

# East-Enders

September 2021

*“Transitions, Changes and Opportunities”*



## *Presidents Patter*



It has been an interesting month. I have experienced the uncertainty of being involved in a quarantine situation that was announced unexpectedly late on a Friday. Hence my weekend plans were in disarray and the unknown length of the quarantine sent my mind into a very rapid, “what else will I need to cancel?”

Fortunately it lasted only until Tuesday, but the release was as unexpected as the announcement. What stood out from this experience is how I reacted to the unknown and lead me to reflect on how others live this uncertainty on a daily basis. I was most fortunate to have offers from friends to drop in any items that I needed. What I needed most was ‘certainty’. How much most of us take that for granted.

During the weekend of quarantine I watched a David Attenborough documentary on global warming and was somewhat depressed by the effects of the world’s impact on the destruction of rainforests, ocean ecosystems and water security.

Our belief that what we have, will still be there if we continue as we are (certainty) needs to be challenged. We should be reflecting on all of our practices and how it affects our community. Our attitudes, actions, words and values are who we are; let’s make sure that it is the very best we have to offer.

## *Valerie*

Following on from our President’s comments above the ZI Advocacy Committee is holding a series of 5 webinars on various topics the next of which is on **Climate Change**. Check out the ZI website for more details. Other topics to be covered are Gender Based Violence and Cyberbullying (November) and in 2022 Women in the Workplace and Human Trafficking and sexual violence. In June 2021 ZI also issued a statement on climate change. Go to <http://zonta.org> for more information.

## Fellowship

Many thanks to Jacinta for organizing a very enjoyable brunch at the Blue Poppy in Morningside. Club members and HonZons spent a very pleasant couple of hours enjoying each others company and getting to know each other a bit better and of course enjoying the great food on offer.



Also a thank you to Jacinta for arranging a “post-Conference” dinner at the Carindale Services Club which gave those attending to mull over the AGM and the information provided by speakers at our District Conference webinar.



## Advocacy



Many thanks to Kirsten, Sarah and Lyn for representing the Club at the Queensland Academy for Science, Mathematics and Technology assembly. The focus was on international mindedness. Students heard about Zonta International and our service projects and Sarah did her presentation on working as a doctor in Brisbane and her volunteer experience in Tanzania for women giving in value of birthing kits for QASMT students are assembly of birthing Cushions. Many thanks presentations.



comparing the marked contrast in facilities both countries. She also spoke on the the women in developing countries. involved in service projects such as the kits and the making of Zonta Breast Care to Kirsten for arranging for these



Jo and Ros attended the Queensland Coercive Control Network Meeting – Voices of Lived Experience at the Parliamentary Annex. It was an excellent night with Rosie Batty AO and Linda Burney MP coming in by video and then a panel question and answer session with panel members Sue and Lloyd Clarke and two survivors Jo Mason, a BDVS Advocate who has interviewed and compiled data from some 40 survivors and Sally Cooper a First Nations

woman who spoke about the particular issues First Nations women face when reporting D&V with many not being believed and being treated as the perpetrator rather than the victim and quite often having their children removed from their care.

### ***Fundraising***

Thanks to Sarah for organizing our next fundraising event – a movie night to see the great movie “Respect” at the Palace Cinema at the Barracks on 10 October. Tickets are only \$29 which includes a drink on arrival and the movie and can be purchased via ZontaTickets. Get your friends together and purchase your tickets. Tickets available at <https://zontatickets.com.au/event/14217> Full details on the Flyer attached.

### ***Service***

11<sup>th</sup> October is the date (if allowed under COVID restrictions) for our third Birthing Kit Assembly Afternoon with the staff and students from the Cannon Hill Anglican College. This year, with contributions towards the kits from CHAC and the Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc, we are hoping with the help of the very eager students from CHAC to complete 800 kits during the afternoon. A further Assembly Day will be organized to assemble yet more kits with the help of funding from the Zonta Clubs of Brisbane Sunrise and Brisbane South.

### ***District News***

Congratulations to Lyn Agnew from Zonta Club of Brisbane Breakfast Inc who has been elected as our District Governor for the 2022-2024 biennium. Also to Michelle Turner from the Zonta Club of Beaudesert Inc who will take over as our Area 3 Director next biennium. A “well done” also needs to be given to our current District Governor, Bridget and her Conference Committee for our AGM and District Conference which at short notice was transferred to “on-line”.

### ***International News***

This past month we have witnessed terrible footage on TV of the situation in Afghanistan and the plight of those wanting to escape. Zonta International and nine other non-governmental organizations joined with the Women’s Federation for World Peace International has responded to this situation in a written statement to the UN Human Rights Council and its special Session on Afghanistan. The statement calls for immediate action to protect human rights and dignity in Afghanistan with special focus on women and girls. The full statement can be found at [https://www.zonta.org/Web/News\\_Events/Zonta\\_International\\_Statements.aspx](https://www.zonta.org/Web/News_Events/Zonta_International_Statements.aspx)

The ZI PR & Communications Committee has issued a challenge to all Clubs to develop and submit an Elevator Pitch. How do you answer when asked “What is Zonta?” Details of this challenge are attached.

## ***Diary Dates***

3-4 September 2021 – D22 Ltd Conference and AGM – on-line event  
13 September 2021 – Board Meeting  
20 September 2021 – Monthly Meeting  
10 October 2021 – Movie Night at the Palace Cinema, the Barracks, Petrie Terrace  
11 October 2021 – Birthing Kit Assembly Day, CHAC  
11 October 2021 – Board Meeting/Fellowship Drinks  
18 October 2021 – Monthly Meeting  
24 October 2021 – United Nations Day  
23 November 2021 – Paint the Bayside Orange Breakfast, Wynnum Manly Leagues Club  
24 November 2021 – ZSN Fellowship Walk  
25 November 2021-10 December 2021 – ZSN 16 Days of Activism  
2 December 2021 – ZSN Breakfast in partnership with BDVS – The Greek Club  
25-28 June 2022 - 65th Zonta International Convention, Hamburg, Germany  
2024 – Zonta International Convention - Brisbane

ZONTA BRISBANE EAST  
PRESENTS

# MOVIE NIGHT

## "RESPECT"

OCTOBER 10  
18:00 ARRIVAL | 19:00 START  
PALACE CINEMA AT THE BARRACKS  
COMPLEMENTARY DRINK + RAFFLE PRIZES  
\$29 THROUGH ZONTA TICKETS



ACADEMY AWARD® WINNER  
JENNIFER HUDSON  
IN  
ARETHA FRANKLIN



# RESPECT

HER VOICE CHANGED EVERYTHING

# Zonta International Elevator Speech Pitch Campaign

## Criteria And Guidelines

### ELEVATOR SPEECH GUIDELINES

1

In one minute or less, concisely describe Zonta International and its mission/vision while remaining captivating and engaging.

2

Submit either a video or text with the Zonta Club photo.

3

The video should be 30-60 seconds long.

4

The text should be 90-120 words or 10-20 short sentences.

5

Clubs entering the written elevator speech should include a club photo. All entries whether video or text need to include the cover sheet.

1 A person who has never heard of Zonta.

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2 Tailor your pitch to a diverse set of viewers, i.e., students, men/women against domestic violence, potential sponsors and donors.

2

### AUDIENCE

1

Are viewers hooked? Are you memorable?

2

Will viewers want to learn more about Zonta?

3

Remember you are promoting Zonta!

### PERSUASION



**ZONTA**  
INTERNATIONAL  
EMPOWERING WOMEN  
THROUGH SERVICE & ADOLESCENCE

Send finished text/Zonta club photo and coversheet to [pr@zonta.org](mailto:pr@zonta.org) or place finished video and coversheet in Zonta International Dropbox link:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/request/iZ4Nf87dACH5j3Gv1ISm>