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NEWSLETTER

January 2017

Area 2 • District 6

2016-2017 Zonta Club of Milwaukee

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to Krista Betts.**

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Zonta Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

“How to Stay Young for the First 100 Years”

Happy New Year! Dr. Felicia Toy, a local chiropractor, will join us at our January meeting to talk about “How to Stay Young for the First 100 Years.” This should be helpful as we set our resolutions for 2017.

Alioto's Restaurant

3041 N. Mayfair Road (just south of Burleigh), Milwaukee

5:30 pm – Social
6:00 pm – Salad and Speaker
6:30 pm – Entrée
7:00 pm – Business Meeting

Menu

Choice of 6 oz Tenderloin Steak, Chicken Parmesan, Baked Cod, or Entrée Salad with Chicken Breast (salt and pepper seasoning only). All include salad, sherbet and beverages.

The entrée choice will be made when you arrive for the meeting.

Cost is \$30 per member.

RSVP

Please contact Lori Peterson by Sunday, January 22 at 9:00 pm, preferably by email (lorapeterson@wi.rr.com) to make a reservation. Leave a message at 262-370-9540 if you must.

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President's Message



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Happy New Year!!

As we start 2017, we will have many new opportunities to support our mission in both service and advocacy. As always, I encourage you to find your passion and get involved.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Neu-Life gift drive. Our Club helped to give 66 children a special Christmas. If you were not at the meeting in December, or if you would like an additional one, please see me to get your thank-you gift from Neu-Life. The children made us beautiful tree ornaments. I will bring them to our dinner meeting in January.

The mural project at Neu-Life is proceeding. Once the final draft has been approved at the January meeting, we will schedule painting dates. Please consider joining us for the painting. I've been assured that you do not need to have any artistic talent to contribute.

If you are interested in joining the nationwide Women's Walk on January 21, please contact me. I understand that we have members from our Club and other Wisconsin Clubs who will be walking in both Chicago and Madison.

Our Governor, Tamara Hagen, and Area Director, Pam Duane, will be joining us at our January meeting. Please take the opportunity to welcome them to our Club and learn a little more about what is going on in our Area and District.

I hope to see you at our meeting in January.

– Helen Ludwig

Orange Day, January 25

The UN has declared the 25th of each month to be "Orange Day" to help galvanize people to end violence against women. Please wear ORANGE to our January meeting to turn our meeting orange.

Learn more about Orange Day at <http://endviolence.un.org/>.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 14
Laureen Ward

January 18
Maria Bellmann

January 24
Judith Lehman

January 26
Victoria Frazier

Z Club Committee



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Zonta Z Club program was established in 1948, and became international in 1964. Zonta Z Club program is one of Zonta International's longest running programs.

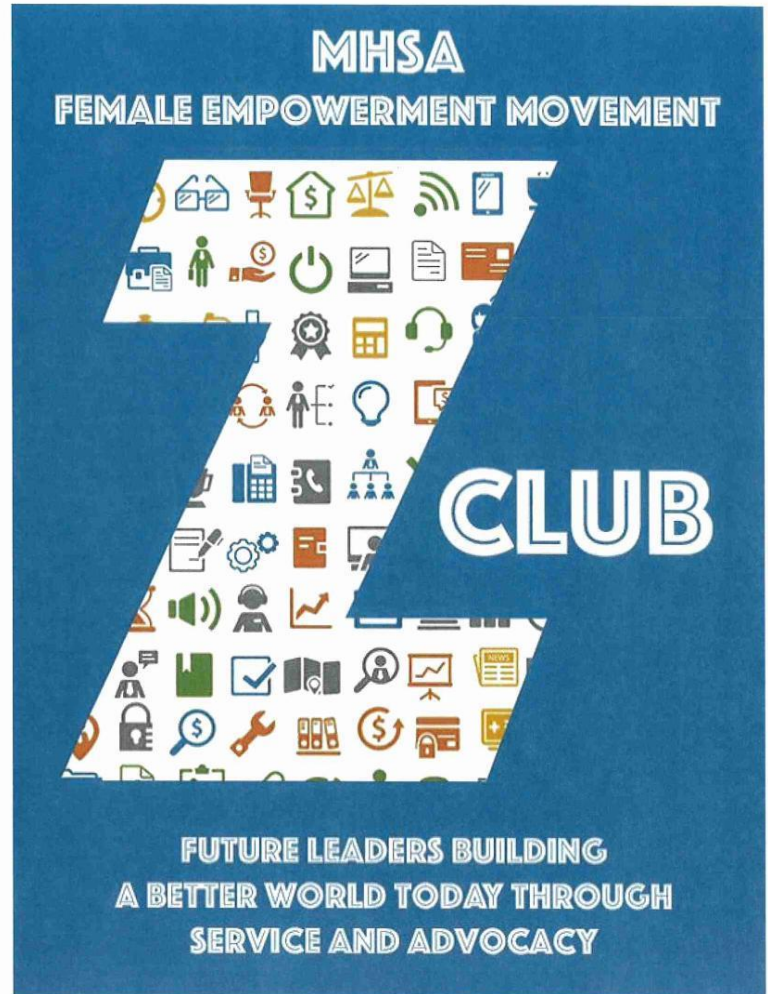
Z Clubs provides an avenue for young people to grow individually and gain an understanding of their school and community, as well as develop an international awareness.

The Z Club Committee shares, enthusiastically, that the Zonta Club of Milwaukee has received the charter to sponsor Milwaukee High School of the Arts (MHSA) Female Empowerment Movement (FEM) – Z Club.

The MHSA FEM – Z Club consists of 21 energetic and motivated young women, joining in unity to make a difference in the world around them. The FEM – Z Club motto is “Future leaders building a better world today through service and advocacy.”

The MHSA FEM-Z Club certificate number is #792 and the charter date is December 19, 2016.

– Joann Harris-Comodore,
Z Club Committee Chair



The Neu-Life youth designed and produced this binder cover for the MHSA FEM – Z Club.

Meeting Minutes

Please note: There are no minutes for the December 2016 social event.

Membership Committee



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On January 17, 2017, the Membership Committee will host a **New Member Orientation**. The orientation is for members joining since January 2014. We will review information on Zonta International, Zonta District 6, Area 2 and the Zonta Club of Milwaukee.

You have to hear something seven times before you remember it, so here is an opportunity to hear some things you may know and some things you don't remember. There will be time for questions and answers.

New Member Orientation

Tuesday, January 17

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

(starting with a light supper)

1600 W. Green Tree Rd.

Glendale Lakes (Susan Koepsell's) Condo Community Room

Contact Pam Knackert (pmknackert@gmail.com) or Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry (Cheryl.Lucas-DeBerry@mranet.org) if you are planning to attend.

Directions: Take I-43 to Good Hope Rd exit, west to River Rd. Take River Rd south which turns into Green Tree; watch for entrance to condo complex on north side (we'll try to have a flag) and park in the lot. The complex is between Milwaukee River Parkway and Green Bay Rd just west of Kletzsch Park. Enter building under awning and someone will be there to let you in or directions will be posted, or call 262-309-3927. Take elevator up to 2nd floor community room.

If you have a prospective member, please invite them to the January 25 regular meeting.

– Joann Harris-Comodore

January 2017

Club Calendar

Club Meetings

Jan 25	Feb 22
Mar 22	April 26
May 24	June 28*

Board Meetings

Feb 7	Mar 14
April 11	May 9
June 13	

Save the Date

2017 Fashion Show
Saturday, April 1, 2017

*May be subject to change



Human Rights Day at the Harley-Davidson Museum®



On December 10, members of the Zonta Club of Milwaukee gathered with friends at the Harley-Davidson Museum to commemorate Human Rights Day and the final day of the Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women 16 Days of Activism.

The morning started with a photo outside the museum, where, despite the cold, we proudly displayed our Zonta Says NO signs. We then got a guided tour of the museum and had lunch at the Motor Bar & Restaurant.

Before lunch, Club members spoke briefly about the Zonta Says NO campaign, the need to raise our voices against violence against women, and Zonta's international impact.

We were proud to have Zonta Club members, significant others and friends at the event, as well as biker friends, two members of the Milwaukee Police Motorcycle Unit, and Jean Davidson, granddaughter of one of the Harley-Davidson founders. Jean gave us some wonderful added insights into Harley-Davidson history during and after the tour, and we hope to welcome her again to a Zonta event.

Thank you to Christine Todd for organizing this event in honor of Jerry Renner, the original owner of House of Harley, a top H-D dealer in the U.S., and a generous supporter of the Zonta Club of Milwaukee.

For more photos, visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ZontaClubMilwaukee/>

– Krista Betts



Introducing ARTREACH 2.0



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- Improved curriculum – updated stats and interactive exercises (classes planned for spring and summer 2017)
- Art medium of choice for participants (e.g., video, poster, sculpture, collage)
- Expanded Making Proud Choices (pregnancy prevention) curriculum to include an intro session on human trafficking, taught in Milwaukee Public Schools by Neu-Life staff
- Added Yell and Tell Enticement Unit for elementary students
- Trial human trafficking intro session for 4th and 5th graders in development
- Taking ARTREACH paintings on the road (community outreach)
- Potentially publish hardcover book



Volunteer Opportunity: ARTREACH at Community Events

In 2017, the Neu-Life/Zonta partnership will take the ARTREACH program on the road to build community awareness of the seriousness of sex trafficking in Milwaukee and inspire action to help prevent it.

We will respond to requests for displaying ARTREACH paintings at community events and sharing the ARTREACH program, and we will strategically target additional placements and community exposure. We need Zonta members to provide the womanpower to bring the paintings to events, share information about the ARTREACH program and about human trafficking, and to identify appropriate events/venues and achieve placements.

The ARTREACH 2.0 Committee will develop an orientation and training program for volunteers, a program reference guide and a human trafficking fact sheet. We expect the training/orientation program and materials will be ready by March and will schedule the training session(s) when we are ready with the materials. The time commitment will be ad hoc, depending on event timing, and generally take place on evenings or weekends, so it should fit well with Zontian schedules.

This will be a great opportunity not only for spreading the word on human trafficking in the community, but also for making connections with like-minded organizations and individuals, not to mention getting more knowledgeable about human trafficking ourselves. Perhaps we will even recruit new Zontians!

So step up and volunteer! Interested Zontians should contact Donna Neal or Mary Staten, our representatives on the ARTREACH 2.0 Committee.

There are two ARTREACH events already scheduled, based on requests and our participation last year.

- **Thurs, Jan 26:** Human Trafficking Task Force of Greater Milwaukee annual Human Trafficking Awareness Month event, to be held at Radio 88Nine headquarters in downtown Milwaukee
- **Fri, Feb 3:** Racine Coalition Against Human Trafficking annual event

If you are interested in attending either of these events to observe an ARTREACH exhibit, please contact Mary Staten or Donna Neal. We plan to attend both events.

Service Committee



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Art Room Mural Painting

Thanks, everyone, for your providing your feedback at the holiday party last month on the proposed mural for the new Zonta-sponsored Neu-Life Art Room.

Jody Rhodes from Neu-Life will bring the final draft of the mural to the Club meeting in January for final approval.

We are looking to schedule the **painting day** on a Saturday morning and need to know how many are interested and available to participate. **The dates we are considering are February 18 and March 18.** We'll choose whichever works for the most people. You can sign up at the Club meeting this month, or send Donna Neal a note with your interest and availability.



Artistic talent is not required. The task will be reminiscent of old-fashioned “paint-by-number,” using modern technology.

Fellowship Corner

Joni Reese has a new job at Denta Quest.

Karen Hunt has a new job at The Milwaukee Sailing Center.

Lori Peterson has just retired from We Energies.

Kudos, ladies, on all of your accomplishments and congrats on jobs well done.

Also, Happy Belated Anniversary to **Donna Kahl Wilkerson** and André Wilkerson who celebrated 33 years of loving bliss.

Happy Belated Anniversary to **Gloria J. Jones and Reuben B. Jones, Sr.** who celebrated 44 years of marriage.

If any of you have any info you want to share with the rest of the club, email it to me for inclusion in the newsletter. Thank you in advance for sharing your milestones and life events with the rest of the club.

– *Gloria J. Jones, Fellowship Reporter*

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Neu-Life Holiday Party

Thank you to all Zontians who participated in this year's holiday gift drive for the students at Neu-Life's Gwen T Jackson Elementary School site. And thanks to Janet Kloser and Sandy Goldmann for organizing the drive.

The holiday celebration was filled with priceless performances by students at each grade level, recognition for parents and staff who made special contributions during the year, and of course the giving of the gifts and the many smiling faces. Several Zontians attended, including Joni Reese, Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry, Pam Knackert, Joann Comodore, and Donna Neal. Always a special time!



Fashion Show Committee



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2017 Fashion Show Fundraiser

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Marriott Milwaukee West
Pewaukee, WI

The 2017 annual fashion show luncheon is right around the corner. The invitations are being distributed to members at the January Club meeting. Soon after, they will be sent in the mail to our list of invitees. If you have a gift basket or silent auction item, please bring it to the January meeting.

The Eventbrite link has been set up for online reservations and can be found here:

<https://2017-zonta-fashion-show.eventbrite.com>

It is essential that all Club members participate in the fundraiser by filling a table of 8 to 10 guests and by donating time, talent and connections. Please consider these opportunities to help make our fundraiser successful:

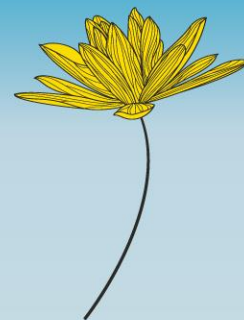
- 1) Volunteer for the "day of" activities! Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry and Christine Todd are coordinating the schedule/jobs, and we would like every member to volunteer for one or more activities if possible.
- 2) Donate a silent auction or raffle gift basket valued at approximately \$100. Contribute individually or join others to collaborate and contribute. Pam Knackert will be collecting.
- 3) Donate money for the wine pull. This year we are buying the wine in bulk, and the bottles will be presented in beautiful Scout bags again. The committee is asking for \$20 or anything that you would like to contribute. Deb Koller is collecting the money and each contributor can enter a drawing for a \$25 Panera gift card.
- 4) Solicit silent auction or raffle items from businesses (restaurants, stores, services, etc.) that you frequently shop. Pam recently sent the information to Club members via email, along with the documents to provide to the vendors. All items can be given to Pam Knackert.
- 5) Ask one of your outgoing friends to be a model! We still have a couple of spots. What a great way to invite a new guest to the fundraiser. If you have a candidate model, please let Joni Reese know.
- 6) Start telling your friends and family about the event and make sure they are putting the date on the calendar.

Thank you for your support of our fundraiser!

– Joni Reese



SAVE THE DATE



— SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017 —

Fashion Show Fundraiser

10:30 AM - 2:00 PM

at the Marriott Milwaukee West • W231 N1600 Corporate Court • Pewaukee, Wisconsin

— The Zonta Club of Milwaukee Presents —

Bloom Beyond Boundaries



Join us for a day of networking, food, fun & fashion.

Fashions presented by Talbots.

Talbots is a leading retailer of classic apparel and accessories in a full range of Misses, Petite and Women's sizes.

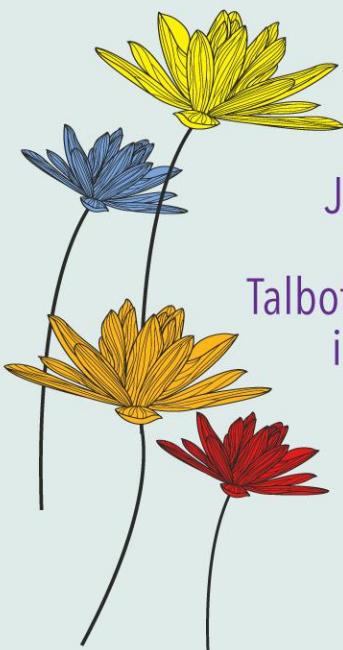
\$60 per person

\$30 per ticket is tax deductible

Reservations required

For more information go to

<https://2017-zonta-fashion-show.eventbrite.com>





Zonta International recognizes a commitment to the volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leadership achievements and dedication to empowering women worldwide.



ONE APPLICATION, THREE OPPORTUNITIES:

CLUB:

\$1,000 Award from Zonta Club of Milwaukee. One applicant from each club recommended for district/region award.

DISTRICT:

\$1,000 Award.

One recipient per district/region (32 total) receives \$1,000 and is submitted to be considered for international award.

INTERNATIONAL:

\$4,000 Award.

10 district/region award recipients receive an additional \$4,000 international award.

DEADLINE:

Applications must be received by the applicant's local Zonta club's published deadline. To locate a Zonta club near you and download an application, please visit: foundation.zonta.org/YWPAaward

CLUB DEADLINE:

March 15, 2017

Download the application at
www.zontamilwaukee.org

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:

zcscholarship@zontamilwaukee.org

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.