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Sara Allard 20 March

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### A message from the President

We completed a District 22's Club Questionnaire with the help of Board members and Committee Chairpersons. This not only shows the district Board how the clubs are going with regard to the biennium goals, but also to let us know how we are travelling as a club, as a whole.

There is no doubt that we are well on track and I am sure we are noticed by the District Board Members to be a club which is both hard-working and successful. Just look at our Service and Advocacy reports to see how busy we have been, and of course, without the fundraising team, these projects wouldn't even be considered due to financial constraints.

This month has included the Shoe and Bag Sale at the Caboolture Markets. It was an extremely hot summer's day and was another successful fundraiser despite the heat. Great effort everyone who helped before the day and of course on the Sunday at the markets.

The Service Committee have already prepared some care parcels for the elderly at Sunnymeade Park Aged Care Community. These were well received by our member Carole Tomvald who will ensure that they are given to those in need in the Aged Care Community. This was one of the perceived needs of women in our local community and one which is appreciated by all.

To foster "Women in Science", club members attended the movie night for "Hidden Figures" – based on a true story of women's struggles to get recognition and equality in the NASA space program. We all enjoyed the evening very much.

The Advocacy Committee is teeing up the Men's Shed to make the Orange Ladies for this year's 16 Days of Activism. We are also having the "Zonta Says NO" caps ready for sale at the Area Meeting on 4 March, and the "Zonta Says NO" metal signs are ready to be erected at the Caboolture football grounds on Friday.

These are just some of the projects under way.

International Women's Day arrangements are progressing well and we already have over 100 indicating their attendance. With Rochelle Courtney as the guest speaker, it is guaranteed to be another fantastic luncheon.

The Areas 1 and 3 from Zonta District 22 meeting is on Saturday 4 March in Maleny. Most of our members are attending. It is a wonderful experience to meet some of the District Board and hear from other clubs and their activities. *Glenda* 

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **ADVOCACY & UN**

During the past few weeks Waltraud, Marcus, her Men's Shed friend and a neighbour have been busy designing the draft template for our Club's specific orange lady as well as a boy and girl. The aim is to make them stable, to easily fit into the boot of a car and to be stored flat. The Committee's grateful appreciation is extended to all four for their time, expertise and effort. The Advocacy Committee is meeting next Monday to finalise the design and dimensions of our orange ladies to be presented to all Club members. Thankyou is also extended to the Zonta Clubs of Brisbane East and Redcliffe who have also provided valuable assistance by sharing their orange lady designs and information re their construction.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Membership Report 9 February 2017**

Membership Committee (Sandra and Cecil) met Monday 13 February at Sandra's home, Wamuran, 1.30pm.

- **1.Guests**: Cecil is followed up on two women suggested by Patricia, Christine Blatchford and Marilyn Ebson. Both have accepted the invitation to our Club Dinner Meeting o22 February. Cecil has sent a Zonta brochure to each.
- **2. District Reporting:** For the membership Section for the Club Profile, requested by District 22, Cecil and Sandra studied the questions and agreed on the responses. However, responses for numbers intending to attend Area meeting, District Conference and International Congress were unknown at this stage, and could be finalised at our February Club Dinner meeting.
- **3. Contact Past Awardees**: In keeping with the District request to **contact past awardees**, thanks to Pam, Cecil has some names of young awardees from the Banksia Awards. The plan would be to invite past awardees to a special Zonta Dinner meeting, or alternative function, with a guest speaker. Sandra and I discussed how best to make contact. For past Banksia Awardees, we agreed that we would send a letter of invitation, for each awardee, to the Principals of Schools involved, and ask them to forward our letters to the young women involved, explaining why. For other awards, we would need to look at our archives.

At a suggested function, there would be no pressure, just information sharing, letting them know about voluntary opportunities and more about the organisation which gave them an award. We discussed the possibility of having a Display Table, and take home Information packets. A background of club activities could be shown on a screen.

Our Committee intends to liaise with Annette re a suitable meeting date for inviting these young women to a special dinner meeting with an engaging guest speaker, or alternatively to consider a suitable venue and hold an early evening function. We would also need to liaise with Waltraud regarding the Information Table, and Glenda for the background of Zonta activities.

- **4. Club Members' Zonta Talks**: Our Committee suggested for 2017, in our report for Planning Day, having **members to speak about an aspect of Zonta** which they have discovered, either in the guide books, websites, Zonta magazines etc. The main purpose for this idea was to encourage Zontians to find out more about Zonta. Congratulations to the Board for starting this, the excellent presentation by Sarah last Dinner Meeting, and plans for our next Dinner meeting.
- 5. Workshop 2016 Report: Cecil is still working on this document.
- 6. Club Birthday 2017 plans will be further developed at future committee meetings.

Cecil Nielson, Chair Membership Committee

#### **SERVICE**

Service Committee Meeting Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2017 At the home of Sue Droughton

Attendance: Glenda Moor, Pam Termont-Schenk, Carolyne Spies, Sue Droughton, Patricia Clunes. Apologies: Edith Fogg, Sarah McClelland, Deb Symes.

F.L.A.G. Patricia Clunes has agreed to take over as the coordinater of this project.

Breast Cushions: We still have 40 in stock, the ladies from the Beachmere Sewing Group are presently cutting out and sewing cushions for us from material we had in stock. Patricia mentioned that the Caboolture Craft (previous tenants of our shed) are also happy to sew for us, so Sue will go to Lawnton and purchase materials.

Sue is to order stuffing from Dyman Foam (Geebung) for our stuffing day on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March at the Plantation Retirement Village. Sue presented a docket from Spotlight for extra costs (cottons and elastic). \$16.76.

#### Care Packages to Sunnymeade:

Sue gave the committee a brief report on the shopping trip for Sunnymeade. Our total cost for this shop was \$310.57.

Baby Emergency Packs: CADA are in need of these packs. Sue to contact Sarah to set a date convenient for shopping. Patricia & Carolyne also to shop????

Birthing Kits: We will be packing 1400 kits this year.

#### Banksia Awards:

Pam T/S has agreed to be the coordinator of the Awards again this year.

#### Share the Dignity:

The Committee will discuss our next move on this project at the April Committee Meeting, particularly after we meet Rochelle Courtenay at IWD and have more information on the dispensing machines for the period packs.

#### ZONTA Says NO Sign:

Glenda is still trying to contact the right person at the football ground, to talk to re obtaining permission for our Club to erect Zonta Says No sign.

Our Committee was emailed a form to fill in with regards to the projects that the Service Committee has undertaken in the past year and the Committee's plans for the coming year.

Glenda took the time and has filled out the form to be returned to Zonta District 22.

The Committee has agreed with Sue to have Service Committee meetings every second month, due to members having very busy schedules. We have agreed that we will email each other, when the need arises, or members need to discuss particular issues.

Sue Droughton Chair Service Committee Zonta Club of Caboolture

Next Service Meeting to be held at Sue's home Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 10.00 a.m.







# FINANCE AND FUNDRAISING Finance & Fundraising

Thank you to all those who volunteered on a very hot Sunday at the Caboolture markets. There were only about 2/3 of the stallholders there and crowds were definitely down. Profits for the day were \$235.05 so I think the first shift sold the lion's share.

There are 4 Bunnings BBQs left that I will be able to help with so hopefully others will be able to step up for this once a month fundraising in the future. If not then the decision will have to be made early June to either continue or not.

IWD is coming along nicely with current numbers at about 120. Please let us know asap if you will be attending and please spread the word to friends and family to help boost numbers. Pam B has organised everything for the table settings so if she's unable to move about she can direct others on the day as to how she wants the tables set. Very simple, yet elegant. We all wish Pam B a speedy recovery after her recent hip op.

Sara Allard (in Pam B's absence) Finance & Fundraising



# CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS ARCHIVES

**Archives Committee:** 

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Photobook: Waltraud and Edith are continuing their mammoth task of sorting photographs with records of Club activities and will be joined by Sandra next Wednesday re deciding on possible draft content and text to match photographs etc.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Birthday card send to Glenda and Cecil

Get well card send to Pam B

Pam TS to give a talk on Madagascar.

Monday: Film 'Hidden Figures' night as suggested by Sue in Morayfield.

Tuesday: Community Day in Morayfield Shopping Centre, Waltraud, Sue, Patricia participating.

Communication Waltraud

#### PERSON OF INTEREST

## Cecil Nielson



My mother was a Townsville girl and married Dad, from Brisbane, a builder/painter who came to Townsville for a work project. I was born in 1938 in Townsville and we moved to Brisbane two years later. My brother Gil was born 1944. In Brisbane I experienced a stable life — attended Kangaroo Point State School all my primary years, then State Commercial High School, had a teacher's scholarship for my last two years there and continued on to Kelvin Grove Teachers' Training College, the only one in Queensland at that time, for one year. I had wanted to become a teacher since my primary school days, and being a Sunday school Teacher from the age of 14 was invaluable in preparing me to interact with children as a teacher in my professional life.

After teaching in Queensland schools 1957 to 1964, I moved to Milingimbi, NT, with Methodist Overseas Missions, in 1965, the year my father died. Living in a traditional Aboriginal community in the 60's and early 70s was certainly an eye-opener and at first a culture shock for me. But I came to know and respect the Milingimbi folk – their kinship system, their language Gupupuyngu, and their cultural customs, and I loved teaching the children who had to learn English as another language. This was the beginning of my career in the English as a Second Language field. To upgrade my qualifications I completed the Bachelor of Education Degree in 1968 as a part time student.

I left Milingimbi in March 1971 to take up a promotional position as Senior Curriculum Adviser in English for all Aboriginal Schools, becoming the most highly paid senior woman in the Commonwealth Public Service in NT. Thereafter I occupied senior positions in English, Curriculum Development and Multicultural Education for all NT schools. Further studies included Graduate Diploma in TESL 1973 (University of PNG), and Master's Degree in Curriculum Studies 1988 (University of New England). I returned to the specialist ESL

field in 1983, as Principal Education Officer TESL, a position I held until my retirement at the end of 1999. During 1996-99, as well as ESL, I oversighted Commonwealth funded curriculum projects for Aboriginal Schools, producing curriculum materials for teachers and children for English, Social Education, Mathematics, and Science. After my retirement from the NT Education Department (December 1999), I was a part-time lecturer in TESL at the University in Darwin for three years.

To experience more of life around me in NT, I joined the Zonta Club of Darwin in 1983 (officially 1984), and met wonderful women in business and other professions, and eventually was President twice over. In the Arts area I became a member of the North Australian Eisteddfod Council in the 1970's and remain a Life Member. My Sunday school involvement, now called Children's Ministry, continued in NT and now continues here in Caboolture. Joining other professional associations led me into areas of leadership in NT and nationally, and I am a Life Member in these associations. I never married, nor had children, but have enjoyed valuable friendships and teaching scores of children in Queensland and NT. My mother and my brother Gil joined me in NT in 1974. Mum and I survived Cyclone Tracy that year, and Mum remained with me until her death in 1990.

Since settling in Caboolture in 2004, my brother and I share a home. After he had heart surgery, both of us are now active in Heart Support — Australia, Caboolture & District Branch. Fortunately for me, an early detection of breast cancer led to the removal of the tumour and subsequent check-ups have been clear. Transferring to the Zonta Club of Caboolture, I have valued my membership of Zonta International which

helped me to conquer shyness, meet a range of remarkable women, serve in the community and become aware of women's needs locally and worldwide.

In my travels, I've been to every state and territory of Australia. Abroad, I have enjoyed my visits to UK, European countries on a bus tour, Singapore, Hong Kong, Phuket (Thailand), USA (travelling across by bus and plane), Hawaii as a separate trip, and New Zealand. My most recent trip was to Turkey, Greek Islands, Greece and Italy.

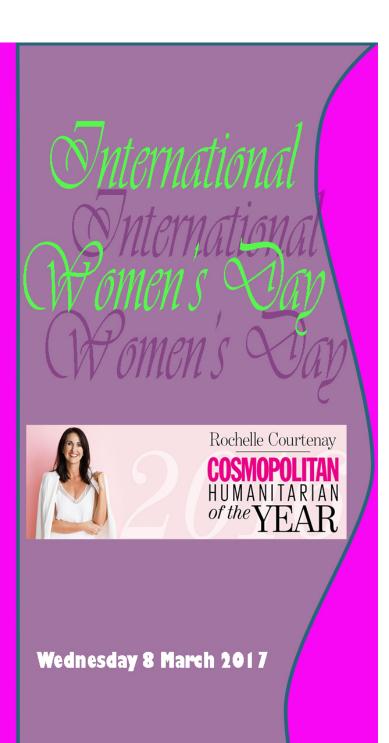
During my life journey, I have learnt the importance of making informed choices, having a goal in life and sticking to it, persevering, having patience, tolerance, overcoming prejudices and biases, having respect for other cultures, developing leadership skills in different groups, fighting the 'glass ceiling' in a workplace with limited opportunities for women. My life journey has been, and continues to be, inspiring, challenging, sometimes frustrating, sometimes disappointing, but overall an incredible and enjoyable adventure.



We wish to thank all the businesses, organizations and individuals for their continued support of our International Women's Day Celebration

Zonta Caboolture has taken up the Share the Dignity \$0.50c Challenge - please bring along as many 50c pieces as you can to be donated to Share the Dignity





Norths Leagues & Services Club 1347 Anzac Ave, Kallangur

11 am - 1.30 pm



# Program of Events

11.45 am Introduction

Karen McNab MC

Welcome

Glenda Moor, President Zonta Club of Caboolture

Zonta Objects & Toast to Women

Pam Termont-Schenk

12:00 pm LUNCH

12:40 pm Introduction of Guest Speaker

Rochelle Courtenay

Vote of Thanks & Presentation of cheque

Sara Allard and Carolyng Spics

1:15 pm

Presentation of Raffles and Lucky Poor Prize



Mains

(alternate drop)

Stuffed Chicken Breast

Baby spinach, sundried tomato & feta cheese, served with a garlie cream sauce

or

Pan Seared Wild Barramundi

Served with fresh asparagus and a Lime Mioli sauce

Veges - Potato Rosti/Green Beans with almonds and thyme/Roasted pumpkin with garlic and onion

Desserts

Sticky Pate Pudding

Served with butterscotch sauce or

Apple Custard Tart

Sweet short crust pastry filled with almond cream topped with apple slices and apricot glaze

Tea & Coffee are available