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BPW Gisborne August Newsletter



Sherryll's Musings

Welcome to mid-winter!!! It's very easy to hibernate at this time of the year but equally as rewarding to get outside in the wind and rain and really feel the wintry chill at its best.

As you know four of us will be attending the Regional Meeting in Wellington in August. One of the issues being discussed is the Awards that are presented at Conference. I would really appreciate members going onto the website, looking at the Awards and give me your thoughts and feedback.

Some of our older members who have experienced a lot of conferences will know that with the changing times there needs to be changing awards and criteria. For instance, we are a computer age society and Facebook, websites and online contacts are a sign of this. Perhaps a new Award is needed in this area? Or do some of the criteria need to be changed to encompass this? It's vital that we take your ideas with us, so please, spend a few minutes of your time over the next week or so and get your ideas back to me.

We have our AGM coming up in November. ALL positions are available for nominations. I will have nomination forms available from our August meeting onwards. Please give it some thought

MEETING DETAILS

Tuesday the 2nd of August 5.30pm onwards

Soho Bar and Restaurant - \$35

Hostesses:
Brenda Kinder and Tasj Paulson

Collect:
Sophie Wirepa

Grace:
Jaki Watson

Introducing the Guest Speaker:
Marlene Orchiston

Thanking the Guest Speaker:
Andrea Seymour

Profile:
Robyn Arthur

Please arrange a replacement if you can't do your role

Apologies & to book a Guest:

Contact - Fiona Evans



Text 022 0364 708

yourself. If you would like to be on the Executive or hold an Executive position, please speak to an existing Executive member.

Dinner Cancellations.

At our July meeting we had 8 members who never cancelled their dinner booking. Are there any issues we need to address as an Executive? All members will be Invoiced so the club is not losing money but it is embarrassing and doesn't sit well with the Restaurants who have bought food and set up tables to accommodate those members. I would appreciate your feedback. I look forward to seeing you all again at Soho in August.

Sherryll Markie-Brookes BPW Gisborne President





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July's Meeting Reflection



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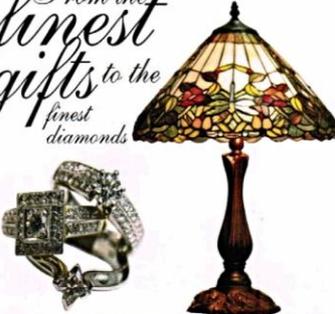
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Speaker - Vera Wilson of the Czech Republic

Czech Republic is slightly smaller than the North Island of NZ but has a population of 11 million. The language has “borrowed” many English words, so Vera had no trouble learning the language in NZ.

Vera showed us slides of the amazing architecture in Prague, a city that escaped much of the bombing in WWII because Hitler had plans that it would become an art and culture centre after the war. There are over 2000 castles or ruins of castles alone and every type of architecture imaginable.

The 5 things Vera likes about her country are:

1. Architecture/history

Culture – 60 theatres in Prague including the only remaining one in the world where Mozart performed

3. Public transport – best and cheapest in EU

4. Free access – no permission needed for forests etc

Pride of appearance – women always made up and look after themselves

The 5 things she doesn't like about her country are:

1. Bureaucracy -

2. Pessimism/coldness - Complaining about everything

3. Aggression on the road – 3rd worst drivers in the world

Legacy of communism – was a democratic country between 1918 and WWII, became communist in 1948 – Vera grew up during this period, and there were no books, broadcasting, freedom of speech, and no fruit. Communism destroyed the values and work ethics of the people.

5. Tipping



We also celebrated and participated in the annual Candle Lighting Ceremony.

The annual ceremony commenced with the NZ President, Vicky Mee's 2016 candle lighting message read by Barbara Clarke. Her message focussed on the need for all of us to stand alongside our sisters around the world who are working for and advocating for women's rights.

Next, Sherryll read the candle lighting protocol and candles were lit to symbolise the ambitions and endeavours of dedicated women in every country of the world. Sherryll Markie-Brookes lit the USA candle which signifies

Fact of the month...



Facts about Lions

The average male lion weighs around 180kg's

Lionesses are better hunters than males and they do most of the hunting for the pride

In the wild, lions rest for around 20 hours a day

Lions are the second largest living feline species, second only to the tiger

An adult male's roar can be heard up to 8km's away.

A lion's heels don't touch the ground when it walks

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the oldest group of BPW affiliates.

Vera Wilson lit the tallest candle which represents the International Federation.

Valerie Giffin lit the white candle representing the Founding Federations: Austria, Canada, France, Italy, United Kingdom, USA.

Members then lit the white candles on the tables as each country appeared on the screen.

We also honoured our Affiliate Clubs and Karen Phelan lit the blue candle. Members lit the blue candles on the tables as again the countries were shown on the screen.

Penny Shaw read the section honouring Individual Members and lit the pink candle representing them. Members then lit the pink candles in recognition of Individual Members in Tunisia, India, Monaco, Botswana, Malaysia, Namibia and UAE.

Alison read the section reaffirming the future and Emma Bourke lit the candle of the future.

Kath Kitchen then read the International President's Report from Dr Yasmin Darwich. Dr Darwich reminded us of the mission BPW International has had for 85 years: to bring Equality for Women around the world.

The International Collect was read by Robyn Arthur.

August's Meeting

Our August Meeting is at the Soho Bar and Restaurant

Please bring along your Keys to Achievement book (KTA) to the August meeting.



August's Guest Speaker



Our guest speaker at our August meeting will be Dr Intesar Malik

Dr Intesar Malik travelled to the UK from Pakistan in 1997, to work as a junior doctor, where he worked up the medical ranks to a higher level medical physician, in the UK. Dr Malik has an interest in stroke and worked in a stroke unit in the North of England. Prior to leaving the UK where he was for 8 years, Dr Malik lived and worked in rural Scotland as a consultant physician.

A region more isolated than Gisborne. Dr Malik arrived in Gisborne with family, in December 2014 to take up a role as a consultant physician at Gisborne Hospital.

Gisborne BPW Financials

For the latest financials please click on the [link here](#)



July Dinner Meeting Minutes

For the minutes from our July Dinner Meeting. Please click on the [link here](#)



To our members celebrating a birthday during August

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BPW AIMS

- To stimulate and encourage women to realise and accept their responsibilities in the community – locally and internationally.
- To work for higher standards of education and training for business and professional women.
- To work for equal opportunities and status for women in business, trade, the professions and in economic, civil and political life.
- To work for the removal of discrimination.
- To promote co-operation amongst business and professional women throughout the world.

Visit bpwnz.org.nz for more information - with

Announcements by Club Members

If you have any announcements about business or other matters to make at meetings, please let the President know well in advance of the meeting. Otherwise it will be at the President's discretion.

Resigning from the club: If you wish to resign from our club you must do so in writing. Until you do so you remain a member whether or not subs have been paid and will be charged for meals if you haven't put in your apologies.

Remember: If you are aware of any member who may

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need a helping hand, a listening ear or may be going through sad times, please inform a committee member.

If you are interested in advertising your business card in our bulletin please see one of the Gisborne BPW Executive Team.

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