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September 2020 Edition

# Zonta Club of Adelaide Flinders

Inc District 23, Area 2, Club 993 Chartered December 1981

# Flinders Facts



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# **DIARY DATES**

# **Next Board Meeting**

Monday 14th Sept 4pm

(via Zoom)

#### **Next Members Meeting**

Wednesday 16 September

Venue:

#### West Adelaide Football Club

Guest Speaker: Fiona Dorman

President NCW SA on

"Standing Together for a Stronger Voice"

Apologies to Isobel 0418953648

**United Nations Day** 

24/10

### White Ribbon Day

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UN Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women 25/11

Human Rights Day 10/12

D23 Conference- Bendigo

10-12 September 2021

The August members' dinner meeting was such a wonderful event our first face to face since February. It was very evident that one of the most essential aspects of being members of Zonta are the friendships that evolve through being engaged in a common purpose. It was obvious that members were happy to see one another. I was so thrilled to hear the cacophony of voices and the excitement among members who were able to catch up and talk over a shared meal. In an effort to maintain a Covid19 safe event the club decided that members would do the catering and set up prior and clean up after the event in a venue where we had control over the comings and goings of participants. The members rose to the occasion setting up the room so that we were all seated appropriately. Susan MacDonald cooked a wonderful meal, we had a choice of pork or chicken each of which received an accolade for taste and presentation. The main course was followed by profiteroles and cream. The whole meal was a great success. A special thank you goes to Susan for a wonderful meal and also to the members and potential members who so willingly set up and cleaned up after. The event, while limited generally to members on the night, did have two guests who have indicated their interest in becoming members. Catherine Middleton did a great presentation of our on line presence to the club, ably assisted by Cintra Amos, thank you both for this interesting and helpful presentation. This meeting was also a wonderful opportunity to thank Heather Smigiel and her Board for a great past two years and to welcome the new Board.

Prior to the August meeting Isobel McFarlane and I visited the West Adelaide Football Club to see if the venue can meet our needs especially in the face of Covid19. We have been able to secure as upstairs room in the club which is away from the general public areas. We have now contracted to use this facility for the foreseeable future so our September meeting will be held there. Members as usual please contact Isobel McFarlane if you are an apology and or a bringing a guest. If you are not a member and would like to attend please also contact Isobel McFarlane.

Included this month are the 2022 Biennial Fundraising Goals. Members please take some time to read these and think about how they relate to our club functioning over the next two years. We will discuss them later to identify how our activities align to these goals.

The first face to face Area 2 Combined Advocacy event is advertised in the newsletter please consider attending. The Area 2 Advocacy events have proven to be very successful over the years enabling clubs to work together over a common purpose and to reinforce the role of Zonta in our communities.

Happy Spring everyone Lesley

#### **2022 BIENNIAL & FUNDRAISING GOALS**

# **Transitions, Changes & New Opportunities**

The 2020-2022 Biennium begins Zonta International's second century. These biennial goals build on Zonta's past successes, strengthen our commitment for women's equality, and acknowledge today's rapidly changing world. Our founders provided a vision for women to achieve equality. That equality has yet to be fully realized and is the motivation to accomplish these biennial goals.

In order to achieve our goals, Zonta International must be viewed as an 'organization of choice' that people believe is worthy of the investment of their personal time and resources. Zonta needs to stand as a global community that engages in meaningful conversations and works to better the lives of half the world's population.

# **GOAL 1: Programs & Projects**

Access to education is a key factor in achieving gender equality. Zonta's education programs provide essential support for women in male-dominated disciplines. The women who receive these awards are role models for the next generation. Thus, the continuation and expansion of these Zonta-managed education programs are critical for Zonta to expand women's participation in these fields.

Many girls around the world do not have the opportunity to attend school and/or complete their secondary education. For decades, Zonta has successfully partnered with UN agencies to address a variety of needs of women and girls. This biennium our Zonta-funded UN projects are implemented in Asia, Africa, South America and the southwestern Pacific, thus achieving a truly worldwide impact. The projects focus on education, health, preventing early marriage and eliminating other forms of violence against women. The objectives of the projects are achievable and measurable.

These four goals for our programs and projects increase our impact and effectiveness in helping women and girls.

- 1. Zonta's pilot Women in Technology Scholarship continues with a second award cycle during the biennium. An assessment of the first and second award cycles will be conducted with results and recommendations presented at Convention 2022.
- 2. Zonta International will study the participation in the Young Women in Public Affairs Award and Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship programs and make recommendations for the future of these programs prior to the next convention.
- 3. Education and eliminating violence against women are two key elements of our projects funded through the UN agencies. Zonta International will publish statements on issues impacting the lives of women and girls such as human trafficking, climate change and other topics as we work for improvements for women and girls in all facets of life.
- 4. Zonta's voice is heard locally when clubs participate in advocacy actions. Advocacy work focuses on raising awareness of women's rights and has lasting impact when laws are changed. Clubs are encouraged to participate in at least one advocacy activity each year. The global Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women campaign provides an opportunity for advocacy and gives aligned visibility to Zonta in the community.

# **GOAL 2: Membership**

Zonta's membership is central to its success. Growth in membership is always the desired outcome, however, a more realistic goal in today's world is to stabilize membership. Going forward into our second century membership retention is key, yet recruitment of young professionals remains a focus. For club members taking on leadership roles, Zonta International's leadership development program offers support and training. Successful implementation of these three goals related to membership will maintain Zonta's visibility locally and globally.

- Zonta International, districts and clubs will work together to focus on membership retention. This includes
  maintaining
  clubs in the current countries (61 countries as of January 2020).
- 2. Districts are encouraged to hold at least one event per year with current education award winners and awardee alumnae. Zonta International will work with the districts in contacting the awardee alumnae. Awardees are encouraged to become Zontians and serve as role models for the next generation of professionals.
- 3. Zonta International will support current and future leaders through Zonta professional development and mentoring tools, tailored to individual club needs.

#### **GOAL 3: Financial Resources**

Financial contributions are needed to fulfill Zonta's mission. For most of Zonta's history, the financial giving has been directed towards meeting the biennial fundraising goals to support our programs and projects. Since 1988, Zonta's endowment funds have been established for the sustainability and growth of Zonta's work towards women's equality. The visibility of Zonta International's Foundation is important for reaching new internal and external donors.

Contributions to both the biennial programs and projects and the endowment funds are essential for maintaining and growing our ability to make a difference in the lives of women and girls.

Achieving the following three goals ensures our impact continues while also providing opportunities to expand our influence.

- 1. Donations to the Zonta International Foundation meet or exceed the biennial fundraising goals.
- 2. Donations to the endowment funds for sustainability and growth of the foundation continue to be made towards achieving the long-term goal of US\$10,000,000. Zonta International will identify potential programs and projects for future support using the earned income from the endowments.
- 3. Zonta International Foundation will expand awareness and visibility of the focus of Zonta's global charitable efforts by doing business as "Zonta Foundation for Women."\*

\*The legal name will remain Zonta International Foundation; however, there will be a second legal filing that will allow us to also operate under the name Zonta Foundation for Women.

# Goal 4: Fundraising Goals

Amelia Earhart Fellowship:

Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship: - Funding Available
Young Women in Public Affairs Award: Funding Available
International Projects: US\$4,000,00
Rose Fund: US\$100,000

Total Fundraise: US\$4,800,000

#### FIRST CLUB FACE TO FACE MEETING 2020



Past President Heather Smigiel presents the new President Lesley Siegloff with the clubs special Presidents Brooch.

18 members gathered at "19 on Green" with great enthusiasm and excitement. Although acknowledged during a previous Zoom meeting, Past President Heather Smigiel was finally able to thank her outgoing Board in person and present them with a gift. She also passed on the gavel and special club 'President Brooch' to President Lesley Siegloff who also presented Heather with a gift and thanked her for her wonderful leadership during the last Biennium. The incoming Board was also acknowledged, and each presented with a yellow rose.

There were two potential members who attended as guests that evening. Sharon Vale who was attending for the third time. Lisa Mulvaney was also welcomed having made contact to enquire about our club and what we do, and we look forward to welcoming her back to our September meeting.

Business was dealt with and we enjoyed an engaging presentation from Catherine Middleton, our PR Chair, assisted by Cintra Amos, on how to maximise our use of social media. Our Facebook site has had a facelift and our Website is currently undergoing a major overhaul. A handout with tips on how we can promote our club's profile was distributed and members are urged to invest some time in our club and browse our website, and put feedback in writing to Catherine or via our club email. Other ways of making Zonta, and our club in particular, more visible include the wearing of Zonta lapel pins, dropping the "Z Word" into conversations, and keeping a District 23 brochure in our handbags.

Amongst all of this, we were provided with a delicious two course meal cooked by Susan MacDonald, together with wine, bubbles and juice. Very special thanks to Susan and her hardworking helpers who served on the night. We look forward to another face-to-face meeting in September, when our Guest Speaker will be Fiona Dorman, President of NCW SA, whose topic will be "Standing Together for a Stronger Voice". We will be returning to West Adelaide Football club for our September meeting.

Cintra Amos Program Coordinator.

#### **FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE**

Constance is collecting pre-loved Scarves for our trading table being held at the 2021 Convention in BENDIGO.

Now is the time to go through your collection of scarves, probably sitting in a drawer somewhere, that you haven't worn in A G E S.

It would be appreciated if they could be laundered and ironed, so that Constance can wrap, ready to showcase at this important event.

Thank you for helping to make this a successful event.





#### **PROPOSED GARAGE SALE**

We are planning to hold a Mega Garage Sale 17<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> October (over 2 days) 8.00 - 12.00 noon depending on volume of donations we receive. Please start collecting any saleable items of good quality and tell your family and friends diarise the date

# YOU ARE INVITED TO THE

Area 2 Advocacy Workshop
on
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2020 1.00pm—3.00 pm

**Location:** 

Christies Beach Baptist Church 8 Fowey Street Christies Beach

**TOPIC: AWARENESS TO ACTION** 

**SPEAKERS:** 

**Amanda Rishworth MP** 

Federal policy

**Katrine Hildyard MP** 

State policy

**Cliff Sweetman** 

A model for community advocacy

Online booking if attending <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/651665">https://www.trybooking.com/651665</a>

OR

Contact Lesley Sweetman to attend via Zoom <u>lesleysweetman@gmail.com</u>

Join Zoom Meeting Zoom meeting link

Meeting ID: 894 7783 0564

Passcode: 844663

If a member is interested in travelling together please contact **Lesley 0400.682.165** to make arrangements.

# **OBJECTS OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Catherine Middleton - 6/10

Sarah Cunningham - 9/10

# **BOARD 2020-2021**

President - Lesley Siegloff

Vice President – Catherine Middleton

Secretary - Melanie Roberts

Treasurer - Carolyn Colquhoun

#### Directors

- Cintra Amos
- Sarah Cunningham
- Susan MacDonald
- Isobel McFarlane

#### Club leads

Advocacy - Lesley Siegloff

Awards - YWPA - Sue Lear

Jane Klausman - Lesley Siegloff

STEM - Lesley Siegloff

Breast Cushion Project - Sarah Cunningham

Birthing Kits - Sue Lear

Fundraising - Lindy Berketa

Membership - Jill Welsh

PR & Communication - Catherine Middleton

Program - Cintra Amos

Meeting contact – Isobel McFarlane

Service - Susan Mac Donald

- To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women at the global and local level through service and advocacy.
- To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of executives in business and the professions.
- To promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms
- To be united internationally to foster high ethical standards, to implement service programs, and to provide mutual support and fellowship for members who service their communities, their







# THE ZONTA THANKS

Wherever your country of birth
whatever your faith or creed
give thanks for the meal we share in Zonta Fellowship
But remember too those who have no food today
not with guilt that we have so much
but with hope that through Zonta service and advocacy
they too may come to share the same
in peace and harmony.

Just click on Links to Club Website and Facebook Page

Website: http://zontaadelaideflinders.org.au/

Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/adelaideflinders/">https://www.facebook.com/adelaideflinders/</a>