

e-newsletter

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November 2017

From the President.....

Hello,

Welcome to our November newsletter and hope you are all well. Reminders on the radio and television that Christmas is just around the corner and so far, I have only made the Christmas cake, at least that's a start.

Just a reminder re the BPW NZ raffle that money and the raffle butts have to be to me either by email or to 4 Cathcart Close by the 24th November to allow time for me to return them in time for the draw. Thanks for all your support.

The International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Woman is on the 25th November and I wonder if I will be alive when there will be no need for this day. Sadly I think it will need to be a reminder for many years to come,

I would like to say a big thank you to Fionna Winter who has offered to be the Bursary Award Co-Ordinator this year with the help from Anne Todd and myself. The application form is on our web page and also has been sent through to the Universities and Institutes in New Zealand. Look forward to receiving and reading them as they are sent in.

Also I would like to thank Lee and the Fund Raising Committee for arranging the Breakfast at Mitre 10, a fantastic effect and with Ticket Sales, Donations for the Lucky Dip and Raffles raised \$1400.00 for the Bursary Award. Thanks to the members who got behind this fund raiser and sold tickets and attended the function, there was a real buzz in the atmosphere and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Thanks also to Dean at Mitre 10 who supported BPW by providing the delightful venue and subsidising the food.

Virginia has arranged another exciting night for our November meeting and look forward to seeing you all there.

Regards

Glenys

President BPW Franklin



Social Entertaining Evening

To celebrate the end of the year for BPW Franklin we are very lucky to have one of our members, Wendy Dunn, entertaining us with country music along with a couple of friends Kym and Izzy. The ladies have competed in many music competitions and it will be great to hear them perform.

Please join us for a relaxing social evening.



*Wishing everyone a
safe and happy
holiday season.*



The Newsletter will be taking a break over the holiday period and will be back in February 2018. Take care

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Apologies

Members if you are unable to attend this month's dinner, please phone an apology through to:

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**Before 8.00pm
on Sunday 10th November**

on Sunday 19th November

**If you have any special dietary needs,
please notify Marilyn**

- If you are bringing guests, please let Marilyn know.
- An account for dinner will be sent for late apologies.
- Waiving of this charge will be at the discretion of the committee.

**Electronic Payment prior to meeting
is welcomed.
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Birthdays

20th November	Trudi Harrison
9th December	Diana Cussen
3rd January	Raewyn Fricker
10th January	Fionna Winter
11th January	Wendy Dunn
16th January	Sue Beston
22nd January	Toni Hill
26th January	Anne Todd
29th January	Juliet Pratt
30th January	Vicky Mee



Draft Programme 2018

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| Jan 24th | Informal Strategic Planning Session |
| Feb 28th | Bursary Award Presentation & AGM |
| Mar 28th | Vicky Mee, UN Global Compact |
| Apr 25th | Anzac Theme (TBA) |

22nd November 2017

Franklin Club
7 East Street, Pukekohe
Mix 'n mingle at 6.15pm,
start 7.00pm

COST: \$30.00

HOSTESSES: Denise D & Fionna W
INTRODUCER: Jill M
THANKER: Gail L
ASSIST. TREASURER: Dianne G
COLLECT READER: Janet M

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BPW New Zealand is selling raffle tickets as a fundraiser to subsidise Conference costs to ensure a quality event that is accessible to our members.

Win **one of 4 Kingsize Quilts** (valued \$1,000) kindly donated by Sally Smith.

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\$4,000 Bursary Award - information now available.
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BPW International Congress in Cairo

What an amazing event! What an amazing location! The Congress was held at Mena House Hotel at the foot of the pyramids and they were the backdrop to our Congress for the 600 odd women who attended and in particular for the eleven BPW NZ members who were there.



The New Zealand delegation, led by Hellen Swales, our BPW NZ President, joined delegates from 70 other countries (out of a possible 100) which are affiliated to BPW International. It was a time of intense debate and consideration, of learning and building up networks and friendships.

For New Zealand it was also a time of celebration as our achievements were honoured. At the gala dinner the prestigious "BPW Power to Make a Difference" first prize in Advocacy award went to New Zealand for our work from January 2014 to December 2016. It was a very memorable time and one we wished we could have shared with so many members who had contributed to the awards. In particular we acknowledge BPW Franklin member and Past President **Dianne Glenn** who made a huge contribution in the advocacy area.

New Zealand was also prominent in the General Assembly where we proposed six of the seven external resolutions. Our delegates at the General Assembly were Hellen Swales, Janet Gibb, Sally Smith, Carolyn Savage, Angela McLeod and myself. All six of us proposed a resolution and they all passed and we were also involved with resolutions which related to constitutional and operational matters. I proposed the resolution on the mental health of women prisoners (which was proposed by BPW Franklin at the BPW NZ 2015 AGM) and this was seconded by BPW Thailand who have done a lot of work in this area. It is

great that policy that will be used by our UN representatives has come out of New Zealand. We have a strong voice!

Both Past President Angela McLeod and Vivien Johnson, our Young BPW representative, stood for international office. Unfortunately neither of them were elected.

Hellen, Past President Faye Gardiner and myself were all speakers on panels (I spoke on WEPs initiatives) while Anita Devcich, Past President of BPW NZ, was one of the parliamentarians throughout Congress and Sandy White put in many volunteer hours on the Credentials desk. Past President Carolyn Savage worked tirelessly as part of the Constitutional Advisory Committee. It was a great effort from the NZ team and we certainly got noticed! The whole team was on a high and buzzing with ideas which we look forward to sharing and putting into action now we are back home.



And there were the amazing dinners plus the sightseeing! I was fortunate to be able to join many other members for a Nile cruise after Congress with my personal highlight being a hot air balloon ride over Queen Hapsat Sup's ancient palace ruins in Aswan. Awe inspiring!



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I've just returned after time in Turkey and still trying to process all that has happened in the last month! A wonderful experience and I encourage everyone to consider going to BPW International events. They are amazing and great to be part of a NZ group as well as meet women from many countries. I've already decided to go the Asia Pacific Regional Conference in Bangkok Thailand (30 October to 1 November 2018) and to the next Congress in Orlando, USA (August 2020). Consider coming! It would be wonderful to have BPW Franklin members involved.

Vicky Mee

“The price of no change is unacceptable”

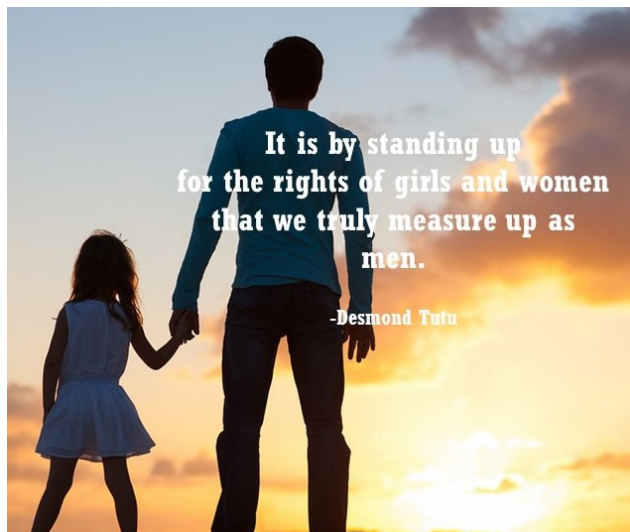
In her statement for International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women on 25 November, UN Women Executive Director Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka highlights effective interventions, and reiterates that the pandemic of violence against women and girls can end, but it will need commitment and investment, nationally and internationally.

This year, for the global 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence Campaign, from **25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to 10 December, Human Rights Day**, the UN Secretary-General's campaign UNiTE to End Violence against Women's call for action is themed **‘Orange the World: Raise Money to End Violence against Women and Girls’**, to amplify and address the funding shortfall.

For more information click [here](#).



Photos (L-R): UN Women/Stephanie Raison, UNDP/Tiago Zenero, UN Women/Ellie van Baaren, UN Albania/Olsi Beci, UN Women/Niels den Hollander



Bursary Breakfast

On October 27, Friday morning, BPW Franklin hosted a breakfast at Mitre 10 Mega. It was a great morning, raise over \$1,200 for the Bursary Award.

Many thanks to:

- ♦ 'Slice of Elegance' for the amazing cake.
- ♦ 'O D on Hair' for the special shampoo & conditioner.
- ♦ 'Yakety Yak Cafe' for the coffee vouchers
- ♦ 'Coffee Time Cafe' for coffee vouchers
- ♦ 'Designer Flowers' for the gift vouchers.
- ♦ 'Wrights Jewellers'.
- ♦ 'Kathie's Kitchen' from Franklin Club for the generous dinner voucher for our guest speaker.

And a very big thank you to 'Mitre 10' for subsidising the breakfast and allowing us to use their premises.

And of course to 'Monique and her team at Columbus Cafe' for setting up and providing a totally delicious breakfast.

Thank you everyone for selling those tickets, donating other prices and making this a very enjoyable and successful morning.

NOTES FOR HOSTESSES

- * Please arrive early enough to set up the room for the evening and put on the table cloths.
- * If you are unable to be a hostess it is your responsibility to find a replacement however if you need help with this I am sure a committee member will assist you.
- * Hostess Badges are in the float box and are to be returned to the box at end of evening.
- * Make sure visitors are never left on their own – all members have a responsibility to speak to as many of the visitors and new members as possible at every meeting. Invite them to join you for the meal. It is so easy to feel isolated and excluded from what can appear to be an “in group”. Make sure you make all people feel welcome and at ease.
- * Please make sure the Guests sign the Visitor's book.

A NOTE FOR ASSISTANT TREASURERS

Please take the table cloths home and launder them, bringing them back the following month. As this is a new initiative, if there are any issues, please see one of the committee so it can be discussed.



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