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Hi everyone,

What a great team effort to organise our *Young Women in Public Affairs Award Gala Night* lead so admirably by the Service Committee and Gala Dinner sub-Committee. Almost the whole club was involved in one way or another from the huge task of promoting and then selecting the finalists and winner, invitations to guests, liaising with the venue, table settings, organising certificates, gifts, raffle, flowers and program; to meeting and greeting and providing hospitality to the many guests and dignitaries. A great deal of time and energy was spent making the evening run smoothly and successfully. I think you would all agree it was well worth it!



The calibre of the three young women (above L to R) **Kamilya Nurgalieva**, **Jessica Yeoman** and **Amber Newton**, was outstanding, and I can understand what a difficult job it was to choose the eventual winner—**Amber Newton**—our *twentieth club awardee!*

It was also heartening to hear first-hand from **Rosalinda Wren** (our 2010 winner). She spoke about the recognition she had received following her win and publicity of the award, contacts re-established from the past, the confidence it has given her to achieve her goals and her ongoing commitment to



voluntary work overseas. All of this certainly makes our efforts truly worthwhile. How pleasing also to have two other previous winners in attendance—**Ditza Teng** (2009) and **Rita Khouri** (2005), as well as **Bradley Greenslade**, one of our original 1990 Youth Award Winners. Ditza remarked to me how the standard keeps going up each year! It certainly augers well for our future to see such wonderful young women blossoming and pursuing their ideals.



Bishop Kay Goldsworthy once again did a most wonderful job as MC and what better role model for our young women to observe. We were also fortunate to have the **Hon Elizabeth Behjat MLC** (Member for North Metropolitan Region) attend and contribute a raffle prize of lunch at Parliament House which yours truly managed to win! Also in attendance were the **Hon Tony Krsticevic MLA**, (Member for Carine) City of Stirling Councillors, **Elizabeth Re** (who kindly donated a raffle prize of wine and chocolates) and **Stephanie Proud**, and of course, the families of the finalists and school representatives from **John Septimus Roe Anglican Community School**, **Churchlands Senior High School** and **Shenton College**, all of whom must have been very proud.

A huge thank you to our major sponsor, past member **Jennifer Walker** who came up from Busselton to be with us. We must also acknowledge and thank **Anita Mulqueen from Clementine Flowers, Wembley** (who has supported our club for many years supplying yellow roses), and the *'Little Italy' Restaurant* for their raffle prize of dinner for two.

As is usual at these presentation dinners, each of the finalists spoke for about five minutes on the topic—*"The woman who inspires me most"*. Amber spoke about her mother who, indeed, is a dynamo in herself. Amber is certainly following in her footsteps as a leader and person of compassion being involved in voluntary and community work. Kamilya, on the other hand, spoke passionately about Ang San Suu Kyi and her fight to bring democracy to her people. Jessica, who is studying for a Diploma of Enrolled Nursing whilst finishing her Western

Australian Certificate of Education, spoke about Bess Price, an Australian indigenous activist. Once a registered nurse, Jessica hopes to do volunteer work in developing countries.



Amber shown here with her very proud Dad, Rod. Unfortunately, Amber's Mum was unable to attend the function as she was overseas at the time. What a shame!

After graduating from high school, Amber plans to attend university studying Political and International Relations combined with Journalism, while at the same time looking for an opportunity to be part of an exchange program and travel abroad.

We wish Amber luck for the District Award judging and look forward eagerly to having her return in 2012 to tell us all about her first year at university.

Jean Wyder, President

Our next big Zonta event is the District 23 Conference taking place between 7 & 9 October in Melbourne. Dawn has submitted an entry for PNS in the PR Awards and sent off a photo for the Conference Pictorial Display—read more about these later on



ZONTA AWARENESS

Did you know that Zonta International recently announced the five recipients of the 2011 Young Women in Public Affairs International Award? They are (L to R)—

1. District 5—Emily Kvalheim (USA)
2. District 17—Arizza Ann Sahi Nocum (Philippines)
3. District 18—Mehitabel Markwei (Ghana)
4. District 25—Anjali Chandrashekar (India)
5. District 30—Nasma Dasser (Switzerland)



Wouldn't it be nice to see one of our Club Awardees up there in the future? You can read more about these young ladies on the ZI website.

SEPTEMBER SPEAKER, Sarah

Cordina, is a Senior Lawyer at the Fair Work Ombudsman. She is interested in human rights and improving the lives of those less fortunate than herself through education. She discovered **Room to Read** after reading John Wood's autobiography *Leaving Microsoft to Change the World*.



'ROOM TO READ' is changing children's lives in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Laos, Nepal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Zambia and aims to reach 10 million children by 2015. Learn more at www.roomtoread.org.

Sarah's talk will, no doubt, be of much interest.

Margaret Field who was successfully nominated in the Innovative Category of the 2011 City of Stirling Community Service Awards.

News just to hand from **Robbie Hearse** who, with hubby Phil, has taken delivery of a wonderful new yacht 'Kondili' in the UK. As I write, they will be setting off on their 'shake-down' cruise from the Hamble to Lagos, Portugal which will take about 5 days. At the time the weather was calm and light—'amazing', Robbie reported.

"*Fell over on a wet path in Adelaide doing a good deed for my Dad.*" That's what happened to Marilyn, so she said!

Being honest and trustworthy Zontians I think we can believe her, eh?



Zonta House Women's Refuge Needs your Help !

Vicki Moir is kindly collecting items to pass onto the women at the Refuge. She said—"*Our contributions are valued and can be brought to meetings or dropped off at my home. The following items are needed.*"

- Toiletries
- Soaps
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Combs & brushes
- Toothbrushes/paste
- PJs
- Socks
- Underwear
- Towels
- Heat packs
- Striped plastic bags

These items are required on an on-going basis. Any help would be much appreciated.

AROUND THE CLUB

New member **Carolyn McMickan** joined us just in time winning the huge gourmet goodies basket raffled at the YWPA Gala Dinner! How lucky is she—on all counts, that is!

Ambrose Depiazzi (Letitia's husband) has been appointed the new Chairman of the Lions Save-Sight Foundation. This was established by the Lions Clubs of Western Australia in 1970 and has grown to become the leading volunteer eye health organisation in Australia. Congratulations Ambrose. You'll have your work cut out keeping an eye on Letitia!

Congratulations are also in order to

Priscilla Perfect's MEMBER ETIQUETTE



"What a fabulous birthday party we had in June ladies. You surely know how to let your hair down and with decorum! It was such a pleasure to attend, even just for a short while. Yes, I slipped in and out without anybody noticing—tips for this are for another time, I think.

Did you know ladies, that there are very few established rules on holding meetings? I was quite surprised to learn this in a recent discussion as I have always believed that there was a special government department whose sole purpose was to dream up rules, procedures and exceptions for everything from holding a meeting to accepting 'gifts'. My apologies for the sarcasm and digression!

So a great meeting is one that conveys the message: We are all professionals here, so let's have a productive meeting. My three top tips for success are:

1. **R.S.V.P**—means that your host requires a 'yes' or 'no' answer by a certain time. If you do not respond, it could be taken either way and result in awkward situations arising.
2. **Arrive early**—this means that you can catch up with other attendees beforehand and you won't interrupt proceedings with whispered conversations.
3. **Abstain from electronics**—unless you have a life or death emergency about to happen, turn your mobile telephone to 'SILENT' mode. There's nothing worse than getting 'The Stare' when your favourite ring-tone starts squawking at a critical moment.

Happy meeting, until next time!

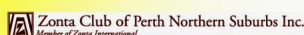
Don't forget about the **BOOK MART**. Contact 'Gitta' if you would like a book for \$5 or wish to donate any.



DISTRICT CONFERENCE DISPLAYS



DISTRICT 23 PR MARKETING AWARDS



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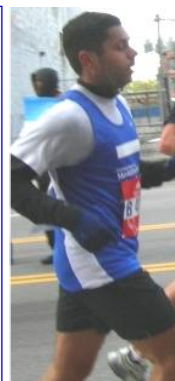
CATEGORIES ENTERED ("STAYERS")

- Category 1—Advertising & Promotion
- 1.1 Flier, poster or material Yes No
 - 1.2 Banner, sandwich board, signage Yes No
 - 1.3 Zonta information members only Yes No
 - 1.4 Zonta information non-members Yes No
- Category 2—Public Relations
- 2.1 Media coverage Yes No
 - 2.2 Special "one-off" event Yes No
 - 2.3 Special "on-going" (annual) event Yes No
- Category 3—Club Newsletter Yes No
- Category 4—Website Yes No

Your PR&C Committee has entered the club in the PR Awards and the History & Archives Pictorial. You will see these at Conference if you're going, otherwise we will bring them to our **November 9th** dinner meeting. Here's what we entered—



Let's hope we win a gong or two!



RUNNING FOR FUN(DS)

Are you aware that our **ZI Executive Director, Jason Friske** has put together a team to run in the **Bank of America Chicago Marathon**? How noble is that? Here's what he had to say—"I have been an avid runner for 25 years and this will be my 4th marathon. It felt strange to run for another charity when I work for Zonta so I asked if I could start a ZIF team this year." Four other Zontians from Ohio, Illinois, Missouri and Minnesota have joined Jason. Why not support the Team by visiting—

www.active.com/donate/ZIFchicagomarathon

and donating say \$US50 (our exchange rate is great at the moment!) to help them reach their target of \$21,000. *I've just done it and it didn't hurt a bit!* These runners are committed to putting in a huge effort on our behalf, the least we can do is support them! Come on troops, let's encourage them so they'll do it again next year. *The race takes place on 9 October* so there's still time to get your \$ support registered.



A TASTE OF FUNDRAISING!

"The Fiori Coffee Tasting was great—I'm now 1 step closer to becoming a coffee connoisseur!! Got so inspired that Joe and I went up to the Swan Valley on Sunday and bought 4 Arabica plants. They have been planted—now we're just waiting for our 'coffee machines' to flower, fruit and produce our own very special blend!!"

Anastasia

Here's another fundraiser, this time in support of the ZC of Swan Hills. It's a lovely time to be in the Valley.

Celebrate SPRING IN THE SWAN VALLEY !!!

Celebrate 'Spring in the Valley' and share a breakfast with your friends!!

And help support our projects helping women in need!

DATE: Sunday 25th September 2011

TIME: 8:30am for 9.00am start

VENUE: Mallard Duck Restaurant
Cnr West Swan Road & John Street, Henley Brook

COST: \$40 each (Tables of 10) (includes 'Glass of Champagne' on arrival)

CONTACT: Barbara Goulden
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PAYMENTS: By Cheque to:
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All proceeds go to Projects Sponsored by the

WHITE RIBBON DAY

District 23 Partnership

District Governor Jane Smith has signed a 'Memorandum of Understanding' with the White Ribbon Foundation. This is supported by Zonta International. The Foundation has acknowledged this by letter, as follows—

"White Ribbon are thrilled to be able to formally acknowledge Zonta International District 23 as a Community Partner.

Our new website is due to be launched on the 2 September and we will be able to include your logo and a link to your website. We encourage you to please keep us updated with the activities Zonta are involved in for White Ribbon, and please also send through photos from your events and activities so we are able to showcase this on our website and also through our e-newsletters which are distributed to our 14,000 supporters.

Your assistance and commitment to the White Ribbon Campaign is much appreciated."

Melissa Bonevska

White Ribbon Day will take place on 25 November. No doubt we will hear more about this closer to the date. In the meantime, Zonta clubs in District 24 are working to get boys' schools involved in the White Ribbon Day campaign.

DIARY DATES

- 7 Sept Dinner Meeting
- 30 Sept Film Club
- 5 Oct Dinner Meeting
- 7-9 Oct District Conference
- 23 Oct UNIFEM Spring Walk
- 28 Oct Film Club
- 5 Nov Founders' Dinner
- 9 Nov** Dinner Meeting (not 2nd!)
- 26 Nov Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
- 7 Dec Christmas Wind-up

NOTE: Cushion assembly day(s) will happen but Kath says "once the football season is over"! We've got to get those priorities right!

A message from a former member—
*"I do so love to keep up to date with all ZPNS news. I am settling back into UK life for the time being, enjoying spending time with my two sons and partners (one a Kiwi!) so who knows, I may be heading back down south sometime soon. Please give my kind regards and good luck to all the members. Love Nina xx
 PS – England the No.1 cricket team????
 How dare she! (Ed.)"*

Q: Is chocolate bad for me?
 A: Are you crazy? HELLO!!! Cocoa beans! Another vegetable!

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