



October Newsletter, 2017

President's Note:

Cari membri

My 3-week mission here at FAO in Rome is almost over. I have included a glimpse below of the fantastic view from the FAO rooftop caffetteria. Recognisable sites are Cîroc Massimo across the road with the Roman Forum behind and the Colosseum to the right. Not captured in this photo are the Vatican to the left and beautiful Aventino where I stay in a hotel, once a villa, about 10 minutes away. You will just have to believe me when I say I have been working long hours and don't have much opportunity to sit and take in the view! I do admit to loving the gorgonzola gelato and the cornetto (croissants) that are to die for though.

Meanwhile our members have been busy at home. We were well represented by members at the D22 conference. Cheryl and I were the delegates and did our best to represent you, Anne was a great help in keeping the name plates on the official table up with the agenda, Lyn, Chieko and Narelle helped with our monitor tasks, and Maree and everyone looked after a very successful marketplace stall. On Sunday morning Lyn and I participated in the Memorial Service. It was a moving service to honour our dear friends, Noreen and Noeleen, and other Zontians. Cheryl gave us a summary of some conference messages at our last dinner meeting providing ideas to take to the Board and to consider in future Club activity. A big thank you to Ellen's husband for his donation of 2 child rocking chairs that raised \$179 in the silent auction. A full conference report will be posted on the D22 website.

I hear we had a productive breast cushion sewing afternoon again last week. Well done everyone and thank you for the organisation Anne. Unfortunately, it was decided to delay our birthing kit assembly day this year. To include students from Duchesne college with this activity timing to fit their academic year is critical. There are lots of activities over the next couple of months though as the fund-raising committee is planning a car boot sale and a movie afternoon early next year, and is investigating new activity. The Advocacy Committee is gearing up for the 16 days of activism and the Combined Brisbane Clubs' Zonta Says No project is providing a great way for us to work together and boost our impact (See below). The Public relations, Communication and Program Committee is updating our Club brochure and making plans for our Christmas and end of year dinner, and for 2018. Be involved where and when you can as every little bit helps.

Arrivederci

Trish

October Dinner Meeting: Monday 9th October, 7pm Cost: \$47.50

NB: Please advise Jenny Grant-Taylor by 9.00am Friday before if you are unable to attend. 335 335 91 or jgrant-t2@bigpond.com.

Direct credit payment to Zonta Club of Brisbane North; BSB: 034-002; Acc. No.: 000992870

Upcoming diary dates:

25th October Board Meeting
13th November Dinner Meeting
12th November Car boot sale Kenmore Village

25,26, 30th November ZSN at shopping centres
25th November International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women



Advocacy

16 Days of Activism

There is so much happening that you can be involved in locally! Here is a sample:



ZCBN plans to have a community table at the Indooroopilly, Kenmore Village and Brookside Shopping centres at the beginning of the **16 days of activism, 25, 26, 30 November**. Note the dates in your diary if you can join the roster. Contact Vicki Lomax.

Posters and book marks to be placed in libraries and public places.

Other activities and dates from the **Combined Brisbane Club's Zonta Says No Project**.

Lighting of Bridges and Buildings:

Story and Victoria Bridges 20 -22/11/17

King George Square 19 -22/11/17

Kurilpa Walk Bridge 28 -30/11/17 1,7,8,9,10/12/17

Sir Leo Hielscher Bridges date tba

ZSN Banner up on Inbound end Story Bridge 13 -26/11/17. D22 Board has approved payment for purchase of the banner.

Orange women about Brisbane

- City Hall 17 22/11/17 (hope for photo shoot and news item with Mayor/Deputy Mayor)

- Parliament House – requested and anticipate will be approved
- Ferry Terminals and local businesses, Brisbane East – Bulimba
- West End area & PAH (ZC Brisbane River), possible launch at the West End Markets

Other Club activities planned

- Brisbane East - Park run 25/11/17; sausage sizzles on 27/11/17 and 2/12/17; Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast 24/11/17 at Wynnum Manly Leagues Club
- Brisbane Metro Breakfast – planning a walk around Brisbane when the Bridges are lit. Most likely 22/11/17. Large Zonta banner at Southbank TAFE.

Fund raising

Car Boot Sale 12th November – Kenmore Shopping Centre Items wanted for sale



ZCBN will be manning a car boot sale at Kenmore shopping Centre 12/11/17.

Sale items can include books, plants, toys, antiques, collectables, gifts, jams or pickles, baking, home wares, handmade crafts, kitchen items, tools, pet care, jewellery, clothing and bric a brac to name a few.

Small items can be brought to October dinner meeting or if you need to have items picked up let Trish or Glenda know to make an arrangement.

Advancement Awards

Share the message

The ZCBN Advancement Grant of \$1000 to improve the status of women
The grant has been awarded in the past to assist with the cost of:

- Educational courses
- Child minding to allow attendance at courses
- Books for study and/or research
- Transport assistance to allow access to development opportunities

Applications by letter/email, by 12th October 2017, to:

Zonta Advancement Grant, c/- Ms Gina Brosnan

PO Box 368, SPRING HILL, QLD 4004 or email brosnang@brigidine.qld.edu.au

News from ZI

See the September 2017, Call to Convention Issue of *The Zontian* online at
https://www.zonta.org/Portals/0/News/Zontian_Sept2017.pdf?ver=2017-10-05-205828-693 for lots of news from ZI.

CALL TO CONVENTION 29 June–3 July 2018



See all the details in *The Zontian*. Early bird registration closes 28 February 2018

Some other articles to stimulate some thought:



Engaging Men to Take Action (see page 10)

Zonta clubs are encouraged take action and to use the HeForShe platform to engage men and boys in their communities to join Zonta International as equal partners in our mission to empower women and girls and achieve gender equality. Find more information and resources to get your club started at www.zonta.org/heforshe.

USING SOCIAL MEDIA TO SHARE YOUR ACTIONS

There are some interesting stats and ideas here (See page 26).