T.O.S. news



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Dates for your diary

All interested people are invited to attend the **planning meetings** which are held quarterly from 10.00 to 11:30 am in the T.S. rooms. Meeting dates in 2017 are:

Saturday 3 June Saturday 2 September and Saturday 2 December (AGM).

Altruistic Projects

- Brisbane TOS members have decided to raise funds and awareness to support refugees in our Brisbane community.
- We are exploring ways of providing micro-loans to women in developing countries.
- Our fundraising will also support the three National TOS Projects:
 - Funding four Qandeel schools in Pakistan
 - Supporting the Golden Link College established by the TOS in the Philippines
 - Supporting Syrian Refugees through the TOS in Italy, which is providing funds for food, shelter and footwear for those transiting Italy. They have also formed a close relationship with a Syrian doctor who has established a hospital providing services for children and families in a refugee camp on the Syria/Turkey border. TOS members also provide hands-on support for refugees.

Dates for your diaries to support our Altruistic Projects

A social afternoon of conversation and book browsing to benefit refugees

Sunday 4 June from 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm.

Funds raised will support refugees in the Brisbane area. See the advertisement below for details.

Concert to benefit the Home-schools in Pakistan Sunday 17 September at 2:30 pm.

This education project is conducted by the TOS in Pakistan. The Qandeel home-schools enable children, young girls and women who have no opportunity to pursue even a basic education, to attend classes. Reading, writing and arithmetic are taught by a teacher who holds classes at her own house which is in the same locality as the students. The teachers meet regularly for professional development. These schools provide life-changing opportunities. All donated funds are spent on the schools, since administrative tasks in both Australia and Pakistan are done by volunteers.

Concert to benefit the Golden Link College Sunday 5 November at 2:30 pm.

The Golden Link College was established by the TOS in the Philippines to provide an education, based on theosophical principles, for disadvantaged children from the slums of Manila.



You are invited to Afternoon Tea in a bookshop



You are invited to browse in a beautiful, welcoming community bookshop to help the TOS fundraise to support

refugees in our Brisbane community. Come along and enjoy a glass of wine and afternoon tea while immersing yourself in the wonderful world of books and socialising with friends.

50% of the sale of books and CDs will also be contributed to the TOS.

When: Sunday 4 June, 2.30pm-5pm

Where: Annerley Community Bookshop, Shop 12, 478 Ipswich Road, Annerley *Cost:* A donation of \$10 at the door

All proceeds are going to refugees.