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Club Meetings

- o Second Thursday of the month (except January)
- o 6.15pm for 6.45pm
- o St Catherine's College, UWA

Apologies

- o By 12 noon previous Monday
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1. Touching tribute to Freda



Freda at the opening of the lecture theatre

Curtin University has paid tribute to one of our charter members, Freda Jacob, who retired from the club last month. Freda was one of the pioneers of occupational therapy in WA, and the university has named a lecture theatre in her honour. She has been recognised for her lifetime commitment and service to the occupational therapy profession and the WA community. 2011 is the 50th anniversary of occupational therapy in WA and Curtin University has honoured in a way that ensures her work will be remembered.

Freda was always proactive in terms of advocacy of the profession this is evident in roles in supporting the following:

- Occupational Therapy Registration in this state (enacted 1958, operational 1960)
- Establishing the first Occupational Therapy School in WA at RPH
- Opening the first Department of Occupational Therapy at Princess Margaret Hospital in 1975
- First Occupational Therapist to be president of the Occupational Therapy Association of WA 1976 – 1978 (previously office held by medicos)
- WA Delegate to World Federation of Occupational Therapists (1962 -1978)
- Established the Independent Living Centre in WA in 1978

On the international level, Freda was the first person from outside United States to sit for the American Registration Examination and was the first WA member of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists.

Freda was employed as Superintendent Occupational Therapist at RPH in 1957. In her role as Head of Department, she certainly developed and expanded the Occupational Therapy Service at RPH to be recognized as one of excellence nationally and internationally. She retired from her position in 1980 after a truly involved career both clinically and professionally and in 1981 was the first occupational therapist in Western Australia to be appointed a Member of the Order of Australia.

Congratulations Freda, we are all so proud of you! Ed.

2. Zonta Club of Singapore

Judy Tennant

In June, I travelled with the Minister for Women's Interests, Hon Robyn McSweeney, to Singapore as part of the Minister's work commitments in the Asia-Pacific region. During a stopover in Singapore, we were invited to enjoy dinner with representatives of the Singapore Council of Women (SCWO). SCWO is a coordinating body representative of 51 women's organisations, clubs and women leaders, with each organisation having representation on the Council. The Council supports the groups through its fundraising initiatives and also in providing a voice to government.

The Council provides the following support services to the Singapore community:

- Star Shelter- crises centre for the refuge of women and children



Freda, with husband Hal, outside the Freda Jacob Lecture theatre.



Robyn Sweeny, Minister of Western Australia for Women's Interest met with various Presidents and Representatives of SCWO Member Organisations at a dinner on May 31st at SCWO Centre.



Singapore Council of Women's Organisations. (SCWO)



Available each lunch time @ SCWO Centre

- Thrift Shop, selling pre-loved clothing
- Bony Hicks Education and Training Centre- providing training rooms
- Library- resource books
- Women's Register, online data base for women who would like to be appointed to leadership positions and boards.

Many of the women are individual members of the Zonta Club of Singapore and Zonta International is one of the Women's Service Organisations represented on the SCWO.

I was able to share stories with several of the committee members, including the President of the Zonta Club of Singapore. Particular interest was shown in the Perth Clubs' activities around International Women's Day 2011, which was also celebrated with a host of events in Singapore.

The Zonta Club of Singapore meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month and on 29th October will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary.

Members of the Zonta Club of Singapore sent greetings to the Perth Club, and would love to host members at their Club dinner if anyone is travelling to Singapore.

3. Millennium Kids

Joy Zec



Kayaking on the Kent Weir



Joy planting a tree at The Grove Library, Cottesloe

As part of being trained as a facilitator we are learning about aboriginal history and cleaning up the Swan and Canning rivers using the MKs' Lotterywest funding. On the 13th February of this year, 24 facilitators, including Catrina Aniere from Millennium Kids, embarked on some kayak training along the Kent Street weir. We learnt about aboriginal history, the salt and fresh water in the weir and the various types of flora and fauna that grow in and around the very different rivers.

On the 1st May, I joined a bunch of facilitators at Walyunga National Park. We had a lovely, waste free lunch, followed by testing of the Avon river and learning about animals in the area. We then travelled to Karakamia for a 2.5 hour night stalk, which is a privately owned feral animal free enclosure of nocturnal animals. The next day I had a brief literary lesson on the Mundaring Weir before returning to Perth.

Then, on the 21st May, myself and one other facilitator planted some trees at The Grove library in Mosman Park with TV personality, Josh Byrne, an environmental scientist who has a passion for sustainable gardening and environmental design. We also learnt about slow food cooking techniques. We made pizzas with organic and bio-dynamic ingredients. We compared and tasted two full cream milks, one a supermarket brand and the other a much creamier independent brand. We were then blind-folded and taste tested an unknown "plastic" cheese and compared this to the very different mozzarella cheese. Overall, I'm thoroughly enjoying my time as a facilitator, learning about the environment and having lots of fun. Oh! And eating lots of chocolate

4 Team co-ordinators' Records

Margaret Medcalf (Club Archivist)

With our new Zonta Club year under way the changeover of Team Co-ordinators is taking place and it is important that previous Co-ordinators should have their records in order to hand on to the incoming one. Incoming Co-ordinators should make sure they chase them up.

There should be a complete set of the minutes of the meetings for the past year (or more), as well as a file or files of correspondence or special activities with which your Team has been involved.

Records relating to current or ongoing matters only should be passed to the new Co-ordinator. I would be pleased to receive your non-current records to assess them for their archival value.

Thank you for ensuring a smooth change over.



5. Frances Gamble – Zonta Club of Perth’s Young Women in Public Affairs 2011

Denise Hamilton

Zonta’s Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) program’s goal is to encourage more young women to participate in public affairs. It recognises the applicant’s commitment to the volunteer sector, volunteer leadership and their dedication to advance the status of women. Applications for this award are invited from upper high school aged students.

Applicants are sought and awarded at the Club level. The successful Club award applicant progresses to the District level and from there may progress to be considered for the YWPA Zonta International Award.

Frances’ application provided details of not only her continuing involvement in the Oaktree Foundation, but also her participation in the Schools4Schools program and the “Live Below the Line” campaign. Frances’ introduction to the international community began with her internship with The Oaktree Foundation, providing her with an understanding of the magnitude of extreme poverty and how far it reaches across the world. Under the Schools4Schools program, Frances was also involved in raising funds for education opportunities in South Africa and Cambodia. Along with her academic pursuit, Frances is also involved in Tae kwon-do, hockey and team debating.

At the presentation of her award, Frances spoke enthusiastically of her involvement in the range of activities she has been involved in and the difference that it has made to her outlook on life. She is keen to participate in other campaigns when she gets the opportunity.

After a gap year next year, Frances intends to study in Melbourne. Her course of study is still to be decided.

We all enjoyed her energy as she spoke of her passions and wish her well in her future pursuits. We also extend our gratitude to the Lake Karrinyup Country Club for their donation towards the Zonta Club of Perth’s Young Women in Public Affairs Award this year.



L-R Mary Gurgone (President), Frances Gamble (YWPA 2011) and Denise Hamilton.

6. Australian Girls’ Choir

Tricia Summerfield



Margaret Giles and Denise Hamilton welcome Freda Jacob.



On Saturday 9 July the club’s Awards and Holidays Team coordinated the presentation of a performance of the Australian Girls Choir in the auditorium at Hale School. The choir of 50 girls put on a delightful concert enlivened by fabulous choreography.

Many people contributed to making the event a success and we especially acknowledge Hale School for making their fantastic auditorium available.

Founder and Artistic Director of the AGC Ms Judith Curphey OAM, was with us on the day which was a great honour.



The girls chatted to the audience after the show.

Another highlight was the draw of a Qantas travel voucher for \$500, which was won by Sharon Clayton. Over 200 people enjoyed the concert and though final figures are not yet available we hope to have raised over \$4000.

7. Jane M Klausman Award Women in Business Award

Leanne Sultan (District 23, Area 3 Director)

The Jane M Klausman scholarship is promoted worldwide, and awardees are selected at the international, district and area levels of the organisation. Zonta International, District 23 in Australia and Area 3 (WA) take pride in offering this opportunity to further the education of young women.

It is with much pleasure that I announce Marcia Miatke as the winner of the 2011 Area 3 Jane M Klausman Award. The Area 3 committee was most impressed with her application. I am certain that members of Zonta will be very pleased to meet Marcia and hear about her studies and future goals.

The Area 3 Award is sponsored by WA Clubs with a \$1,500 scholarship that will be presented on the evening of 5 November 2011 at the Founders Day Dinner, being hosted by the Zonta Club of Perth Northern Suburbs.

8. 2011 Education Award – Aysha Davis

Tricia Summerfield

The 2011 Education Award winner is Aysha Davis who is studying for a Bachelor in Social Science, majoring in Women's Studies.

Aysha is in Boronia Pre-Release Centre, Bentley and due to be released in February 2013. Aysha has overcome the disadvantage of a "horrific and traumatic background of abuse" and has turned her life around. She left school at 14 and has recently undertaken several courses to gain the qualifications for university entry; she is achieving excellent grades in her units. Aysha will use the ZCP award to purchase books, a laptop computer and other study-related purposes.

Aysha was unable to attend a Zonta meeting to receive her award so Vice Presidents/ Awards and Holidays Team members Lorraine McLean and Tricia Summerfield visited Boronia to make the presentation. We were also given a tour of the centre, which is doing wonders to help women back into a more normal life when they are released.

Aysha made a photocopy of the cheque before handing it over to prison staff to administer on her behalf. She has promised to be a guest speaker in 2013.

9. Diary

3 August, Zonta Club of Perth Northern Suburbs YWPA Gala Night

Finalists have been selected but the overall winner will be announced on the night at Lake Karrinyup Country Club, 6.15pm for 6.45pm. Dinner is \$45. Contact June Fowler on 9424 5755 or by email to jmfowler@accruer.com.au before 26 July.

11 August, Club Dinner Meeting, St Catherine's College, 6.15 for 6.45pm.

10 September, International Gynaecological Awareness Day High Tea at the Parmelia Hilton, 1.30pm to 4.30pm.

Lord Mayor Lisa Scaffidi is hosting this event that raises awareness of cervical cancer and has a range of experts talking and taking questions on the subject. Tickets \$75 from 0419 192 345 or from enquiries@gain.org.au. RSVP by 1 September.

7-9 October, District 23 Conference, Sebel Hotel, Melbourne.

See www.zontadistrict23.org.au and register today.

7-12 July 2013, Zonta International Convention, Turin, Italy.

See www.zonta.org for more information. Have you booked your flights yet?



Marcia Miatke

*President SIFE Curtin
Non-profit Organisation Management
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February 2011*



*L-R Aysha Davis, Lorraine McLean
and Tricia Summerfield*

*Aysha's face cannot be shown
because of prison regulations.*

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