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Dinner Meeting:

Contact **Diane Woodland** - for all dinner arrangements no later than the Monday prior to our dinner meeting. Advise her of any apologies if you are unable to attend or to let her know of extra dinner guests that you have invited.

COST (Includes dinner)
Members/Guests \$20.00

Special Dietary Requirements:

If anyone has any special dietary requirements will they please inform Diane so that she can inform the club. The club is very happy to cater to individual needs.

Diane Woodland

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Mobile: 0409 726 600

Email:

dkinta@tpg.com.au



Birthday Wishes

for December go to...

Carole Garden - 3rd
Bettina Mayfield - 9th
Diane Woodland - 21st



Bingo Report

URGENT MESSAGE!!

I sent an email to the whole club about learning the job, so will not repeat it here. Tracy has offered to stay behind on her roster day. Thanks Tracy.

Please read the available literature when on roster to refresh your memory?

It is easy to forget when not doing it each week.

XMAS RAFFLE!!

Could members bring along a small Xmas themed hamper gift to put in the raffle for bingo. I put the items into small raffles, so more members win something.

QUILT RAFFLE

The quilt will also be drawn at the Xmas Bingo game, so please make sure that all tickets and money is returned by the December meeting.

Bingo Roster

Dec	3 rd	Tracey
	10 th	Rosalind
	17 th	Rosalind

December 17th all bingo helpers to be there if possible. We always take morning tea, Xmas cake, lollies etc for the player. Lots to do.

Jan	14 th	Anthea
	21 st	Rosalind
	28 th	Lawrie
Feb	4 th	Diane
	11 th	Tracy (calling), Karen, Vicki B.
	18 th	Jan
	25 th	Kay
Mar	4 th	Carole
	11 th	Bettina
	18 th	Rosalind
	25 th	Tracy

I will be calling and selling, so do not forget to turn up. Bring your glasses and comfortable shoes. Bettina & I had a lovely day, just the two of us.

Vicki Williams *Bingo Convener*



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President's Message

With Christmas only weeks away we have one more Zonta project (Pine Rivers Festival) before hanging up our aprons until the New Year.



In January we have our informal meeting to discuss who we wish to support over the coming year. It has been a great year and a busy one. We have sewn, stuffed, packed, baked, sizzled, glowed, lunched and danced. Everyone has been wonderfully supportive of our fundraising events from Vicki who probably tried to make it to Bingo in November but for her doctor, to Diane and Karen plotting our ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS Melbourne Cup Day function, to Anthea waiting patiently for us to forward our newsletter reports, to Vicki Bell snapping up specials for Jebb House, to Yvonne and Fiona our great MC's for our events and all other members who have special 'jobs' that keep our club active – and there are lots of them!!

Sometimes we can develop tunnel vision and it takes new members to take us out of our comfort zone. If, through the year, you feel you would like to see our club do something different, it only takes a phone call or an email to ask that your idea be put on the agenda for discussion. We

could do with a member's workshop in the New Year – ideas are welcome.

At our January meeting we will be discussing how we can make a difference to women by using advocacy as a stronger tool to make changes as well as putting a calendar of events in place so we know ahead of time what we want to achieve. Come along to our January meeting with your ideas and if you want to read up on CEO Challenge, google it and read up before the meeting.

Our dinner at Portabello Restaurant on December 9th should be fun. Hope to see you all.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!!

Lorraine Hunter

Glowies Stall
12th December
Pine Rivers Park
We can set up from 12pm and 4pm. The parade begins at 5.20pm and we will be there selling until 9.00pm.
Come along & help out!

Organisation, Membership & Classification Committee

INFORMATION EVENING

Firstly, my thanks to Lorraine, Kay, Janet, Melindie, Karen and Vicki Bell for supporting me at the information evening, which was a great success.

All of the Zontians made our guests welcome and talked about their personal involvement with Zonta for which I am very grateful. I could also name each of the Zontians there for special thanks regarding different aspects of the evening, but extra thanks to Janet for providing a lucky door prize of a very pretty ladies' alarm clock, which added anticipation and excitement to the evening.

We had nine guests, eight of whom wish to come to the February meeting, so that is going to be a tremendous start to the year; and I know of a couple of others who couldn't come to the information night but would also like to come to a dinner meeting next year.

THANKS TO OTHERS

I would also like to thank a lot of other members who responded to my email about the info night, offering to be with me if I needed them. I was able to say "thanks but no thanks", but I was truly buoyed up by the offers to help of so many members, including two



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of our newest members, Fiona and Linda.

MARY KAY COSMETIC DONATION

On the Monday of the information night week I was invited to give a short talk about Zonta at a Mary Kay Cosmetics' guest and consultants evening by Jennifer, who had contributed Mary Kay products to the Melbourne Cup Day.

Both the Mary Kay consultants and their guests made me very welcome and after my talk passed a little bucket around raising \$77.90 for our Service Fund.

MEMBER'S PROFILE

How nice to end the year with Fiona's profile, something I have been looking forward to for some time. I gather Fiona was a great MC on Melbourne Cup Day (I am so sorry I missed that event!) and in Fiona's profile you will get to know her better and see why (as well as her her being a great M.C.) we are so lucky to have her has a member of the Zonta Club of Pine Rivers. Thanks very much for the profile, Fiona.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS & A WONDERFUL 2010!

I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a happy,

healthy New Year and I'll see you all at the Christmas party.

Regards,
Rosalind Pestell



United Nations Report

One of UNICEF's projects is selling Christmas cards in order to generate funds. These cards are more than a message or a picture. They support a cause, spreading awareness and raising funds. The proceeds from sales are used by UNICEF for children's rights, survival, development and protection. It started in 1949 when the first UNICEF greeting card was made.

Story of the First UNICEF Christmas Card



The first charity Christmas card was sent in 1949, it was designed by 7 year old Jitka Samkova of Rudolfo, Czechoslovakia. Her village received UNICEF emergency assistance in the form of food and medicine following World War II.

In gratitude to the organization, Jitka painted a picture of the sun shining on a group of children dancing around a maypole. She used a sheet of glass to work on as there was no paper available. The scene,

she explained means joy going round and round. Her teacher entered the painting for a UNICEF competition. Winning the first prize it was made into UNICEF's first Christmas card.

Why Buy UNICEF Cards?

- \$320 can provide 10 education kits for a project helping children who live or work on the streets in Lao People's Democratic Republic.
- \$160 provides a school scholarship for ten child labourers in Brazil or will cover school fees for 14 orphans for one year in Ethiopia.
- \$250 can buy three doses of polio vaccine each for 600 children n India.

Over the years, UNICEF have come up with an exceptional range of cards to choose from. Thousand of UNICEF cards are sold every year and the money raised from the cards go to a central pool in New York and Geneva, then dispersed to different programmes around the world.

Links to buy UNICEF cards:

[Unicef Online Shop](#)

[Christmas Cards](#)
[Card Information](#)

Have a Merry Christmas everyone!

Regards,

Lawrie Krause



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Greetings from Kas Sommers and the London Zonta Club!



*London Zontians are very willing to meet with visiting Zontians - **all are welcome** at our club meetings (we get a lot of overseas visitors), and we have an International Relations Officer whose job it is to liaise with overseas Zontians and make them welcome and organise activities. And I am always happy to get the train to London to meet up with anyone.*

*The **exciting news** is that we are planning to charter the new Zonta Club of Guildford on 22 May 2010. Although not official yet, it is very close and we will send a formal invitation when confirmed. And of course, the venue will be one of the lovely Stately Homes*

loved teaching and particularly loved teaching the naughty year nines poetry.

From teaching I have had the opportunity to work for the Queensland Teachers' Union which has provided me a wealth of experiences and roles. While working in the union movement I have held the role of the Federal Women's Officer for the Australian Education Union based in Melbourne. This allowed me to follow my long held passion to improve the status and position of women.

This role involved policy development for teachers across Australia in relation to issues particularly pertinent to women and girls. In this role I wrote submissions and advocated for issues such as universal paid maternity leave, pay equity for women, boys education and the promotion and selection of women.

In this role I was very privileged to work with women from the Pacific as part of the Council of Pacific Education (COPE) and be trained with these women in Fiji by the UNHCR in International Conventions related to women. It was a very interesting and exciting to understand the issues of women and girls from our Pacific neighbours.



MEMBER PROFILE

**FIONA
McNAMARA**

Why Zonta? Why me?

Zonta is a group which I was attracted to because of my interest in role and position of women and girls in our society. What I have discovered is that you are a great group of women and girls with whom to work and play.

I grew up in the Pine Rivers area and my family has lived in Bald Hills since the late 1950s. I lived there and attended school at Bald Hills State School and then Aspley State High School. It was at Aspley

SHS where my teachers inspired me to become a secondary teacher.

My work background is as an English and History teacher in secondary schools. I completed a Bachelor of Arts majoring in English Literature, History and Geography at the University of Queensland. I have subsequently completed a Graduate Diploma in Human Resource Management from the University of Central Queensland.

I have lived and taught in a number of schools and towns across the State for over ten years and have also taught in two schools locally, Dakabin State High School and Albany Creek State High School. I even had a teaching stint in Invercargill in New Zealand. I

ZONTA CLUB



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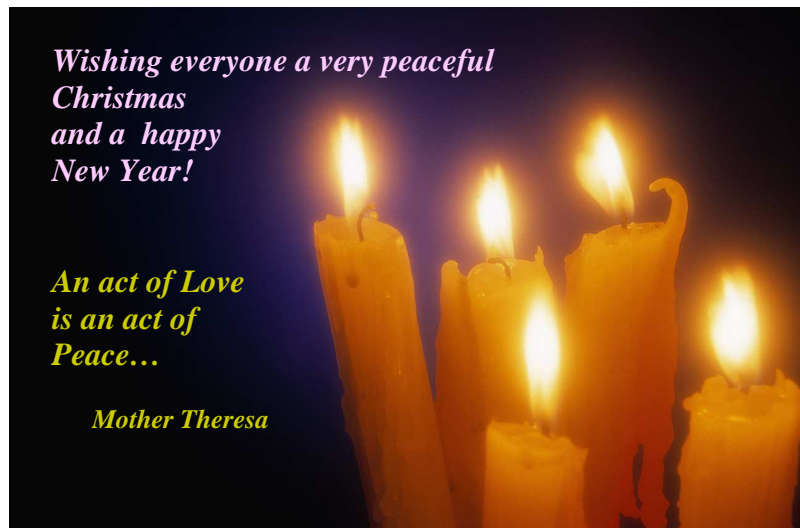
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I currently work for the Queensland Teachers' Union as a Schools Organiser visiting and assisting schools in the Pine Rivers area. My work involves supporting teachers and their families in their daily work as well as promoting the teaching profession and public education.

I am a strong advocate for improved provision of quality public services including education and health and am passionate about children having universal access to quality education. I am committed to social justice and work towards that through my community involvement as well as through my membership of the management committee of the Pine Rivers Neighbourhood Centre.

Personally I am extremely interested in politics and am supported in this by my family and many dear friends.

I love being part of Zonta as you are a wonderful group of passionate and committed women who get business done but still have time for fun!!



Extra Diary Dates.....

 **AREA
WORKSHOP**
21st March 2010
Maroochy and Blackall are hosts.

International Convention 2010
San Antonio, USA

International convention 2012 Italy