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Happy Birthday Wendy

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St Catherine's College Council Graduate Women	Temporary Vacany

Special General Meeting
6pm, Wednesday 7th March 2012
At 4 Park Road, Nedlands

To vote on replacing Membership clause 5.1 of the constitution:

Proposed Resolution: The academic qualifications for membership shall be study at an institution of higher or tertiary education or institution of comparable academic standing followed by the award of a degree, diploma or equivalent qualification which meets the requirements of AFGW and the provisions of the Australian Qualifications Framework in accordance with the Guidelines of Membership eligibility set out in Annex I to the Rules of AFGW.

Current Graduate Women WA membership clause:

Membership shall be open to those women who hold a university degree or equivalent qualification from a university or institution of comparable academic standing in accordance with the requirements of the International Federation of University Women.

Members are invited to stay on for a coffee.
Committee meeting will follow.



February 2012

A Planning Meeting was held on Sunday 22nd January 2012 for the new committee members to learn more about the association, for all the committee to support a strategic direction for our Association and to discuss events planning for 2012. Lynda Roberts Hall was a wonderful MC through this planning day and we have arrived at a number of planning ideas and a comprehensive Members Strategic Plan. Special thanks to Lynda Roberts-Hall for leading us through this discussion to a successful outcome.

We are aware as an association owning our own office that we can better utilize the office space and we are endeavouring to promote it to other women's groups to use, and also for us to hold a Friday forum with guest speaker once a month. This is in addition to the 2 book clubs and a poetry club that meet here once a month. We are also proposing to focus on the parental leave cohort and promote links at the office.

A Special General Meeting was held on Wednesday 7th December 2011, prior to our Christmas BBQ Sundowner to discuss the membership clause of our Constitution. A follow up Special General Meeting to vote on the proposed clause is scheduled for Wednesday 7th March 2012 at 6pm at 4 Park Road. (Details on page 2 of the newsletter). Please come along for the Special General Meeting and stay on for a cup of coffee with the committee.

We currently have 75 members. Certificates were awarded to the following long-time members: Margaret Ellis 55 years; Barbara Hale and Margaret Medcalf 50 years; Margaret Giles and Mary-Anne Paton 20 years; Jean Rushton, Patricia Hashim and Valerie Casey 15 years; Helen Charlesworth, Alison Hayden 10 years; Liz Flatters 5 years; at the Christmas BBQ Sundowner.

In 2011, we nominated Barbara Hale and Dorothy Collin to receive the inaugural 50+ Volunteer Service recognition awards that the Department for Communities introduced to recognise the efforts and contributions made by volunteers in Western Australia. The services and actions of such volunteers reached out across many spheres of society. A Garden Party was held on December 4 2011 at Government House to recognise the volunteers and to present their awards. Despite the 38C heat, Felicity Farrelly, Wendy McCallum and Lynda Roberts-Hall were delighted to attend and witness Dorothy and Barbara receiving their awards.

Graduate Women WA have been supporting a preschool in Galle, Sri Lanka, and have recently agreed to sponsor the pre-school teacher to travel to Perth to undertake an educational program being run in Western Australia in March and April 2012. Pre-school teacher, Asanka, would like to meet the many members of Graduate Women WA and we encourage you and your friends to come along to The Sri Lankan Butterfly Banquet on Saturday 14th April (more details in the Newsletter).

Graduation dates are close, and the hiring of gowns is our main source of income. Every helping hand is gratefully acknowledged. Please consider Karen's notice, and spare GWWA an hour or two if at all possible.

I will be attending the AFGW Council Meeting in Sydney on Saturday 18th February 2012.

Felicity Farrelly

Vale Notice

Dr Val Casey

Our deepest sympathy to Val's husband John and all her family. Our dear member *Val* passed away peacefully on Monday 13th February 2012.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Dear Members of Graduate Women WA....

The **UWA Graduations for 2012** are fast approaching and this is a **call for volunteers** to help with the Hire of Academic Dress during February, March and April.

With 10 graduations (beginning on Tuesday 13th March) we expect to receive approximately 1000 applications in the next few weeks, and really would appreciate your help in the office prior to the ceremonies beginning.

If you can help out with any of the following small jobs in the office on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday, between now and 13th March please contact me in the office (9386 3570).

1. Opening envelopes and writing receipts.
2. Sending confirmation details to all students – either by mail or email.
3. Processing credit card detail (electronically) – very simple.
4. Some filing of the application forms.
5. Checking phone messages.

PLEASE LOOK IN YOUR DIARY NOW TO SEE IF YOU CAN COMMIT TO HELPING IN THE OFFICE.

Even if you can only help for an hour it will be much appreciated.

Tuesday, 13 March 2012	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
Wednesday, 14 March	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty of Business
Thursday, 15 March	Faculty of Business
Tuesday, 20 March	Faculty of Life and Physical Sciences
Thursday, 22 March	Faculty Life and Physical Sciences
Tuesday, 27 March	Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Visual Arts Faculty of Education
Wednesday, 28 March	Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Thursday, 29 March	Faculty of Engineering, Computing and Mathematics
Tuesday, 3 April	Faculty of Engineering, Computing and Mathematics Faculty of Law
Wednesday, 4 April	Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences

Then on the above dates we require volunteers to:

1. Help between 10.30am and 12 noon to put name tags on the gowns.
2. Help give out the gowns to the students between 12 noon and 6.30pm.
3. Collect the gowns in the evening at UWA (approx 9pm to 10.30 pm).
4. Help iron the 1000 hoods!

All offers of help will be much appreciated – you may even like to bring a friend or two with you!

Karen Bothwell, Executive Officer, Graduate Women WA

House Committee – can you help?

Dorothy Ransom has for many years chaired the House Committee. Unfortunately age has caught up with her and she is now in a nursing home and no longer able to contribute her expertise.

Val and John Casey have also been stalwarts of the House Committee for many years. John has done innumerable handyman jobs for us, for which we are very grateful. Val now has serious health issues and reluctantly has given up her position.

This means there is only one member remaining and she is not able to do it all on her own.

We would like very much to have three or four members on the House Committee. The tasks are not very onerous. Generally raking up the leaves and tidying the garden are the main chores. When Shellabears contacts that something needs doing in the flat, then there is the organising or authorising repairs. Karen is generally the first contact and she deals with many of the issues.

General maintenance issues arrive periodically but there is certainly not a lot of work attached.

Please give some thought to helping with the house. At most it would be 1 – 2 hours per month.

Wendy McCallum

Acting House Committee Chairman.



BARBARA HALE has been a Member of the Graduate Women (WA) since 1961 and recognized in 1990 as a Life Member. She has been President and Past President twice and Secretary and Committee member over a 10-year period. She has been a diligent advocate including on support for teenage mothers and others to access education. She has been a fundraiser for projects and bursaries, serving as Trustee of the Education Trust.



DOROTHY COLLIN has been a member & volunteer for Graduate Women (WA) since 1954, receiving Life Member in 2003. She was President and Immediate Past President twice and served as a Committee Member for a number of years. She has actively raised funds to support projects & initiatives or funding Bursaries & Scholarships through the Education Trust. She was a delegate at national & international conferences & served on International Committees. She has organized numerous seminars, conferences, and events particularly those aimed at early career academic women. She gained grants to enable young members to attend international Conferences as Association Delegates. She has been a member of a team that voluntarily arranged an international conference in Perth in 2004. She has recruited new members & participated in advocacy and action & fund-raising activities.

Asanka in her classroom

Last September the executive of Graduate Women WA received a proposal to fund a scholarship to fly the teacher from the Pre School in Galle, Sri Lanka to Australia for further professional development. GWWA has been assisting the Pre School ever since it was established post tsunami.

Our aim is now a reality!

An amazing professional development program has been developed by early childhood expert and President of OMEP WA, Dr Dawn Butterworth and GWWA has been given the opportunity to join the Educational and Cultural Enrichment Tour, alongside the staff from Papua New Guinea pre school – also a post tsunami project.



Led by senior Oro woman and International Council of Women colleague, Olivia Bunari, the three early childhood volunteer teachers are recipients of a scholarship awarded for their outstanding commitment and dedication to teaching at Crispins Kindergarten in the rural village of Poro, Popondetta. This is the only kindergarten catering for 3-6 year-olds in the whole of the northern Oro Province of PNG and was established by Olivia and her community board in 2010, with support from OMEP WA and NCWWA.

The kindergarten staff will arrive here on Monday 19th March and stay until Sunday 15th April. The Weddikkara and Butterworth families will offer accommodation and support to the staff.

The program includes school visits, many professional development seminars and a wonderful itinerary of cultural events. We at GWWA can happily say that we are now making a difference to the education of the children who will benefit from their teacher's rare opportunity in WA. Many members are excited about this project and very keen to assist.

How can members get involved?

- ❖ Join friends and family for a fabulous night at the Sri Lankan Butterfly Banquet on Saturday 14th April – see separate invitation. Bookings open now!!
- ❖ Donate food products for the banquet so we can maximise profits to be spent at both pre schools – see list of ingredients below.
- ❖ Offer to provide lunch or morning tea at the training sessions – the week of the 10th of April being located at Graduate Women WA HQ. The initial seminars are Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd March inclusive. Contact Hilary Silbert for more details and contributions
- ❖ Offer hospitality. Meet and host our visiting teachers when they have a break from the program. Contact Hilary Silbert for further details.

...and so after years of supporting the pre school through our Sri Lankan lunches and a cooking class, we can make a difference to the lives of the children of Sri Lanka who are fortunate enough to attend the pre school and be educated by Asanka. Hope to see you during this exciting month.



INVITATION

Lalani Weddikekara, Dawn Butterworth,
and Hilary Silbert

have much pleasure in inviting you to



THE SRI LANKAN BUTTERFLY BANQUET

In honour of the Educational and Cultural Enrichment Tour of WA
by teachers from Galle, Sri Lanka and the Popondetta, Papua New Guinea
Come and enjoy delicious Sri Lankan food and
cultural items from PNG and Sri Lanka



Saturday 14th April 2012

6.30pm

St Michael's Church Hall

Cnr Gunbowen Rd and The Promenade,
Mount Pleasant



\$40.00 per person including soft drinks
Please bring your own drinks

Bookings and enquiries: Hilary Silbert 0409 375148

hilarysilbert@westnet.com.au

Payment by cash, cheque or money order to OMEP WA to Dawn Butterworth,
President, OMEP WA, 91 Preston Point Road East Fremantle WA 6158
by 1st April

Funds raised will be used to support the
development of these two preschools
established in the wake of
devastating tsunamis

THE ORGANISERS GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE
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St Michael's Anglican Parish Mt Pleasant

Organisation Mondiale pour l'Education Prescolaire WA



National Council of Women (WA)

Graduate Women (WA)



and Dr Lesley Cala



You can help by donating ingredients for the banquet.

We can maximize our profits from the banquet by receiving donations
of ingredients. Hilary Silbert is coordinating the collection of donations,
so contact her if you are willing to donate goods or money.

We need:

Normal Potatoes (10 Kilos), Large brown onions (10 Kilos), Frozen whole baby beans (5 Kilos), Red Dhal (3 Kilos), Chick Peas (3 tins), Basmati rice (15 kilos), Large jars of mango chutney (2), Cashew nuts (4 Kilos), Papadams (3 Pkts), Tomatoes (5 Kilos), Red Capsicum (6) Yellow Capsicum (6), Cucumbers (5), Red onions (4), New Potatoes (3 Kilo), Carrots (2 Kilo), Cauliflowers (2), Macadamia nuts, Tea, Coffee, Milk, Sugar, Pineapple, Papaya, 10 tins of mango, 10 tins of lychees, 10 limes, Coke, Lemonade, Fruit Juice

Hilary Silbert

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Winners of our 2011 Postgraduate Awards

Congratulations

Cheques to the total of \$18,000 were presented to the winners of our five annual postgraduate awards at the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 25th October 2011.

Esmeralda Rocha (UWA)
Graduate Women (WA) Open Scholarship
\$4,000



Melissa Werrett (Curtin)
Graduate Women (WA) Mary and Elsie
Stevens Scholarship
\$4,000

Erin Hobbs (UWA)
Graduate Women (WA) Joyce Riley
Scholarship
\$4,000



Kitty-Rose Foley (ECU)
Graduate Women (WA) Mary Walters Bursary
\$2,000

Rebecca Fuller (UWA)
Graduate Women (WA) Jillian Bradshaw Bursary
\$4,000



These winners will speak to members of Graduate Women WA on Monday 14th May 2012 with details of their research projects. AFGW President Jane Baker will be a special guest at this meeting.

NATIONAL PARTNERS



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LOCAL PARTNERS

This event is organised by the Perth Chapter of UN Women Australia with the WA IWD Collaboration and the Australian Public Service Commission.



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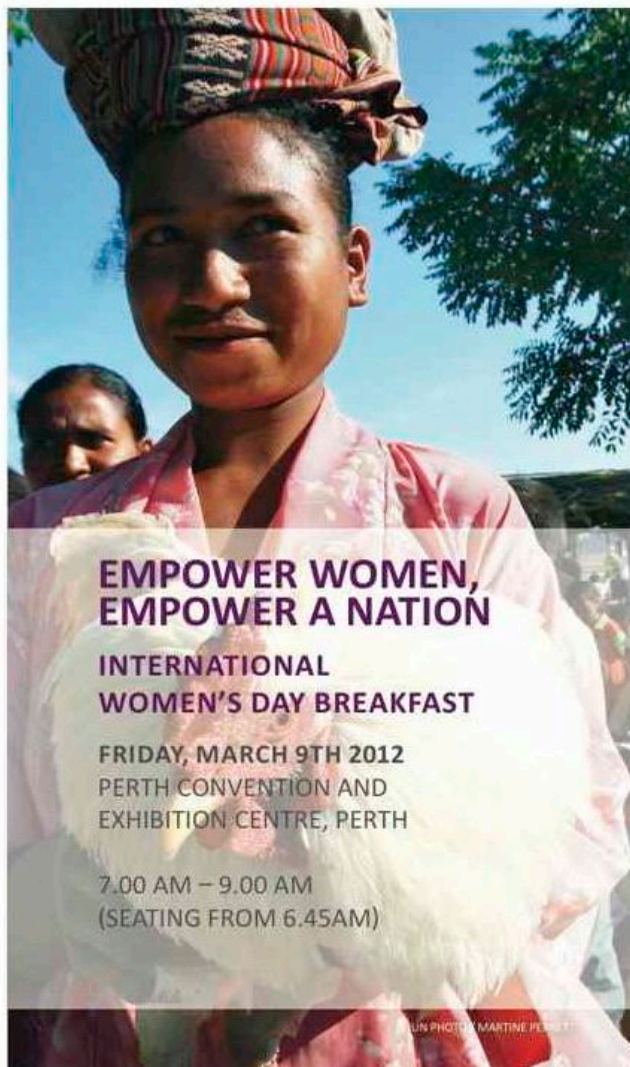
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ALTERNATIVELY, CALL OUR FRIENDS AT DKC INTERNATIONAL ON (02) 8218 2900

OR FILL IN THIS FORM:

STEP 1: YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

NAME: _____

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PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

STEP 2: TICKET OPTIONS

	Number	Total Cost
Individual \$60*	_____	_____
Concession (Pensioner or Student) \$45*	_____	_____
Donated Seat (to an organisation in need) \$60*	_____	_____
Corporate Table (Table of 10) \$1,500*	_____	_____
Corporate Tables include logo display on the table and PowerPoint Presentation as well as VIP Seating and the opportunity to put an insert in the satchel bags.		

*A booking fee of \$1 plus 3% will apply to all credit card and online bookings

SEND WITH PAYMENT TO:

DKC International, Suite C2.10 Level 2, 22-36 Mountain Street, Ultimo, NSW 2007
or email to iwd@dkcinternational.com.au

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BREAKFAST - PERTH

STEP 3: GUEST NAMES & DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

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STEP 4: PAYMENT DETAILS

☐ CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER ATTACHED FOR \$____.

MADE PAYABLE TO UN WOMEN AUSTRALIA

☐ PLEASE DEBIT MY CREDIT CARD FOR \$____. Plus booking fee/charges

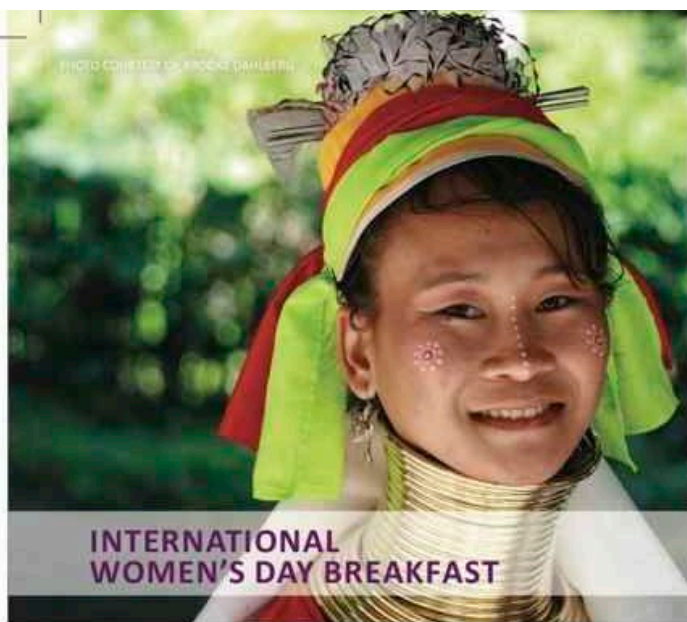
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**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BREAKFAST**

This International Women's Day, you can be a part of a nation-wide effort to empower women and end poverty.

Today, women make up 70 percent of the world's poor. They are widows forced to give up their earnings to local authorities, grandmothers forced to work in unlit marketplaces and in fear of assault, and daughters unable to claim their ancestral farmlands because of their gender. Empowering these women is the key to ending poverty. By supporting UN Women, you can help local organisations provide protections, resources and equal access to land and financial support that will allow these women to give their children a brighter future. Join with us this International Women's Day.

This International Women's Day UN Women Australia is raising funds to make marketplaces in the Pacific safer for women, free from violence, harassment and discrimination.

Exciting raffle prizes will be available at the event so bring along your raffle money.

EVENT ENQUIRIES:

This year, we are making bookings and enquiries easier with the help of DKC International. If you have an enquiry about the event, or would like to book over the phone, please contact DKC International on (02) 8218 2900 and let us know you are calling about Perth. Please book before March 1.

GUEST SPEAKER:**SALLY SARA
ABC AFGHANISTAN CORRESPONDENT**

Sally Sara is an award winning journalist and foreign correspondent with the ABC. She has reported from more than 30 countries including Iraq, Lebanon and Sierra Leone.

Sally has spent the past year covering the news from the frontline of the war in Afghanistan. During her career, she has broken the glass ceiling, as the first female correspondent appointed to the ABC's Africa, South Asia and Kabul bureaus.

Sally has written for The New York Times and The Boston Globe and is the author of the best selling biography, 'Gogo Mama.'

Sally has been named South Australian Young Journalist of the Year and Queensland Journalist of the Year. She has won United Nations Media Peace Awards and medals at the New York Festival Radio and Television Awards. She has been a finalist in the Walkley Awards for Journalism, six times.

Sally grew up in the small town of Port Broughton in South Australia. When she's not reporting, she enjoys running and was a silver medalist at the Australian Masters Athletics Championships.

In 2011, Sally was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia for service to journalism and the community.

MC:**BABS MCHUGH**

A graduate in Broadcasting from the WA Academy of Performing Arts, Babs has been with the ABC for over 10 years and currently presents the Resources Beat on ABC Rural Radio. Her relaxed style and sharp wit have made her a popular, entertaining MC. She was one of Australia's first female shotfirers and toiled as a deckhand on trawlers in the Gulf of Carpentaria. Babs has been a great personal supporter of UN Women and International Women's Day.

As many of you will know, membership of Graduate Women (WA) Inc. automatically means you are also a member of the International Federation of University Women (IFUW). This opens up a whole new world of opportunities. Do take some time to visit the IFUW web-site: www.ifuw.org to be up-to-date on all that is happening across IFUW and other National and Federal Associations.

The Member's Corner on the IFUW web-site is featuring a very new Members only interactive on-line space which provides both a forum where members can exchange messages and information as well as a members directory where members can post their information and see profiles of other IFUW members worldwide. This space provides information for those travelling who may want to meet other IFUW members, for those looking for research contacts of professional contacts in their field as well as information about funding or job opportunities or about the forthcoming IFUW conference in Istanbul in 2013.

All you need to do is create your member's account in order to participate! Once a member you can also make your voice heard by participating in forums of significance to the improved status of women and/or education.

What's new?

UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training

Recently (December 2011) the UN General Assembly adopted the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training (HRET). Fundamental to the Declaration is the assertion that everyone has the right to know, seek and receive information about their human rights and fundamental freedoms. Essentially, it is an active call to the United Nations, governments, non-governmental organizations and other bodies to intensify their efforts to promote the universal respect and understanding of HRET.

The Declaration defines HRET as comprising "all education, training, information, awareness-raising and learning activities aimed at promoting universal respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms." It also states that HRET encompasses Education as being **about**, **through** and **for** human rights.

The Declaration recognizes that HRET is a lifelong process that is based on principles of equality and includes and encompasses all parts of society, no matter the level.

For more information, visit: <http://www.ifuw.org/posts/advocacy-news/decl-hret/>

What's coming up at IFUW?

Board and Committee Meetings and UN Day

The IFUW Board of Officers, Finance Committee, and Status of Women Committee will meet in Geneva from 22-28 February 2012, with observers welcome at some of the sessions. A special UN day will be held on Friday, 24 February. This UN Day is open to IFUW members and their guests. It will commence with a tour of the UN Palais des Nations in Geneva and continue with a consultation at the Palais des Nations on the theme "*Strengthening Cooperation between NGOs and the UN System: How we as NGOs can promote and contribute to the work of the United Nations and its Human Rights Agenda*"

For more information about the IFUW meetings and the UN Day or to register, visit: <http://www.ifuw.org/posts/ifuw-news/ifuw-mtgs-2012/>

56th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, 2012

The Committee on the Status of Women (CSW) will meet in New York from 27 February to 9 March. It will consider the priority theme of “The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges. For more information visit: <http://www.ifuw.org/posts/advocacy-news/csw56/>

IFUW Day

Coming up on 1 July each year this will be annual event celebrating an aspect of IFUW. This year it is about celebrating bursaries and scholarships.

Lynda Roberts-Hall

Convenor For International Relations – Graduate Women (WA) Inc.

CHRISTMAS SUNDOWNER

Another wonderful evening at St Catherine’s college. With fine food, old and new faces, and a special birthday celebration for the tireless Wendy McCallum. With marvelous Christmas cake courtesy of Mary Dinneen. (Featured on the cover)



A Brochure in PDF format, together with a complete itinerary, has been attached with this newsletter.

A PRIVATE TOUR TO SRI LANKA

20th July to 5th August 2012

14 nights 15 days

Tour highlights:

Negombo fishing village, • Wildlife Safari Wilpattu National Park • Sacred City of Anuradhapura • Trincomalee • Passikuda Beach • Medieval Capital of Polonnaruwa • Rock Fortress of Sigiriya • Spice Garden • Kandy Perahera (Cultural Pageant) • Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage • Dambulla Cave Temple • Nuwara Eliya • Tea Factory & Plantation • Galle Dutch Fortress • visit supported projects in Sri Lanka, supported by the St Michaels Church Mt Pleasant, Curtin University Library staff, AFUW, including the Pre School in Galle.



POLONNARUWA SCULPTURE



RUWANWELISEYA



ELEPHANT BATHING PINNAWELA

Inclusions

Return Airfare from Perth, Transfers to & from Katunayake Air Port Sri Lanka, All hotel costs (sharing double rooms) A/C Rooms. All meals throughout the Trip including breakfast, lunch and dinner, All travel in air conditioned luxury coach and Entrance Fees to all places of interest that we visit, Bottled water throughout the tour, English Speaking Local Guide, Safari Wilpattu National Park and a Dinner at a Sri Lankan Homes.

Tour Group will be accompanied by Lalani & Ranjith Weddikkara

Cost: \$4,000.00 per person (two per room)

- Single Supplement available for extra \$900.00
- Credit Card Payment will attract 2.5% surcharge
- Travel insurance compulsory. Available on request.

Please contact Lalani or Ranjith on 08 93103361 or e-mail on ranjithw@q-net.net.au for further information and booking.

SEATS ARE LIMITED - FIRST COME FIRST SERVE!

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The Education Trust Turns Twenty

The Education Trust was set up in 1992 (March 3) in order that the funds set aside for maintaining the Association's bursaries could be kept separate and that the revenue derived from the funds would not be liable for taxation. These funds came from the proceeds of academic dress hire, bequests and donations as well as monies raised specifically for the named bursaries. The Education Trust continues to provide bursaries and scholarships on a regular basis and has formed a new scholarship fund that fits in with the changing taxation requirements and thus enjoys a Deductible Gift Recipient status. This means that donations to that Scholarship fund are tax deductible. Some of the other bursaries and scholarships do not attract the same DGR status as their specific purpose or restriction on who can apply for them do not fit the ATO requirements for DGR status. However, we are committed to ensuring those bursaries and scholarships continue in line with the donor/benefactor's wishes.

Currently the Education Trust looks after the monies of the following annual bursaries and scholarships:

Mary Walters Bursary
Jill Bradshaw Bursary
Mary and Elsie Stevens Bursary
Joyce Riley Scholarship
Graduate Women Open Scholarship

The 2012 round commences in May and we look forward to again continuing to provide an avenue that can enable women graduates to continue to pursue their academic qualifications.

Bookclubs and Reading Lists

Graduate Women (WA) have two bookclubs, which meet monthly at the GWWA office in Park Rd Nedlands, one on Thursday nights and one on Saturday afternoons. Contact Karen in the office if you are interested in joining either group. We are reading:

Thursday:

Hand Me Down World (Lloyd Jones), ***To the Lighthouse*** (Virginia Woolf), ***The Sense of an Ending*** (Julian Barnes), ***That Deadman Dance*** (Kim Scott), ***Nemesis*** (Philip Roth), ***Death Comes to Pemberley*** (P.D. James), ***Autumn Laing*** (Alex Miller), ***Cold Comfort Farm*** (Stella Gibbons), ***Washington Square*** (Henry James).

OR

Saturday:

Samuel Pepys: The Unequalled Self (Claire Tomalin), ***Death Comes to Pemberley*** (P.D. James), ***The Eye of the storm*** (Patrick White), ***The White Tiger*** (Aravind Adiga), ***The Hare with Amber Eyes*** (Edmund de Waal), ***The Postmistress*** (Sarah Barnes), ***(next books to be advised)***.

Wednesday 7th December 2011

Roberta Jull Common Room, St Catherine's College, Nedlands

Welcome

Present: F. Farrelly (Chair), J. Jones, M. Giles, K. McCallum, L. Weddikkara, H. Alexander, M. Brown, D.W. Collin, L. Roberts-Hall, A. Hayden, W. McCallum, K. Wood, B. M. Hale, M. Dinneen, L. Flatters, J. Antulov, H. Charlesworth

Apologies: K. Evans, R. Carroll, A. Sydall

Meeting opened: 6.25pm

Confirmation of minutes of the Special General Meeting held on Tuesday 15th March 2011

Moved with amendments by L.Flatters.

Seconded: D. W. Collin

Carried.

Amended minutes moved from the Chair. Carried.

Confirmation of minutes of the Special General Meeting held on Tuesday 25th October 2011 accepted as is.

Moved: D. W. Collin

Seconded: L. Weddikkara

Carried.

Business Arising: Giving notice of the membership clause in the Constitution*

*Proposed Resolution:

The academic qualifications for membership shall be study at an institution of higher or tertiary education or institution of comparable academic standing followed by the award of a degree, diploma or equivalent qualification which meets the requirements of AFGW and the provisions of the Australian Qualifications Framework in accordance with the Guidelines of Membership eligibility set out in Annex I to the Rules of AFGW.

IFUW requires all affiliates to acknowledge Tafe diploma courses. The next Special General Meeting will vote on the exact wording as is.

It was moved that the proposal provided in writing to the members was received.

D.W. Collin moved that we receive and vote at the next meeting.

Seconded: A. Hayden

Carried.

Meeting closed at 6.45pm with thanks to Dorothy W Collin for her assistance with this matter.