



East-enders

Newsletter
Zonta Club of Brisbane Inc

GPO Box 3060 Brisbane 4001

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May 2006

Next Dinner Meeting

Annual General Meeting

Monday
5 June

Pre-Dinner nibbles 6pm
Committee Meetings 6.15pm
Dinner 7.30pm –9.30pm

At

Good Earth Hotel

Wickham Tce
(Ground Floor)

Cost \$32.00 each

\$5 Meeting only

(This includes one raffle ticket)

Apologies by Friday 2nd to

Jill Hedley

Phone 3279 2096

After hours

*In absence on an apology
an invoice for \$27.50 will be
sent to all non-attending
members.*

PRESIDENT'S PATTERN

Breast Cushions

Thanks to everyone who managed to come to the last breast cushion working bee namely Sandra, Bev Farley, Margaret Casey and Jill Hedley who popped in briefly bringing cushions she had sewn at home. We managed to complete 12 cushions which we certainly needed following SOS from Princess Alexandra Hospital and Greenslopes. We managed to provide cushions for the Mater and PAH, thanks to delivery arrangements by Sandra. I have advised Roz Kinder, who had the call from Greenslopes, that we would have difficulty supplying all three hospitals in the future. With our smaller numbers it is difficult to keep up a monthly quote of around 30 cushions.

AGM

Tonight is the Annual General Meeting and it will be difficult to present all reports, especially our treasurers report at the moment. I am sure Karen will have the up-to-date monthly accounts but there will be a delay in having the report ready for the auditors.

Post Convention

Have had an interesting email from Beulah Casten informing us that Miluska Vrazakova the President of Zonta Club PRAHA Bohemia, Czech Republic will be in Brisbane for a few days after the Convention in late June. This is the club that Brisbane East has supported in the past through former member Glenda Page. We provided material and financial support to these Zontians who although professional women were finding it difficult to set up a Zonta Club. Depending on the date, I am hoping a few members, particularly the long serving members might be available for a dinner/morning tea to meet this Zontian.

Bronwyn has offered her home if there is time for a dinner. All will depend on the time.

Christmas

It is also time to put on thinking caps as to what we will do for our Christmas function. Any ideas would be gratefully received by the C&PR committee. Also whether we will support another refuge or organization with personal care items as we have done in the past? All ideas gratefully received.

June Meeting

Because of the long weekend in June our Dinner Meeting will be a week early on the 5th June. Please make a note of the change and advise Jill if you cannot make this meeting.

Baby News

Well at last I have a grand daughter... After FIVE grand sons (all great boys) **Bridgene Ann** was born on 27 April weighing 11 pounds. Family doing well.

Lynn Callander

CLUB EXECUTIVE 2006-2007

**Executives of the Zonta Club
of Brisbane East Inc are:**

President: **Lynn Callander**

Vice Pres: **Heather Mildwaters**

Secretary : **Jill Hedley**

Treasurer: **Karen Hendry**

Directors: **Bronwyn Campbell**
Margaret Casey

Entertainment Books:

Still some books available for just \$60 each with the club earning \$12 for each book sold. Please see Jill to get your copies as they are limited in numbers this year.

Club News:

The Purcell family are off again with son Darren selected to represent Australia at the International Rowing Meet in Europe. Our very own awesome foursome?

Nobel Prize over the years

Did you know that there have been 776 winners of the Nobel Prize in all categories but only 33 of them are women? How many do you recognise?

Physics

1903, Marie Curie
1963, Maria Goeppert-Mayer

Chemistry

1911, Marie Curie
1935, Irène Joliot-Curie
1964, Dorothy Crowfoot Hodgkin

Physiology or Medicine

1947, Gerty Cori
1977, Rosalyn Yalow
1983, Barbara McClintock
1986, Rita Levi-Montalcini
1988, Gertrude B. Elion
1995, Christiane Nüsslein-Volhard
2004, Linda B. Buck

Literature

1909, Selma Lagerlöf
1926, Grazia Deledda
1928, Sigrid Undset
1938, Pearl Buck
1945, Gabriela Mistral
1966, Nelly Sachs
1991, Nadine Gordimer
1993, Toni Morrison
1996, Wisława Szymborska
2004, Elfriede Jelinek

Peace

1905, Bertha von Suttner
1931, Jane Addams
1946, Emily Greene Balch
1976, Betty Williams
1976, Mairead Corrigan
1979, Mother Teresa
1982, Alva Myrdal
1991, Aung San Suu Kyi
1992, Rigoberta Menchú Tum
1997, Jody Williams
2003, Shirin Ebadi
2004, Wangari Maathai

The Nobel Peace Prize for 2003 was awarded to Shirin Ebadi for her efforts for democracy and human rights. She has focused especially on the struggle for the rights of women and children.

As a lawyer, judge, lecturer, writer and activist, she has spoken out clearly and strongly in her country, Iran, and far beyond its borders. She has stood up as a sound professional, a courageous person, and has never heeded the threats to her own safety.

Her principal arena is the struggle for basic human rights, and no society deserves to be labelled civilized unless the rights of women and children are respected. In an era of violence, she has consistently supported non-violence. It is fundamental to her view that the supreme political power in a community must be built on democratic elections. She favours enlightenment and dialogue as the best path to changing attitudes and resolving conflict.

Ebadi is a conscious Muslim. She sees no conflict between Islam and fundamental human rights. It is important to her that the dialogue between the different cultures and religions of the world should take as its point of departure their shared values.

In 2004 the Nobel Peace Prize went to Wangari Maathai for her contribution to sustainable development, democracy and peace.

Peace on earth depends on our ability to secure our living environment. Maathai stands at the front of the fight to promote ecologically viable social, economic and cultural development in Kenya and in Africa. She has taken a holistic approach to sustainable development that embraces democracy,

human rights and women's rights in particular. She thinks globally and acts locally.

Maathai stood up courageously against the former oppressive regime in Kenya. Her unique forms of action have contributed to drawing attention to political oppression - nationally and internationally. She has served as inspiration for many in the fight for democratic rights and has especially encouraged women to better their situation.

Maathai combines science, social commitment and active politics. More than simply protecting the existing environment, her strategy is to secure and strengthen the very basis for ecologically sustainable development. She founded the Green Belt Movement where, for nearly thirty years, she has mobilized poor women to plant 30 million trees. Her methods have been adopted by other countries as well. We are all witness to how deforestation and forest loss have led to desertification in Africa and threatened many other regions of the world - in Europe too. Protecting forests against desertification is a vital factor in the struggle to strengthen the living environment of our common Earth.

Through education, family planning, nutrition and the fight against corruption, the Green Belt Movement has paved the way for development at grass-root level. We believe that Maathai is a strong voice speaking for the best forces in Africa to promote peace and good living conditions on that continent.

Wangari Maathai will be the first woman from Africa to be honoured with the Nobel Peace Prize. She will also be the first African from the vast area between South Africa and Egypt to be awarded the prize. She represents an example and a source of inspiration for everyone in Africa fighting for sustainable development, democracy and peace.

Further information available on

www.nobelprize.org

Antique & Collectibles Fair

Sunday 9 July

Jindalee State School

Bring your friends, family members

All offers of help gratefully

Accepted

Flyers available

DATE CLAIMERS

Monday 22 May—Board Meeting at Goodearth Hotel 6.30pm

Sunday 28 May—Breast Cushion working Bee TBC

Monday 5 June—Next Dinner Meeting—One week ahead due to Queens Birthday

Monday 26 June—Board Meeting at Goodearth Hotel 6.30pm

24-29 June—International Convention in Melbourne—Delegate Denise Conroy