ZONTA ON THE ROCKS

ZONTA CLUB OF ROCKHAMPTON INC.

P O Box 323 Rockhampton 4700.

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AREA 4 - DISTRICT 24.

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NOTICES.

If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise

Kay Rixon on Ph 4926 3822

by 10 am on the Monday before the meeting.

Failure to apologize will incur payment of \$22.00.



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Area 4 Workshop-Maryborough-March 29 – 30 2003.



District Conference: October 03 – 05 2003 Sydney.

President's Message:

Berenice, Margaret A, Elizabeth, Jacki and I recently enjoyed an informative week-end attending the Area 4 Workshop in Maryborough. The clubs in our area are certainly very dynamic and it was pleasing to be able to report the great work undertaken by our club over the past year. Berenice's session on setting up a web page was excellent. The Maryborough club members were fabulous hosts with fellowship and pampering high on the agenda.

Robyn Gaspari wetted out appetites for the District 24 Conference, to be held in Sydney, in October. Full details will be provided to members at the next committee and dinner meetings.

I wish you all a happy and peaceful Easter- and to help

> 'Advancing the status of women worldwide'



INTERNATIONAL

alleviate those pangs of guilt when indulging in Easter eggs read the message, "Chocolate is a Vegetable", included in this newsletter.

Trísh Collins President



Did you know...

At least one out of every three women around the world has been beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise abused in her lifetime, with the abuser usually someone known to her? Find out more about these troubling statistics and what is being done to promote women's human rights in the April edition of *The Zontian*.

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Zonta On the Rocks – Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

MEETINGS.

Board:

6.30pm:

2nd Tuesday

of the month

Venue:

Tropical Wanderer

Resort.

Dinner:

6.00 pm for

6.30pm

3rd Tuesday

of the month

Venue:

Tropical Wanderer

Resort.

Commíttee

Meetings.

OMC/PR/UN

Program:

Venue:

Tropical Wanderer

Resort

5.30 pm-

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

Fínance and Fundraísing:

Venue:

Tropical Wanderer

Resort

5.30 pm—

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

Status of Women:

Venue:

Tropical Wanderer

Resort

5.30pm—

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

Calendar:



O8 Committee Meetings
Board Meeting

15 Dinner Meeting

MAY:

O7 Mother's Day High Tea

Committee Meetings
Board Meeting

20 Dinner Meeting (AGM)

OCTOBER:

03-05 District 24 Conference Sydney

Special United Nations Observances and Other Significant Days.

April:

07 World Health Day

Dinner Raffle.

The supply of gifts for the Dinner Raffle follows the listing in the Members Directory.

May Elizabeth June Margaret July Wendy

Please give your raffle prize to

Elizabeth to co-ordinate.

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Mark Your Calendar.

2004 International Convention. 3-8 July: New York. USA.

2006 International Convention. 24 – 29 June: Melbourne. Australia.

Mother's Day High Tea.

A Mother's Day High Tea will be held poolside at

Tropical Wanderer Resort on Wednesday evening 07 April

commencing at 5.30 pm.

A fashion parade by **Cooper's**

will be presented to guests during the evening.

Please **invite all your friends** for a very enjoyable evening.

World Health Day.

April 07 is World Health Day, an annual event of the World Health Organization.

This year's theme is
'Move for Health'
designed to raise awareness
of the role of a healthy diet
and physical activity
in preventing disease.

Plan ahead for some tasty healthy meals and some exercise with family or friends.



If you would like to contribute to your Newsletter please forward articles to Berenice Payne either by Fax: 4921 3441 or Email to berenice.a.payne@bigpond.com

Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.

Happy Birthday

08 Mary

12 Elizabeth

22 Berenice



Zonta on the Rocks – Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

Reinventing India: Preventing Violence Against Women and Children

(from the Zonta International Website).

WHY

India is the world's largest democracy. However, rooted in the myriad of political, economic, social, cultural, legal and traditional structures, gender-based violence is a phenomenon woven into the very fiber of life. To eradicate this violation of women's rights, a diversity of interventions is required that directly confronts the unequal power relations and unequal distribution of resources between men and women. In keeping with Zonta's organizational focus of eradicating violence, "Reinventing India" takes a multi-faceted approach to this pervasive problem.

WHO

UNIFEM-New York; UNIFEM Southeast Asia Regional Office (SARO) and partner local non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

HOW MUCH

US\$395,000 over two years.

WHAT

The goal of the project is to

- (a) respond effectively and creatively to women who are victims of violence;
- (b) build the capacity of NGOs working in the field of domestic violence and to build networks and communication among these groups; and
- (c) raise awareness about violence against women and its impact on society to eliminate all forms of violence against women.

HOW

Specific Objectives Include:

Action-Oriented Networking: Strengthening the capacity of national women's organizations and networks through research and information dissemination.

- *Publication and dissemination of three directories in six key provinces.
- *The directories will serve as a database detailing organizations working for women in the areas of counseling, legal aid, alternative shelters, health clinics and skill training.
- *Distribution of the directories (hard copies and via internet).
- *Distribution will result in increased awareness and increased advocacy.

Legal Literacy: Increasing women's understanding of and access to their legal rights;

- *Prominent display of police poster in all police stations and public places.
- *Development and wide dissemination of training curriculum for police personnel.
- *Creation of network of "gender trainers" to raise awareness on the legal rights of women.

Media Advocacy: Deepening and expanding the forms of communication used to report and address violence against women and promote positive male role models.

- *Development of a media cell focused on men.
- *Production and dissemination of a baseline survey on the constructs of masculinity.
- *Production and dissemination of a film focusing on positive male role models, with supporting publications.
- *Establishment of a network of organizations and individuals working with men on issues of sex and sexuality.

WHERE

India.

The legal literacy and media advocacy components will be implemented nationwide; the Action Oriented Directory will be developed for distribution in the Indian states of: Maharasatra, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Bihar, Kerala, and Karnataka.

Living Treasures.



International Women's Day – Capricorn Living Treasure Awards – 2003.

On Saturday 08 March, International Women's Day, The Zonta Club of Rockhampton Inc., The Rockhampton Chamber of Commerce Inc., The Australian Institute of Management Inc. and Women in Leadership combined to host a Gala Dinner at which the inaugural *Capricorn Living Treasure Awards* were presented. Guests were welcomed with champagne and went on to enjoy a delicious three-course dinner. During courses, Julie Waters, Leighton Contractors public relations officer, was guest speaker.

The Living Treasure Awards were judged on the personal qualities and attributes of the nominees in the following areas

- □ Capacity and capability to achieve and/or record of achievement
- □ Capacity to inspire and/or influence others by one's achievements
- □ Capacity to bring about change that is positive for a group, community, town, city, region or state in the following areas Social, Political, Financial, Cultural, Spiritual, Environmental, Economic, Professional, Educational and Sporting.
- ☐ Capacity to share, empower and/or lead others by one's achievements and skills.

The Emerald Set (Under 30 years of age) was won by **Maia Keerie** (Sponsor Telstra Countrywide), The Diamond Set (Under 60 years of age) was won by **Nola Tom** (Sponsor Ward & Harms Accountants). The Pearl Set (Under 120 years of age) was won by **Dr Lorna McDonald** (Sponsor QRail).

Congratulations and thank you to President Trish Collins who committed herself to this project and was responsible for most of the organization of the event.