

ZONTA ON THE ROCKS

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NOTICES.

If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise Anna Tempest Ph 4928 7880 (W) Ph 4928 7125 (H) by 10 am on the Monday before the meeting.

Failure to apologize will incur payment of \$25.00.



Area 4 Workshop:
28-29 April 2007
Hervey Bay

District
Conference:
08-09 Sept. 2007

International
Convention:
2008: Rotterdam



Zonta Club of Rockhampton

Member of Zonta International

Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

President's Message:

Dear Fellow Zontians

Several Club members met at Trish's home in October to help prepare Pamper Packs for the women who enter Women's Shelter. Thanks to Trish and her helpers. These will be presented to a representative of Women's Shelter at the Christmas High Tea.

Thanks also to Veronica, Berenice and Tracey who met at Margaret Olive's workplace to cut out 68 Breast Care Cushions in preparation for sewing and stuffing. Thanks to Margaret for allowing us to use her facilities. Our Club delivered 30 cushions to the Cancer Fund this quarter for delivery to women having surgery.

Recently Veronica was able to attend the Central Queensland University Award Ceremony to present our Zonta Encouragement Awards to the two young women who received the Information Technology and the Engineering Awards. Thanks Veronica.

Our Club has had excellent publicity in the Local Newspaper recently for both the Young Pilot's Award in September and the Breast Care Cushions in October. (Breast

Cancer Awareness Month).

Our next major fundraising event, our Christmas High Tea is to be held on 22 November, and tickets are selling very well. Christmas Donations to local organizations (OzCare, BlueCare, Anglicare, Lifeline, Salvation Army and Womens's Shelter) will be presented to representatives at this function. We have a Christmas raffle which will be drawn on the same evening.

Keen interest has been shown by the students of the local secondary schools in the Young Woman in Public Affairs Award. We are looking forward to receiving applications from a number of students.

United Nations Day was celebrated at the October Dinner Meeting with a presentation by Trish and the Zonta International Birthday will be celebrated at the November Dinner Meeting.

Yours in Zonta,
Glenys



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Zonta on the Rocks – Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

MEETINGS.

Board:

6.30pm:
2nd Tuesday
of the month
Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.

Dinner:

6.00 pm for 6.30pm
3rd Tuesday
of the month
Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.

**Committee
Meetings.**

OMC/PR/UN

Program:

Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel
5.30 pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

**Finance and
Fundraising:**

Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.
5.30 pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

Status of Women:

Venue:
Rockhampton Plaza
Hotel.
5.30pm—
2nd Tuesday
of the month.

Calendar:



NOVEMBER:

- 14 Committee Meetings/
Board Meeting
- 21 Dinner Meeting –
ZI Birthday Celebrations
- 22 Christmas High Tea – Wilby's

DECEMBER:

- 12 Board/Dinner Meeting
Christmas Celebration

**Special United Nations Observances
and Other Significant Days.**

November:

- 08 Zonta International Birthday
- 25 White Ribbon Day -
Elimination of Violence
Against Women and
Children

*'Good works are links that
form a chain of love'.*

Mother Theresa

Dinner Raffle.

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

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| November | Veronica |
| December | Meredith |
| January | Anna |
| February | Norma |

Please give your
raffle prize to
Elizabeth to co-ordinate.



**2006 - Z I Young Women in Public
Affairs Award Recipient.**

Fiona Campbell (Australia) is a student
of the world, embracing different
cultures and immersing herself in diverse
languages. Through school exchange
programs, she has lived and studied in
the French town of Servon Sur Vilaine
and the German town of Hameln, and
has hosted students from Germany and
Japan. In January she plans to travel to
the Spanish-speaking Dominican
Republic where she will volunteer as a
medical assistant.

"These activities have really raised my
awareness of language barriers and
cultural differences, but also made me
realise that these can be overcome with a
bit of patience and understanding," Fiona
said.

Fiona is also active in philanthropic
work. She raises money for charities
such as Starlight Foundation, which
realizes the wishes of kids with cancer.

In between traveling, studying and
volunteering, Fiona participates in
Fencing and Netball, and plays double
bass and bass guitar in her school's
symphonic and jazz bands.

At university, Fiona plans to study the
arts, economics and languages. She
aspires to a career in international
relations, specifically working to help
HIV/AIDs-affected people in Africa.

If you would like to contribute to your Newsletter
please forward articles to Berenice Payne
either by
Fax: 4922 3315 or Email to
berenice.a.payne@bigpond.com

Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.

**In April 2006
Zonta membership
worldwide reached
33,240.**

Committee Reports

Status of Women / Service /Amelia Earhart

Organization of Young Women in Public Affairs Award in progress – Updated Application Forms etc have been received and closing date will be 1st December. A judging committee will be selected to include Zontians and an outside person.

Program / Public Relations & Communications / Membership / United Nations

Planning of the calendar for Dinner Meetings for the next 12 months was discussed. Two ‘at homes’ are planned in April and August 2007.

Bookings have been lodged with the Plaza Hotel for Dinner and Committee/Board meetings to the end of 2007. Plaza Hotel to be asked re availability of TV and DVD player. Discussion of ‘quality’ of food with further ‘observation’ at Dinner meeting. Norma will speak to Manager if necessary.

October: United Nations Day 24th October/ Trish Collins to speak

November: Celebrate Zonta International Birthday - 08 November

December: December/ Christmas Celebration/ to be brought forward to 12th December/ Rockhampton Plaza Hotel.

New member Tracey Wust to be inducted at November Meeting.

Plans are underway to update Manuals/Bylaws etc on CD for members.

Finance and Fundraising

Organization of Christmas High Tea in progress – Wednesday 22nd November / 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm – Venue Wilby’s – invitations printed to be distributed at Dinner meeting and also emailed to members – entertainment to be organized. Fashion Parade – Zebra Plus – multi drawer raffle/donations from members/non perishables –major raffle of 2 Gourmet Hampers to be organized/donations from members – tickets distributed beforehand for sale. Two quizzes on the night. Decorations for tables/ volunteers sought for models for parade/ Compare Trish Power.

Eco Bags selling well/ 119 in stock/ 200 purchased = 319.

More Coasters in progress/ 160 on order.

Macadamia Christmas Drive – Forms already distributed – Orders to Marie by 1st Dec to be delivered by 9th Dec.

*Happy Birthday and lots of best wishes
to our Birthday Zontians*

04 Diane Williams
09 Meredith Sutherland



From the Zonta International Website.

Celebrate ZONTA ACTION
16 Years of 16 Days
25 November - 10 December 2006

Advance Human Rights
End Violence
Against Women

Zonta International invites all Zonta Clubs, Zontians and friends of Zonta to join this global campaign against gender violence. Campaign participants have been instrumental in bringing issues of violence against women to the forefront of local, national, regional and global arenas since the first campaign originated in 1991. This year's campaign emphasizes the connections between women's human rights, violence against women and women's health, and the detrimental consequences gender violence has on the well-being of the world as a whole. For millions of women, the experience or fear of violence is a daily reality and increasingly so is HIV/AIDS. Women and girls are at greater risk of and are more vulnerable to HIV infection because of deep-rooted, pervasive gender inequalities, in particular violence against them.

Campaign Dates

25 November - International Day Against Violence Against Women was declared in July 1981 in Bogota, Colombia to commemorate the violent assassination of the Mirabal sisters.

1 December - World AIDS Day marks the beginning of an annual campaign to demand governments keep their policy commitments related to HIV/AIDS. In order to keep their promises, they need to fulfill commitments on violence against women as well.

10 December - International Human Rights Day marks the celebration of the 1948 adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

In no country in the world are women safe from gender violence.

Domestic violence is the major cause of death and disability for European women ages 16 to 44, and accounts for more death and ill-health than cancer or traffic accidents.	In the US , a woman is raped every 6 minutes; a woman is battered every 15 seconds. 700,000 women are sexually assaulted annually; 14.8 percent of them are raped before the age of 17.
In South Africa , more women are shot at home in acts of domestic violence than are shot by strangers on the streets or by intruders.	The Russian government estimates 14,000 women were killed by relatives in 1999, yet the country still has no law specifically addressing domestic violence.
In India , more than 7,000 women will be murdered by their families and in-laws in disputes over dowries.	In Peru , a study of 12- to 16-year-old girls giving birth found that 90 percent of them were pregnant from rape, often incest.
In Bangladesh , 200 women this year will be horribly disfigured when their spurned husbands or suitors burn them with acid.	This year, more than 15,000 women will be sold into sexual slavery in China .

From the District 24 Website.

The Zonta Club of Brisbane East Inc has updated its Fact Sheet on Trafficking. The Fact Sheet (attached) provides updated global statistics.

(For information on the ZI Project in Bosnia-Herzegovina conducted over that last two bienniums, the Resolution adopted by ZI at the Gothenburg Convention, a chronological list of the development and enactment of laws to combat Trafficking, a summary of Australia's efforts in this regard and laws that apply in Queensland in relation to Trafficking, visit the member's Section of the District 24 Website.)

FACT SHEET -TRAFFICKING

Zonta International promotes advocacy about Trafficking through its service projects and through legislative awareness in its member countries around the world.

1. GLOBAL STATISTICS ON TRAFFICKING1

In many cases, reliable statistics are unavailable for this largely unreported crime. However, recent studies tell us that:

- Every year, an estimated 4 million women and girls are bought and sold worldwide, either into forced prostitution, slavery or forced marriage;
- about 45,000 to 50,000 women are trafficked annually to the United States; .
- an estimated 200,000 Bangladeshi women have been trafficked to Pakistan over the last 10 years, the majority are whom are young women;
- between 5,000 and 7,000 Nepali girls are trafficked every year across the border to India. Most end up as sex workers in brothels in Bombay and New Delhi. An estimated 200,000 Nepali women, most of them girls under 18, are sex workers in Indian cities;
- in Western Europe alone, about 500,000 women and girls from developing countries and countries with economies in transition are entrapped in the slave trade each year;
- in the last 30 years, trafficking in women and children in Asia for sexual exploitation alone has victimized over 30 million people;
- girls as young as 13 (mainly from Asia and Eastern Europe) are trafficked as "mail-order brides". In most cases, these girls and women are powerless, isolated, and at great risk of violence;
- large numbers of children are being trafficked in West and Central Africa, mainly for domestic work but also for sexual exploitation, to work in shops or on farms, or to be scavengers or street hawkers. Nearly 90 percent of these trafficked workers are girls.

The 2002 Zonta International Convention approved a resolution to promote the 2000 Protocol to prevent, suppress and punish trafficking in persons, especially women and children, supplementing the UN Convention against Trans-national Organised Crime. For the 2002-2004 and 2004-2006 Biennia, Zonta International combined advocacy on trafficking with two International Service Projects in Bosnia – Herzegovina.

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