the closure of their Clubs.

Another goal was to achieve greater sharing of resources and ideas – the orange T-shirts and District-specific ribbons produced for the *Zonta says NO* campaign were an excellent example of this, and many Clubs shared artwork and supplier details in order to produce a range of other merchandise. Similarly, a bulk purchase of copies of the 2012-2014 program edition of *The Zontian* magazine and of business cards printed with Zonta's QR code, gave Clubs a valuable resource to distribute to new and prospective members and to community leaders.

Collaboration among Clubs has been another outstanding feature of the biennium, particularly among the 18 Clubs within 100 km of Brisbane. The *Walk to say NO* with its accompanying website, and the joint fundraiser in support of the Salvation Army's *Project NOW* both earned a nomination for the inaugural Service Recognition Awards which will be announced at the 2014 Convention in Orlando.

Despite the closure of four Clubs, District 22 had 1082 members at the end of March 2014, only 17 fewer than at the end of the 2010-2012 biennium. This is testament to the highly successful recruitment undertaken by Clubs and, with a stronger focus on retention, continuation of the Zonta says NO campaign, and an inspiring suite of international service projects for the next biennium, I am confident that District membership will continue to grow over the next biennium under the leadership of Judith Trevan-Hawke as District Governor, and Ans Van Erp as Lieutenant Governor and District Membership Chairman. I also hope to be able to play a direct role because the incoming International President, Maria Jose Landeira Østergård, has asked me to serve on the International Membership Committee – a challenge I am looking forward to. Thank you again for all that you do and for making my term as Governor so satisfying and memorable.

Judith Anderson OAM (District 22 Governor 2012-2014)

## **ZONTA INTERNATIONAL**

#### 62<sup>nd</sup> ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



#### 2014 ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

27 June to 1 July 2014 Orlando, Florida

One of the many rewards of membership in Zonta International is the fellowship that comes from being part of an international organisation of individuals who share a commitment to improving the lives of women around the world. The International Convention is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy this fellowship by connecting with members from around the globe.

Members who have attended Convention in the past will tell you that they have made lasting friendships at Convention while learning more about Zonta International and its efforts to advance the status of women worldwide.

Make your plans now for the 62<sup>nd</sup> Zonta International Convention in Orlando, Florida.

#### **UN-WOMEN**

In July 2010, the United Nations General Assembly created UN Women, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women. In doing so, UN Member States took an historic step in accelerating the Organization's goals on gender equality and the empowerment of women. The creation of UN Women came about as part of the UN reform agenda, bringing together resources and mandates for greater impact. It merges and builds on the important work of four previously distinct parts of the UN system, which focused exclusively on gender equality and women's empowerment.

#### UNITED NATIONS WOMEN NEWS

Ending violence against women and girls: 25 policies nominated for Future Policy Award 2014

Posted on 6 June, 2014

Twenty-five policies on ending violence against women and girls have been nominated for the Future Policy Award 2014. This was announced by the World Future Council, the Inter-Parliamentary Union and UN Women today. Violence against women and girls is one of the most pervasive and predominant forms of human rights abuses in the world.

One in three women worldwide will suffer sexual and/or physical violence in her lifetime. A human rights violation of pandemic proportions, the pervasive violence also impedes economic development and poverty reduction by limiting women's choices and their ability to act. Tackling violence against women on all levels is, therefore, a necessary prerequisite for gender equality and sustainable development.

The 25 nominated policies competing for the prestigious prize represent all continents. The nominations were put forward by international organizations, NGOs and noted experts in the field. They represent the wide range of policy dimensions: from comprehensive international treaties and national action plans to measures that ensure coordinated support of women who report an attack and press charges. The nominated laws and policies will be analysed in a thorough evaluation process and assessed by a high-level jury.

The winners will be announced by the World Future Council in October 2014, in partnership with the Inter-Parliamentary Union and UN Women. For the first time, the award ceremony will be held at the Inter-Parliamentary Union's Assembly in Geneva, for which more than 1,200 delegates from among 164 national Parliaments will gather.

The Future Policy Award is the first and only award that celebrates policies rather than people on an international level. Since 2009 it has been awarded in a different policy field each year to showcase existing and working policy solutions to an international audience.

See more at: <a href="http://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2014/6/25-policies-nominated-for-future-policy-award-2014#sthash.kw3WjkST.dpuf">http://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2014/6/25-policies-nominated-for-future-policy-award-2014#sthash.kw3WjkST.dpuf</a>