

# ST URSULA'S COLLEGE, YEPPPOON

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## History-making weekend launched with 100 Stories

A Civic Reception and Book Launch on Friday 4 May was enjoyed by over 200 people, with Livingstone Shire Mayor, Bill Ludwig, Federal Member for Capricornia, Michelle Landry, and Columnist, Kathleen Noonan, among the Guest Speakers.

Livingstone Shire Mayor, Bill Ludwig, opened festivities on Friday evening with a Civic Reception and Book Launch at Yeppoon Town Hall, where he acknowledged the College's longevity and loyalty to the Capricorn Coast community.

"St Ursula's College has demonstrated impressive commitment to the community; it will remain a beacon for a century to come," Cr Ludwig said.

The College's Centenary book, *100 Stories*, was written by Barb Tamassy, and was praised by Guest Speaker, Kathleen Noonan, in her speech.

Ms Noonan, a Past Student of the College who is an accomplished Journalist, and author of a weekly column for *The Courier Mail*, said she was delighted to launch *100 Stories*.

"Stories are powerful; our parents valued quality female education, and this is to be celebrated."

"Barb, you've delivered a body of research, eloquently presented, that takes the reader on a social, cultural and political journey."

"Its tone is uplifting and inspiring."

Barb Tamassy was then welcomed to the stage by rapturous applause.

In her address to the audience, Mrs Tamassy said compiling *100 Stories* was a project that combined her love of history, and reading.

"Both my parents were avid readers; I love history, and after I retired from full-time teaching, I was seeking a new project."

"I taught at the College from 2003; researching the history of St Ursula's seemed like a natural progression.

As part of the Civic Reception, the last Religious Sister who was Principal of the College, Sr Marion Kingston, received a standing ovation as she took to the stage to accept a Paul Harris Fellow, awarded to her by Rotary Club member, Heath Henwood, for her ongoing support of the education community.

"Being able to help Interact was a privilege, and after I finished my time as Principal, the Club continued from strength to strength, under the guidance of Mrs Diane Moyle, and Mrs Arianna Greinke," said Sr Marion.

At the conclusion of the Civic Reception and Book Launch, many guests made their way to the College Campus for the Opening Performance of an original musical production, *One Step Beyond*.