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Tuesday 16th November

Board/General Meeting
The Club at 5.00/6.30 pm
Committee meetings 6.00pm

Thursday 25th November

10.00 at IGA coffee shop at
Oaklands.

25th November—

10th December

16 Days of Activism

25th November

An activism event and morning
tea at Bean To.

June 25—29, 2022

Zonta's 65th Convention
Hamburg, Germany



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Zontians

With the 102nd Celebrations for Zonta's formation on the 8th November continuing into the month with the Zonta International Campaign to eliminate violence against women and girls, 16 days of Activism - 25 November to 10 December, so many activities planned, the community will be coloured orange for sure.

The ZSN campaign coordinated in Brisbane has some great events, lighting up Brisbane landmarks, the Fellowship walk, webinar and a few breakfasts being hosted. We look forward to the Advocacy committee's program starting with the distribution of our very own orange ladies to various local businesses in the Scenic Rim, one of the top regions in the world!!! We also look forward to the Morning Tea @ Bean To? on the 27th November during the 16 days of Activism.

It was a lovely evening at the Combined Service Club's dinner hosted by the Lions club of Beaudesert on Tuesday evening. Our local service clubs are a credit to all the volunteers who have basically the same ethos, supporting and building a better community.

If you are interested in attending the online Zonta Says No To Violence Against Women Summit on the 30 November 2021 registered now!

The Christmas Raffles are well stocked thanks to members' generous contributions, ticket selling has commenced!!! We look forward to lending a hand at Carols in the Park on the 1st of December, program handouts and raffle and Glowstick sales. I hope your Gourmet Goodies are in the front of mind not long known till 4th of December. Nothing like a jammed pack run to the end of the year

Members had a wonderful fellowship morning tea at Anne's for the Beaucare's Mental Health week fundraiser. Congratulations on raising \$500!!!!

We are still waiting to hear the results of the Elevator Speech Pitch, the committee needing an extension to process the many fantastic submissions, we look forward to the outcome soon.

Don't forget to tune into the **Remarkable Women Powerful Stories** hosted by Lynne Foley OAM a part of the leadership series, enjoy the achievements and personal stories of these amazing women.

See you Next Tuesday!

Yours in Zonta

Michelle

Don't forget to let Pam know if you are not going to be at the meeting.

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Thursday 25th November

Let's have a change and go out to the IGA at Oaklands.

They have a nice coffee shop all set up there...10.00 am.

This is the last newsletter before our Gourmet Goodies stall. Those of us involved in set-up get there about 6.00 am (Saturday, 4th Dec), put up the marquee, tables, decorate them and arrange the goodies.

If you are coming later, perhaps you could drop your goodies into me or at Alice's and I can pick them up so we have lovely full tables of Christmas product.

I can do labels for anyone, just let me know the size, name and ingredients.



GINGERBREAD CAKE

with

CINNAMON CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

Ingredients:

flour, soda, spices, salt, butter,
sugar, treacle, egg, water
cream cheese, vanilla, milk



CHRISTMAS SHORTBREAD

Butter
Cornflour
Icing sugar
Plain flour
Vanilla

A LEADERSHIP SERIES BY
ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
**REMARKABLE WOMEN
POWERFUL STORIES**

Follow the link

<http://zonta.org/remarkablewomenpowerfulstories>

Next Guest is
V. Renée Cutting

3pm CST Wednesday, 18 November

V. Renée Cutting serves as Chief Philanthropy Officer for UNICEF USA where she is responsible for creating and implementing a cohesive, collaborative, and unified fundraising program, supporting the world's most vulnerable children.

Renée came to UNICEF USA from the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., where she held the position of Chief Development Officer.

Hear this remarkable woman share her achievements and personal story.



District 22 Governor:

Bridget Mather

District 22 Website:

<http://www.zontadistrict22.org>

Area 3 Director:

Jo Diessel

Remember Deirdre came to Alice's wine and cheese one January and it seems she never left us.

Our Irish Colleen...



I had a lovely start to life, the last of six children with the previous sibling being born five years before me, so in some people's eyes, I was a little mistake, but in my parent's eyes, even though I had nothing to do with it, I was affectionately known as their lucky child. Lucky, because after I was born things got better for my family, my father received a big promotion which more than doubled his pay and gave him six weeks paid holidays per year at a time when two weeks was standard and many didn't even get that. Lucky, because we were able to move into a larger house with three bedrooms (8 people lived in this house!), a living room and a separate kitchen and a front and back garden. (I sound a bit like the Four Yorkshire Men (*House? You were lucky to have a HOUSE! We used to live in one room, all hundred and twenty-six of us, no furniture. Half the floor was missing; we were all huddled together in one corner for fear of FALLING!!*))

I grew up in Turf Lodge, Belfast just off the Falls Road, and much of my childhood was lived during 'The Troubles' so life was a bit unusual to say the least, but when this is your life, you adapt and still play hop-scotch on the streets and throw a rope up a light pole to make a swing.

In 1971 my eldest sister and brother and their families left for Australia and settled in Redbank Plains and Browns Plains and we followed in 1973. I lived at Park Ridge and attended Beaudesert State High when there were only about 500 students. We moved from Park Ridge to Goodna, three months before the end of Year 11 and I commuted from Goodna to Beaudesert every day, by Greyhound bus. I would pick it up from Rocklea where my father worked and catch it back in the evenings. Instead of finishing Year 12 I left and went to Ipswich TAFE and got the equivalent of a Cert IV in secretarial skills and have been in Administration ever since.

I worked for the Blue Nursing Service (Blue Care) as a Fundraiser and Public Relations person, Office Manager for Toshiba Medical, Secretary to the State Manager for Frigrite and Primac, and for the past 20 years I have been with Brisbane Catholic Education.

I have three children, Róisín, Michaela and Eamon, who give me great pleasure and lots of love. I have lived at Cedar Grove for the past 26 years, and continue to have a very blessed and rich life because I am surrounded by good friends and a very close-knit family.

Deirdre joined in 2017 and is currently the Correspondence Secretary.



No birthdays in November but a couple in early December

Both Susan Topping and myself share a birthday on the 6th.

November is a very busy month of activism especially the Zonta Fellowship Walk Brisbane which has a successful event for several years now.

Start and finish King George Square

Nov 24 @ 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

If you are going to be in Brisbane check out this link and go along.

<https://www.zontadistrict22.org/news-and-updates/calendar/>

You will face many defeats in life, but never let yourself be defeated. -Maya Angelou



Anne had it all set up so beautifully, we all brought food or drink, there was a raffle...We raised for \$500 for Beaucare's Mental Health week, and we were happy to help.

