

# The Zontapreneur



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Hi everyone, I hope you've all had a safe and relaxing Easter break.

It's hard to believe I've completed my first year as President—where has the year gone? *Firstly I would like to thank Alma Dempsey and Anita Sutton* for serving on the Board so capably for the last two years. *I would also like to welcome on board Susan Taylor and Hilda Malanczak* and look forward to getting some fresh ideas from these relatively new members to the club.

At the beginning of my term I praised the collective work of the Presidents before me which has culminated in our club providing 30 years of service.

## WORTH CELEBRATING



**30 years of community service is certainly worth celebrating! We will do this at our June meeting although our actual birthday is on 22nd of that month. Let's share this special milestone with as many partners, supporters and friends as possible. Get started on your guest list NOW!**

*We still have two charter members in Margaret Field and Alma Dempsey plus Bronwyn McCormack, daughter of another charter member Gwen, a testament to our ability to retain members. I also spoke about casting our net further and to fish wider. Well, looking back have we achieved this?*

## A resounding YES!!

We have definitely managed to get the name of Zonta out there to people who have never heard of us. Firstly the *Bunnings sausage sizzles*, serving hundreds of people seeing our Tee shirts and asking about us, and not forgetting the staff at Bunnings who now see us as a very well organised, reliable and committed group. It is certainly not just about raising the funds, although nearly \$4000 is a fantastic result.

The *International Women's Day events also gave publicity to Zonta*, and we managed to get good PR from our contribution, including radio and several local papers. The *Birthing Kit Assembly Workshop attracted 90 non-Zontian participants*, as well as the many helpers from the previous Birthing Kit Day, and they in turn also talk to others about it. The *breast cushions* are also not only assisting with recovery, but are also gaining recognition for Zonta which is apparent from the letters of thanks and donations we receive.

Our nomination for the 2011 Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for providing advocacy to our local community by raising funds for a variety of projects and awards which assist women to improve their legal, economic, educational, health and professional status since 1981 also highlighted our presence to an assembled group of people, some previously knowing nothing about Zonta.

It was also very pleasing to see our *Migrant Safety Seminars being recognised and being nominated for the 2011 Western Australian Multicultural Community Service Awards*. We have one of our founding members, *Margaret Field*, to thank for this wonderful initiative. This has also increased awareness of Zonta at the community and migrant centres involved, as well as building links with the police, and also those attending the award function, including several politicians and the Minister for Multicultural Interests.

Last but not least, the growing success

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### DINNER MEETING

## 4 MAY 2011

VISITORS WELCOME

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FRIDAY  
29 APRIL 2011

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WHO WAS EFFIE CRUMP?  
This month's speaker will throw some light on this lady and why a well-known former Perth theatre was named after her.  
Come and hear **ELIZABETH CAIACOB's** story of how she founded the Effie Crump Theatre and ran it for 10 years in an upstairs room at the Old Brisbane Hotel in Northbridge. Maybe you were lucky enough to have visited this unusual, but popular, intimate little theatre in its hey day.  
For her services to theatre and the arts, Elizabeth was awarded an Australian Centenary Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours in 2001.

DATE:	Wednesday 4 May
TIME:	6.30 for 7.00 pm
PLACE:	The Lake Karrinyup Country Club
COST:	\$40 for dinner plus drinks
RSVP:	By Friday, 29 April

Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

of our *Young Women in Public Affairs Award Gala Dinner*. This function is attracting a large number of visitors and generating interest in our sponsorships and attracting publicity. *This event was even included in a speech given in Parliament, now recorded in Hansard, by The Hon Liz Behjat MLC*, highly recommending our organisation to her parliamentary colleagues. Can't cast the net much wider than that!!

So, *well done everyone* for your part as a link in the net. From all this activity we have managed to cast in three new members—*'Gitta' Bechtloff, Marilyn Ide, and Susan Taylor*, all of whom I am confident will fulfil their roles admirably and are proving to be welcome additions to our fleet.

Jean Wyder, President



*Alison, Jean, Anne Markey and Elaine Newman outside Parliament House prior to their tour and afternoon tea as guests of The Hon. Liz Behjat MLC. Thank you to Liz and Linda Tinning for arranging this.*

**DID YOU KNOW ?**

The Zonta International Foundation has introduced a Visa Platinum Credit Card for USA Zontians. The card comes with a low introductory rate, no annual fee, no foreign transaction fees and a choice of designs, eg.

With every swipe, ZIF gets a donation (as below) and members get to spread the word about Zonta's cause.



- An initial donation of \$50 to ZIF;
- 2% donation on purchases at most major gas and grocery merchants;
- 1% donation on all other purchases; and
- up to 10% donation on purchases at select merchants.

Sounds like a pretty smart idea to me! I wonder how many American Zontians will support this fundraising and public relations initiative.

**OUR MONEY MACHINE !**



*We've churned out a whopping \$12,423 this past financial year!* This is a great effort considering our numbers were down and many of our members were on leave or travelling. *Congratulations to everyone, but particularly, to Bronwyn and her Fundraising Committee* who came up with some top ideas to keep those dollars rolling in.

Highlights were the two Bunnings' sizzle events where eager supporters devoured sausages and drinks to the value of \$3965, the Mystery Dinner netting \$1630 and Entertainment Books that brought in \$1587. Close on the heels of these were our Utility Bags with \$945! Yeah!

Full details will be available in the Annual Report showing those programs and projects to which the funds have been disbursed. As agreed at the beginning of the year, at least one-third of funds raised will go to our selected International projects and programs.

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU**  
to families, friends and supporters who have helped to make our year so successful.

Some of the other Area 3 Zonta Clubs' hugely successful events over the year have been—

- Bunbury—IWD Breakfast ~\$7,800
- Dunsborough—Melbourne Cup Lunch \$6,614
- Peel Region—Golf Day \$10,000
- Perth—Quiz Night over \$6,000
- Swan Hills—Hot February Night ~\$4,600

**Well done to everyone involved!**

**AROUND THE CLUB**

Kaye's Nullarbor Adventure



Kaye Metaxas recently returned from an adventurous trip across the country and vividly recalls here what she and her travelling companions experienced.

*"The purpose of the trip was, initially, to go to Adelaide where my brother John was to pick up his accounting degree from the University of Adelaide. Wishing to drive across in his Nissan sedan, but not alone, he invited my mother for company but when I heard about this I jumped at the chance as did my Auntie Georgina!*



*The four of us set out on 24 March, over-nighting in Kalgoorlie, Cocklebiddy and Ceduna. It was quite something for John to collect his degree after 10 years of part-time study by correspondence,*

*and a thrill for us to witness too!*

*Kangaroo Island beckoned and so we hopped across on the car ferry. What a treasure of a place with its fabulous coastal scenery, seals, birds and other wildlife. It was all too short but we had to press onto Geelong via the Great Ocean Road, staying in Apollo Bay on the way. It was all short hops from here—2 days each in Geelong and Melbourne and then Canberra for 4 days to catch up with younger sister Helen. During our stay we visited the*



*Australian Museum where the Bushfires Council N.T. had a novel sign.*

*Penrith was next on the list to visit yet another relative and then further north to Lake Macquarie and Toronto. At this stage it was time to turn around and head south towards Sydney and a log cabin stay in the Blue Mountains.*

*Bathurst and its Mt Panorama Circuit was just too much not to experience so we put on our 'rev heads' and spun around the track with all its twists and turns at a cool 60 kmh! Yes, there is a speed limit, but with Mum and Auntie on board, this was probably a blessing!*

*What a trip we were having—too much to see and not enough time to see it all, but there was still the journey home! I have always wanted to drive the Nullarbor and did so from Ceduna to Eucla. One caravan we passed had a very professional sign across its top—“Adventure B4 Dementia”!*



*And then there were the otherwise bare trees adorned with all*

*sorts of paraphernalia from socks, bras, shoes, handbags and beer cans to plastic bags and Xmas decorations. There's no doubt about Aussie humour. It was never dull and I was fascinated by parts of the highway signed for use by the RFDS. We had a wonderful trip—some 12,000 kms in all—but it's lovely to come home to your own bed!"*



**DIARY REMINDERS**

- 4 May Dinner Meeting/AGM
- 1 June Dinner Meeting & 30th Birthday
- 6 July Dinner Meeting
- 3 Aug YWPA Award Gala Dinner
- 7-9 Oct District 23 Conference, Melb.

**Q:** Is swimming good for your figure?  
**A:** If swimming is good for your figure, explain whales to me!

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