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## **ZONTA CLUB**

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SECRET GARDEN
SOUTH TWEED SPORTS CLUB
Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February
5-45 pm E.S.T. 6-45 pm D.S.T
Apologies - Lesley Sunday 7pm
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A bit late but didn't want to waste my work

# DIARYDATES

**February** 

17<sup>th</sup> Dinner Meeting

March

8<sup>th</sup> March International Womens Day – Zonta Rose Day

17<sup>th</sup> Dinner Meeting

22<sup>nd</sup> Area Meeting

April

21<sup>st</sup> Dinner Meeting

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## MEMBER PROFILE SARAKING

Sarah King is a Tweed Heads resident and a student completing her Honors program at Southern Cross University, studying for a Media degree. She is originally from Sierra Leone and came to 2008 the Australia through Australian Humanitarian in Resettlement Program. She is closely associated with the African Community in Lismore and usually assists in organizing African Cultural events. Sarah is also a member of Sanctuary Northern Rivers Inc. She currently works for the Richmond Tweed Regional Library in Tweed and Lismore and volunteers her time doing charity work in her community. She is currently coordinating The Sierra Leone Book Project Australia and has collected over 10,000 books ready to be shipped to Sierra Leone for disadvantaged children.

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## February President's Report.

The year is already gearing up to be busy. Please refer to the District 22 Calender of events to familiarize yourself with event dates. March  $22^{nd}$  being the Area 1 & 3 Meeting; hosted by the Caboolture Club at Noosa. Many District Zonta Clubs are advertising their International Women's Day events. This year will be our club's first time not hosting the IWD Breakfast in 21 years. Its meaning however is never lost on a Zontian, International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8th across the world. IWD is a global day celebrating the economic, political and social achievements of women in the past, present and future. It is an occasion for looking back on past struggles and accomplishments, and more importantly, for looking ahead to the untapped potential and opportunities that await future generations of women.

#### Foundation and Development

In 1910, Clara Zetkin, the leader of the Women's Office for the Social Democratic Party in Germany tabled the idea of an International Women's Day at the second International Conference of Working Women in Copenhagen. The proposal received unanimous assent from over one hundred women representing seventeen countries.

The very first International Women's day was held the following year on March 19th. Meetings and protests were held across Europe with the largest street demonstration attracting 30,000 women. In 1913, IWD was transferred to March 8th and has been held on this day ever since.

Zonta Rose Day shares March 8<sup>th</sup>. The Zonta Rose is much more than a lovely flower. Since 1999, it has served as the symbol of Zonta Rose Day, which falls on 8 March and coincides with International Women's Day. On this special Day, Zontians worldwide are encouraged to publicly distribute yellow roses, or items bearing the image of yellow roses, accompanied by information about Zonta International and issues relating to improving the lives of women. The Zonta+ rose is a bright yellow T-Hybrid rose developed by breeder LEX+ in the Netherlands and introduced to the Dutch market in February 2007. It was formally named Zonta+ in June 2008. Zonta+ roses have large buds, a stem length of 24 to 32 inches, and a vase life of 12 days. Zonta+ roses will be available all year round. They are traded at the six Floral Holland flower auctions in the Netherlands and exported worldwide.



#### From Z.I...

District 22 Clubs were certainly innovative with their activities and functions in support of the Zonta Says No campaign. A collated report on the District activities has been prepared by our Distinct Governor and is available on our District website.

The Zonta Club of de Baronie, the Netherlands (District 29), gave a visual support at their Christmas Dinner to the ongoing Zonta Says NO campaign with orange Zeeland caps.



To see more of what your fellow Zontians have done through club, district and international activities, or to share your photos, please visit the Zonta International Facebook Page.

*To see what Zonta Southern Gold Coast/Tweed has been up to:* https://www.facebook.com/pages/Zonta-Club-Southern-Gold-CoastTweed/152403848166376.

You will see a reminder of the fantastic way we ended our final IWD Breakfast.

These two reports highlight Zonta huge impact on health on an International level...

### **Zonta's Global Impact**

#### UNICEF highlights the Power of Zonta's Partnership by Featuring a Recent **Rwandan Field Visit in Publication**

Zonta International has a long history of supporting UNICEF's programs to protect and empower women and their children. In Rwanda, this partnership is working toward an ambitious goal: an HIVfree generation by 2015.



Click here to read the Every Child magazine.

#### Funders Concerned about AIDS recognizes Zonta International in December 2013 report as **Top Funder**

Zonta International Foundation was listed as one of the Top 69 U.S. Philanthropic HIV/AIDS Funders in 2012 in a report titled "Global Philanthropic Support to Address HIV/AIDS in 2012" distributed by Funders Concerned about AIDS. The Foundation is #40 on the list, (pages 16-17) and ZIF is mentioned again via Zonta's partnership with UNICEF in Rwanda (pages 42 and 62).

Click here to read the whole report.

See you on Febuary 17<sup>th</sup>....Your's in fellow fellowship.

Pres Kaye.





