

Zonta Club of Wynnum Redland
Area 3, District 22.
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Zonta Club of
Wynnum Redland Inc.
Member of Zonta International

July 2014

A note from President—Debbie Jackson

Hello Ladies,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone healthy and well.

Well we are into the new year for our Board and we have already started to plan a few events:

We would like to hold possibly a High Tea or Lunch which will become a major fundraising event for us, we are in the process of planning an event to celebrate the role of District Governor - our own Judith Trevan-Hawke. This is a major achievement for Judith and certainly something to be proud of and to ensure we get local community awareness for our Zonta Club. As the River Boat Cruise last year was a great success and enjoyed by all, we intend to do this again and have a nominated date of 9th November. And of course the Christmas in July is coming up very soon.

I hope everyone received the newsletter updates from the Orlando Convention. Our District was featured in displays and videos and it was great to hear that an award went to Brisbane Metro Breakfast Club for the Zonta Says No Walk. And of course congratulations again to Judith Trevan-Hawke—our new District Governor. I would also like to congratulate Anne Kuhnemann from the Brisbane River Club—Anne is our new Area 3 Director and I look forward to meeting Anne soon as she will be a guest at one of our upcoming Dinner Meetings.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday night, we will kick off the meeting with a presentation by some of the students who were involved in the Borneo project. This will start at 6.45pm.

Debbie.

Note: thanks to Roslyn O'Grady for providing a member profile for this newsletter, it's always interesting to hear the "story" of our members—both personally and professionally.

At our Next Meeting:

Next dinner meeting is on Monday 14th July. We have some guests from the recent Borneo project who will be giving us an update of their trip. This will commence at 6.45pm which will then be followed by dinner.

Any apologies, please contact Gail Abbott on 38493995 or 0407669357. Failure to apologise if unable to attend will incur full cost of dinner.

Facts & Figures from the Zonta International Convention

Zonta is now in 67 countries worldwide

International members number now stand at 30,543—an increase on last biennium

Zonta is now in another 4 new countries—Nepal, Uganda, Lebanon & Macau

Zonta raised over \$5.1 million dollars in the biennium

As of June 29 2014, Zonta International Foundation has raised \$120,220 for the 2014=2016 biennium—we are off to a great start!

A Quote to remember

At the UN Women's Conference in Beijing in 1995, Hilary Clinton as First Lady of the USA, made global headlines when she declared "let it be that human rights are women's rights, and women's rights are human rights, once and for all"

Christmas in July function:

This is going to be held at Gail Abbott's home on Saturday 26th July, 5pm—9pm. Cost is \$45 per person. Those ladies who are attending and have not paid, please pay at the meeting.

Raffle prizes are also needed, please bring to next meeting if you can contribute.

Items Wanted for Silky Oaks:

Once again ladies, any donations of the following would be greatly appreciated by Angela so we can continue giving pamper packs to Silky Oaks Women's Refuge.

Toothbrushes, Toothpaste

Shampoo, Conditioners.

Deodorant and moisturising creams

Sanitary Pads

Comb and hair scrunchies.

Member Profile—Roslyn O’Grady. Roslyn has recently joined our Club and I asked her to share her “story”:

Growing up in Toowong, attending Brisbane State High School (with pride – as it is that sort of school – still !) and often visiting my Mothers family home and exotic fruit farm, Mt Carmel Orchard, Redland Bay, have ensured my roots are firmly in Queensland soil even though I have spent forty years in Melbourne. It was in Melbourne I met and married my husband Michael who has just retired from AirServices where he was working in Air Traffic Control Training.

My education, tertiary studies, and experience saw me setting up and successfully running various Early Learning Centres, the most prestigious being at Ruyton Girls’ School, Kew. (Melbourne) My roles have been many including appointing and mentoring staff and providing pastoral care across the School Department. While being passionate about all things to assist children in having the best start in life, I was also involved in Counselling & Psychotherapy, particularly in supporting parents and in particular mothers and the many challenges life brings. Parallel to this, I also was lecturing Tafe Units in Child Development and other related areas. My experience and desire in making a difference in the lives of children and their parents has always given my work a strong practical, positive base, so it was with joy that I headed off to work each day. I also set up and saw to its success a resource group for early year’s teachers in Independent schools. I am now mostly retired but am still sort out by colleagues as a consultant for support and guidance and direction in their respective fields.

My wider life interests have seen me on various committees, one being the State Chairperson for an International Christian Mission who sends workers to third world countries to support the locals and to assist in humanitarian projects. I enjoy personal and creative pursuits such as hospitality, reading, arts & crafts, piano, walking, travel, and photography. I also participate in a local church, and until recently was putting together their weekly newsletter.

In all, I believe that in life, we are to show compassion, while acknowledging that if we want something to change, often it is ourselves who have to do the changing and contributing, to make the difference.

Date Claimers:

July 14—Breast Cushion morning, Margaret’s home, 10am.

July 14—Monthly Dinner meeting

July 16—Scholarship Presentation at Mt Gravatt Campus TAFE 10am

July 26th —Christmas in July at Gail Abbot’s home. \$45 per person.

July 28—Board meeting at Janet Mylne’s home. 6pm.

August 16—Brisbane East Zonta Club High Tea 2pm. Yeronga High School.

Please let Gail Abbott know if you are interested.

October 12—Fashion Showcase—Brisbane City Hall.

November 9—Social Boat Cruise Brisbane River