

# ZONTA ON THE ROCKS.



Zonta Club of Rockhampton  
Member of Zonta International

*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

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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:

As always, thanks to members for their time and other contributions to the club this month! We have prepared Pamper Packs, the "Evening in Vienna" invitations have been distributed and we reluctantly say 'au revoir' to one of our valued members.

### Packing Pamper Packs:

Saturday's working bee was a success – thanks to Margaret for hosting the activity, Meredith for sewing the bags, and to Chris, Pauline, Berenice, Elizabeth, Trish, Norma, Cathy, Jackie and Jan for their contributions. We have more products to pack into bags – and we need some volunteers who are able to sew the bags.

### Young Women in Public Affairs:

As noted in the minutes, at the next meeting we will be inviting our recipient of the Young Women in Public Affairs Award, Sharna Hill. Sharna, with her mother, will be attending the dinner meeting in November to be presented with the Award.

### Girls' Time Out:

Also at the next meeting, Ali Mundy of Girls' Time Out will be our guest and will address the meeting re the program which Zonta has funded - "Therapeutic Support Group for Young Women".

### Evening in Vienna:

Invitations have been distributed and we are now continuing to promote the event. We are still looking for a couple of additional models – if you are available, please contact Meredith. Elizabeth and Meredith are coordinating the multi draw raffle and we are asking members to provide a gift or to approach businesses for donations. Remember that the chef at Kershaw House is keen to cater for any special dietary requirements. In any case, the two course meal which includes Wiener Schnitzel and Sachertorte promises to be very enticing!

### Menopause the Musical:

Recently members enjoyed a social outing to the Pilbeam Theatre to attend Menopause the Musical. A very entertaining evening was had by all, with coffee and cake an enjoyable way to end the outing.

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**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.

**Program / PR & C / UN****LA & A / Archives:**

Venue:

Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel.

5.30 pm—

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

**Service:**

Venue:

Rockhampton Plaza  
Hotel.

5.30pm—

2nd Tuesday

of the month.

**Notices:****Calendar:****November:**

- 10 Committee Meetings/  
Board Meeting
- 17 Dinner Meeting (ZI Birthday  
Celebrations)
- 25 "An Evening in Vienna"

**December:**

- 08 Board Meeting /  
Dinner Meeting (Break-up)

**Special United Nations Observances  
and Other Significant Days.****November:**

- 08 Zonta International Birthday
- 25 International Day for the  
Elimination of Violence Against Women  
and 16 days of Activism Against Gender  
Violence -  
(23rd November - 10 December).

**Happy Birthday.****November:**

- 09 Meredith  
Sutherland

**Dinner Raffle.**

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

November	Mary L
December	Carry L
January	Jacki M
February	Cathy N-L

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

**From the Vice-President :***(Continued from page 1)***Thanks and all the best to Leanne!**

At the October meeting, Leanne noted that she has accepted a promotion and will be moving to Gladstone. Congratulations Leanne and a heartfelt thanks for your contribution to the club – we have appreciated your thorough approach to your position as Treasurer. We wish you well in your new position and hopefully we will keep in touch through the Zonta community.

Valda will be taking over the Treasurer's responsibilities and Cathy will be learning the ropes as Assistant Treasurer. Thank you both Valda and Cathy.

Till next time

Regards

Robyn

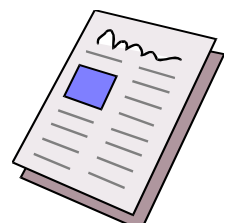
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Deadline: First Tuesday of the month.



## The History of Zonta International and its Emblem



In January 1919 in Buffalo, New York, USA, Marian de Forest and four other women executives who had attended a social meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Buffalo, an established all-male service club, were inspired to develop a new kind of service club, composed of women who were recognized leaders in their businesses and professions. Initially they founded the first Quota Club, but after several months de Forest and others decided to leave and start a new organization.

Clubs were organized in the USA in Buffalo, Rochester, Binghamton, Elmira, and Syracuse, followed by Erie, Ithaca, Utica and Detroit. Under the leadership of its charter president, Marian de Forest, a playwright and newspaper critic, the Buffalo club established specific guidelines for membership and classification, which the other eight clubs soon adopted.

The Confederation of Zonta Clubs was formed on 8 November 1919 in Buffalo. Mary E. Jenkins, newspaper publisher and civic leader, was elected the first president. Bylaws and a constitution were drafted and adopted. In order to select a name, each club submitted a list. The final vote was almost unanimous in adopting the Binghamton club's suggestion of "Zhonta." The Bureau of American Ethnology of the Smithsonian Institute later corrected the spelling to "Zonta," explaining that the word was derived from a dialect (Teton Dakota) of the Sioux peoples, a Native American group. It signified the quality of being "honest and trustworthy."

In April 1920 the first meeting of Con-

federation officers was held in Rochester, New York.

The Zonta colours were chosen and the Zonta emblem officially authorized. In October, the presidents of all existing clubs met in Syracuse, New York and adopted two resolutions:

- ◆ that Zonta Clubs should adopt the specific aim of fostering education and constructive work for girls and young women; and
- ◆ that the first convention of the Confederation should be held in Syracuse in May 1921.

The Confederation was incorporated under the laws of New York State in February 1922. Five years later, Zonta became international when the Club of Niagara Falls, composed of members from Canada and the United States, organized Toronto as the first club in Canada.

In 1930, Zonta was introduced to Europe through new clubs in Vienna and then in 1931 in Hamburg. Growth continued steadily in Europe and Scandinavia over the following decade. In the late 1940s and early 1950s, Zonta established itself in Latin America and Asia. In the 1960s Zonta grew in Asia and was introduced to New Zealand and Australia. By 1970, Zonta became truly worldwide when six African nations joined the organization, and in 1991 Hungary joined Zonta as the first Eastern European club.

### RESOURCES: *(From ZI Website)*

- ◆ *Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide – A History of Zonta International 1919-1999 – a history of the organization, published in 2000 in honour of Zonta's 80th anniversary*
- ◆ *85 Years: A Photo Collection – available on the Web site*



**Delegates from the first Zonta Clubs met 8 November 1919, to found the Confederation of Zonta Clubs.**

**On the 8th November 2009 Zonta International celebrates its 90th Birthday**



**President of the Confederation of Zonta Clubs in 1924 Marian de Forest created the first women's service classification system.**

## ZI - Celebrating 90 years:

### Frequently asked questions.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY ZONTA



#### **(1) What is Zonta International?**

Founded in Buffalo, New York, USA in 1919, Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

#### **(2) What does Zonta International do?**

Zonta International seeks to:

- improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women through service and advocacy
- work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of executives in business and the professions
- promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms be united internationally to foster high ethical standards, implement service programs, and provide mutual support and fellowship for members who serve their communities, their nations, and the world

#### **(3) How does Zonta International work to advance the status of women?**

Zonta International works to advance the status of women by:

- leading advocacy efforts and acting to improve the lives of women
- promoting strategies to eradicate violence against women and children
- funding scholarships and awards for women of exceptional ability and talent through the Zonta International Foundation
- supporting programs aimed at improving women's health, safety, and economic and political status through funding by the Zonta International Foundation
- encouraging mentorship, friendship and networking among members

#### **(4) How is Zonta International structured?**

An individual, a Zontian, is a member of a Zonta Club. Zonta Clubs are members of Zonta International. To ease administration, Zonta International is divided into Districts. Clubs are assigned to Districts based on their geographical location and usually grouped into areas.

Zonta International is governed on a biennial (two-year) basis. Democratically elected directors lead the organization at the Club, District and International levels.



## ZI - Celebrating 90 years:

### **(5) What do Zontians actually DO?**

- Advance the status of women through service action and advocacy
- Fund award and scholarship programs for women of exceptional ability
- Support self-help and development programs for women in the local and global communities
- Support and fund innovative approaches to eliminate violence against women and girls

### **(6) Which is the correct logo to use?**

There are two correct Zonta International logos. Clubs should use a logo using their club name.

### **(7) When was the Zonta International Foundation established and how does it operate?**

At the 1984 Convention in Sydney, Australia, the Zonta International Foundation was authorized for charitable and educational purposes and later established as a non-profit charitable organization. Contributions from member clubs and individual donors provide the Zonta International Foundation with the funds to support programs that are improving the lives of women worldwide.

### **(8) Who are the members of Zonta International?**

The membership of Zonta International consists of Zonta Clubs in good standing, Past International Presidents, and Zonta International Honorary Members.

A Zonta Club is considered to be in good standing if:

- the club has paid international dues and fees,
- the club has provided to ZI Headquarters a current and complete official club member list with the information requested by ZI Headquarters,
- the club has paid district dues and area dues (if applicable), and
- the club's organizational activity is in accordance with ZI By-laws provisions.



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## District Conference - September 09.

Various postings are being made on the District 22 Website regarding the recent District Conference.

If you attended Conference you may wish to visit the Website to read or view the addresses and PowerPoint presentations delivered by the various keynote speakers and guest speakers as well as the District Award winners. The Minutes of Conference are also available on the website.

If you were unable to attend Conference, this is an opportunity to access these addresses and presentations. You may also wish to try your knowledge with the Quiz from Conference, testing not only your Zonta knowledge but your general knowledge of Queensland.

Click [HERE](#) to go the Members Section of the website to see these postings. You will have to log on to access the Members page.

## District Conference 2009 through the Lens.

