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Zonta Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

Speaker: Ms. Inshirah Farhoud, Vice President, Milwaukee Muslim Women's Coalition

Ms. Farhoud is a pediatric nurse practitioner at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. She holds a BSN from Alverno College, an MSN from Marquette University and a post master's from UW Madison. She has been an MMWC board member for 17 years.

Founded in 1994, the Milwaukee Muslim Women's Coalition (MMWC) began as a local educational outreach organization dedicated to promoting an accurate understanding of Islam and Muslim women. Over the years the MMWC's work expanded to include leadership, healthcare, and job training programs for women and girls. This was in recognition of the fact that empowered, healthy women that are economically secure strengthen their families, communities and country.

Alioto's Restaurant

3401 N. Mayfair Road (just south of Burleigh), Milwaukee

Social: 5:30 pm | Dinner: 6:00 pm
Meeting to follow

Menu: Choice of breaded pork tenderloin, chicken parmesan, baked cod, vegetarian or the Jackie Special.
All include salad, sherbet and beverages.
Select your entrée when you arrive

Cost: \$30 per person, includes tax and tip

Reservations: Please RSVP to Lori Peterson via email at lorapeterson@wi.rr.com by Sunday, September 25 at 9:00 pm.
Leave a message at 262-370-9540 if you must.

President's Message



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I hope you all had a great summer. I also hope you are excited to start the new Zonta year of service and advocacy. Several committees have been busy over the summer and we are ready to start with a bang.

The Program Committee has been at work to find a new location for our dinner meetings. We will be leaving the ICC and now meeting at Alioto's Restaurant located at 3401 N. Mayfair Road. We appreciate the great service and food that we received at the ICC. Unfortunately, they are going through changes in their catering department and it is no longer affordable or convenient for us to meet there. Thank you to the program committee for finding us a great alternative.

A subcommittee of our Advocacy Committee has been hard at work to plan our 2nd Annual Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women Walk. The walk is scheduled for Monday, September 26, leaving from City Hall around noon. Exact instructions will be emailed to all members shortly. Please invite others to join us in our walk. We hope to continue to increase the participation. Last year we were able to garner a great deal of media attention for both the cause and our Club.

The Forward Committee has also been meeting. Our commitment to Neu-Life ends in June of 2017. The Forward Committee will be making recommendations to the Club as to where we can focus our service projects going forward.

Finally, you should have received your call to conference for the fall conference to be held in Oak Brook, Illinois, the weekend of October 7. Please consider attending if you are available. It is a great opportunity to meet other Zontians from our District and learn more about our mission. If you need more information, please feel free to contact me. You can sign up on-line on the District 6 website: www.zontadistrict6.org.

I hope to see everyone at the walk on September 26 and then at our first dinner meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 28.

– *Helen Ludwig*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

September 15
Kim Brinsko

September 26
Barbara Wyatt Sibley

Meeting Minutes *for June 22, 2016*



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Helen Ludwig, President, called the meeting to order. Two guests were in attendance.

Finance Committee: \$14,700 in the checking account. \$4,000 will be paid out for the Zonta International convention delegates. New signers have been added for the checking account as per the board approval. The CD is now at Waterstone Bank with a 2.5% interest rate.

Advocacy Committee: The second annual Silent Walk will be held September 26, 2016. Pam Knackert will confirm that the victims' names will be released the day before. Christine Todd will confirm that the speakers from 2015 will again attend and speak this year. A suggestion was made to invite Judge White.

Fashion Show Committee: Date is April 1, 2017. Note that the date initially shared in the June newsletter is incorrect; Karen Smith to send out a correction email to the club. Maria Bellmann reported that the Marriott contract has been signed for 2017.

Forward Committee: We have committed to Neu-Life through spring 2017. Volunteers have been secured for this committee.

Membership Committee: Angela Doyel was installed and we also have prospective members. Veronica Rogers will be moving to Texas at the end of July. Pam Knackert would like a co-chair for this committee. She will be updating the spreadsheet with all who have paid their dues. If you have not done so, please get your dues in.

Program Committee: Lori Peterson was absent. We are in need of additional volunteers for this committee. If you have speaker suggestions, please provide them to Lori. Many thanks to La Toya Sykes for facilitating the June meeting.

Public Relations Committee: Joni Reese will create a LinkedIn page for the Zonta Club of Milwaukee. She is always looking for pictures for Facebook and other uses. Please send her any you may have. All members are requested to update their information on the Members Only section of the Zonta Club of Milwaukee website so we can use this as our club roster.

Scholarship Committee: Missy Creevy reported that the committee met last night. In addition to the \$1,000 JMK Women in Business Scholarship, the Club will be using discretionary funds in order to offer a second award of \$500. The recipient of the Women in STEM Scholarship has also been selected. All submissions were stellar. The committee will do more planning to button up the planning schedule. Ananya Murali, our 2015 Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarship recipient, has been accepted into her school of choice in New York for a 7-year medical school program.

Service Committee: Donna Neal reported that Neu-Life received an award on June 8 from Impact 100 of \$100,000. Neu-Life will be using these funds to turn their kitchen into a commercial kitchen, focusing on the Farm to Fork events, and on a "new" used van.

Meeting Minutes *for June 22, 2016 (cont.)*



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A committee is being put together to focus on ARTREACH. There have been many requests for the program and display of the art; having a working committee will allow for long-term planning and expansion of the program. The ARTREACH program will be delivered at the Milwaukee High School for the Arts this summer, and we are looking for someone with a specific arts background to come in and lead the program.

A request was made for Career Day volunteers (contact Donna Neal) as well as for backpacks and school supplies. Monetary donations are welcome. A list of the needed supplies was in the June newsletter. Backpacks will be put together at Neu-Life on August 10.

United Nations Representative: Marge Holzbog emphasized that we make an international impact with the donations from our Club. She is looking for English authors from countries that we have helped so that we can all learn more about these countries.

Z Club: We are still looking to create a Z Club in a high school. We are presently looking at Milwaukee High School of the Arts and plan to focus on leadership, women in business, and service to the community and school.

Additional Business: Let Helen Ludwig know if you would like to attend the leadership training on July 30, hosted by Pam Duane in Madison.

Next meeting is September 28.

Submitted by Karen Smith, Secretary

September 2016

Club Calendar

District Conference

Oct 7-9

Oak Brook, IL

Club Meetings

Sept 28

Oct 26

Nov 16

Dec 21*

Jan 25

Feb 22

Mar 22

April 26

May 24

June 28*

Board Meetings

Oct 11

Nov 8

Dec 13

Jan 10

Feb 14

Mar 14

April 11

May 9

June 13

Save the Date

2017 Fashion Show

Saturday, April 1, 2017

**May be subject to change*



2nd Annual Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women Walk

Monday, September 26

11:55 am to 1:00 pm

Milwaukee City Hall

On Monday, September 26, 2016, the Zonta Club of Milwaukee in partnership with End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin will sponsor the 2nd Annual Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women Walk. The event is intended to draw the attention of people in the Milwaukee and Waukesha County area to the ever present and growing issue of domestic violence.

The Zonta Says NO Walk will be a silent walk around the Milwaukee downtown area, beginning and ending at Milwaukee City Hall, for the purpose of remembering those in Wisconsin who died this past year as a result of domestic violence. The walk will begin at 11:55 am and is anticipated to take about 30 minutes.

Following the walk, several community leaders will briefly comment on the issue of domestic violence, after which we will read aloud the names of all who fell victim in 2015. Speakers include Mayor Tom Barrett; District Attorney John Chisholm; Alderwoman Milele Coggs, District 6, Milwaukee Common Council and Member of the Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; Captain Aimee Obregon, Commander of the Sensitive Crimes Division, Milwaukee Police Department; Alderman Ashanti Hamilton, District 1, President, Milwaukee Common Council; Martha Love, Community Advocate for Domestic Violence; and Carmen Pitre, Executive Director, Sojourner Family Peace Center. The event will conclude at 1:00 pm.

This year, there has been a dramatic increase in intimate partner violence in the city of Milwaukee and state of Wisconsin. Through this event, we hope to spotlight this surge and inspire community action. Last September, the first Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women Walk attracted more than 50 participants.

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TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

How You Can Support Our Event

Recruit marchers from among your friends, colleagues and other like-minded organizations.

To help with our planning, please notify Donna Neal or Pam Knackert of expected attendance.



What we've done ...

Neu-Life Back-to-School Celebration

Backpack Drive

In August, we provided fully stocked backpacks for 105 Neu-Life youth K3 to High School, our 5th annual Back-to-School Celebration drive. We also provided some extra supplies that Neu-Life will use throughout the school year, as either new youth join the program or students run out and need refills.

We had great participation from Zonta members – thank you! Seven members shopped for and donated items, and seven other members donated cash. Cheryl Nowak once again persuaded Target to donate some supplies, and Amrei sourced some backpacks as in-kind donations. Diane, Joni, Joann, Mary S, Ellen, Donna C, and Donna N (and Janet K in spirit – traffic and a locked door kept her from joining us until we were finished – so, so sorry again, Janet!) stuffed the backpacks on Wednesday, August 10 at Neu-Life. The stuffing took only an hour with so many helping hands. The backpacks were distributed to the youth after the Career Day events the next day.

Special thanks to Pam K who shopped for backpacks throughout the year, found spectacular deals, and got us off to a great head start.

The Foundation contributed \$975 toward the purchase of items, but with all the donations of cash and supplies we received, we still have close to \$1000 in the Service Fund for the year! Great news! Thank you, Zontians!



Career Fair

As part of the Back-to-School Celebration, Neu-Life conducted its 3rd annual Career Day on Thursday, August 11. There were seven consecutive 15-minute sessions that the youth attended in groups of 10-15 organized by age. Joann C led a session on non-profit entrepreneurship, Lynn O shared experiences as a jeweler and metal-smith, and Montez brought a group of professionals from the US Forest Service to talk about the wide range of career opportunities there. The US Forest Service group will be back for a more extended session with high school youth in the fall, when they will also share opportunities with the USFS connected with scholarships at historically black colleges.



What's coming next ...

Neu-Life Art Room Mural

At long last, the renovations at Neu-Life are soon to be completed, including the new Art Room -- funded by the Zonta Club of Milwaukee Foundation's special \$10,000 grant to their capital project.

The Art Room needs a mural on the wall – and we have a plan for that. First, interested Zontians can meet with the mural artist to brainstorm ideas about mural content, look, and feel. This will happen on a weeknight, perhaps a half hour or so before our September Club meeting, perhaps a separate hour. Then the mural artist will create a design, via computer software, that can be projected onto the designated wall so that painters can do the actual painting. A more modern version of paint-by-number. The painting will be a hands-on opportunity for Club members to work with Neu-Life youth, likely on an October Saturday.

We are still working on the logistics. Stay tuned.

Holiday Gift Drive

We will have youth profiles for Holiday Gift Giving available at the October meeting. Any volunteers to lead this year's Holiday Gift drive? If I don't hear from someone, I trust you will enthusiastically accept if asked!

Congratulations are in order...

Congratulations to Neu-Life Community Development for winning a \$100,000 award from Impact 100!

The Farmfork Youth Cooking Program aims to break down barriers to accessing healthy food in some of Milwaukee's most challenged zip codes. The grant will be used to convert the community center's outdated facilities into a commercial kitchen and purchase a van to allow them to serve more youth and broaden the program's scope. Just think about the possibilities!

New! Forward Committee



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Background

In 2010, the Zonta Club of Milwaukee tasked a committee composed of members of the Club and Foundation Boards to identify a long-term service program, defined as 3+ years and consistent with the mission of Zonta International. That task force led a process, involving Club member feedback throughout, that identified the area of focus for service (youth, girls, empowerment and prevention) and ultimately identified our partner, Neu-Life Community Development.

As a result we launched a 3-year partnership and engaged in a number of projects that built in impact over time and several that we did not expect, including the launch of the ARTREACH human sex trafficking awareness program. We renewed for an additional 2 years after we decided to support their capital campaign and the renovation/upgrade of their facilities at the main site.

We are coming to the end of the partnership extension, we have expanded our membership, and we again need to determine our long-term service focus. It may remain the same, it may change, it may expand, it may focus more sharply. It's up to you, Club members. As a result, the Forward Committee has been created to revisit our long-term focus and partnership plan with input from the Club every step of the way.

Purpose: Investigate, report, and recommend to the Club long-term (defined as at least 3 years) service opportunities to commence fall of 2017.

(As defined by the committee in its first meeting)

Progress

The committee convened for the first time in August. It reviewed objectives and developed a general action plan for the early phases. We committed to gathering feedback from Club members throughout the process.

In its next meeting on September 20, the committee will revisit objectives and prepare a preliminary list of possible service focus areas to facilitate a brainstorming session with Club members. The committee's recommended objectives for the Club and for any long-term partnership will be shared with Club members at the September meeting. We will ask for feedback on those objectives and modify accordingly. We also plan to have a brainstorming session with Club members about service focus area(s) at our September meeting.

The working list of objectives, sourced from the last time we did this process, and modified after our first committee meeting are virtually the same as in 2010. We present them here for your thoughtful review in advance of the September meeting.

Committee Members

(In alphabetical order; a chair has not yet been selected)

- Montez Ashley
- Jackie Beaudry
- Ellen Burgermeister
- Donna Conant
- Barb Fitzgerald
- Donna Neal

If you are interested in joining the committee, please get in touch with any of the committee members listed here. We are still looking for members.

Forward Committee



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Club Objective

Identify a long-term project that will:

- Support Zonta International goals and objects
- Create an identifiable and meaningful footprint in our community
- Attract and retain committed membership
- Build awareness, visibility, and identity of Zonta in Milwaukee

Criteria for Selecting an Issue Area

- Zonta International focus
 - Is this an area that ZI is actively engaged in?
 - We are interested in aligning with ZI, as our international reach is our point of difference in the local community.
- Local Impact
 - How many lives will be touched or served?
 - How serious an issue is it?
 - Can we measure results/outcomes?
- Public interest/attention
 - Is this an issue in the public eye, or one that should be?
 - Is this an activity that could yield publicity?
- Club Member Interest/Participation
 - Are there multiple ways to participate: money, hands-on service, and advocacy?
 - Are club members passionate enough about the issue to participate and keep participating over time?
- Zonta Club of Milwaukee distinction
 - Is this an issue/activity that will distinguish us in the community, versus an issue that is already crowded with players or dominated by one or two?
 - Is it specific enough to help us stand out?
- Large enough to help us build visibility
- A specific program within the agency/organization that could be owned by Zonta Club of Milwaukee/Foundation
- Enthusiasm/willingness to work with us
- Multiple opportunities for involvement: fund-raising, advocacy, hands-on service (potential 2nd fundraiser)
- Opportunity to leverage Zonta International/global reach/footprint
- Their partner profile (who their partners are, how large, how many)
- Program/project sustainable beyond our involvement with them (added since last time)

Forward Committee



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What Else to Expect

The committee will also be developing a survey to assess Club members' satisfaction with, criticisms of, and suggestions about many aspects of our current partnership with Neu-Life as input to the selection of a service focus area and partner. Talk with any committee member about feedback that might be valuable. Expect this survey sometime in the fall. There is still plenty of time for input if you have suggestions.

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Committee Mission: Provide news and highlights about Zontians worldwide and updates on international service projects

Zonta International has had an international service project in Liberia since 2008. The goal of the project has been to fund treatment of uncomplicated obstetric fistulas and the reduction of maternal and newborn mortality and morbidity. It has been reported that we have secured a 90 percent success rate due to properly trained surgeons, well-equipped facilities and the necessary aftercare. Through 2016, Zonta International has funded \$2.55 million; more than 1,000 women and adolescent girls having received treatment with more than 200 survivors completing the rehabilitation program. This biennium Zonta will fund an additional \$1 million.

Liberia is a country on the West African coast. Its name means “Land of the Free” in Latin. It has a population of about 4.5 million people and its official language is English, although there are about 20 indigenous languages spoken. In recent years, there has been much civil unrest.

Zonta’s projects in Liberia are important and significant. Through the country’s literature, we may gain a better understanding of its people and culture.

Liberia has a rich literary tradition with Edward Blyden, Bai T. Moore, Roland T. Dempster, and Wilton G. S. Sankawulo among Liberia’s most prominent authors. Moore’s novella “Murder in the Cassava Patch” is considered Liberia’s most celebrated novel.

Here are two books available from current authors:

Allah Is Not Obligated, by Ahmadou Korouma (2006) – These are the words of the boy soldier Birahima. Fighting in a chaotic civil war alongside many other boys, Birahima sees death, torture, dismemberment and madness but somehow manages to maintain his own sanity. Raw and unforgettable, despairing yet filled with laughter, the story reveals the ways in which children’s innocence and youth are compromised by war.

Montserrado Stories, by Ophelia S. Lewis (2012) – Human history discloses the anger and despair that too often mar the lives of people. This is a collection of short stories that beautifully illustrates real life challenges with a great story line and a sweet voice. It provides a view into Liberian society one cannot get from headlines. It has been written with a perfect cultural rhythm that will bring readers to Liberia.

Happy reading,

– Marge Holzbog



Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship

\$1,000 Recipient

KELLEY HICKMAN

Kelley Hickman is an entrepreneur and a student at Alverno College. She was a school bus driver for 11 years and now owns her own company, Beautiful Endeavors Transportation LLC. In 2011, she enrolled in Alverno College, where is majoring in Business Management. She launched her business in 2013, and applies her classroom learning to her business, and vice versa. She also exhibits leadership among students, sharing her knowledge and her enthusiasm for growth. Last year, Kelley spoke at the YWCA on empowering women. After earning her bachelor's degree, Kelley plans to obtain a master's of business.

A single mother who began college at the age of 37 and is now running her own business, Kelley is pursuing her degree one class at a time, paying out of pocket. Kelley calls returning to school "the best decision of my life." "I am no longer a woman without dreams; I am filled with a world of possibilities, and have a plan of one day motivating others," she writes. "Beautiful Endeavors is the first business I birthed, and will be the business that helps labor another. I plan on operating a center called KELLEYCARES, and helping others fulfill their dreams."

We hope to honor this incredibly motivated businesswoman in person at our September club meeting.

\$500 Recipient

AUTUMN HACKBARTH

Autumn Hackbarth is a Business Management & Leadership major at Wisconsin Lutheran College, expecting to graduate this December. She holds an associate's degree in Landscape Horticulture from Milwaukee Area Technical College and works at M|Group Holdings, Inc. / M|RED Management, Inc. in facility and property management.

Autumn is recognized by her employer for creating procedures and efficiencies. As Operations Manager, she is responsible for day-to-day management of more than 3 million square feet of commercial real estate, including coordination of repairs, maintenance, capital improvements and tenant relations.

Scholarship Committee



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Autumn is pursuing her degree to further improve the efficiency of the company's commercial property management department and to be a leader, not just a manager, to employees. "My goal is to serve my employees so they can better serve our clients," she writes.

"One of the most important things that I have learned thus far in the program is to work with my strengths and to surround myself with people that can fill in where I am weak....Our team could then be strong together and play off of each other's strengths."

Autumn volunteers through her company's charitable arm, M|BRACE, and serves on the M|BRACE committee. She has regularly read at Hayes Bilingual Elementary School, served breakfast at St. Benedict the Moor Community Meal program, gardened and picked produce for Victory Gardens, and participated in Stuff the Bus. She also volunteers as a Southeast Wisconsin Master Gardener. In addition to work, school and volunteering, Autumn balances family life and being a mother.

We hope to honor this impressive woman in business at the September club meeting.





Women in STEM Scholarship Recipient (\$1,000)

CARLA ECHEVESTE

Carla Echeveste, a graduate of Alverno College with majors in accounting, mathematics and Spanish, is currently pursuing post-baccalaureate pre-medical studies at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Carla wants to “make her mark on the world by empowering minority women in the Hispanic community.” Visits to her parents’ “poverty-stricken roots of León, Guanajuato [Mexico] quickly became the catalyst in sparking my desire for an education as a bridge to help my Hispanic community.” Her career goal is to become a doctor.

As Student Vice President of UWM’s American Medical Student Association, Carla helps coordinate medical school visits, panels and physician speakers. And as a member of the Rural and Urban Scholars program in Community Health at UWM, she mentors and works with many individuals who are homeless and without health insurance. She is also a participant and Library Staff member of WiscAMP, whose mission is to enhance learning opportunities for minority students majoring in STEM disciplines. Carla keeps fellow students informed about campus and program resources and opportunities and last year led a group of students to the WiscAMP Student Leadership Conference in Madison. She is the lead pre-med coordinator for Global Medical Brigades, organizing a trip to Honduras for 2017; a student member of the Hispanic Professionals of Greater Milwaukee; and a member of Abriendo Puertas and Alverno Young Alums. In her free time, she performs salsa routines with Alma Milwaukee, a Latina dance organization.

Beyond her goal of becoming physician, Carla aims to “emphasize the sciences in predominantly low-income schools for girls and create traveling classroom workshops that align with science curriculums and thereby positively influence our youth’s minds.” She envisions “partnering with Zonta Club of Milwaukee and key community organizations to make this possible.”

She describes the Zonta Club of Milwaukee Women in STEM Scholarship as “a long-term reciprocal investment which will allow me to focus on my studies and address gaps in knowledge with my personal goal to return and help heal my Milwaukee community, equipped with an advanced degree. It is with these intentions that I aspire to embody the definition of our Hispanic culture – first by becoming a physician and second by empowering young girls into the sciences through advocacy, service-learning and education.”

We will have a chance to honor Carla and hear more about her goals at our September club meeting.

PR Update



LinkedIn

A LinkedIn page has been created for the Zonta Club of Milwaukee. Although we are not actively posting very much from this primarily business-related social media site, please “Follow” the page if you are a LinkedIn user. On your own LinkedIn profiles, you can also select the “**Zonta Club of Milwaukee**” for your volunteer profile updates, and it should then display the logo in your profile.

Website

Approximately half of the Club members have added their contact information on the Members Only section of the Zonta Club of Milwaukee website (www.zontamilwaukee.org). The password was sent in a previous email; please let me know if you need it.

If you haven’t added your contact information on the website, please complete by selecting the "Member Database Sign-up" link. If you need to edit your information, you can select the “Edit your Member Directory Profile” and it will send you a link directly to your email address that you entered in your profile.

All members can access a read-only mode of the Member Directory (first link on the page). More details on each member can be found by clicking on their last name.

– Joni Reese



Meet Our Members



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AMREI DEBATIN

Amrei Debatin was born in Duisburg, Germany, is married and has four sons (ages 13, 14, 16 and 18). She is a lawyer and has practiced law since 1992. Her specialty is corporate and trade law.

Prior to becoming a parent, Amrei was the head of the tax and law department of the German-Swiss Chamber of Commerce in Zurich. This was a preferred position, because it provided the opportunity to have direct contact with entrepreneurs of small and middle size companies in need of assistance setting up business in Germany and/or Switzerland.

In 2003, Amrei moved to Hamburg, a city in the north of Germany. She became politically involved, worked for the FDP (political party), and volunteered for an organization for families who adopted foster children. Additionally, Amrei worked on the board of “Leben mit Behinderung”, an institution for persons with both mental and physical handicaps.

Amrei was introduced to Zonta in Hamburg, by Birgit Schnieber-Jastram, Minister for Social and Family Affairs for the federal state of Hamburg and later a member of the European Parliament. In 2010, Amrei joined Zonta because of its advocacy and unity. Jackie Beaudry introduced her to the Zonta Club of Milwaukee



Membership Corner

Please invite any prospective members to the September 28 meeting – especially any that have not been able to attend a meeting, but had some interest in the spring. It will be a great opportunity for them to meet other members as we begin our new meeting year.

The membership committee will be meeting soon to review responsibilities and make plans for the coming year.

Archives: if anyone has hard copy or electronic of club board meeting minutes for the early 2000's or any other they want to pass on to me I will add to the archives where we are missing.

– Pam Knackert

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