

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

~ Barb Bergman [382-2876]

Can you believe that it's November already?

The fashion show is done for the year. We presented an amazing \$7200 to Open Door Health Center on Tuesday, October 28. A great many thanks to every member who worked on this team effort.

The lovely garden was cleaned up for its long winter nap.

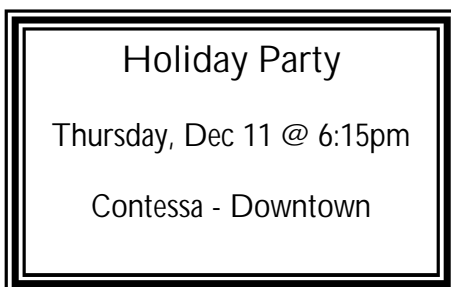
We're starting the season of celebrating with family and friends and remembering those less fortunate.

We're doing pretty darn good, aren't we?

Happy 89th anniversary of Zonta's founding. Do you think that those dedicated women in Buffalo, New York, dreamt that their organization would be going strong almost a century later?

With enthusiasm~

~Barb



Z' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 13 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins
- 18 T OMC Mtg 4:30 pm @ Loose Moose
- 22 S Holiday Expo – Madison East
Sell pins!!

DECEMBER

- 1 M RSVP for Holiday Gathering
family5@frontiernet.net
507-327-8803
- 8 M PR Mtg 7:30a @ Coffee Hag
- 8 M Board Mtg 5.15pm @ Harry Meyering Ctr
- 11 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins
- 11 R Holiday Gathering
6:15 pm @ Contessa
RSVP Shelley Schultz
family5@frontiernet.net
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JANAURY

- 8 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins
- 8 R Program Mtg 12:00 noon @ Encore

FEBRUARY

- 12 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

MARCH

- 9 M Women's Night Out
Holiday Inn Downtown
- 12 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

APRIL

- 9 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

MAY

- 14 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

MEMBERSHIP

~ Chair name and number

OMC met on October 21 at the Loose Moose Saloon at 4:30 PM. Members present: Chairman Angie S, Tricia S and Patricia P.

-Committee description for OMC was distributed, reviewed and approved with no changes.

-Zonta business cards for club members were discussed. Angie will touch base with the PR committee and see what they think of our recommendation

-New Member Orientation was discussed. It was adopted for use by our club, after a few changes.

-The need for a specific annual calendar complete with business meetings, meeting time and place, program information, costs etc. was brought forward

-Exit Survey we looked at a sample of a Member Resignation Exit Survey. We reviewed it. We think we should adopt this for our club.

-Mentoring: The Mentoring Checklist handed out was revised to include the morning business meeting, brag bank, nametags and area meetings and district seminars/conferences.

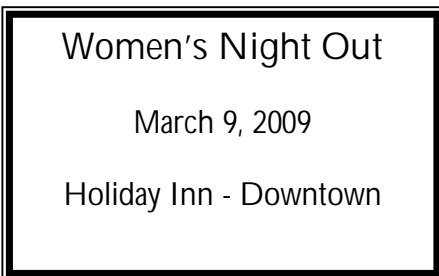
- Patty presented a handout from the retreat in Jamestown [October 2-3, 2008]: "10 Questions that may help you to determine if your Zonta Club is working for you." The committee decided this was a valuable tool and should be placed on the agenda at the next meeting.

- Meet and Greet November 6: The need to present a simple program was discussed.

-T-Shirts:T-Shirt show and tell. Consensus was reached that club members needed to be surveyed. Is there interest in T-Shirts/Sweatshirts? The nicest shirts were those with embroidery.

Respectfully submitted: Patricia Palm, Recorder

Next meeting – Tue – Nov 18 Loose Moose 4:30p



PUBLIC RELATIONS

~Barb Scott [344-0573]

We met Monday morning at the Coffee Hag. Judy finished the "thank you" letter for program speakers. They will receive the letter, and a copy of the Zonta brochure. Kerry informed us that a permanent e-mail address can be set up through the website. It was decided to set it up. Press releases are going out, with some being printed, and some not. Discussed looking at replacing the carrier for the "board" with something a little more back-friendly.

Co-Chairs,

Judy Arzdorf - Barb Scott

Next meeting – M – Dec 8 7.30a @ Coffee Hag

HOLIDAY GATHERING

~Shelly Schultz [327-8803]

Zonta Christmas Party for members and significant other Thursday Dec 11 @ Contessa Restaurant
6:15pm - Cocktails and appetizers (Mushroom Bruschetta, Hot Artichoke dip, Veggie platter) Appetizers are compliments of the Program Committee.

Cash Bar all evening

Entrees are served with a side salad, Fresh Focaccia Bread, Herbed Dipping Oil and Sampler Dessert (includes cheesecake, famous bread pudding - flavor of the season and something chocolate)

Entree choices:

Herb Roasted Chicken Breast with a wild mushroom Marsala sauce \$19 (+tax and gratuity)

8 oz Sirloin Steak \$19.95 (+tax and gratuity)

Alaskan Salmon fillet glazed with a raspberry and balsamic reduction \$19 (+tax and gratuity)

Please bring an unwrapped gift for donation to Santa Anonymous.

RSVP # attending by December 1 to Shelley at family5@frontiernet.net

DEAR ZONTIANS,

~ *Message from Zonta International President Beryl Sten*

November 8th marks the 89th anniversary of Zonta International. We can look back, with gratitude and pride, on a procession of women leaders who have brought us from our beginning in 1919, to our current achievements in service and advocacy that advance the status of women around the world. As we approach our 90th year, I ask you to join with me as we begin the Biennium of Internationalism.

International Service is the essence of Zonta. We must all recognize the great good our International Service provides to those women who are less fortunate than we are. During the Biennium of Internationalism we will feature International Service in our publications and our website, and we will encourage our clubs to fully understand and support our International Service Projects.

We will also feature our international educational programs, Amelia Earhart, Jane Klausman and Young Women in Public Affairs, to highlight and emphasize our true international focus, as well as encourage and support young women of great promise.

The recipients of our Zonta International Awards represent the entire Zonta world, especially the Amelia Earhart Fellowships, the flagship of Zonta Awards. For the past 70 years, Zonta has taken great pride in supporting the Fellowships, which have been presented to a long and distinguished line of brilliant women in aerospace-related sciences, research and engineering on the international scene. On this anniversary of our founding, let us begin our focus on what we do best, International Service to improve the status of women worldwide.

Change

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.
 ~Margaret Mead

FASHION SHOW – STARRY NIGHT

~Shelley Schultz [327-8803]
 ~Sara (Anderson) Sletten [612-501-9138]

Well it is official that the Zonta Club of Mankato presented a check for \$7200 to the Open Door Health Center! Shelley, Judy RM, Judy V, Barb B, and Sara were able to make the presentation to the ODHC Board on October 28, 2008. "Starry Night" Fashion Show and Boutiques was a spectacular event. Thank you to each member who actively contributed to the success of this fundraiser. Special thank you extended one more time to the steering committee - Sara, Diane, Barb S, Barb B, Judy A, Judy RM, Ruthie, Angie, Julie V, and Deb A.- for their endless hours of enthusiasm, commitment to Zonta, and willingness to step out of the box. Thank you to the membership for always having the vote of confidence in this project and the steering committee.

Please welcome Sara Sletten as Fashion Show '09 Chair! She will be a fantastic leader.

Meals ordered	265 ('07 - 229)
Ticket sales	222
Vendor tickets	14
Model tickets	29

Total Income	\$13,672.00
Total Expense	\$5,415.91 (as of 10.12.08)
In Treasury	\$8,256.09
ODHC	\$7,200.00
Balance for Club	\$1,056.09
~Shelley	

Next meeting –... We welcome Sara Sletten!

SERVICE / STATUS OF WOMEN / Z-EARTH

~ Carol Lee [387-7409]

News to be inserted here...
 Next meeting – Another date!

Z GARDEN

~Chair [-]

The Garden is sleeping... resting up for the new year.

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL HISTORY,

~ as published at Zonta.org

Beginnings

In the early 1900s, while working in a prominent role at the Buffalo Express newspaper at a time when women rarely held leadership positions, playwright and journalist Marian de Forest conceived the idea of a strong network of women in executive positions who would work to take their rightful place in the professions next to men.

By March of 1919, five women organized to achieve this mission and chartered the first Zonta club in Buffalo, New York, USA. Membership grew rapidly. A confederation of nine Zonta clubs formed with 600 members. These members were among the first generation of college-educated women, the first generation of North American women to vote, and a part of the growing legion of women entering the workforce.

On 8 November 1919, the Confederation drafted and adopted Bylaws and a Constitution, and selected the name Zhonta - a word meaning honest and trustworthy, derived from the Lakhota (Teton Dakota) language of the Native-American Sioux peoples. Later changed to Zonta, the word's meaning was incorporated into the Zonta Emblem, which was officially authorized, along with the Zonta colors of mahogany and gold, at the first executive session of the Confederation's officers in 1920.

The Confederation became Zonta International upon organizing the first European club, the Zonta Club of Vienna, Austria in 1930. In September of that year, Zonta International was incorporated in the State of Illinois, USA.

FINANCE

~Sara (Anderson) Sletten [612-501-9138]

YWCA Holiday Expo canceled so we were reimbursed. The non-profit Holiday Expo at Madison East is November 22nd. The clipboard will be at the morning meeting for time slots. Our table is in a great location, next to the Odyssey. Set up 8-10 and ends around 2 or 3. Lake Crystal Holiday Expo is only \$20 for a table and we are registered for it. Thanks to those who have signed up. Sara will remind each of you who did sign up. Keep selling Herberger coupons. \$7100 + \$100 was presented to Open Door Health Center. No December finance meeting. Go Finance!!
Next meeting – January 2009

PROGRAM

~Shelley Schultz [327-8803]

Program met on Thursday October 30, 2008. Members present: Shelley S, Muriel, Diane, Judy V; Absent: Deb A.

Oct 23 Program Meeting with David Larson from the Multicultural Affairs Dept of MSU was attended by seven Zontians (Shelley, Barb B, Judy V, Judy A, Carol, Julie and Muriel). The presentation was very informative and David stressed the role of women in the creation of democracy, mother earth, and the sacredness of our bodies. He was very emotional and spoke from the heart. Shelley sent a thank you letter and Zonta brochure to David. The Zontians had supper at Green Mill.

The program committee is very concerned about the low attendance for a program meeting when we have scheduled a speaker. It might be worthwhile for the club to evaluate this format.

Program for November will be a 10 min presentation at the Business mtg 11/13/08 by Judy Vosbeek. Judy will speak to the International Standing Committee - ZISAW and how the statutory changes on domestic abuse have impacted Minnesota.

Program for December will be a 10 min presentation at the Business mtg on 12/11/08 on the purpose of Zonta International. (Shelley Schultz)

Christmas Party is scheduled for December 11, 6:30pm. Location is not determined at this time. The goal is to announce the location and cost at the Nov. Business mtg on 11/13/08. RSVP invitations will be sent via email to all members.

Program meeting for January 22 will be a presentation by Lori Hodapp on Women in Law Enforcement. Location will be announced at the December business meeting. (Muriel Schoon)

"Finishing Touches" (formerly European Market) will be February 26. Program will be working with the Finance committee as we are responsible for determining the location and food. (Diane Volden)
~Shelley

Next meeting – January 8 Noon @ Encore