



April 2012

PO Box 368, Spring Hill, Qld, 4004



The Yellow rose
the Zonta symbol

COMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH 2012
Board meeting 6pm, Ashgrove Library

SUNDAY 1 APRIL 2012
Area 1 & 3 Meeting at Redcliffe

Note change to usual dates

MONDAY 2 APRIL 2012
Dinner meeting at 7pm at USC

WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL 2012
Board meeting 6pm, Ashgrove Library

SATURDAY 28 APRIL 2012
All day Zizzling at Bunnings

ALL THURSDAYS IN MAY
Zizzling at Bunnings 2 shifts: 7am – 11am
& 11am – 3pm

MONDAY 14 MAY 2012
AGM & Dinner meeting at 7pm at USC

WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2012
Hand over Board meeting

*Pay dinner meeting fees
by direct deposit*

Why not pay your dinner fees by direct deposit online. It is an easier way to pay!
- our account is 034-002-992870.
Please describe clearly the purpose of the deposit e.g. include surname & the word "dues".

*Decisions needed on the
distribution of our Zonta
International donation*

Each year our club makes a decision as to how we wish to assign our Zonta International donation across the various funds.

Our 2011 Zonta Club Manual states:

The Service Committee responsibilities include coordinating functions that:

- raise the awareness of status of women issues.
- provide education and development to women.
- publicize and raise funds for local status of women projects and current international projects *(It is recommended that one-third (1/3) of total funds raised be contributed to Zonta International Foundation-funded service programs.)*

The decision therefore requires that we determine what proportion of our funds (equivalent to 1/3 of funds raised) be given to each of the following international funds:

- ◆ International Service Fund
- ◆ ZISVAW Fund
- ◆ Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund
- ◆ Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship Fund
- ◆ Young Women in Public Affairs Award Fund
- ◆ Rose Fund
- ◆ Endowment Fund
- ◆ Amelia Earhart Fellowship Endowment Fund

Understanding what is provided particularly by the service projects in terms of their extent and size and by gaining an idea of what is being achieved gives some guidance in terms of the benefits to be gained. This will help inform the decision related to the percentage of our funds we will assign to each fund. More project details available on P3.

Further information can be found in past Zontian magazines and from the Zonta web-site. It is worthwhile familiarising yourself with this information to assist with the decision we will make at the April dinner meeting.

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Visit **ZONTA** on the web
Explore the District web site for current information

www.zontadistrict22.org

Read about the International Service projects on the ZI web-site
www.zonta.org

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Unable to attend a meeting? Ring Noreen to give apologies

Please **PHONE** apologies for Dinner Meeting to Noreen Gorman on 3371 5752
by **9.00 am** on
Friday 30 March 2012
(no emails please)

Without an apology, payment of
\$41.00 is obligatory.

If you are bringing guests to the Dinner Meeting or if you have any special dietary requirements please let Noreen know.

Please wear your *Name Badge!*

President's Update

I am sure members at our March dinner meeting were delighted to hear the remarkable story of Mercia's life and career. We marvelled at her accomplishments pioneering a role for women in town planning. All this was achieved while also contributing as a Charter member to the establishment and functioning of the Brisbane North club. As Maggie said it is so rewarding for newer members to hear about the life journey of some of our long standing members.

I was delighted to be able to present last week to the Chisholm Refuge Coordinator Jacque a cheque for \$6000 for the redevelopment of the children's playground, which is currently totally unsuitable for the children in residence to use.

Jacque indicated that children living in the refuge are contained within the fence boundaries of the refuge for safety reasons but at present have no area in which to play, so this has been seen as an urgent need.



Margaret presents Coordinator Jacque with a cheque for playground redevelopment

The staff were really excited about having the support of our club and extremely grateful that we have now enabled the project to proceed after waiting over 15 months for funds to accomplish the task.

Needed work and repairs to drainage systems are scheduled to begin prior to work commencing on the redevelopment. This will ensure the flooding from the neighbouring property is addressed and contained.

We will welcome Sarah Newman this year's successful Young Woman in Public Affairs recipient to our April meeting. I understand from Gina that this young lady has participated in a wide range of community activities and significantly impressed the assessment panel. We look forward to hearing more from her at the meeting.

Our Annual Zonta Fair on 21 July this year will be held at the Holy Family School Activity Centre in Indooroopilly. Entertainers have been booked and planning for various stalls has commenced. We are in desperate need of a storage area that can be used to house clothing and other items that are likely to be donated between now and July. If you have garage or shed space that could be made available, please let Narelle or Glenda know.

On 31 March we come to the end of our Zonta year with the slate of candidates for next year's office bearers being presented in April. Voting members into office will take place at the May AGM meeting.

Our club
Annual General
Meeting
14 May

International
Convention in
Torino, Italy
7-12 July 2012

The Board

President:	Margaret Marshall
Vice President:	Anne Vinning
Corres. Sec:	Jenni Jolly
Minutes Sec:	Anne Vinning
Treasurer:	Karen Peterson
Directors:	Maree Crawford
	Kara Bowman (LOA)
	Heather Mohay
	Maggie Williams
	Pam Beavis

Committees	Meetings
Status of Women Service Awards Sub-Committee Chair: Gina Brosnan brosnang@brigidine.qld.edu.au	Meets prior to Dinner Meeting at USC 6pm.
Service and LAA Sub-Committee Chair: Jennie Watt jenniewatt@westnet.com.au	Meeting held Sept each year
Organisation, Membership and Classification Chair: Pamela Beavis pambeavis@optusnet.com.au	Meets prior to Dinner Meeting at USC 6pm.
United Nations Chair: Patricia Rego p.rego@uq.edu.au	Meets prior to Dinner Meeting at USC 6pm.
Public Relations and Communications Chair: Maggie Williams maggie.will1@bigpond.com	Meets prior to Dinner Meeting at USC 6pm.
Parliamentarian Barbara Newton	

International Projects

ZISVAW—Zonta International Strategies to End Violence against Women

This biennium ZI is supporting two projects through the ZISVAW program — one on burns in Asia and another on gender-based violence in the recovery and rebuilding process in Haiti.

The first project “Towards a Comprehensive Strategy to End Burns Violence against Women” in Cambodia, Nepal and Uganda’ is a UN Trust Fund project that aims to pilot new and innovative, community-based approaches to prevent acid and other forms of burns violence by improving response from the justice, police and health sectors; mobilizing communities to monitor implementation of legislation and advocate for legislation reform; and encouraging individual responsibility to end this form of gender-based violence. Lack of regulation, combined with limited knowledge of how to prosecute these crimes, makes burns violence common in these countries.

In each country the legislative situation is different although the three country partners have reached out to the community to build grassroots support for the project and have already made some progress in raising awareness of ABV among men, women and children in their communities.

International Service Fund

There are three International Service Program projects funded through the contributions to the ZI Foundation — these include:

- ◆ **Prevention of Mother-to Child Transmission of HIV and Gender based Violence in Rwanda in cooperation with UNICEF;**

Women and children in Rwanda are still vulnerable to the repercussions of the genocide and war that took place 16 years ago. Treating HIV-positive women, preventing transmission of the virus to their offspring, and ensuring access to health care and reproductive services, as well as preventing and responding to the violence, are critical issues for the development of Rwanda and the safety of its women and children. Building on the success of the project during the 2008-2010 Biennium, the project will continue by providing the full range of family package services at 20 UNICEF-supported PMTCT sites throughout Rwanda. In addition, the project will seek to expand holistic care and services at support centers for survivors of domestic and gender-based violence to ensure access to proper medical, legal, psychosocial and police support.

- ◆ **Elimination of Obstetric Fistula and reduction of Maternal and Newborn Mortality and Morbidity in Liberia in cooperation with UNFPA**

With properly trained surgeons, well-equipped facilities and the necessary aftercare, the treatment of un-complicated obstetric fistula has a 90% success rate. At a cost of US\$300, it is well beyond the means of the average woman in Liberia. Building upon the experiences and progress so far, UNFPA, with Zonta's support, will provide fistula treatment through the proper equipment of health care facilities and the training and capacity strengthening of health care providers. The project will also focus on the reintegration of survivors while raising awareness and conducting outreach among communities and health care providers about obstetric fistula.

- ◆ **Safe cities project in El Salvador, San Salvador and Guatamala City, Guatamalar in cooperation with UNIFEM**

In Guatemala and El Salvador, rates of urban violence and violent homicides are above the already high regional average and women are at an even greater risk of violence due to the traditionally subordinate position of women in society. During the first phase of the project, significant results were achieved in both Guatemala and El Salvador. In Guatemala, women's organizations submitted proposals to local authorities to improve public spaces and identified insecure spaces which led to the transformation of an abandoned house to a day shelter for people living with HIV/AIDS. In El Salvador, a map of unsafe places determined by the perceptions of local women was presented to the local authorities who are committed to implementing recommendations to make these areas safer for women. For the next phase of the project, efforts will focus on increasing visibility and impact by disseminating information on violence against women in the most violence districts of both cities and replicating the experience in all districts of the capital cities. The project will also expand to incorporate the issue of violence against women in the context of HIV/AIDS.

Much of the above information about these ambitious projects has been sourced from Zonta's website and The Zontian magazines. Further details can be found in the July 2010 and October 2011 issues.

**International
days coming
up**

**7 April
World Health
Day
&
Day of
Remembrance
of the Victims
of the Rwanda
Genocide**

**29 April
World Day of
Remembrance
for all Victims
of Chemical
Warfare**

Chisholm Refuge Playground images—before work begins!



Jacque paddles in water in the BBQ area

Flooding and ongoing seepage has undermined the play area



The sandpit at the far end has been removed, this whole area will be levelled and covered with soft fall tiles

Update on projects

Our Croquet Event



Our fundraising Croquet event proved to be a most enjoyable afternoon for everyone who participated in the activity at the Merthyr Croquet Club located at New Farm last Saturday.

The sun was shining and the Croquet Club is in the lovely setting of New Farm Park. Everyone was given instruction on how to play the 'ricochet' style of game, this resulted in much laughter and also generated some really competitive spirits. There was plenty of time for fellowship as well both between games and then especially over dinner.

The meal was catered for by Jenny Grant-Taylor, Glenda Gobe and Noleen and it was an excellent repast — we all enjoyed a delicious main course followed by some delectable desserts.

Our thanks and appreciation go to Noleen and Miles for the idea and for making all the arrangements. Three cheers also to the catering trio for the great job they did in feeding everyone. We hope that the event may be repeated again in the future.

An event worth repeating!!

Entertainment Books

Have you found a buyer for at least one Entertainment Book order?

Twenty nine books have already been ordered and paid for which is a great start. Heather has organised that the books ordered in March will be delivered to the April meeting.

The books cost \$65 each and for every book sold the club gets \$13.

The Entertainment Book contains discount offers for many restaurants, hotels and other businesses (eg Coles) in Brisbane, the Gold and Sunshine coasts.

It is not too late to order books if you missed out at the last meeting. It is hoped every member will encourage at least one family member, friend or neighbour to buy a book. If you are not able to see them personally why not try sending them an email with the leaflet as an attachment — it is a great way to promote the sale of these books.

See Heather for assistance with orders

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Casual Restaurant and Family Dining The Garden Wendy's The Portuguese Hotel The Rumpus House Yakkity The Seafood Bar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blackbird Cafe Portside Tavern Rita's Place Greeny Street Yakkity Cafe Orlando 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Steak and Grillhouse at The Sandstone Hotel Shrimp & Mussels Shrimp and Bar and many more...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Informal Dining and Takeaway Wendy's Yakkity Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Big Bash Tea The Bunch Inn Wendy's Wendy's The Ultimate Pub Charlie's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Real Kilo Seafood Bar Portside Shrimp & Mussels Shrimp and Bar and many more...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts, Sports and Attractions Indoor Water World Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retail and Shopping coles Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel, Leisure and Accommodation Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's Wendy's

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