

ΖΟΝΤΑ **CLUB OF ROCKHAMPTON INC** MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY



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President's Message:

eNewsletter: March 2018

President Meredith is at present in Canada with family, enjoying a holiday and some cold weather. I have chosen to enter a section from the ZI President's blog-her trip to Nepal to witness the impact of our ZIF Project - 12th Feb 2018. Sonja Hönig Schough is the 2016-2018 President of Zonta International and the Zonta International Foundation.

Witnessing Zonta's impact in Nepal through The Future We Want project.

At 06:30 in the morning, I was picked up to travel to Sindhupalchok, one of the districts in Nepal where Zonta, through UN Women, supports returning migrant women. The trip was around 100 km (approximately 60 miles), but due to the bad conditions of the roads, the trip took around 3 1/2 hours. It was raining heavily, and I was told this was very unusual; normally you should see the magnificent mountains from the road.

The Future We Want, the name of our project, reflects that women in Nepal want to shape their own lives. The goal of the project is not only to support and address individual women who have been subject to either unsafe migration or trafficking. The goal is also to be part of a process of changing the structures in the society and removing the reasons for women leaving the country under unsafe conditions. Besides meeting the direct beneficiaries in Sindhupalchok, I met politicians both on the local and federal level and participated in a roundtable discussion with policymakers from different ministries. The government of Nepal has made a commitment to combat human trafficking with a comprehensive approach of changing policies.

We can be proud that our donations are supporting not only women in need, but also creating a sustainable development for women in Nepal, using synergies among all stakeholders.

You can read more on the ZI Website here.





If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise Elizabeth Acton elizabethacton@cqnet.com.au (Ph: 4922 4944) by 9am on the Monday before the meeting. Failure to apologize on time will incur payment of \$30.00.



ADD YOUR VOICE TO **EMPOWER WOMEN**

Meetings: Board Meeting:



6.30 pm: 2nd Tuesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

Club Meeting:

6.00 pm: 3rd Tuesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

All Standing Committee Meetings: 5.30pm: 2nd Tuesday of the month Venue: The Stirling—Albert Street Rockhampton.

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For your Diary:

Tuesday 13th March 2018

Tuesday 20th March 2018

Saturday 17th March 2018

Saturday 24th March 2018

Saturday—Sunday 14th—15th April 2018 **Club Committee Meetings:**

Club Dinner Meeting:

Breast Cushion Sewing Bee: iSew Berserker Street

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Zonta D22 Area 2 Meeting: The Regent—Rockhampton



Breast Cushion Working Bees:

Please advise Service Committee Chair Jenny if you are able to attend the Breast Care Cushion working bees to be held on March 17 and March 24 commencing at 9.00am at iSew premises in Berserker Street North Rockhampton.

All sewing skills are required, cutting out, pinning, both hand and machine sewing and stuffing of the cushions. These two sewing bees will be major commitments as we have no cushions in hand at the moment with only 12 cushions with the Breast Care Nurse for delivery.

These working bees are also a great opportunity for fellowship during the work time and afterwards over a cup of coffee and morning tea.



Women in Business Scholarship:

The next award to be offered by our club will be the Women in Business Scholarship formerly known as the Jane M Klausman Award. The award, offered to women of

any age, pursuing an accredited business or business-related program who demonstrate outstanding potential in the field, are eligible and encouraged to apply. For a full list of the eligibility and application requirements, download the Application Form here.





Increasing our membership numbers:

With the new Zonta year beginning on 1st June, it is a good time now to be actively looking for women who may be interested in joining our club. Much has been written about how to attract members to our clubs and some great material has been published by ZI under Global Membership Drive on the ZI website. These materials are available here. You will need to login to access them.

Of particular interest is the PPT presentation produced following the ZI Membership Drive Webinar (the MP4 audio is also available) in December 2017. Both the audio and the PPT can be downloaded from the GMD page on the website. Below are a few slides from the PPT.

THE GMD WORKS ON 2 PILLARS:

- · Engage and Retain: Create real passion for Zonta and its mission among our members to ultimately foster retention.
- Recruit: Motivate clubs to achieve a real breakthrough in membership growth.

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Growth and Recruitment

In order to grow, we need to recruit more new members than we lose.

But we do not want to recruit just anybody.

- We want members fitting with Zonta, sharing our passion for empowering women.
- New members should be willing to participate in international & local service, advocacy and fundraising activities, participate in committees and club life, and accept leadership positions.



Some inspiring recruitment ideas

1. Quick & simple recruitment event:

- Identify and approach at least 10 good prospective members
- Organize a simple information event
- · Present Zonta and convince them to join us
- Assure a fast recruitment process
- Try to recruit at least two if not more members
- 2. Ask all members to introduce at least one member into the club
- Invitation to join Zonta in like-minded organizations
- Recruitment message in social media and messaging systems

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Dinner Raffle:

Gifts for the dinner raffle follow the listing in the Members Directory.

March: April: May: June:

Louise Adrienne Jan Jenny

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



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