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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

Dear Fellow Beaudesert Zontians,

Firstly I would like to thank you all for a very enjoyable and productive first meeting for the 2014/2015 Zonta year. I really appreciate the enthusiasm and contributions made by all the new committees! I think we are in for a really good year!

On Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> June I had the pleasure to attend the RSL's Spirit of Australia Awards. I felt privileged and proud to be representing Zonta in presenting prizes to the children who entered this competition. It was a most enjoyable morning and an event that I hope we can continue to support in the future.

While having a lazy lunch on the weekend I was listening to Julie Bishop, Minister for Foreign Affairs, deliver The New Aid Paradigm at the National Press club.(18.6.2014) Suddenly I became very interested when she began talking about the support to be given to women and children, domestic violence and girls in education! A topic that is very close to all our hearts. Let's hope the program will have positive outcomes for women and children in our region.

The Breast care Cushion filling day at Margie Brennans home was a success with 50 cushions being finished and ready for distribution. Thankyou to all the willing helpers on the day!

I am writing this report very early as school holidays are fast approaching and I will be heading to Sydney to spend some precious time with my southern grandchildren. Those of you having family time...enjoy...and I look forward to seeing you all at the July Dinner meeting.

A thunderstorm in the middle of winter????

Yours in Zonta Robin Powell President- Zonta Club of Beaudesert Inc

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JULY Dinner Meeting

15th July 2014

Beaudesert R.S.L @ 6:30pm

Don't forget to let Pam know by 8 am on Tuesday if you are unable to make

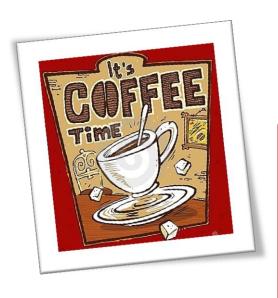
**Dinner on Tuesday.** 

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COFFEE & CHAT
MORNING

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>
July 2014 10am

At

Everyday's Café

(Brisbane Street)

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## ZONTA CLUB OF BEAUDESERT AREA INC. CALENDAR 2014 - 2015

MONTH	FUND RAISING	SERVICE	OTHER	MEETINGS
JUNE - 2014		27 <sup>th</sup> Breast Care Cushion filling morning.		17 <sup>th</sup> - General
JULY		11 <sup>th</sup> Cutting Day for Breast Care Cushions 1pm at Centacare		15 <sup>th</sup> - General P&PR C/tee
AUGUST			18 <sup>th</sup> – World Humanitarian Day Meals on Wheels AGM Noon Area Workshop 23/08	19 <sup>th</sup> – General P&PR C/tee
SEPTEMBER	5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> September Show - Main Gates		UN International Day pf Peace	16 <sup>th</sup> – General S&F C/tee
OCTOBER	14 <sup>th</sup> Nindooinbah /RNA Catering Event Organise Christmas Raffle		11-12 District 22 Conference 11 UN Day of the Girl Child 24 UN Day	21 <sup>st</sup> – General P&PR C/tee
NOVEMBER			8 <sup>th</sup> Zonta International's 96 <sup>th</sup> Birthday	18 <sup>th</sup> General Advocacy C/tee
DECEMBER	Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> – Gourmet Goodies Stall at Markets			No General Meeting Board Meeting ?
JANUARY - 2015				20th- General Advocacy C/tee
FEBRUARY				17 <sup>th</sup> - General Membership C/tee
MARCH		6 <sup>th</sup> ? IWD G/Speaker		17 <sup>th</sup> - General (Membership Committee)
APRIL				21 <sup>st</sup> - General – A.G.M.
MAY				19 <sup>th</sup> – Change Over Dinner

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Ladies, have booked Centacare for a cutting out day of breast cushions on this Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July from 1pm.

Our working bee last Friday was very successful. Seven members filled and wrapped 60 cushions which were delivered to the Mater and P.A. Hospitals.

Could you bring scissors and pins please. Margaret Dennis was able to purchase pink satin material for us.

Look forward to Friday.



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## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE STATISTICS

The vast majority of dangerous, abusive and violent behaviour that occurs in the privacy of people's homes is committed by men against women. The most recent information on violence in Australia comes from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, Personal Safety Survey (national survey of 16,400 adults in Australian aged 18 years and over) conducted in 2005. The first issue of this survey was conducted in 1996. The 2005 survey found:

- Just under half a million Australian women reported that they had experienced physical or sexual violence or sexual assault in the past 12 months.
- More than a million women had experienced physical or sexual assault by their male current or ex-partner since the age of 15 (some women may be counted twice if they experienced both physical and sexual assault).
- 37.8% of women who experienced physical assault in the 12 months before the survey said the perpetrator was a current or previous male partner and 34.4% said the perpetrator was a male family member or friend. Most incidences of physical assault against women in the 12 months prior to 2005 were committed in a home (64.1%).
- 33.3% of women had experienced physical violence since the age of 15.
- 19.1% of women had experienced sexual violence since the age of 15.
- 12.4% of women had been sexually abused before the age of 15, compared with 4.5% of men, between 1996 and 2005. There was an increase in the reporting of sexual assault to police from 14.9% to 18.9% between 1996 and 2005 and there was an increase in the reporting of physical violence to police from 18.5% to 36%.
- 64% of women who experienced physical assault and 81.1% of women who experienced sexual assault still did not report it to police. The proportion of women aged between 18 and 34 who reported experiencing physical violence has decreased but the proportion of women who reported experiencing physical violence after 45 increased over the same period. The percentage of women who reported that their children had witnessed partner-related violence either from a current or ex-partner was lower than in 1996.
- The majority of violence against men is committed by other men. Of men who reported that they had experienced physical violence in the 12 months before the survey, 73.7% said that the perpetrator was a male.

Source: Department of Families, Housing and Community Affairs Fact Sheet 2 Women's Safety

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Some thoughts of course Po Box 174 Beaudesert QLD 4285

Don't let the fear of the time it will take to accomplish something stand in the way of your doing it. The time will pass anyway; we might just as well put that passing time to the best possible use.

EARL NIGHTINGALE

A bend in the road is not the end of the road...unless you fail to make the turn.

I AM TOO POSITIVE
TO BE DOUBTFUL
TOO OPTIMISTIC
TO BE FEARFUL
AND TOO DETERMINED
TO BE DEFEATED

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