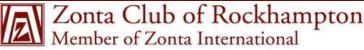
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#### PLEASE NOTE!

If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting, please advise

Anna Tempest Ph 4928 7880 (W) Ph 4928 7125 (H)

**by 10 am** on the Monday

before the meeting.

Failure to

apologize will

incur payment

of \$25.00.



International Convention San Antonio-USA 25-30 June 2010



# From the Vice - President:

### Greetings to Fellow Zontians.

Our Zonta year has started well with our 'at home' meeting at St Luke's Hall at Wandal. Thanks to Berenice, Norma, Elizabeth and Margaret for doing all the 'behind the scenes' organising for the dinner. Thanks to Margaret for the delicious meringues which were a great addition to dessert. This month we are back at the Plaza Hotel for the dinner meeting on the 16th February. And of course we welcome our new member, Noela Walls who was formally inducted into our Zonta Club at the last meeting.

You have no doubt received the flyer for our International Women's Day Breakfast which will be held at Kershaw House on Monday, March 8th. Please distribute the flyer to your networks. We have arranged for Kershaw House to take bookings. Other alternatives for payment are on the flyer.

A number of members will be travelling

San Antonio—Texas.

A CELEBRATION OF ZONTA'S 60th INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

JUNE 25—JUNE 30, 2010.

On-site Convention check-in begins at 1pm June 24th.

to Gladstone for the Area 2 meeting on the weekend of 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> February. If you are keen to attend please email or phone. Those who have attended previous meetings have found them both fun and informative.

As some of you know, at District Conference last September, Trish Collins was elected to the position of District 22 Governor for a two year term to take effect from July this year. Trish is currently Lt. Governor of District 22 and at present is in Chicago, undergoing training with all other incoming District Governors. We wish her well as she prepares for the position of District Governor. Berenice has also served on the District 22 Board as District Secretary and also completes a two year term in June this year.

I'll close and hope to catch up at the meetings,

Regards Robyn



Zontians and their families are promised some Texas-size hospitality when they come to San Antonio for the Zonta International Convention in 2010. In the Alamo City, there is plenty to see and do, whatever your age or interest.

# Notices:

MEETINGS.

**Board Meeting:** 

6.30pm:

2nd Tuesday

of the month

Venue:

**Rockhampton Plaza** 

Hotel.

**Club Meeting:** 

6.00 pm for 6.30pm

3rd Tuesday

of the month

Venue:

**Rockhampton Plaza** 

Hotel.

**Committee Meetings.** 

OMC:

Venue:

**Rockhampton Plaza** 

Hotel

5.30 pm-

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

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5.30 pm—

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

Service:

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5.30pm—

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

#### Calendar:

#### February:

9 Committee/Board Meetings 16 Dinner Meeting—Plaza Hotel 20/21 Area Meeting—Gladstone

#### March:

8 IWD Breakfast—

Kershaw House

9 Committee/Board Meetings

16 Dinner Meeting—Plaza Hotel

Special United Nations Observances and Other Significant Days.

#### March:

80 International Women's Day

& Zonta Rose Day

21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

#### Dinner Raffle.

The supply of gifts for the Dinner Raffle follows the listing in the Members Directory.

**February** Cathy N-L Berenice P March Chris P April May Meredith S

Please give your raffle prize to Elizabeth to co-ordinate.



## Happy Birthday.



No birthdays this month

Happy Valentine's Day to all.



President Robyn Donovan and OMC Chair Jan Landsberg welcome new member Noela Walls to the Club.

If you would like to contribute to your Newsletter please forward articles to Berenice Payne either by

Fax: 4922 3315 or

Email: berenice.a.payne@bigpond.com Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.



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### **Zonta International President's Message**

Women of Haiti need our support – How will Zonta respond?

(From the ZI Website)

Relief organizations around the world have taken swift action to help the Haitian people recover from the devastating effects of the earthquake, providing rescue services and support for survivors. The infrastructure needs of the country – reconstruction of roads, peoples' homes, hospitals – are demanding, and the international community is providing the resources to meet these needs and the humanitarian needs of the people of Haiti.

Zonta International reiterates its sincere concern for the people of Haiti; however, Zonta is not a relief organization and is not set up to manage complex and strategic coordination efforts, nor do any funds exist to be used for disaster relief and emergencies.

The recovery and rebuilding process in Haiti will, however, be a long one. The Zonta International Board has begun discussions with UNIFEM about a project that will be in place after the immediate need for help has decreased. In the aftermath of the earthquake, when law and order is not functioning, women and girls are at risk to be victims of all kinds of violence, including adult crime, increased juvenile crime, trafficking into labor or sexual exploitation. As a strategic partner of UNIFEM, Zonta is working on a project which will both meet Zonta's mission and objects and address the issue of violence against women in the aftermath of the earthquake.

On this week's board agenda is, among many matters, the 2010 – 2012 ZISVAW proposals from the President-Elect. The Board has decided to recommend a ZISVAW project in support of the women of Haiti. This proposed project will be brought to the Convention in San Antonio for voting as laid out in the international bylaws.

For those Zontians or Zonta clubs who may wish to make a more immediate personal or club contribution to the relief efforts, we encourage you to support UNIFEM's efforts to provide urgently needed services for the protection of women and their families, specifically the rebuilding of women's shelters and the expanded provision of emergency services for women. Donations can be made online at

https://secure.globalproblems-globalsolutions.org/site/Donation2?df\_id=1960&1960.donation=form1.

If you make a donation to UNIFEM's relief efforts, please inform UNIFEM that the donation is from a Zontian or Zonta club and notify Zonta International Headquarters via e-mail at <a href="mailto:advocacy@zonta.org">advocacy@zonta.org</a>. All donations to UNIFEM will be counted as an action in the SAY NO – UNITE to End Violence Against Women Campaign.



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