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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Members

Happy New Year to all members.

Just when we thought that we were going to gently ease out of restrictions and get back to semi normal, another Covid-19 variant has shown us that this pandemic is here for a longer period and we need to continually modify our behaviours and expectations.

It was appropriate to cancel our two planned events for January and February, Amelia Earhart Breakfast and the film event, and not risk people's health.

Guest Speakers

At the February meeting we were planning to have some of the Young Women Leaders from Mitcham Girls

This has had to be rescheduled for a later date as schools are not able to hold excursions during the short term due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Finances

The club is in a healthy position financially due to the ongoing hampers as well as the excellent Open Garden result.

I would like to thank Erica for detailing the market summary tracking for the Board and of course Mary for the Open Garden result with her band of helpers ensuring that the breast cushion budget remains healthy.

Thank You

Thank you to the many members who emailed me in support of the proposed plans for our new venue for 2022, the **Norwood Hotel**. Another new chapter for the club.

Board Meeting

Our first board meeting for the year was held on 17th January by Zoom. As you know Kaye Roberts-Thomson is leading us through a strategic planning exercise to set out our plans for the next year and beyond.

This will of course be presented to club members in a future meeting for comment.

Women of Achievement

Raema Mahony has emailed all club members information about the Women of Achievement. The Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Ms Sandy Verschoor will host a reception on the evening of Wednesday 27th April for our club.

As this event takes some planning with awardees to be selected and contacted to attend, I would urge club members to provide information to Raema and Leanne as soon as possible with your suggestions. Please also put this date in your diary.

Maxine Panegyres



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ONLY A MONTH TO GO BEFORE COMMUNITY LOTTERY CLOSES

As our Film Afternoon was cancelled due to the current Covid outbreak we are reaching out to members to get behind the sale of tickets in the Community Lottery.

Our ways of fundraising are currently hampered by the Covid outbreak. Participating in purchasing these Community Lottery tickets is a great way to help the club to provide club programs which assist women in our community.

So rather than the Film ticket you and your friends were going to purchase how about buying some lottery tickets?

Remember that WE get to keep 100% of every ticket purchased on our behalf.

A \$2 investment gives you a chance to win one of the 41 prizes.

Just click on this link <https://communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au/collections/community-services/products/zonta-club-of-adelaide> it will take you directly to our unique fund raising page so you can purchase tickets.

Raema Mahony

Happy Birthday

We wish happy
birthday celebrations
in January/February to:

January

- 15 Kathy Ellis**
- 17 Kaye Roberts-Thomson**
- 28 Tasia Pertsinidis**

February

- 9 Catherine Alcock**



SERVICE

Coordinators: Gerry Sanderson/Angela Vandellis

CHRISTMAS GIFT HAMPERS

The volunteers never rest, do they? On Monday the 13th of December we spent all of the morning packing and wrapping 51 Christmas gift hampers at the Eastern Adelaide Domestic Violence Service.

Many thanks to the wonderful team: Bev Gum, Thelma Harvey, Mary Burford, Pam Whittingham, Raema Mahony, Erica Majba, Maxine Panegyres and Gerry Sanderson.

These gift hampers were distributed to the many clients who seek refuge at the service and is quite distressing to know that this may be the only gift many of these women received at Christmas. The children also received gifts, managed through the Influencers Church.

As you can see in the photo, the gift hampers were bursting with wonderful items. There are jewellery items, scented candles, fragrant diffusers, lovely scarves, chocolates, cosmetic, skin and hair care products, pretty household decorative items, handbags and totes.

The gifts are all donated and I'd like to recognise the generosity of club members, every member of my book club who insisted on giving kindly to a wonderful cause,

as well as business houses: Ooh La La lash studio, Smooth Hair, Starfingers and Rosie Falco Makeup Studio.

Alison Meneaud has emailed each donor with information about the service together with a huge thank you for their big-hearted gifts. She also acknowledges the wonderful and continuing generosity of the Zonta members who always respond to the gift appeal with magnanimous enthusiasm.

BREAST CUSHIONS

Last week Mary Burford received a call from St Andrew's Hospital to let us know that they only had 6 breast cushions left in stock. This is a testimony to just how many women are stricken by this dreadful disease.

Mary launched straight into action, assembled a group of and Ivanka gave up four precious hours of her time to sewing more cushions. I'm pleased to say that we were able to deliver 70 more breast cushions to St Andrews last Saturday afternoon.

Many thanks to Ivanka, Mary, Bev, Wendy and this author.

WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS AT THE EADVS

The Service committee has been worried for some time regarding our ability to maintain our commitment to the Wednesday OzHarvest distribution. Angela and Wendy are the core volunteers until now have been ably assisted by Miriam and Lina. However, Miriam is about to commence a study course and will need to pull back, while Lina cannot always be available because of family and relief work commitments.

A former ZCA member Sue Watchman has agreed to assist when she can, but her time will also be limited with lots of exciting retirement projects underway. Sue has offered to approach some friends outside of the club to help so we hope this may eventuate.

I make an appeal to all of you to ask your friends if they would be willing to help us out with this situation. It would be a tragedy if we had to discontinue the Wednesday team

Volunteering at the Service is so rewarding and we've found, as with Pam Whittingham, that you don't have to be a club member to become involved.

Please let Angela and Gerry know if you know a willing person and we can contact them to discuss the details of the role.

Many thanks to the wonderful helpers who assisted the EADVS with many Christmas gifts for 2021.



MEMBERSHIP**Raema Mahony (Co Chair)**

It was disappointing that our joint Film Committee had to cancel the Sunday Film Afternoon in February.

However it was wise with the current Covid outbreak.

The sales were only at 29 tickets sold and it would have required the club to sell at least 100 tickets in

the last weeks to make a viable event. It was unlikely to gain these sales with all the current health concerns.

A future fundraising Film event can hopefully be organised in the forthcoming year. The Membership Committee will be happy to

work with the Advocacy or another club committee to organise such an event.

We would like to thank all those members who volunteered to help in organising this event. It was great to have so many willing club members to assist.

AWARDS**Raema Mahony (Co Chair)**

The Young Women in Public Affairs applications close for our club in February.

Our committee member Lina has been busy sending reminder emails to the schools. So far only a few schools have indicated they have a student who will put in a nomination form. Once

these nominations are received by our club, the Awards Committee will undertake a selection of the most suitable applicant.

All club members will have received an email about the April Women of Achievement Ceremony at Adelaide Town Hall.

Club members are asked to

think about nominating suitable women for this award and forward nominations by the 14th February. The club is fortunate that the Adelaide City Council is supporting the club by hosting this event. Club members can support this event by putting in nominations and by attending on the night.

OPEN GARDEN**TO BE HELD****19 and 20 March 2022**

We are doing this in conjunction with the Silent Sewers group who will be looking after the gate.

It is polling day but I'm sure we can fit it all in and you can always do a postal vote as you will not be home on the day.

Please contact Mary Burford

JANICE WATSON HAS SENT THE FOLLOWING LINK FOR MEMBERS TO INFORM THEMSELVES ABOUT HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

<https://www.sacoss.org.au/event/housing-affordability-and-renters-rights-forum-online>

OUR 2021 CHRISTMAS LUNCH



Thank you to our members who have contributed to this month's Zephyr:

- President Maxine Panegyres
- Service Gerry Sanderson
- Advocacy Kaye Roberts-Thomson
- Membership Kaye Roberts-Thomson
- Open Garden Mary Burford
- Sub-editor Wendy Bruce

If any member wishes to supply an article or photos, please email directly to bnewberry@internode.on.net as we would be extremely happy to publish interesting information/events in the Zephyr.



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

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

Founded in 1919, 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. Its Objects are:

- To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health, and professional status of women through service and advocacy.
- To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of members.
- 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 serve their communities, their nations, and the world.

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