

# BeauZontian

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# AREA 3 - DISTRICT 22

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### **DINNER MEETING**

Tuesday, 21 July

2 Course Dinner \$20/person

At

#### **Beaudesert RSL Services Club**

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- Please advise by 5 pm 19 July 2009

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Zonta International is a worldwide organisation of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women.

**DISTRICT 22 NEWSLETTER WEB SITE:** www.zontadistrict22.org – Please click on and have a look.

	Next Board Meeting		
Tuesday 14 July	)		
Please note: Board meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of each			

General (dinner) meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of each month



Here's some fundraising websites that might be useful. If you have a spare half hour and want to do some research for the club there might be some good ideas in these sites

month at The Clubhouse

at the Beaudesert RSL

http://www.fundraising-ideas.org/ http://www.fundraisingideas.com.au/ http://www.fundraiserinsight.org/ideas/ http://www.fundraisingdirectory.com.au/ http://www.fastfundraising.com.au/ A Word from our President - Jane Blunck...

Hope that you survived the wind last week and you are looking forward to the cold weather forecast for next week.

We had a weekend at Girraween recently and I'll never complain about the frost again! The fire, good food and the red wine helped us through our suffering.

Thanks must go to Ellen for her organising skills to man (woman?) a BBQ at Logan Village a few weekends ago. With help from Honzon John and Zontian Robyn Powell and Ellen's daughter, Rachel, about \$450.00 was raised. Well done!

The Beaudesert Quilters have set aside Wednesday 23 September to sew Breast Care Cushions. The ladies are always willing to do that sewing.

Next meeting we have Robyn Lincez's granddaughter, Megan, as our guest speaker.

We are in for a busy time over the next few weeks: Kathy Shay has the tickets for *Menopause* the *Musical* on 29 July, there is the Hospital AGM on the 22 July, and the informal get together and bring a prospective member at Alice's on the 1 August (bring a plate).

See you next meeting. Cheers.

Jane

# Club News

Many thanks to Ellen Logan for raising almost \$450.00 recently at a Bartholomew's clearance sale. With very little notice Ellen managed to organise a BBQ, food, drink and some (non-zontian) helpers. So a BIG thank you to Ellen for a sterling effort!!!

A farewell afternoon tea for Sylvia Mellor and Judy Manderson is planned for Saturday 1 August at Alice Warby's home (see back page for Alice's details). Please come along and to give your thanks to Sylvia and Judy for all their work over the years.

This afternoon tea is also being incorporated into our Information session for prospective members.

#### **ZONTA GRACE**

(as shared with us by Janet)

Whatever your country of birth

Whatever your faith or creed

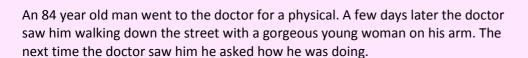
Give thanks for the meal we now share in Zonta Fellowship

Let us remember those who do not enjoy our high living standards

And those who are denied personal freedom we cherish

May we through Zonta service, work for the improvement of health, human rights and world harmony

Zonta Club Beaudesert— Yearly Calender			
January			
February			
March	International Women's Day Building Your Future Workshop (?)		
April	Annual General Meeting		
May	Changeover Dinner		
June	Domestic Violence Awareness - Colouring in Competition		
July			
August			
September	20 Fashion Parade 25-27 Area 22 Conference Beaudesert Show		
October	Birthing Kit Workshop		
November	White Ribbon Day—International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women		
December	Human Rights Day Gourmet Stall—Beaudesert Markets		



<sup>&</sup>quot;Great," said the old guy. "I did just what you told me. 'Get a hot momma and be cheerful.' "



Board Meetings 2nd Tuesday each month
14 July
11 August
8 September
13 October
10 November
10 December

Dinner Meetings 3rd Tuesday each month
21 July
18 August
15 September
20 October
17 November
17 December

A tip from Sharon...I have recently purchased a new dishwasher and my research to buy the best possible appliance for the least amount of money led me on a consumer focused journey to some really useful websites that I thought I would share with you:

<u>www.productreview.com.au</u> is a site that other buyers rate the item they've bought. It was really helpful to me to see what others' experiences had been of particular models etc.

www.choice.com.au is a subscription based website (although some things are free to view) that gives reports after they've tested a range of similar items and compare their performances. I took the plunge and spent the 32.00 for three months and it was very worthwhile. (end result? A brand new BOSCH dishwasher with all the bells and whistles!)

<sup>&</sup>quot;I didn't say that," said the doctor. "I said, 'You've got a heart murmur. Be careful.' "

## Did you know?

- Lone mothers head 86% of one-parent families
- Women account for around 52% of people living alone
- This figure increases with age in 2002-03 about three quarters of people aged 65+ living alone were women.
- 65% of Centrelink customers receiving Rent Assistance are female.
- Almost a quarter of women receiving Rent Assistance receive Parenting Payment Single, and around a fifth receive the Age Pension.
- 61% of Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) clients in 2006–07 were women.

This information is from the Australian Federal Government website: http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/sa/women/pubs/general/factsheet\_women\_issues/Pages/facts6.aspx

### **Feminization of Poverty**

The "feminisation of poverty" is a phenomenon that is unfortunately on the increase. Basically, women are increasingly the ones who suffer the most poverty. Professor of anthropology, Richard Robbins also notes that

At the same time that women produce 75 to 90 percent of food crops in the world, they are responsible for the running of households. According to the United Nations, in no country in the world do men come anywhere close to women in the amount of time spent in housework. Furthermore, despite the efforts of feminist movements, women in the core [wealthiest, Western countries] still suffer disproportionately, leading to what sociologist refer to as the "feminization of poverty," where two out of every three poor adults are women. The informal slogan of the Decade of Women became "Women do two-thirds of the world's work, receive 10 percent of the world's income and own 1 percent of the means of production."

— Richard H. Robbins, Global Problems and the Culture of Capitalism, (Allyn and Bacon, 1999), p. 354

This then also affects children, which makes the dire situation even worse. For example, even in the richest country in the world, the USA, the poorest are women caring for children.

The lending strategies to developing countries by institutions such as the IMF and World Bank have affected many women in those countries.

Poverty, trade and economic issues are very much related to women's rights issues due to the impacts they can have. Tackling these issues as well also helps to tackle women's rights issues. And, tackling gender issues helps tackle poverty-related issues.

This article copied from: http://www.globalissues.org/article/166/womens-rights#FeminizationofPoverty

After being married 25 years, a man looked at his wife one day and said, "You know, 25 years ago we lived in a cheap apartment, drove a cheap car, had only a sofa bed and watched a 14" black and white television. BUT, every night I got to sleep with a hot 25 year old blonde."

"Now," he continued, "We have a nice house, a new car, a big flat-screen TV, but I have to sleep with a 50 year old woman. It doesn't seem fair."

His wife was a reasonable woman. She replied, "Well, why don't you go out and get yourself a hot 25 year old blonde? Then I'll make sure you will once again live in a cheap apartment, drive a cheap car, have only a sofa bed and watch a 14" black and white television."

The man rethought his priorities.

# These delightful mistakes have been collected from Sunday school teachers, Catholic school teachers and others:

In the first book of the bible, Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off.

Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark, which the animals come on to in pears.

Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, but a ball of fire by night.

Samson was a strong man who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.

Samson slayed the Philistines with the axe of the Apostles.

Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.

The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten ammendments.

The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.

The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

Moses died before he ever reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.

The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.

David was a Hebrew king skilled at playing the liar. He fought with the Finklesteins, race of people who lived in Biblical times.

Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

When Mary heard that she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.

When the three wise guys from the East side arrived, they found Jesus in the manager.

Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.

St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.

Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule, which says to do one to others before they do one to you. He also explained, "a man doth not live by sweat alone."

It was a miracle when Jesus rose from the dead and managed to get the tombstone off the entrance.

The people who followed the Lord were called the 12 decibels. The epistles were the wives of the apostles.

One of the oppossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan.

St. Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.



**DID YOU KNOW?...** Zonta International service has been closely linked with the United Nations since Zonta expressed support for the fledgling UN in 1946. As an international non-governmental organization (NGO), Zonta brings women's concerns to the UN, suggests solutions, draws public attention to issues and encourages its members to participate at the local level.

Zonta maintains representatives of its United Nations Committee at UN sites in Geneva, New York, Paris and Vienna. Committee members attend UN conferences, and UN agency, committee and commission sessions.

Accredited NGOs, like Zonta, participate in these sessions by providing written statements and oral presentations on issues being considered. NGOs also may organize panels relating to the general debate.

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