



BeauZontian

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear fellow Zontians,

As the time for our February meeting is fast approaching I have started to try and get my head around upcoming events and there are quite a few for which we need to prepare.

It is now only a little over two weeks until our Area 1 and 3 Meeting which will be held on 4 March 2017 at the Maleny Community Centre. I will be attending and a couple of other members have already expressed interest in going. I am hoping our club will be well represented. Last year, 5 of us attended the meeting in Nambour and found it to be interesting and informative, as well as an opportunity to meet members from other clubs. Registration is \$50 and the booking site is <https://www.trybooking.com/238000>. There is a subsidy available to members attending an area meeting for the first time.

This year Queensland Women's Week will be held from 6 – 12 March. The theme is **Queensland Women: Be Involved. Lead the Way.** The theme aims to encourage women and girls to participate and pursue leadership, in their community and workplace. Participation is the first step to leading the way and we, as Zontians are already participating and are given many opportunities in our organisation to lead, both locally and in the broader Zonta community. We will celebrate our involvement in this theme at our luncheon on 10 March 2017.

International Women's Day will be held on 8 March 2017. This year the focus is on **Women in the Changing World of Work: Planet 50-50 by 2030.** In 2015, world leaders adopted the Sustainable Development Goals placing gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls by 2030 at the heart of these goals. Achievement of the goals, including ending poverty, promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth, reducing inequalities within and between countries, and achieving gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls, rests upon unlocking the full potential of women in the world of work. Zonta International and our club fully support these Sustainable Development Goals.

Zonta Rose Day is held each year in conjunction with International Women's Day on 8 March. On this day, Zonta International Foundation asks members to consider a donation to the Zonta Rose Fund. The Rose Fund enables Zonta to continue supporting projects and programs which help women achieve a life free of violence and empower them to overcome gender barriers that hinder their access to health, education and professional resources. This year the donation campaign is running until 3 March 2017. If interested, members should go to zonta.org/donate.

Our club will bring all of these themes, from Queensland Women's Week, **International Women's Day and Zonta Rose Day together at our annual International Women's Day Luncheon on Friday 10 March 2017.** I am sure that our guest speaker, Pam Parker, who exemplifies leadership and participation in both her community and workplace will be an inspiration to our members and guests. I hope that all our members can attend.

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I look forward to our meeting next Tuesday. Once again there is a packed agenda, with matters relating to the Area Meeting, IWD Luncheon, new members, nomination committee and club leadership roles and District 22 Strategic Plan all up for discussion.

Yours in Zonta

Anne



Our Dinner meeting is next Tuesday, 21st with the Board meeting at 5.00 pm followed by our committee meetings at 6.00 pm and our general meeting starts at 6.30 pm. Don't forget to let Pam know by Monday if you are unable to make it. Phone: 5546 9863 or Email: prograss@bigpond.com



The calendar has played tricks this month. This next coffee morning is on **Thursday, 23rd January** at **10.00 am** which is only a couple of days after the meeting. Anyway we'll still go to our old hangout **Everyday's**.

Donations:

Just a reminder to bring along your ideas for where you would like our donations to go this year



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| February | 21 st | Feb Dinner meeting at RSL |
| | 23 rd | Coffee at Everyday's – 10.00 am. |
| March | 4 th | Area Meeting – Maleny Community Centre |
| | 8 th | International Women's Day & ZI Rose Day |
| | 10 th | Pam Parker speaking at our IWD luncheon |
| May | 13 th | Changeover is on Saturday this year |
| September | 8 – 10 th | District 22 Conference - Brisbane |

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From the latest ZI newsletter and I thought it was worth noting again

Zontians honored in 2017 Australian Day Awards

For their service to the community and support of health programs, two Zontians from District 24 received an Order of the Australia Medal on Australia Day, 26 January.

Ann Selle, OAM, charter member of the Zonta Club of Botany Bay, and Valerie (Val) George, OAM, member of the Zonta Club of Nepean Valley, were awarded the medals in recognition for their continued work that shares Zonta's vision.



Val Gorge and Ann Selle

[Click here](#) to read about their accomplishments on our website.

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