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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear fellow Zontians,

Welcome to the September issue of the Beauzontian. The last few weeks have been busy, with the Folk Concert and Show Gates. It is great to know that both of these activities have been a financial success with around \$2,800 being added to the Service account. I am very grateful to all of those who helped in any capacity with these fundraising ventures, especially those who volunteered to do a double shift on the Show Gates. Special thanks must go to Denise for being the instigator and organiser of the Folk Concert. Even though numbers were not quite as high as she would have liked, the evening still raised a satisfying profit of more than \$1,600.

Our busy times are not yet over, with the bull sale at Nindooinbah on 13 October and White Ribbon Day on 6 November. We will be meeting in Alice Warby's office prior to the Combined Services Dinner to discuss both of these activities next Tuesday at 6 pm.

I am looking forward to the Combined Services Dinner as I have managed to miss the last two. Our club is going to be well represented with 13 members and 4 HonZons attending. I am also very interested in hearing our guest speaker from Red Kite. This organisation was outstanding in its assistance to my grandson, Alex, during his illness last year.

Last week, Alice and I attended the Beaucare AGM. It was also a celebration of Beaucare's 30th Birthday. It was an enjoyable evening and it is quite evident that the organisation has undertaken an extensive program of renewal in the last year.

We will all have received an email from District 22 asking us to report on our efforts towards *Goal No. 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls* and also consider a commitment to the *HeForShe Campaign*. I personally find some of the international goals quite overwhelming but I believe that our club contributes effectively to the Zonta International ideals in its own way. I note that Item 5b of Goal 5 talks about "Enhance use of ICT and technology to empower women" and one of the things I would like to see established is a Facebook page for our club. Many clubs in District 22 have already done this and I urge you to have a look at some of them to get an idea of how they are using this social media. We can talk about this more, probably at our October meeting.

Grahame and I enjoyed our holiday. We head off again to Inverell on 22 September. Our family is holding a reunion to celebrate the centenary of our father's birth. So in the one month we will have celebrated our eldest grandson's 21st birthday with a great party and remembered our late Dad with what I know will also be a great party.

Looking forward to catching up with you all next week.

Yours in Zonta



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Things are different this next meeting.

On Tuesday (20th) will be at the Boardroom at Scott Buchholz' office at 6:00 pm and then we will join in the Combined Service Club's dinner at Beaudesert R.S.L. There will be no committee meetings unless they are organised separately by your chairman.

Pam's info in case there are any changes

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Our September birthdays are President Anne on the 2nd which was probably when she was away, and Ellen's on the 25th.

Happy Birthday to both of you.





Next coffee morning is Thursday, 29th September and I would like to do something different. I would like to visit the stores in Jimboomba who supported our raffle at the concert.

So coffee at **Café on Cusack at 10.00** am then a visit to Fusion Pantry and Licuorish. We can sort out transport later.

OTHER DATES TO PUT INTO YOUR DIARY:

September: 20th Combined Service Club's Dinner meeting with a guest speaker from Red Kite.

21st Sewing Breast Cushions with the Beaudesert Quilters from 9.00 am and we are

supplying morning tea.

29th Coffee at Café on Cusack in Jimboomba.

October: 1st Jasfra Fashion afternoon at Elysium Village

13th Catering for the Nindooinbah Bull Sale.

18th Dinner meeting at RSL

22nd Garage Sale at Elysium Village

A couple of things to make clear on the above list. Here at Elysium Village we are having a fundraising afternoon tea on 1st October along with Jasfra Fashions who have clothes for sale. Come along and spend \$5 and who knows, you may go home with a bargain.

Again at Elysium we are taking part in the Great Australian Garage Sale and a couple of us have decided that Zonta can have a table here in Mum's carport. We are probably "garage-saled-out" but perhaps you know somebody who has moved or wants to get rid of some things.

We'll talk about these things at the meeting.

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It's time to start thinking about our Gourmet Goodies stand at the markets on 3rd December or more importantly, the Christmas raffle. If you are early-organisers, you make have your contribution to the raffle ready to bring on Tuesday night but if not can you drop them at Alice's office soon.

We've had a busy month since our last newsletter.

It started with the Logan's telling us of their visit to the Nice Convention then cruising from Amsterdam to Budapest. I think it go a few of us thinking about doing the same thing.

On the 17th August 5 of us went to the Miss Fisher costume display at the Old Government House Museum. It was a beautiful exhibition of the clothes used in the program and although it didn't take long to go through it, just on 1 hour, we made a day of it by having a nice lunch at Southbank.

Zonta supported the Quota/CWA afternoon "Down on the Farm" with a table of 8. I know I got my photo in the paper but didn't feel like replicating it here!

Our biggest happening though was the Folk Concert. Wow, I think we were all amazed that we raised so much money. I know I had some very worrying moments re numbers but, as usual, in the end it all turned out. The hall looked great, everyone had a job and did it well and we had a good night. I can assure you the musicians were very happy with the "vibe" and enjoyed themselves as well.

And just so you know we really were busy we had the gates at the Beaudesert Show to do on the 2/3rd Sept and added to our fundraising total there.

October looks busy too but we love it, don't we????

Would you like to put something in the newsletter? Let me know by the Wednesday before the dinner meeting. oleander@tpg.com.au

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