

**District 22 Governor: Judith Anderson Area 4 Director: Kath Everett**

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**NEXT DINNER MEETING (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month): 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012, at Leanne's: 22 Derain Drive, Sladevale, 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm start.**

Please advise Leanne on **46619644** or **0417648172** or contact Sally on [daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com](mailto:daveandsallycarr@hotmail.com) or phone **4661 4184** or text message to **0421 782 962** by Sunday 9 December, if you cannot attend. Leanne will need to know numbers to set up tables etc.

**Note: self-catered Christmas meal; nil costs and nil raffle at this meeting.**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month): 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013, in the boardroom at Abbey of the Roses, Locke St Warwick, at 5.30 pm (approx 5.30-7pm).**



***This month's meeting: Christmas Celebrations!***  
***Wear your festive Christmas outfit***  
***Bring a pair of tweezers for the craft activity***

***Here are directions to Leanne's:***

Turn off the highway north of Warwick at Southern Downs Mazda on to Freestone Road. Travel 2.5km and turn right into Mt Tabor Road. Take the first left into Derain Drive (Mt Tabor Estate). Wind your way up the hill, staying left. There is a windmill in the front yard.

## ***Forthcoming Events***

### **Movie Night: Date is still being negotiated! (TBC by email)**

June has been negotiating a premier showing of *Les Miserables* as a Zonta fundraiser, but at time of publication, the date had not been advised. Hopefully we can confirm on Tuesday night, otherwise we will be emailing! Please advise if you are willing to help with preparations and ticket sales.

Proceeds will be allocated to our Birthing Kit project, and tickets will be \$20. Once date confirmed, Jacinta and Rosa will draft an article for The Daily News.



*Les Misérables* is a musical drama film, which stars Hugh Jackman, Russell Crowe, and Anne Hathaway. The film premiered in London on 5 December 2012, and is scheduled to be released on 26 December 2012 in Australia. Victor Hugo's classic story is about a prisoner Jean Valjean who becomes a factory owner and surrogate father to Cosette, the orphaned daughter of Fantine, one of Valjean's factory workers who falls on hard times and turns to prostitution.

(Editor's note: one of the reviews says: 'It's been a long time coming – 27 years since it opened in the theatre in London – but it's worth the wait. This is a wonderful film, an all-time-great musical, guaranteed – despite its title – to raise your spirits, as well as make you cry')

Read more: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2244304/Les-Miserables-movie-Chris-Tookey-gives-verdict-masterpiece.html#ixzz2EPLd8UYB>

### **Australia Day Breakfast: 26 January 2013**

Venue: 99 Kurrajong Road, Warwick  
Planning at the December meetings;  
Please advise if you are willing to be on the organizing committee, help on the day etc.  
Details will be forwarded by email.



### **Zonta Club of Warwick Inc Garage Sale: 2 February 2013**

As well as a fund-raiser, this is an opportunity to get rid of your 'trash' which will undoubtedly be someone else's 'treasure'.

Lois has offered her shed on the corner of King and Albion Streets to hold the garage sale. As you gather items, if you want to drop off to the shed, please collect the key from and return to the Sovereign Hotel or phone Sarah on 0401450430. Alternatively contact Lois to meet you at the shed on Wednesday, Friday, Saturdays or Sundays – phone Lois on 04037619711 or 46618860. Again, we will be organizing this event at the Christmas dinner, so please give some thoughts to what you could donate to the garage sale, whether you are available prior to the event to help set up or available to help on the day with sales.

### **Next Dinner Meeting: 19 February 2013**

Guest Speakers: Judith Anderson, District 22 Governor  
Kath Everett, Area 4 Director.

Please advise Karen or Jacinta if there are specific topics you would like them to address. Requests include:

- Advocacy committee – appropriate advocacy projects, what other Zonta clubs are targeting
- Zonta A and B projects – decision making tool

### **International Women’s Day Breakfast: 8 March 2013**

Venue: Horizon’s Restaurant at TAFE Warwick

Guest Speaker: Marceline Dwan

Further organisation at the Christmas dinner meeting.

### **Zonta Area 4 Meeting: 9-10 March 2013**

Mark this date in your diary – meeting to be held in Ipswich next year.

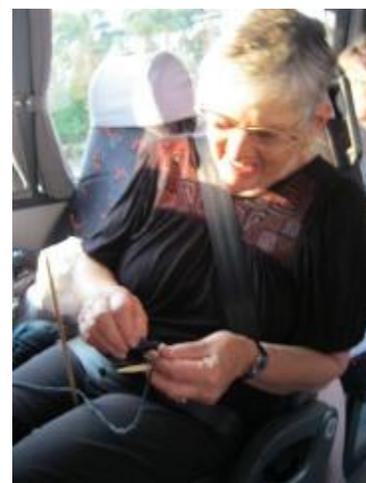
## ***Past Events***

### **Craft and Quilt Fair: 21 October 2012**

Leanne has advised that \$587 was raised, which included a donation of \$57 from the Craft Fair event organizers, and \$117 raised in the raffle. This has covered our commitment to the Olive McMahon Cancer Lodge refurbishment and maintenance project for this year.

Here’s Mary enjoying her craft on our return bus trip!

(Editor’s note: one of the community members who attended this event had contacted me to ask if there was a joint project on which Zonta and her craft group could work together. At our November meeting, Lois suggested raffling a quilt. I have been in contact and ‘seeds are being sown’ – considering a friendship quilt and looking at indigo dying – if like me, this means nothing, visit the display in the Art Gallery during December! I will keep in contact and advise if / when this project will be launched).



## Safe Haven Breakfast: 23 November 2012

Just a note to say thank you to all the Zontians who helped out with this event over the preceding weeks and in particular to those who turned up looking so glamorous and cheerful on the morning and did a sterling job in getting people into the building, and through food queues, and into the right seats at the right tables, plus sell them raffle tickets at the same time.

Our thanks also to the number of Zontians who made generous donations of prizes for the multi draw raffle. Thanks to Leanne we found this marvelous self draw machine at the Golf Club. It was great. The auction of 2 signed Sports shirts went off well, too. They raised \$960, and our thanks go to Tony McGahan from the Wallabies and Laura Geitz from the Firebirds for donating the shirts. They are both Warwick/Allora locals.

Lois was a highly capable MC for the day and kept us all in order and on time. The guest speaker, Wayne Bennett was at his best and was well received by all. He spent some time meeting with guests and also with some of the Warwick High School boys who attended. I am sure that some will remember the occasion for many years into their adulthood. The un-named Zontian who asked me "who is Wayne Bennett" ? now knows !!

Finally, I think that we achieved what we set out to do - to raise funds for Safe Haven's daily needs, and to raise the profile of Safe Haven within the Warwick Community.

Moneywise, I am hoping that they will get, after expenses, between \$3K and \$4K out of the day. Publicity wise, the Safe Haven name and the work that they do is now out in the Warwick public domain. The Management of Safe Haven and the people who support them, can now take the next step of approaching businesses and individuals for help with ongoing funding.

My personal thanks for a job well done.

*Faye*

## *Member's Profile: Rhonda Betts*



Rhonda with Mary enjoying each other's company on the bus trip to the Craft Fair.

*Editor's note: my apologies that Rhonda's profile was not published when she initially joined Zonta. But better late than never..... Here Rhonda shares her story....*

I'm originally from Sydney & Normie from Griffith. We met in Sydney where I worked in an office of Coles & he had a move from a country store to our city store as a manager.

We hit it off & eventually married in 1974.

Normie always wanted to be a cabinetmaker but at the time when leaving school nothing was available. At 22yrs, missing the country life we moved back to Griffith where he started his apprenticeship, & I worked nights at the Ex-Servicemens Club and then the Leagues Club. One day Normie helped a brother to move to Maroochydore & came home to say we bought 14 acres in Warwick & I said where the GOODNESS is Warwick.

Three years later we moved to Warwick, on Australia Day 1983, and we lived in a caravan with 4 of our children next to our house until it had been built to lock up stage by local builder Greg Rossiter.

We started our cabinet making business 'Norm Betts Joinery' when we finally moved into our house, working from our garage until we built our factory next door. I helped Norm during the day & worked stacking shelves at Woolies till wee hours, then full time in our business before starting to employ our local lads.

Married this year for 38years. Our eldest daughter Kylie who is 37, married Gary Beggs whose family is well known around the region. Kylie has a daughter Emily 3yrs & a bub on the way. David our only son 36, married with 2, Ethan 14yrs & Elly 12yrs. Nicole 33, married & family starting soon. Melissa 31, married to Andrew Kelly of Junabee with 2 boys, Charlie 3yrs & Harry 12months. Melissa has slowly started back working in our office again thank goodness..... & finally Christie 26, daughter Tayliah who has just turned 4yrs going on 14.....

We are very thankful for a happy & loving family.

## *Members' News*



Jacinta's son, Jarred, graduated from secondary school in November, and is pictured here with proud parents at his school formal! We are enjoying the lull between the stress of end of year exams, and the release of OP scores, uni and college offers etc!

## *Committee Notes/ Jottings*



**November Meeting Raffle: donated by Lois, won by Leanne  
Leanne will donate the raffle prize for February dinner meeting.**

## Ideas for fellowship activities

Board members are starting to discuss some fellowship activities that may be organized for mid-late 2013. As you will recall, the Craft Fair originated as a fellowship activity (2011) but has also fulfilled a fundraising commitment. So please forward any ideas for either exclusive fellowship activity, or combined fellowship and fundraiser activity, to Karen or to Jacinta.

So far, the Board is considering these suggestions:

1. Lunch at Lucas Estate. During 2012, there were jazz afternoons – so we will look for their 2013 calendar to see if this is continuing. You will recall that Louise Samuel was guest speaker at International Women's Day Breakfast in 2012.
2. Brisbane Good Food and Wine Show Expo. This will be held at the Brisbane Exhibition Centre 8-13 November 2013. The tickets for 2012 show cost \$23.50 each, so if we were thinking of a bus trip, the minimum cost would be \$55 / ticket.

## *Zonta and the Birthing Kit Foundation*

*Editor's Note: as the next 2 fundraisers (Movie Night and the Australia Day Breakfast) will raise money for the Birthing Kits, I decided to include this article for your interest.*

The Birthing Kit Foundation (Australia) was born out of the Zonta Birthing Kit Project, and is still strongly supported by Zonta Clubs today.

The idea for the Birthing Kit Project originated with Dr Joy O'Hazy a member of the Zonta Club of the Adelaide Hills Inc. In 1995 at the 5th World Health Conference in Beijing, Joy heard Sally Field, the actor, speak on how these small kits that cost less than a dollar (at that time) can save a life. In 1999 the club turned an idea into a reality by organising the first assembly day, making the first 100 kits which were sent to PNG.

Feedback from PNG was extremely positive with the noticeable reduction in mother and baby deaths. This motivated the Adelaide Hills Club members to expand the project.

Between 1999 and 2004 the project grew slowly. When AusAID funding was received, the project expanded rapidly, mainly due to the huge supporter base throughout the 114 Zonta clubs in Australia. An easy to follow 'How To' Assembly Day Manual had been created for every club interested in running an assembly day for the manufacture of kits. The Adelaide Hills Club nevertheless had to co-ordinate the provision of supplies and the dispatch of the kits to their final destinations, a huge logistical task.

Clubs everywhere enthusiastically embraced the work; they raised the money to fund assembly days and motivated the wider community to help. Without this support the Birthing Kit Project would never have grown or prospered and the Foundation would never have come into being.

By 2006 the Birthing Kit Foundation (Australia) was created to manage what had become a complex operation. This created a corporate structure to regularise the running of the Foundation relieving the Zonta Club of the Adelaide Hills of an increasing work load. Nevertheless the Foundation maintained all its links with Zonta and Zonta should be proud of the role it is playing in reducing infection rates and saving the lives of so many women and children.

Source: <http://www.birthingkitfoundation.org.au/zonta/p177.aspx>

# Seasons Greetings

*June, Sally, Marg, Jill, Lisa, Val, and Lyn (P-B) have advised that they are unable to attend the Christmas dinner meeting, so we wish them and their families a very happy and safe Christmas.*

## ***Birthdays***



*December: Mary G (11<sup>th</sup>), Louise (12<sup>th</sup>), and Jenny L (13<sup>th</sup>)  
- our very best wishes for a very happy day.  
January: Jacinta (19<sup>th</sup>) - many happy returns*

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