



Next Monthly Meeting

17 April 2017

Bulimba Library 6.45 for 7.00pm

Cost \$5 per head to cover coffee, tea and sweets

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## **President's Patter**



Once again we have had a busy month in March. Our meeting started with the scholarship awards to our young women. Each has had a very successful 2016 and is looking forward to an exciting 2017. Once again we had a couple of mums join their daughters for the awards as well as our school guests – Terry Heath, Principal Yeronga SHS, Jessica Walker, Deputy Principal of Yeronga SHS and Vanessa Cash, Deputy

Principal from Balmoral SHS.

The Club has also had a very successful fundraising year in 2016 and we will be able to support a range of service and advocacy projects in the coming 12 months. At our meeting, members supported the continuation of our existing projects with the addition of support to a combined Brisbane Clubs, Zonta Says No Campaign; an exciting project that will see us take a coordinated effort to enlist Brisbane residents to join the campaign to end violence against women.

Our month ended with a sausage sizzle which added nicely to our profits for the year. Once again thank you to our Hon Zons Greg, Michael and Vern and to members who helped on the day. We have been able to schedule sausage sizzles for the 2017 year with Bunnings at Rocklea. These, together with our Sunday at Bunnings Cannon Hill in July, will ensure a good start to our fundraising.

Thanks to Megan and Bianca for their work on the upcoming Movie night. We have decided to go with the 27 May at the New Farm Cinemas and we will have information out to you in the very near future. Whilst this is one of our strategies on the Zonta Says No Campaign and not necessarily a fundraiser, we do need to break even on our ticket sales. So we are aiming to sell 70 tickets with a minimum of 47 to meet costs. Please encourage friends and family to join and advertise our links through your Facebook page.

Our April meeting will be held on Easter Monday as per our decision at the March meeting. We will have the pleasure of inducting Bianca and Megan to Zonta.

Jo

## **Fees are Due**



Bronwyn has issued the Fees Notices for the 2017-2018. Fees will remain the same for the coming year ie \$150 for renewing members and \$170 for new members. Please pay them promptly either direct into our General Bank Account (details were on the Invoice) or at the next Monthly Meeting. It is important that we pay our Club fees to Zonta International and also to District. District fees include provision of

Insurance Coverage – Public Liability and Volunteer Worker Insurance – the first is mandatory for all our fundraising activities.

# **March Meeting**



As usual, we enjoyed hearing from our Scholarship winners at the March Monthly meeting and presenting them with their cheque for this year. We also welcomed Terry Heath, the Principal from Yeronga SHS, Jessica Walker, Deputy Principal Yeronga State High School and Vanessa Cash, Deputy Principal Balmoral State High School.

Anna Wojciechowski was the 2016 winner from Balmoral State High School. Anna has enrolled in a Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Midwifery at the University of Queensland.

Khadij Balouch was the 2016 winner from Yeronga SHS. Khadij has enrolled in a Bachelor of Oral Health and Dental Technology at Griffith University, Gold Coast Campus.

Caitlin Barnett from Balmoral SHS is the 2015 scholarship winner and enrolled in a Bachelor of Commerce at Griffith University in 2016. In 2016 Caitlin enrolled with a GPA of 4.75 in the subjects of Accounting Principles; Money, Banking and Finance; Economics for Decision Making 1; Business Statistics; Work and Employability; Management Concepts; Accounting Information Systems and Financial Planning 1.

Ashvini Rajendran from Yeronga SHS has enrolled in a Bachelor of Biomedical Science at UQ. She was last year's winner from Yeronga SHS and unfortunately was ill throughout the year. She is now back to her studies full time.

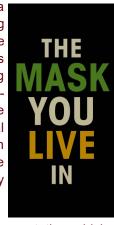
Fatemeh Mohit from Yeronga SHS was the 2015 scholarship winner. She enrolled in a Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts at UQ. Her 2016 studies included Literary Classics; Calculus and Linear Algebra 1; Introduction to Philosophy; Mechanic and Thermal Physics 1; Multivariate Calculus & ODEs; Introduction to Ethics; Electromagnetism & Modern Physics; Analysis of Scientific Data. Her GPA is 5.

Our 6th student is Lily Crick from Balmoral State High School who enrolled in a Bachelor of Paramedical Science at QUT in 2015. She did well in 2015 but decided to have a gap year in 2016 and is working full time. She will return to her studies in Semester 2 2017.

Other special guests on the night were Lois Aumuller and Ellysa Aryani both of whom had expressed an interest in learning more about our Club. We hope you enjoyed the meeting and look forward to meeting you again at our April Meeting.

# **Movie Night**

May is Domestic Violence Prevention Month which complements our Zonta Says No to Domestic Violence Campaign. As part of our on-going campaign against D&FV, we have arranged a showing of the Movie "The Mask You Live In" at the New Farm Cinema on 27 May. This film illustrates how we, as a society, can raise a healthier generation of boys and young men. Jennifer Siebel Newsom made "The Mask You Live In" as a concerned mother and an advocate for families and children. With the film, she explores how we are raising our boys and gets to the root of our societal problems with gender, violence, and the resulting gender inequity. The film runs for 87 minutes and will be followed by a short panel discussion on the subject. Tickets (\$25 per ticket) will be available for purchase on line very shortly but mark the date in you diary now.



In November we will be following this film up with the movie Miss Representation which explores the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence in America, and challenges the media's limited portrayal of what it means to be a powerful woman.

# **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle**

Our next Sausage Sizzle at Rocklea is 24 April with more booked for 8 May, 5 and 17 June which is a weekend day but still to be confirmed. We also have Bunnings at Cannon Hill – 2 July 2017 which is a Sunday. The Cannon Hill Bunnings is a very busy store so help is definitely needed on this day as we need four people for each shift. Again, if available on these days please let Jo know.



# **Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee presented its slate at our last meeting and will call for further nominations from the floor and conduct elections at our April Meeting. We will also be looking for nominations for the Nominating Committee for 2017-2018. Thanks to those who have accepted nomination. The new Board will take effect from 1 June which is the start of the Zonta year.

# Service Projects for the 2017- 2018 Zonta Year

Our March meeting was a busy one as we approved our Budget for 2017-2018 and also endorsed our service projects for the coming year. These are:

- Continuation of the scholarship program at Balmoral and Yeronga State High Schools;
- Continuation of support for Madonna House;
- Continuation of support for ZigZag;
- Continuation of support for the Logan Sexual Assault Response Team;
- Continuation of the Zonta Breast Cushion and Drainage Program (this is funded separately)
- Support of a Zonta Says No 2017 campaign.



# **Member News**

#### Vale Maureen O'Connor

Members were very sad to hear of the passing of their very good friend, HonZon Maureen O'Connor, on Wednesday,15 March 2017. Maureen came to many Breast Cushion working bees and Club functions and made hundreds of wonderful finger sandwiches for our High Teas. We loved her for her kindness and sense of humour and will miss her greatly. Our sincere sympathies to her loving family and friends at this sad time,



# **International News**



The Zonta International website is being revamped. A major change will be ease of log in using your email address. Members will have a new login, can update their information online and clubs/districts can access membership rosters. In early April, HQ will send an email to all members with new username and link to reset password. Members will need to reset their password when they log into the website. Members without

an email address on file will not be able to log into the website.

### **Date Claimers**

| Board Meeting, Easts Leagues Club                     |
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| Monthly Meeting, Bulimba Library                      |
| Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea                      |
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| Movie Night – The Mask You Live In" – New Farm Cinema |
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| Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Rocklea – To be confirmed    |
| Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings Cannon Hill                  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Annual High Tea                       |
| District 22 Conference, Brisbane                      |
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