



NewsFlash

DECEMBER 2016



FROM THE GOVERNOR

Judy Gorton

It is hard to believe that the year is fast drawing to a close and that Clubs are having their final meetings for 2016.

A lot has happened over the last month and I wanted to inform you all about recent activities at Zonta International.

At the start of November, Zonta International President Sonja Honig Schough held her first Skype meeting for the biennium with Governors to keep us informed of the many changes occurring at Headquarters.

Phase 2 of the New ZI website is on its way so by the time you are reading this report I am hopeful you will have discovered all of the new information on the site under the heading of Zonta Communities.

All members will have received a copy of the first Zontian magazine for the 2016-2018 biennium. Only 2 hard copies will be mailed this biennium and the remaining two editions will be distributed on-line. It will also be available to read on the ZI Web page. Please remember to go to the ZI Website if any of your personal details have changed to ensure you are receiving current information from Zonta headquarters. The final hard copy of the Zontian will contain the *Call to Convention* in Yokohama Japan.

The new biennium Bylaws inclusive of changes made at Convention have been updated and can be found on the web page, however you must log in via *My Zonta*.

Many Clubs have emailed me regarding the postcard - "Empower Her" that was first distributed at the Nice Convention and the booklet *This is Zonta*. Many Clubs have tried, unsuccessfully, to print the cards via the web Print Portal, but Area 3 Director Jo Wittorf has managed to resize them—your Area Director will have samples of the cards for distribution— and they can be reproduced at a cheaper cost.

The Print Portal on the ZI Website has not been as successful as hoped and the ZI Board have decided to remove it from the website. You will now be able to log in under *My Zonta* and go straight to the "Tools" section where you will find a wealth of information. Despite the information being available in pdf for printing it is not able to be customised with Club or District details.

A new Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with the various International agencies to commence work on the four ZI Service Projects for the biennium: For more information on these International projects in Liberia, Madagascar, Niger and Nepal please refer to the website.

November was a busy month and I have enjoyed reading Club Newsletters about Zonta Founders Day celebrations and Women of Achievement Award presentation evenings.

Please also refer to the Foundation Chairs report regarding donations to the Foundation- "Every Member Every November"

District 23 Clubs have also engaged in a variety of activities and events to acknowledge the **16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence** and initiatives to address Violence against Women through the **White Ribbon Day-Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women** campaign.

On behalf of the Board, I wish all Zonta members and their families a safe and happy festive season and look forward to working with you all in 2017.

KEY DATES

2017

JAN 11	AMELIA EARHART DAY
FEB 12	NEWSFLASH ITEMS DUE
MAR 8	ZONTA ROSE DAY / INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
MAR 25	AREA 3 WORKSHOP SWAN HILLS
MAY 6-7	AREA 2 WORKSHOP, TUMBY BAY
MAY 10	CALL TO CONFERENCE
MAY 14	NEWSFLASH ITEMS DUE
APR 1	ZI & D23 DUES
APR 29	AREA 1 & 4 WORKSHOP
AUG 13	NEWSFLASH ITEMS DUE
SEPT 1-3	DISTRICT 23 CONFERENCE, GEELONG
NOV 8	ZI 98TH BIRTHDAY—FOUNDERS' DAY
NOV 12	NEWSFLASH ITEMS DUE

2018

JUNE 27– JULY 3 ZI CONVENTION, YOKOHAMA, JAPAN

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JANUARY is Amelia Earhart Month—D23 EA Coordinator-Elizabeth Woodgate



Zontian. Record-breaking aviator. Women's rights advocate.

Zonta is proud to honour the extraordinary achievements and uncompromising spirit of Amelia Earhart throughout the month of January.

11 January is Amelia Earhart Day

- and in the months leading up to January, Zonta Clubs are encouraged to create annual events to:

- ☐ Celebrate the achievements of Amelia Earhart;
- ☐ Encourage women of various ages to follow in her footsteps;
- ☐ Generate contributions to the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund;
- ☐ Create visibility for the organization.

ANNUAL EVENTS: IDEAS THAT WORK

Women in Science and Engineering Luncheon: The Zonta Club of Dallas hosted a luncheon to encourage young women in the community to explore careers in aerospace science and engineering. The event featured speeches by women with established careers in science and engineering.

Motivational Performances and Speakers: Many clubs host special events featuring historical accounts or costumed performances highlighting Amelia's accomplishments. Speakers and panels featuring women pro-

fessionals from the fields of aviation, aerospace science and engineering are also popular.

Connect with an Amelia Earhart Fellow: E-mail Zonta International Headquarters to contact Fellows in your area. Fellows may be invited to events as guests or as speakers, sharing their experiences in the advanced sciences and as Amelia Earhart Fellows.

Organize a Joint Event With Local Women's Professional Organizations in Science and Engineering: Contact your local chapter of the Society of Women Engineers, Women in Science and Engineering or other similar organizations. By partnering with other organizations, you may be able to garner more media interest and event participants.

Contact Science and Math Departments of Local Schools: Clubs can get involved in local math and science competitions (general science fairs, model bridges, paper airplanes). From sponsorships in underfunded school districts, to prizes for winning entries, much can be done to encourage young women interested in these fields. It is also a perfect local interest story for the media in your area.

Host a Silent Auction with Aerospace-related Items: Telescopes, private sessions or memberships at a local planetarium, space-related movies, flying lessons, hot-air balloon rides, name-a-star gift certificates, "the sky is the limit" when it comes to ideas for a silent auction. A silent auction can easily be paired with a new or existing event to increase interest and generate more fundraising dollars.

Want to see Amelia in LEGO—vote now!

If you want to see Amelia Earhart as a Lego figure in a set of 186 parts which includes the bright yellow biplane she purchased and named Canary, then you need to add your vote at Lego Ideas—<https://ideas.lego.com/projects/132282>

They need 10,000 supporters to take this project to a Lego Review where it is evaluated and a decision is made whether it goes into production and then on to worldwide sales.

Would be great to make Lego Amelia a reality!



District 23 Conference Save the Date!

1-3 September, 2017

Geelong, Victoria

The first conference newsletter will be published early next year.

You are promised an excellent program with inspiring and thought provoking speakers, super social events and wonderful company in Victoria's second largest city on beautiful Corio Bay.

If you have not attended a District Conference yet, plan to come to this one – it will be memorable.

Beryl McMillan
Conference Chairman

"The most effective way to do it, is to do it." - Amelia Earhart

AREA DIRECTORS ROUND UP

AREA 5—TASMANIA—Christine Hepburn



This is an exciting and busy time of year for Area 5. Not only are we moving into the final stretch for 2016, where we reflect on our service and advocacy throughout the year, we have a strong focus on White Ribbon and the Zonta Says No 16 Days of Activism.

Our combined Area 5 clubs have a comprehensive list of activities planned for this time. A list, which I can proudly say is too long to include here, was shared as a collaborative effort amongst all District 23 clubs.

This is our continued opportunity to positively impact our year long work with issues impacting women in our local

communities, as well as those globally.

White Ribbon is the world's largest movement of men working to end men's violence against women, promoting gender equality and healthy relationships. The Zonta Says No campaign and 16 Days of Activism builds strongly on this focus. Through adding our united voice and actions we can influence and affect great change. The final point in our ZI Vision sums up our ultimate aim... 'In such a world no women lives in fear of violence'.

I would like to offer heartfelt appreciation and congratulations to the presidents and members of the Devonport, Hobart, Hobart-Derwent, and Launceston Clubs, plus the Ogilvie High School Z club, for a superb effort in this space. Well done!

As this is our final Newsflash for the year, I would like to wish everyone the true spirit of Christmas, with safe festive season celebrations and travels.

AREA 4—WESTERN & NORTHERN VICTORIA—Lyn Symons



Having trouble getting members to events? Try joining forces with like minded groups. eg Days for Girls assembly day in Maryborough brought together 17 people from Zonta, Australian Red Cross, Rotary, Lions Club, the local Learning Centre plus interested individuals. A great opportunity to showcase the work and objects of Zonta International to like minded people.

Need help to get your breast cushions made or birthing

kits assembled? Put a call out to students or guides/scouts needing/wanting to do community service and to craft groups that may wish to have a project to commit to. Zonta club of Bendigo have their breast cushions assembled by the local women's prison inmates.

Needing to update your member/new member information? Share what you provide to new members with other groups in your area. This is what Area 4 agreed to do at their recent President's meeting. Provides a timely review of what your club does and to consider what others do differently.

AREA 3—WESTERN AUSTRALIA —Jo Wittorf



Area 3 celebrates Zonta's anniversary with a Woman of Achievement Award.

About 100 people gathered at the Sanctuary Golf Resort in Bunbury in November to join the six Area 3

clubs in celebrating the 97th anniversary of Zonta International, founded on 8 November 1919.

The Area 3 Woman of Achievement Award recognising and honouring a woman who personified the spirit and humanitarianism of the founders of Zonta was presented to Mavis Steenson, nominated by the Zonta Club of Perth.

Brenda Dawes, Bunbury's nominee and Nonie Browner, nominated by the Zonta Club of Perth Northern Suburbs were finalists.

This Area 3 award was first presented in 1985 and is traditionally presented at the Founders' Day Dinner. Area 3 Clubs take turns to host this biennial event.

Bunbury's Award finalist Brenda Dawes of Bridgetown, Gov. Judy Gorton, Award winner Mavis Steenson (Perth) & Perth NS finalist Nonie Browner of Perth.



AREA 2—SOUTH AUSTRALIA & NORTHERN TERRITORY —Pru Blackwell & Vice AD Leann Symonds



The role of the Area and Vice Area Director is indeed varied, but a clear highlight for us, is being aware of the commitment of Clubs to Zonta values. 'Thank goodness' I can hear you say!

What a challenge this is, for new Presidents and Boards to keep new teams together and to bring everyone to a minimum understanding of Zonta knowledge. I congratulate those in leadership in our Area as both Leann and I facilitate knowledge exchange at Combined President's meetings, Past President's meetings and information exchange. There is a strong commitment of sharing and ensuring we have consistency in our understanding of day to day Zonta practices.



Over and above this there is also clear evidence that Zonta is increasingly recognized. Yes it could do better, much better, but our Clubs are well linked and their partnerships no matter how big or small are statements of community integration. This is particularly evident with the wider domestic violence industry.

Planning—Leann and I proudly circulated the District Strategic Plan and have offered services of the Past Presidents group and ourselves to help Clubs at their planning days in the new year. We have yet to reinforce this, but it will be another exercise in linking with ZI's values and directions.

Honorary Members—Amongst multiple new member instal-

lations I've also had the pleasure of installing a new Honorary member to one of our inner Adelaide Clubs. This woman is a strong advocate for gender equality and is collating information for the Commission for the Status of Women, CSW 61st meeting in New York, March 2017 at which she is a representative. 16 days of Activism

Area 2 Clubs have been involved in a range of activities during this period, reports of which are replicated throughout the District and reported elsewhere.

Clubs have conducted their regular meetings with strong involvement from their Advocacy Chairs. Decisions have been reached through internal workshops, brainstorming and evaluating the success of previous years' activities. Area 2 has traditionally hosted a quarterly advocacy meeting and at their last meeting there was a lot of showcasing of 16 days of activism plans. Again, plenty of ideas for all and especially smaller clubs by giving them simple but effective opportunities.

Strengthening the "Body Corporate"— Leann and I have been keen to "talk up" the value of good governance and where ever possible have worked with Presidents on a one to one or at appropriate times at meetings. This has been focused mostly on good agendas, volunteer training for food handling and membership management

The Area workshop in May 2017 will further the notion of good governance and focus on building Club capacity and learning from other community leaders. It will be held in rural Tumby Bay and hosted by the two Clubs in that locality.

Yours in Zonta friendship

Pru Blackwell and Leann Symonds

AREA 1—METROPOLITAN & EASTERN VICTORIA —Jasmine Koch



Many of the Area 1 clubs have been focussing on the 16 Days of Activism against gender violence.

Activities included daily Facebook posts, guest speakers who address the issue, making pamper packs for women in refuges, distribution of white ribbons, and Zonta Says No bookmarks, and wearing Zonta Says

No orange t-shirts or wrist bands on 25th November to create awareness.

The guest speaker at ZC of Melbourne's West was from McAuley Community Services for Women and spoke about the effect of findings of the Royal Commission on their organisation.

The ZC of Melbourne on Yarra members wore orange to the club meeting and as a group crossed Bridge Road a few times (at the pedestrian crossing) and stopped traffic! It is a busy road with trams, so the group attracted the attention of the tram travellers as well. It was quite exhilarating.

The ZC of Mornington Peninsula hosted a White Ribbon breakfast on 25th November that focussed on the impact on youth from domestic violence. It was a sell out and a great

example of linking fundraising with awareness.

I recently attended a theatre night fundraiser held by ZC of Melbourne's East for birthing kits. A birthing kit display was set up and a member was there to answer any questions. The club also produces booklets of birthing kit vouchers – similar to a raffle booklet - and sells the vouchers for \$3 each – the cost of a birthing kit. It is a good idea that the club has adopted and has had great success.

The interesting thing about this fundraiser is that the performance was the final dress rehearsal and the first time the production was performed in front of an audience. This meant the cost to the club was minimal resulting in a good profit.

The ZC of Melbourne's South East presented the founder of Mumma Bears, Carol Ray a Woman of Achievement Award and a cheque. Mumma Bears is a growing support group for young mothers feeling alone or isolated when looking after young children. They are matched one-on-one with (usually older) volunteer mums who help out with regular chats, home visits or outings.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy festive season.

"Courage is like a muscle. We strengthen it by use." ~ Ruth Gordo

Z CLUBS —Judy Rothe

A MUD MAP TO Z CLUB FORMATION

Is your club thinking about the formation of a Z or Golden Z Club near you?

Z Clubs nurture and grow our future leaders “building a better future through service and advocacy”.

Young people are given an opportunity to interact and work together with experienced Zonta sponsors to better their society and the world by gaining an understanding of their School and community and by developing an international awareness.

STEPS

- ♦ Initial contact to Secondary Colleges to begin a Z Club.
- ♦ Contact Principal in regard to staff member/s interest.
- ♦ Make a 3-year commitment by President and advisors of Zonta Club.
- ♦ Zonta club to have a copy of the Z Club Manual.
- ♦ Contact the D 23 Z & Golden Z Club Coordinator for assistance.

Go to ZI website for leadership tools

<http://membership.zonta.org/Tools/Leadership->

Development-Tools

ADVICE TO ZONTA CLUBS

Guide requirements of meeting ie agenda, minutes, discuss possible projects etc. they receive guidance but **allow them to run meetings**.

Active clubs could have a rotation system connected to their own process of swapping committees etc. This increases members' understanding of Z Club and exposes Z Club members.

Student Treasurer needs to be across the budget as leadership training

Advice re club or school manage funds with students.

Boys can be members of Z Clubs

The Zonta Club of Mackay in D22 sponsor **seven** Z Clubs how amazing is that!

The GOLDEN Z Clubs information to be in the D23 Newsflash 2017 Watch this space.....

Judy Rothe

D23 Z & Golden Z Clubs coordinator 2014-18

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ZI INTERNATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION AWARDS 2016-18

At the end of each Biennium, ZI recognises the wonderful service work that Zontians perform to improve the lives of women and girls.

The next ZI Service Recognition Awards will be given at the 2018 Yokohama Convention to six outstanding service projects sponsored by clubs, and up to three service projects sponsored by districts.

There are two project categories to be considered for club awards:

- ♦ Service projects that empower women and girls in general to achieve equal rights and to secure their access to all legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional resources, and
- ♦ Service projects that focus on the root causes of violence against women and girls through education.

With submission for club projects due in December 2017, now is the time to consider if your club has a project they would like to submit! Guidelines and nomination forms will be available in due course.

Cintra Amos
D23 Service Chair

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

As we move towards Christmas in Australia it is time to be thankful for our lot in life. I would like to thank those clubs and members who have given to the Foundation since 1 June 2016. Many members made donations at Convention in Nice, some were club donations of 1/3 fundraising donations and some members continue to make regular donations. Thank you all, your donations are vital for the success of our international service projects.

For those of you who are still catching up with the changes to our international projects this biennium I encourage you to do some research on the ZI website particularly looking at the “Let Us Learn Madagascar” project. There are two short videos and a good project description. Good material to present at a club monthly meeting.

A summary of the ZI projects have been provided by headquarters in the form of a two-sided postcard called “Empower Her”. The pdf is available on the ZI website for clubs to print <http://membership.zonta.org/Tools/Resource-Library>. The good news is that the District 23 board is investigating making a print run available to all clubs. These cards would be useful to remind members and explain to new members and others, how our donations at an international level are used to create change in the world for women and girls.

Erica Majba
ZIFAmbassador

Jane M Klausman Women In Business Scholarship D23 Winners 2016

I am delighted to announce our District Scholarship winners for 2016.

This year, we had a very close result and following consultation with District Governor, Judy Gorton we are awarding two District Scholarships.

Our winners are **Ms Rachel Chong** from Area 5 and **Ms Gemma Tually/Stabler** from Area 3. Both are stunning young women who are progressing their careers in the field of business through postgraduate study.



Rachel Chong (nominated by the Hobart Derwent Club in Area 5) is currently completing her Masters in Business Administration at the University of Tasmania. Her road to business wasn't direct, as she held a Bachelor's degree in Marine Science. She realised her talent in business while studying abroad at the University of Copenhagen. Her team, consisting of Masters students in consultancy, won a tender competition and she was the best, albeit youngest candidate of the class. After working in a local Tasmanian management consultancy for a couple of months, Rachel decided to pursue Business Studies. Since then, she has worked as an intern in Deloitte Hobart in Risk Advisory and Business Advisory services. Now, she is mentored under a corporate trainer in leadership and team building to improve workplace performance.

Rachel's passion is people. She is particularly interested in youth development, having personally experienced a transformational journey from a shy and introverted girl to a confident young woman today. Through community projects and leadership roles, she has inspired many others in their journey of personal development and pursuit of aspirations.

Her ultimate goal is to develop a creative and engaging platform to help young people find their voices and identities in a positive environment, and to become leaders themselves.

Rachel is excited to win this scholarship and says it is a great confidence booster and will motivate her to continue striving to achieve excellence in business. She also hopes the scholarship will open up a network of outstanding women for her that she can follow and learn from.

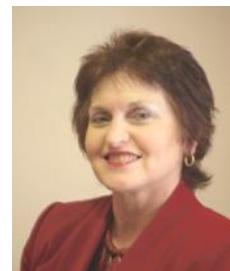


Gemma Tually/Stabler (nominated by Zonta Club of Perth in Area 3) is currently undertaking a Traditional Masters in Law at New York University (NYU) focusing on Chinese law, business and arbitration. The reason she chose NYU for these studies is twofold. Firstly, NYU is home to world renowned experts on Chinese law and is recognised as one of the best law schools in the world. Secondly, as the US has a complex and extensive relationship with China, study at a US institution offers a unique environment in which to obtain an important and alternative perspective on Sino-relations and multi jurisdictional transactions to that offered by Australian universities.

Following completion of her studies Gemma intends to return to her role of Senior Legal Counsel at Fortescue Metals Group. Longer term she would like to work in an industry or government advisory role, providing advice and guidance on Australia's international engagement, particularly with respect to China. Beyond that, she aspires to put her educational and professional experiences to further use working as an international arbitrator.

Gemma is grateful and honoured to be a recipient of the JMK Scholarship. She

has taken a year of unpaid leave from Fortescue to pursue this study so the grant so it will come in very handy.



*Wendy Quinn
District 23, Jane
M Klausman
Scholarship Se-
lection Commit-
tee Chairperson*

As you can see, we have two very worthy recipients of our District level JMK Scholarship. I am sure we will hear much more from these women as their careers progress.

Unfortunately, neither of our candidates were successful in obtaining an international scholarship but this in no way diminishes their achievements.

I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate all applicants in the 2016 District 23 JMK Scholarship.

This year we received 8 nominations (a 37.5% increase from 2015) with applications from each of our five Areas. The standard of the applications was very high making the job for our selection committee extremely difficult.

I would also like to thank this year's JMK D23 Selection Committee for their superb assistance in the judging task. T

This year I was joined on the Committee by Julie Boulter (Tasmanian State Manager, Australian Institute of Management) and Christine Hepburn (ZI D23, Area 5 Director).

This marks the end of the 2016 JMK Scholarship round. In the coming months, I will provide revised information about the 2017 process but I would encourage all Clubs/Areas to start considering their involvement with this scholarship. It is not difficult and most universities have scholarship programs that you can link into and reduce your workload.

Now is a good time to be communicating with universities about their scholarship processes. Please feel very welcome to contact me if you would like assistance with how to get started.

UNITED NATIONS REPORT—Kay Stewart, D23 UN Chairman



On 5-6 September, I was privileged, on behalf of the D23 Board, to attend the National Forum on the Economic Empowerment of Women and Girls held in Melbourne by the United Nations Association of Australia.

The theme was chosen to align with the focus for the 61st Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), which will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 13 to 24 March 2017. The priority theme for this meeting will be 'Women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work'.

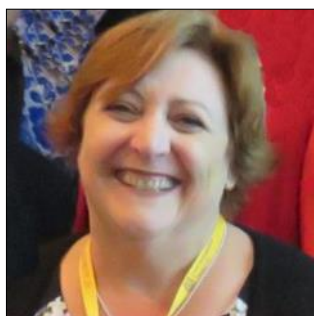
While most present were employed in associated areas, it was pleasing to see Renata McDonald from Melbourne's West and to meet two representatives from local Soroptomist clubs. Attendees heard keynote ad-

resses from a wide range of speakers, and participated in workshops on:

- ◆ Women's economic empowerment in contexts of family violence
- ◆ Ending workplace discrimination, and closing the pay gap
- ◆ Economic security: strategies to address the impacts on children
- ◆ Economic empowerment of indigenous women and girls (an emerging/focus area for CSW)
- ◆ Superannuation and the economic empowerment of older women
- ◆ Economic empowerment of culturally and linguistically diverse women and girls

Priorities for action that emerged from the workshops will be communicated to UN Women Australia for inclusion in preparations for the 61st CSW discussions.

MEMBERSHIP—Lt Governor Jane Adornetto



I'm delighted to be the D23 Membership Chair for the 2016-2018 biennium and am looking forward to working with all clubs in District 23 on all aspects of membership.

I'm proud to advise District 23 was one of a number of Districts that increased their membership over the last biennium. This was recognised

at the Zonta International Convention in Nice in July, both in the Lt Governor training I attended, and to the whole convention in the celebration of membership milestones.

Recruiting members is the first step in ensuring our organisation remains strong and relevant. Retaining those members is the next step, and this appears to be where some of our clubs have difficulty, not only in District 23, but across the Zonta world. "Recruit to Retain" is the approach clubs are encouraged to take from Zonta International. Over the course of the biennium I will be sourcing retention ideas from clubs whose membership numbers continue to increase, and share those through the Newsflash.

In the meantime, reproduced below is a slide from the membership presentation at Convention. This can be used as a basis for a general health check of clubs, from a retention perspective. If you have any queries on this please don't hesitate to contact me.

NEW MEMBER CERTIFICATES

If you would like a District 23 certificate for new members, please email me at

janeadornetto@gmail.com,

with the following details:

Name of new member

Name of club

Date of induction

Certificates can be mailed, or emailed (preferred method).

Enrich the Zonta Experience

Membership matters do not stand alone
Members will stay upon a vibrant club life

Well conducted meetings with interesting speakers

Exciting fund raising & fellowship activities

Quality service & advocacy projects

Awards & scholarships for women & girls

Credibility & visibility in local community

Understand the international dimension of Zonta

WHAT IS SERVICE?



Some food for thought ...

When clubs financially assist other organisations or their projects; this is considered fundraising, not service. Service projects are defined as those where members are practical and "hands on" in some way.

Many clubs invest much energy towards financially supporting projects administered by others, in the belief that they are Zonta projects – when in fact they are not.

Zonta International has recently been focusing on empha-

sising the difference between service and fundraising, and is encouraging clubs to focus more on service.

With many clubs holding planning meetings early in 2017, it is an ideal time to reflect on the meaning of Zonta service when considering your own club projects for the coming year, to ensure you keep a positive balance between service and fundraising.

If clubs have questions or comments about Zonta service, I would be very pleased to hear from them.

*Cintra Amos
D23 Service Chair*

Advocacy "Zonta Says No campaign" in D23

Throughout the 16 Days of Activism, 25 November-10 December, the Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women campaign encourages all Zonta clubs and districts to participate by sharing their new and ongoing actions to end violence against women and girls.

Zonta Clubs in D23 have engaged in advocacy activities across the Areas, joining with their local communities to end violence against women. Access the Newsletter of the Zonta club of Bunbury at

<http://www.zontabunbury.org/club-news.html>

for further information, or another example is that of the Zonta Club of Adelaide in Area 2 who will : Wear the orange and white Awareness Ribbon as much as possible throughout the 16 Days and give one to 5 friends, Call out sexism when we see it or hear it – remember "the standard we walk past is the standard we accept", and Like the Zonta Club of Adelaide Facebook page and/or change your Face-book ID photo to the picture/graphic "Zonta says NO – Join the campaign to stop violence against women." The Launceston White Ribbon Ambassadors developed a booklet called "What can you do to Stop Abuse" which has been picked up by other clubs in the Area 5 and of course the distribution of 5,000 coffee mug sleeves by the Zonta club of Bendigo. Many more actions have been taken up by Area 1 clubs with a focus on social media and social awareness of the issues.

Share your clubs news and stories on the District 23 website and send your information and photographs to Jane Smith, Chairman PR and communications. Send to: jane.annaleey@gmail.com

Be the first Area in D23 to have your club success stories and activities on the website for all clubs in Zonta International to access.

Naomi Reschke, D23 Advocacy Chair



District Governor Judy Gorton has announced a new committee made up of past Governors and other senior Zontians who have held leadership roles. This group—the 'D23 Centennial Anniversary Celebration Committee'—is comprised of the following members.

*Margaret Rowland—Chairman
(ZC of Adelaide Flinders)*

Karen Groves (ZC of Perth)

Dawn Newman (ZC of Perth Northern Suburbs)

*Naomi Reschke—D23 Chairman
Advocacy (ZC of Gawler)*

Julie Wiltshire (ZC of Hobart Derwent)

It will be the task of this Committee to work across the District to encourage clubs and enthuse all members to focus on events that will promote Zonta's centenary. As one of ZI's goals this biennium, the Anniversary will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to

- ❑ Celebrate our successes and longevity.
- ❑ Increase Zonta's visibility.
- ❑ Influence opinions and attitudes about women's issues.
- ❑ Enhance ZI's impact as leading advocates for issues affecting women and girls.

DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEWS

Your District 23 Nominating Committee will shortly be seeking qualified members to nominate for positions on the 2018-2020 District 23 Board and Nominating Committee.

We would encourage all members, who have experience in Zonta, to take up a higher level of office, or to identify those members who have leadership potential. Please contact our nominating committee if you are thinking about nominating for a position or have identified other potential candidates.

Your District 23 Nominating Committee are;

Ann Horrocks (Chairman) A4 ZC Bendigo. Email: horrocksbendigo@gmail.com

Belinda Jutzen A2 ZC Lower Eyre. Email: wise-onesbee@gmail.com

Margaret Lynch A4 ZC Kyneton. Email: bjmm-lynch@hotmail.co

Our contact details are also set out in the District Directory.

ZC MORNINGTON PENINSULA NEWS

Zonta Club of Mornington Peninsula Inc – held a White Ribbon Breakfast on 25th November at Brooklands, we had 112 guests attend. MC for the morning was Wendy Lewis CEO for the Collier Charitable Foundation, Guest Speakers were Leading Senior Constable Ingrid Ebert a member of Pro-Active Policing Unit in Somerville and Mr Paul Zappa Director of NIRODAH. Both spoke about the Impact of Domestic Violence has on Youth and the positive programs they are working on to make life a little easier for our Youth Members in the Community. Hon Greg Hunt MP addressed the Breakfast and Hon Martin Dixon MP attended.

All proceeds from the breakfast is going to the White Ribbon Foundation. Zonta was showed cased in the most positive of ways, networking amongst many people was fantastic.



ZC Perth Northern Suburbs successful celebrity tray exhibition & auction.



Ogilvie High School Z Club Forum on The prevention of violence against women and girls' with 6 Colleges and 80 attendees. These included the Speaker of the House Assembly Elise Archer MLC, three women Police officers who deal with domestic violence and more.

From this fabulous project three colleges have approached the organisers of the Zonta club of Hobart/Derwent with their interest in beginning a Z Club in their own College

30 boys attended and have asked the question can they join a Z Club and my answer was of course and they would be most welcome.

Zonta International does not discriminate on gender.

