



ZONTA

CLUB OF
PARA DISTRICT
AREA INC

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY



ZEAL

May 2018

Mission

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

Vision

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognised 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



President's Report

We welcome many guests this evening as we present the fruits of our labour for the past year. We particularly welcome members of the Playford Rotary Club who approached us to join with them to prepare Birthing Kits. We plan to double the number we prepare in the next year. This is their first year at our Handover Dinner. The recipients of some of our Quilts are also providing our guest speaker, Emily Adcock, who will speak on the changes of services to victims of Domestic Violence. This is the first time that we will be donating toiletry bags at this Dinner. We have decided to donate them twice a year instead of only once a year.

This evening we finish an "old" Zonta Year and start a new one with new office bearers. It has been a privilege and an honour to be your President for the past two years. To be the only Charter member left in the club and your President for our 40th birthday was wonderful.

Not only do we Handover our Fundraising Dollars but we Handover our Office Bearers as well. I would like to thank all of the Board members for their work through the last year. I certainly could not have led our club without your support. We will start the new Zonta year with a very different Board. We will probably work differently – that is one of the delights in Zonta – by having a variety of people through different classifications, we find out that there is far more than one way to do something successfully and each person puts their mark on the role. I know that we will all support Aileen in her role as our next President and I know that I handover to a very capable lady. My thanks, too, must go to the members of the club who have supported me and worked so diligently. I would like to particularly mention Alexa Little who, not only co-ordinates our Breast Care Cushion project, but has put up her hand to co-ordinate this in South Australia as well. Alexa has also been the Editor of our newsletter, "Zeal". Those of you who have been coming to our meetings for a long time will notice that we have moved on with technology and revamped it a lot. Thank you Alexa. Our club will have two members representing them in Yokohama at the International Convention.

Unfortunately, tonight we also say "goodbye" to two of our members, Marjorie Church and Lyn Gent. Both of these ladies have worked very willingly whilst being members and have given us the news that they would still like to maintain contact with the club though not being members. We acknowledge the service that they have given, thank them for that and wish them a very happy, healthy future.

To those of you who are receiving a donation, be it money or items that can be used, this evening, I trust that through our efforts, some women will be far better off. Our club has now been donating "New Beginnings Quilts" for 22 years. Quite an achievement we feel. We have wonderful fellowship and really appreciate the help of past members and friends in providing this service.

We are also launching our Major Raffle tonight. We thank Chris Houlson for the donation of her quilt and David Slater for the Doll's House. This year, David is allowing the winner to decide on the colour of the house.

Please enjoy the evening.

Yours in Zonta Service,

Liz Bice



Diary Dates

2018		
May	1	Handover Dinner Meeting - 6:15 for 6:30 PM; Launch of Major Raffle
	5	Area 2 Workshop
June	5	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	9	Quilting Workshop—1:00 to 5:00 PM
	25	Combined Groups Film Morning - see flier in this issue
July	3	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	14	Quilting Workshop—1:00 to 5:00 PM
August	7	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	11	Quilting Workshop—1:00 to 5:00 PM
	18	Quiz Night - details to be confirmed
September	4	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	8	Quilting Workshop—1:00 to 5:00 PM
October	2	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	13	Quilting Workshop—1:00 to 5:00 PM
	20	Annual Fashion Parade
November	6	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	10	Quilting Workshop—1:00 to 5:00 PM
	23	Adelaide White Ribbon Breakfast - Convention Centre, North Tce., 6:30 - 9:00 AM
December	4	Dinner Meeting—6:15 for 6:30 PM
	8	Quilting Workshop - 1:00 to 5:00 PM



Birthday greetings.....

This month, members Lyn Furner-Smith and Carmen Will celebrate their birthdays on the 15th and 21st, respectively.

We wish them all the best for their special day and the year ahead!

Next Quilting workshop is 9 June 2018

Dates for 2018 Quilting Workshops have been arranged with the Helping Hand Aged Care Complex Parafield Gardens, 437 Salisbury Highway. All dates are for a Saturday, and the workshops run from 1.00 pm – 5.00 pm.

Quilting Workshops



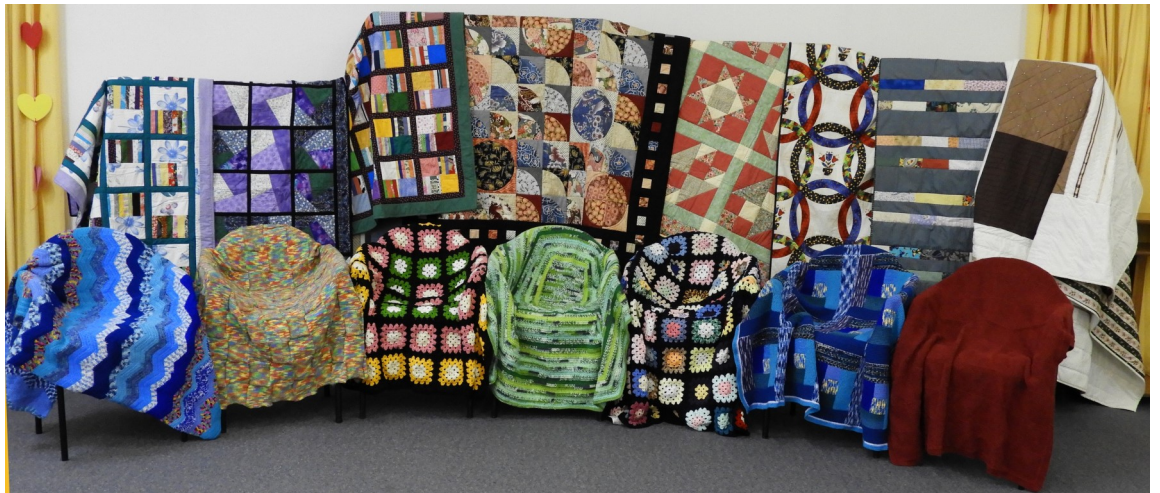
Please remember that our quilting workshops are a rare opportunity to spend time with fellow Zontians in a relaxed atmosphere – and the resulting quilts will benefit those in our wider community who have special needs.

Club News

Members and Friends of our club have managed to complete 39 quilts for distribution this year and we wish to thank all those involved for their contribution to this ongoing project.



Left and below -
Twenty-nine "New Beginnings" quilts going to Northern Domestic Violence Service (NDVS).



Ten "Wee Care" quilts being shared between Adelaide Women's and Children's Paediatric Emergency Dept. and NDVS.

And a thought for the coming Zonta membership year.....

'It's time to start something new & trust the magic of beginnings.'

~ Unknown ~

Club News



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2018 Major Raffle

*Tickets \$2 each
Drawn 2 October 2018*

Prizes

1. Two night's accommodation at Hindmarsh Island holiday house (conditions apply)
2. Child's Doll House customised with winner's choices
3. Handmade Patchwork Quilt
4. Glenmorangie Single Malt Scotch Whisky
5. "Scentsy" warmer and fragrant melts
6. \$60 Stratco gift card
7. Parker ballpoint pen
8. Avanti Spiraliser
9. Grecian Key circular tablecloth
10. Child's cuddly Lorraine Lee bear (pink)

All prizes donated by Members and Friends of the club

Proceeds will go to Zonta Projects.



Doll House



Patchwork Quilt

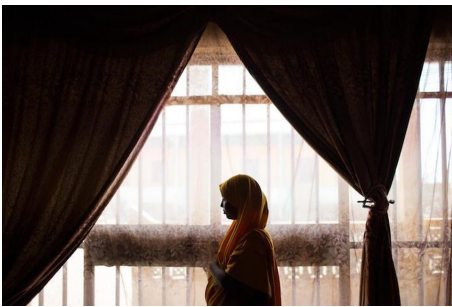
Women Are Working Together To Support Girls Worldwide



Women have always shared their strength with one another. Walking together in the early morning to collect water, sharing in moments of laughter, caring for one another's children, and offering a comforting embrace in times of sadness. When women work together in solidarity, we have the power to shape the world around us and to make it better for future generations.

Poverty and conflict disproportionately affect women and girls

Women and girls deserve the same rights, resources, opportunities and protections as men and boys. But poverty and conflict disproportionately affect women and girls. [Girls are still more likely than boys to never set foot in a classroom](#). An estimated 15 million girls are still married every year. And [every 10 minutes, somewhere in the world, an adolescent girl dies as a result of violence](#). As the voices of women grow louder and stronger across the globe, women are coming together to combat these injustices, and to improve the lives of women and girls everywhere.



The mother of Bilen, 12, was prosecuted after she arranged for her daughter to undergo a type of female genital circumcision in Ethiopia's Somali region.

This year's UN Commission on the Status of Women focused on gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls

In March 2018, thousands of women, men, girls and boys from around the world came together in New York City for the 62nd annual session of the [United Nations Commission on the Status of Women \(CSW\)](#). Representatives of [United Nations Member States](#), local governments and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) met to focus on the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls, sharing their concerns and identifying actions to further their rights and opportunities at national, regional and local levels.

For UNICEF USA, the CSW is an important milestone to highlight and strengthen our partnerships with organizations focused on the empowerment and well-being of women and girls. At the core of these partnerships is the commitment to support women. These organizations are working to create a world where future generations of girls do not face the same injustices, deprivations or violence, and have the opportunity for safer, healthier, more prosperous futures.



Adolescent girls and women from Uganda's Amudat District celebrate an FGM-free community after their village made a public declaration against

With our partners [Zonta International](#) and [Dining For Women](#), UNICEF USA organized two important CSW panel discussions on [child marriage](#) and gender-based violence (GBV). Panelists at both events emphasized the important role civil society actors play in building awareness and action at all levels, from local communities to the national government, and stressed the need for global support to end child marriage and GBV (including sexual abuse and exploitation and female genital mutilation) among the hardest to reach. As Executive Director of UN Women Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka said in her closing remarks at the 62nd CSW, "We work to ensure that we leave no one behind."

Zonta International, Dining For Women and UNICEF share a common goal: a better future for girls everywhere

Zonta International's commitment to the issues facing women and girls is not new, nor is its support for UNICEF. Founded in 1919, Zonta International is a leading organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. Zonta funded its first international service project more than 90 years ago, and has partnered with UNICEF since 1972. Zonta is currently supporting [Let Us Learn Madagascar](#), a UNICEF program that focuses on creating opportunities for vulnerable and excluded girls so they can go to school in a secure and protective environment. This program is just one example of Zonta's longstanding commitment to gender equity through service, advocacy and funding.



Sonia Hönig Schough, President of Zonta International, visited schools in Madagascar with UNICEF USA in 2017.

"While Zonta is an organization of nearly 30,000 individuals from diverse backgrounds, our members come to Zonta with a common purpose to use their personal time, talents and resources to ensure that all women and girls, no matter where they live in the world, enjoy the same rights and opportunities," says Sonia Hönig Schough, President of Zonta International. "It is through our collective voice and combined efforts, however, that we can provide meaningful, hands-on service in our local communities, invest in international programs that maximize opportunities for women and girls, and advocate to put women's rights and interests at the forefront of every conversation."

When girls do better, we all do better

Dining for Women (DFW) is a global giving circle dedicated to raising awareness of the issues impacting the lives of women and girls worldwide. At monthly dinners, members discuss issues affecting vulnerable women and girls, and raise money to fight for women's empowerment and gender equity. Most recently, DFW committed to supporting UNICEF's response to gender-based violence in South Sudan and helping Syrian refugee women in Jordan through employment opportunities. "Dining for Women chapter members take their roles as global citizens seriously," says Dining for Women President Beth Ellen Holimon. "Through member education, grantmaking and advocacy, DFW builds community here in the U.S. to amplify the voices and build agency for women and girls around the world."



In a village outside Harar, Ethiopia, 12-year-old Seudi is often late to school because she has to walk over 20 minutes each way to collect water for her family every day.

Gender equality is not a women's issue. It's a human rights issue.

Partners like Zonta International and Dining for Women are proving that our dinner tables and local communities are ideal places to engage in conversation and take steps to tackle the issues affecting vulnerable women and girls around the world. By encouraging the engagement of women through their clubs and chapters, Zonta International and Dining For Women are paving a new path for women and girls around the world.

Through our partnerships with women's organizations, UNICEF USA is focused on creating an even stronger, more vocal global community for women and girls around the world. And we need more partners, more women and girls, men and boys, to add their voices to the movement. Join us!

[Learn more about UNICEF USA's partnerships with women-led organizations.](#)

GIVE GIRLS AN EQUAL CHANCE

Some things of local interest.....

Past and Present; Collecting Objects and Stories of Women in Agriculture

Event name: Life on the Land: The Invisible Farmer Project
Date: Thursday 10 May
Location: Pinnaroo Institute, 21 Railway Tce South, Pinnaroo
Cost: \$10

Women have a long history of direct involvement in the work and productivity of farming in South Australia, yet this work remains largely unrecognised in the broader community. The History Trust of South Australia has joined with a national project, Invisible Farmer, to undertake a community initiative to make women more obviously part of our farming history narrative.

Invisible Farmer is a major project stemming from an Australian Research Council (ARC) grant and involves a number of partners. As part of the Invisible Farmer project the History Trust of South Australia is creating a virtual collection of historical items that represent women farmers from the past and the present. Items in the SA Invisible Farmer collection will be drawn from the collections of community museums and historical societies, and memorabilia held within families. The project is a great opportunity to highlight the role of women in farming in their town, district or family past. The SA Invisible Farmer collection will be located on the SA History Hub and visitors to the site will be able to explore the collection and add their own items and stories.

South Australian collections house many items that could be recognised as evidence of women's farming history, yet largely are not. The Invisible Farmer project is a great opportunity for collections to be researched, fully documented, reinterpreted and valued. For example kitchen equipment is almost always used to tell domestic stories but can also tell farming stories. Individuals and community groups will be able to engage in a dynamic project to tell the stories they want to tell about women and farming in SA, using the objects and images that they choose. Presenting the SA Invisible Farmer collection online through the SA History Hub means that this important history will be visible worldwide.

The History Trust is running a series of community workshops, commencing in Pinnaroo on 10 May as part of the History Festival. Further workshops planned for the Fleurieu Peninsula, south-east and the mid-north in 2018, and other regions of the state in 2019.

For further information and to book visit: <https://historyfestival.sa.gov.au/content/life-land-invisible-farmer-project>

Combined Groups' Film Morning

present

The Leisure Seekers

starring Helen Mirren and Donald Sutherland

The film stars Helen Mirren and Donald Sutherland as a runaway couple going on an unforgettable journey in the faithful old RV they call The Leisure Seeker, travelling from Boston to The Ernest Hemingway Home in Key West. They recapture their passion for life and their love for each other on a road trip that provides revelation and surprise right up to the very end.

Monday 25 June 2018

Regal Theatre

275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park

Raffle and Trading Table

9.45 am
10.30 am

Morning Tea
Film

Tickets \$15

Marian Carpenter

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Keep this date free for an enjoyable outing - view a current film and at the same time support a worthy group

OBJECTS OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

- 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 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.

ZONTA THANKS

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

Tricia Summerfield, Zonta Club of Perth

MEETING NIGHTS

South Australian Clubs

Adelaide	1 st Wednesday	Adelaide Flinders	3 rd Wednesday
Adelaide Hills	4 th Wednesday	Adelaide Torrens	2 nd Tuesday
Clare & District	3 rd Tuesday	Fleurieu Peninsula	4 th Tuesday
Gawler	2 nd Wednesday	Noarlunga S.Vales	4 th Wednesday
Mt Barker	3 rd Tuesday	Port Lincoln	4 th Tuesday
Riverland	1 st Tuesday	Lower Eyre	3 rd Tuesday

**Meetings held first Tuesday of each month from
February to December**

**6.15 pm for 6.30 pm start at
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