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Club Meetings

- o Second Thursday of the month (except January)
- o 6.15pm for 6.45pm
- o St Catherine's College, UWA

Opt In for Meetings

Please book your meal by 12 noon on previous Monday by emailing zontaperth@yahoo.com.au

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1. 2012 Zonta International Convention – Hot News!

The 2012 Zonta International Convention in Torino Italy is over and a full report from Zonta Club of Perth Members will be in the next edition of INZERT. However, some news cannot wait! – Ed.

The big news from Torino is that fellow West Australian, Liz Woodgate, from the Zonta Club of Peel Region was elected to be a Director on the 2012-14 Zonta International and Zonta International Foundation Board. Congratulations to Liz!

The incoming ZI President, Lynn McKenzie, from the Zonta Club of Wellington in New Zealand was elected at the previous ZI Convention in San Antonio and elections held on 10th July in Torino determined who would be joining her on the Board and they are:

Officers

- President-Elect - Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard, Zonta Club of Copenhagen I, **Denmark** (District 13)
- Vice President - Sonja Honig Schough, Zonta Club of Kungsbacka, **Sweden** (District 21)
- Treasurer/Secretary - Kathleen Hughes, Zonta Club of Springfield, Ohio, **USA** (District 5)

Directors

- Joy Orlich, Zonta Club of Greater Reno, Nevada, **USA** (District 9)
- Gabriella Samara Paphitis, Zonta Club of Nicosia, **Cyprus** (District 14)
- Laura Peters, Zonta Club of Newport Harbor, California, **USA** (District 9)
- Denise Quarles, Zonta Club of Michigan Capital Area, **USA** (District 15)
- Anita Schnetzer-Spranger, Zonta Club of Mainz, **Germany** (District 28)
- Maria Stefanova, Zonta Club of Saint Sofia, **Bulgaria** (District 30)
- Elizabeth Woodgate, Zonta Club of Peel, **Australia** (District 23)



Liz Woodgate (standing) being congratulated by (L-R) Jean Wyder and Sue Pertile from Perth Northern Suburbs in Torino.



The ZI Board 2012-14
Back: Liz, Joy, Anita, Denise, Gabriella, Laura, Maria
Front: Kathleen, Maria, Lynn, Sonja



The Convention Hall for the 2,300+ attendees!

Liz joined Zonta in 1993 and has extensive experience in Zonta that has included being our D23 Governor in 2002-04, chairman of Business and People Protocols at the ZI Convention in Melbourne in 2006 and on the International Nominating Committee in 2008-10. We can all benefit from Liz's wealth of experience and passion for Zonta and know that our organization is in safe hands. What is more, we feel very privileged to have someone 'local' on the Board that we all know and respect.

It is a nerve-wracking time for any nominee as they have to present in the Convention Hall, endure a 'meet the candidates session' in the corridors of the Convention, where delegates can ask their views on a range of issues to inform their decision, and the following day wait for the vote to be taken – a process not for the faint hearted! Liz was magnificent, and we were all very proud of her.

The other big news was to confirm that the 2014 ZI Convention will be held in **Orlando**, Florida, from June 28th to July 2nd and to announce that the 2016 ZI Convention will be held in **Nice**, France!

Look out for more news and reflections from Convention in the next Inzert!

2. Welcome to two new members

With many thanks to Val Gandossini and the Program and Membership team, Lorraine McLean commenced her Presidency by inducting two new members at the June meeting. We look forward to working with Janet Fitchat and Shanaz Lambat and getting to know them better. What a fantastic start to the new Zonta year for our club.



L-R President Lorraine McLean, Shanaz Lambat, Janet Fitchat and Val Gandossini

Janet Fitchat

Janet has been a Project Engineer for the past two years at Diverse Tank Engineering (DTE Group) based in Henderson, south of Perth.

She was born near Johannesburg in South Africa where she went to school and University. During her studies she was involved with a few student groups that reach out to poor communities and children. They raised funds, helped children with homework and organised activities so that the children could have some fun despite their circumstances. Janet received her chemical engineering degree in 2007 at the North-West University, South Africa.

She worked as a process engineer for three years in Pretoria, South Africa. Janet and her husband came to Australia two years ago to make a better living and get some international experience in their careers.

Since being in Australia, Janet had the opportunity to go to Cambodia to help build a toilet block for a school in one of their local villages. She is going to Nepal in October with Habitat for Humanity to build houses. Janet is looking to do more such projects in the future to help make a difference in other people's lives. Janet is very proud to be joining Zonta and hopes to get involved and make a difference.

Shanaz Lambat

Shanaz moved to Australia in 2007 with her family, escaping the socio-economic crisis going on in her home country of Zimbabwe.

The family settled in the South West where Shanaz met other migrants through the Bunbury Multicultural Group of which she became the Secretary. This was a group of migrants whose aim was to teach the community about different cultures through social events such as Lunar New Year, Diwali, etc. The Group felt that discrimination comes from ignorance and, by show-casing different cultures, they would be able to teach and learn about different cultures which make up the community of Greater Bunbury. The Group also held teaching sessions at local schools where one speaker from a specific culture would talk to the children about their country and their journey as migrants.

Through the work of the Bunbury Multicultural Group, Shanaz heard about Zonta International and the great work its members do. She decided she wanted to be a part of it. Shanaz got in touch with the Chairperson of the Zonta Club of Perth and was invited to their meetings - which she found to be exciting and the women friendly and inviting.

On moving to Perth, Shanaz knew she didn't want to miss out on the opportunity of being a part of Zonta. She got the contact details for the Club and asked if she could be invited to one of our meetings.

Shanaz has worked in a wide variety of positions since coming to Australia. She is presently the Project Administrator working on the Perth Waterfront Redevelopment, which is a challenging and exciting position.



Janet Fitchat



Shanaz Lambat

3. Fund Raising Raffle

Fancy a mini-break at the Waterfront Resort in Dunsborough - or an \$880 work of art from the collection of renowned artist Lesley Meaney? These are just two of the great prizes that can be won in our first raffle of the 2012-2014 biennium!

All members should have received two books of raffle tickets, with a total of 40 tickets @ \$2 each. All stubs and monies must be returned to Roslyn Budd by **August 23rd**.

The raffle prize draw is only 3 weeks away so please get out and sell the tickets!! Many thanks to Ros and Karina for organizing this so quickly and efficiently.



Dunsborough – beautiful beaches, and surrounded by wineries, attractions and restaurants.....now who wouldn't want a chance of that?



L-R Nikki Cato, Wendy Atherden and Karina Moore

4. July Dinner Speaker – Nikki Cato

Nikki Cato describes herself as a mother, rower and businesswoman. She is a Masters rower who at 50 took up the sport of rowing after her 18 year old daughter, who was herself a passionate rower, was tragically killed in a car accident. She spoke about where the sport has led her both in Perth, nationally and internationally, and how it has helped her deal with her grief and given her a purpose and a challenge.

Her business, Shell Covers Australia, manufactures protective covers for boats, oars and riggers.

Nikki likened her rowing community to Zonta, as organisations which provide women with an environment to develop themselves.

Shell Covers Australia is a 100% Australian owned business specializing in covers for rowing boats, oars and riggers. It is based in Perth and owned by a third generation family. It can be found at:- www.shellcovers.com.au



The fundraising report is available on the club website www.zontaperth.org.au



5. 40th Anniversary Fundraising Workshop

As part of our club's 40th anniversary activities, the club has recently completed some Lotterywest-funded research into our fundraising activities. The research identified what had worked, what had not and provided suggestions for future activities. Now it is our turn to share the knowledge with other women's service organizations and hopefully trigger discussions that will help us all to excel in the area of fundraising, so we can do more great things to help women!

This free workshop will include an afternoon tea and will be a great opportunity to meet women from other organizations and do some 'cross-pollination'.

Who: Open to all not-for-profit women's clubs.

When: Sunday 19th August 2012, 1-4 pm.

Where: ME Wood Theatre, St Catherine's College, 2 Park Road, Nedlands.

To register please contact Felicity at Fortis Consulting tel: 9467 2490 or email: Reception@fortisconsulting.com.au

6. Holly Ransom – WA Young Volunteer of the Year 2012



Holly has been in the news again as the recipient of the 2012 Young Western Australian of the Year and the 2012 Young WA Volunteer of the Year. Holly is studying Law and Economics at UWA and also works as a Business Analyst at Rio Tinto. At only 22 years of age she has achieved so much in not-for-profit organizations within Australia and Kenya.

In her "spare time" Holly runs two social enterprises: a consulting and public speaking business and a leadership developing company. She is also the current President of the Rotary Club of Crawley.

Holly was the winner of the Zonta International Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship in 2011 at both the Area 3 and District 23 levels and we therefore are keen to follow her progress as she makes her way in the world.

Congratulations go to Holly. I'm sure we will be reading about her activities, in the media, for many years to come!

7. Kimberley Girl



Each year, since 2004, Indigenous women between the ages of 16 and 25 from Broome, Kununurra, Fitzroy Crossing and Dampier Peninsula, plus surrounding towns and communities, put their names forward to be a 'Kimberley Girl'.

Kimberley Girl cultivates female leaders through a unique combination of workshops and a showcase/competition based primarily on demonstrating leadership. The opportunity to participate in Kimberley Girl is already a significant achievement for many of the program's participants.



Top models plucked from the Kimberleys

There are two main objectives for the Kimberley Girl project:

1. Provide young indigenous women from the Kimberley and Pilbara region with valuable educational activities and opportunities which directly address their needs in the areas of contemporary Indigenous culture, mental and physical health, positive lifestyles and leadership values whilst minimizing the effects of social, economic and geographical isolation.
2. Promote understanding and respect for the Indigenous culture from the wider community by representing Indigenous people in a positive and contemporary environment aiding in the overall process of reconciliation.

Sponsorship can be offered at a number of levels. For more information visit www.goolari/kimberleygirl

8. Wandjina Paintings

We have five beautiful Wandjina paintings for sale. Artist and friend, Yvonne Burgu, is a Senior Ngarinyin law-woman and lives at Ngallagunda Community on the Gibb River Road.

Yvonne cares so much about the children in her Kimberley community that, when the school was raising funds to send some of the children to Perth to experience what opportunities are available in the wider world and hopefully inspire them to think about their future education and career direction, she decided to do something to help and got out her brushes.

You cannot imagine just how remote these pre-teenage children are – it's 400km each way to the nearest supermarket on a dirt road that is only open for 9 months of the year due to rivers flooding in the wet season. They have not seen high rise buildings, lifts, escalators, ferries, trains, crowds – or even a high school – but they need to experience what the world has to offer as they must leave their community for high school next year.

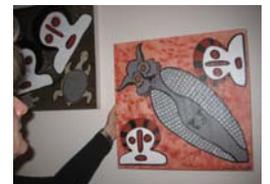
Please download the brochure from the club's website, make an offer and bring a Wandjina into your home!

www.zontaperth.org.au

Payments are made direct to the Wanalirri School at Nagallagunda. All paintings come with a certificate of authenticity and a story about the painting. Please help our friends in the Kimberley with this wonderful cause!



Boss Wandjina
41 cm x 101 cm



These Wandjina paintings will look great in your home!



Three Wandjinas
101cm x 41 cm



Wandjinas, turtles and owls are a handy 41cm x 41cm size



Four Wandjina helpers tell the people what to do
92cm x 46 cm



In August, the Zonta Clubs in Australia will reach the milestone of having assembled and distributed over ONE MILLION birthing kits.

Remind yourself of what a FANTASTIC project this is and visit the Birthing Kit Foundation (Australia) website at www.birthingkitfoundation.org.au

9. Diary

9 August Club Dinner Meeting, St Catherine's College, UWA, 6.15 for 6.45pm

Please bring your raffle money, stubs or any unsold tickets to the meeting.

19 August Fundraising Workshop, St Catherine's College UWA, 1pm-4pm

This is a great opportunity to cross pollinate ideas with women from other service organizations! Call Felicity on 9467 2490 or email reception@fortisconsulting.com.au

10 November, Founders Day Dinner and presentation of the Area 3 Woman of Achievement Award, Mandurah Quay Resort, Mandurah

Be inspired, be very inspired by the quiet achievers in our community! Book this in your diary today! Why not make a weekend of it?

7 March 2013 – UN Women International Women's Day Breakfast, Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre

Note that the event will be on a Thursday next year!!

13-15 September, District 23 Conference, Rendezvous Hotel, Scarborough WA

Perth NS is hosting this event, but all of us in Area 3 will need to help out - so put the dates in your diaries and get ready to put your hand up and share in the fun!

Want to know what is happening in your club? Visit www.zontaperth.org.au