

President's Report

This time of year represents a changeover for Zonta clubs. The Zonta Club of Geelong's AGM has been postponed to June and will precede the Board Changeover. This should provide a syncinct process and ensure that our changeover aligns with that of other clubs.

District has released applications for various awards. Board has decided to enter the District 23 PR Awards. There are 5 categories and clubs can submit one application for each category. We will be submitting an application under the Public Relations category in relation to the Rosie Batty dinner and also for the Club Annual report category.

The Heidi Taylor Award recognises a member that goes above and beyond the expected role of a Zontian. Board has agreed that we have several members that meet the criteria and will be nominating members for this award.

In April Phillipa Challis and I attended the launch of the Entertainment books. There were many various fundraising organisations and it is evident that the books are a great source of income for many charities, clubs and fundraisers.

With the annual membership renewal occurring over the past month, we have received resignations from Sharon Parker, Delwyn Jenkins and Megan Blair. On behalf of the club I thank all past members for their contribution and input into the club. On this note Deb Taravillo has requested leave of absence until 1st November 2015, and we are also in the process of finalising a transfer for Marion Wilde, who is joining us from the Melbourne on Yarra Zonta Club to our club.

Thanks to all members for your ongoing work and commitment to the club!

MISSION

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

VISION

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men.

In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

THEME

Empowering Women through Service and Advocacy

Maria Zaluski

Finance and Fundraising Committee

The final planning is underway for our next event to be held at the Geelong Umpires room on Saturday 13 June at 7pm.

Come along to our Trivia Night and enjoy lots of fun and good companionship.

Trybooking will be open shortly for this event. Cost \$20

Members are requested to donate items for the auction, for collection, bring them to the May meeting or drop them off to Anna Milner.

There will be a prize for the best decorated table.

Please bring supper and drinks. Tea and Coffee provided.

Service & Advocacy Committee

Our committee is proud to present an evening listening to Dr Ruth Lee talk about the life of Dr Mary De Garis who nursed at the 1WW and came home to work as a doctor in the Geelong community.

RECOGNISING AND HONOURING OUR SERVICE WOMEN

100 YEARS OF WOMEN IN WAR



GUEST SPEAKER DR. RUTH LEE

Author of "Woman War Doctor, the Life of Mary De Garis"

Convenor: Cheryl Gibbons

Membership/Fellowship Committee

Our committee will meet in June to plan our next event and different ways to attract new members. It was felt that we could hold an awareness session after the Trivia Night. We want to capture any interested people who are interested in the organisation or just want to know about Zonta and how the Geelong Club operates. We will also plan a High Tea to create a relaxed atmosphere to have fun and engender more discussion.

Watch this space for further information!

Convenor: Lisa Savage

Z Club Report

The Z Club is being conducted now under the umbrella of the Service and Advocacy Committee. This change will give support to Robyn and Leslie as they plan programs and projects that will work in with students' requirements and workloads. Their aim is for the Z Club to be an ongoing school group and have some processes in place for succession planning from year to year.

It has been difficult to restart the group each year with a new group of interested students. They are also investigating the option of having both a junior and senior Z Club as the interests and focus of each group would be channelled to their respective age groups. At the next whole school assembly which is in May it is planned to have a visual presentation of the wonderful work the Z Club has done, and launch the group.

***Robyn Cameron Coordinator
& Leslie Nugent***

Don't Forget! Bring along to the next meeting the following items for women in need:

Large Shampoo and Conditioner
Toothpaste
Sorbolene Moisturiser
Baby Bottles with NUK Teats

Tampons
Spray Deodorant
Band-Aids

CALENDER OF EVENTS

6 May	Club Meeting – Guest Speaker Dr Ruth Lee
20 May	Board Meeting - Promise Promotions 194 Autumn Street, Geelong West
23 May	Building Better Boards Workshop
6 June	AGM and Club Meeting
13 June	Trivia Night – 7pm