

Zonta Club of Milwaukee

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BULLETIN

International District 6 – Area 2
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Wednesday, January 27, 2010

*Speaker: Jon Pribyl, faculty member of Milwaukee Area
Technical College (MATC), Aviation Technician Program*

*Becky Alsup, Associate Dean for Transportation Program,
MATC*

*Topic: “Technical Frontier of Avionic: What’s New
and Industry Outlook”*

**Italian Community Center (I.C.C.), 631 E. Chicago
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202**

5:30 PM - Social

6:00 PM – Dinner

7:00 PM – Program

Cost: \$27 per person, includes tax and tip

Menu: Chicken Ballotine or Vegetarian, dinner salad, bread and dessert

RESERVATIONS: *Please call Helen Ludwig or e-mail her with your reservation by 5:00pm on Sunday, January 24, 2010.
Once reservations have been made, you will be billed for each reservation.*

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The Zonta Club of Milwaukee is club #39, located in District 6 (Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana). The Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, September through June, for networking, dinner, program and business meeting.

*President: Cheryl Lucas DeBerry
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Claudyne Whitaker
Willette Bowie
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Newsletter deadline for articles is the 10th day of each month.

*For more information on Zonta, visit
www.zontadistrict6.org*

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Presidents Message.....

Dear Sister Zontians:

As we usher in the new year, we celebrate and recognize the wonderful accomplishments of Amelia Earhart in the month of January. I found this story and thought that you would find it interesting as well.

Amelia Earhart remembered for her strength

A look at facts, her flight, and of course all of the fame
Angela Holton
Issue date: 11/11/09 Section: Life

Amelia Earhart was a strong, successful woman and really a pioneer for women. She never allowed anyone to tell her she could not accomplish what she had put her mind to.

As most everyone knows Amelia is known for her dedication to flying and her final flight. The last flight she ever took was attempting to fly around the world. She knew that no one had ever successfully done it, but she just figured she'd be the first.

She disappeared during her trip never to be heard from again, but that single attempt made her a role model for young girls for years to come.

In 1932, she was the first woman to ever fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. In addition, she was the first female to ever receive the Air Force Distinguished Flying Cross. Only a few women preceding her have been able to receive the same honor.

Amelia was in the news for more than her flight though. She appeared in fashion spreads, was pals with Eleanor Roosevelt, even hawked her own line of clothing and (unlike today's celebs with fashion labels) actually made it with her own sewing machine.

Take a moment to stop and think about what this powerful woman accomplished. She made it three-quarters of the way around the world by herself. She set the stage for women, not only in the aviation fields, but any field to fulfill their dreams. She made women realize that if they are determined and confident they do not have to listen to all the no's, but only to their own personal determination to say yes.

Woman can be their own pilots now, we don't have to be the co-pilot anymore. Let's chart our flight plan to make the Zonta Club of Milwaukee be the best it can be. One way to do this is to support our annual Fashion show fundraiser. We can and should have 100% participation from every member. You can sell tickets, fill up a table, donate raffle or silent auction items, purchase tickets and donate to support those who may not be able to afford to attend or volunteer for day of activities or all of the above. Your gifts go a long way in supporting our local service agencies as well as our international service projects.

Cheryl

A Website is Born!

By Audrey Schmitz

If you missed the annual Christmas Party, then you missed the launch of our new website! Yes, the Zonta Club of Milwaukee has a website!

The website is a work in progress, and we will be updating it each month. Therefore, if you are a member of a committee, you need to know that the deadline to submit information to us for changes or updates on the site is the 10th of each month. Please submit information in an organized manner to me.

We, the website committee, would also like to hear about your impressions of the site... how did we do? As we tried very hard to think of everything, we need your eyes to help us evaluate the outcome. So log on and check it out.

There is a "Members Only" tab which currently contains only the club roster. You need to know that at this time you will need Google Chrome to access it. The page does not work in Internet Explorer. The password protected material is too large for that browser. However, the page works fine when you open it with the new Google browser, Google Chrome.

Here's what we propose. Google Chrome is a better browser than Internet Explorer, its faster too. It's also free. It can easily be downloaded at <http://www.google.com/chrome>. If you download google chrome, you should all be able to get into the "Members Only" section.

We may be able to fix this problem in the future, but this is how it works for now.

Congratulations ZC Milwaukee - we are on the web!
www.zontamilwaukee.org

Home Hosting Opportunity

By Christine Todd

We are excited as plans are developing for a visit from Sister Zontians prior to the 2010 Gals Tour, enroute to Zonta's International Convention in San Antonio, TX in June 2010. Their flights are into Chicago. We are looking for those who will come early and visit here in Milwaukee, June 16-18, 2010. At the present time, we have 11 from Germany, 1 Swiss and 2 from Australia signed up, and expect a total of 25 flying into Chicago.

If you are interested in home hosting those guests who choose to visit Milwaukee, June 16-18, 2010, please e-mail me or Sandy Miller and we will work out the logistics once all of the information has been forwarded from potential guests. There are pre-requisites for Home Hosting and those will be shared with you when you respond.

This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other Zontians. Some of our club members have had experience in accommodating our Sisters from our Heidelberg Club, and enjoyed it very much. We will try to match you up with those with like interests, etc. You can be a wonderful ambassador and give a visiting Zontian a warm Milwaukee welcome. Please give it some thought if you have the room to accommodate one or two visitors in your home. The experience lasts forever and you have a friend for life.

Wisconsin CEDAW Ratification Efforts

December 10th commemorated the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and organizations including the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, came together to provide Madisonians with a panel discussion that featured local experts and activists. ACLU of Wisconsin's Executive Director Chris Ahmuty discussed the ACLU's involvement in and commitment to human rights. ACLU of Wisconsin's CEDAW video project collected video-taped statements from the attendees in support of passing CEDAW. The ACLU plans to get many statements edited together to send to our elected officials so they can comprehend how important this issue is to both men and women.

Holiday Celebration
with the
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Zonta Club of Milwaukee



Thailand Project Update

By Elizabeth Martin

Our two young women from Thailand, Fongtip and Aor, are doing well this semester. They are now living off campus and taking some intro-level university classes along with their ESL classes. They will be joining our Stevens Point Zonta Club this week for our holiday get-together.

Meantime, fundraising continues to raise money for the years needed to complete their UWSP degrees. A generous donor from New York has pledged \$25,000, in the form of matching all donations raised before the end of Dec. 2009.

Can you make a personal donation? Donate online at: <http://www.uwsp.edu/special/thailandproject/DONATE.html> or mail a check to:

UWSP Foundation (specify Thailand Project)
2100 Main Street
212 Old Main
Stevens Point, WI 54481

On the same UWSP page (<http://www.uwsp.edu/special/thailandproject/DONATE.html>), there is a very good 2 page summary, with photos, of the progress of the project so far.

Thanks again for all your support over the past few years. Fongtip and Aor know and appreciate how much Zonta women care and do.

Donors have guaranteed the \$25,000 for student scholarships, PLUS additional funds to cover expansion plans for next year!

Equal Rights Commission Re-Established in City of Milwaukee

Duties of the Commission will include:

- Monitoring whether city agencies are providing equal opportunities in jobs, contracts and programs.
- Dealing with discrimination complaints that state or federal agencies don't handle. A city ordinance prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender identity, discrimination against veterans and discrimination against anyone who is associated with veterans or with people of different gender identities.
- Advocating for greater social and economic equity throughout the community.

The new commission structure was praised by Alex Runner, an aide to Common Council President Willie Hines; Rose Daitsman, Co-Coordinator of the Greater Milwaukee Human Rights Coalition; and Dana Schultz, an organizer with 9to5, the National Association of Working Women.

Members Update

By Claudyne Whitaker

HAPPY 2010!! Zontians may you experience a healthy, safe and prosperous year.

THANKS to Lynne Oehlke (and spouse) for hosting the Zonta Holiday Celebration on December 16, 2009. It was wonderful to be able to relax, socialize, wine and dine in such beautiful surroundings . A fabulous time was had by all and we appreciated this second annual celebration at the Oehlke"s. A "big" thank you to all of you for your donations of non-perishable food items for Feeding America (formerly the Hunger Task Force of Milwaukee); and, a HUGE thank you to Lauren for collecting and delivering our contributions. I am sure many families appreciated our donations and that we are blessed to be able to GIVE and SHARE! Let's continue "our giving" all year long!

Let us keep Karen Coy-Romano in our prayers for the extensive surgery she recently had on her right arm. Our calls and cards will expedite the healing process!

March 20, 2010: ZING into Spring Fashion Show Fundraiser. (1) Sell at least five (5) tickets (2) Invite the WHOLE world (3) volunteer now to help/assist in some way with the show (4) Donate raffle items (5) THINK SPRING!!!

Spring Workshop April 10, 2010 in Madison, Wisconsin. Let's carpool and make a great showing for the Milwaukee Club as we learn more about Zonta and what other clubs are doing.

June 25-30, 2010: Zonta International Convention in San Antonio, Texas. Enjoy the Gals Tour beginning on Friday, June 18, 2010. See the December Newsletter for further information and feel free to contact Audrey Schmitz or Sandra Miller for additional specifics. This will be a great way to start your SUMMER!!!!!!!

Happy Birthday to all born in the month of January!

Be blessed and STAY warm as you know JANUARY is the coldest month of the year

Zonta Club of Milwaukee Fashion Show Update

By Pam Knackert and Jackie Beaudry

Please bring any item/basket/certificate donations you have for the Fashion Show to the January meeting. Also we still need soft, flowing fabric and boxes (shoe boxes are good) for display purposes.

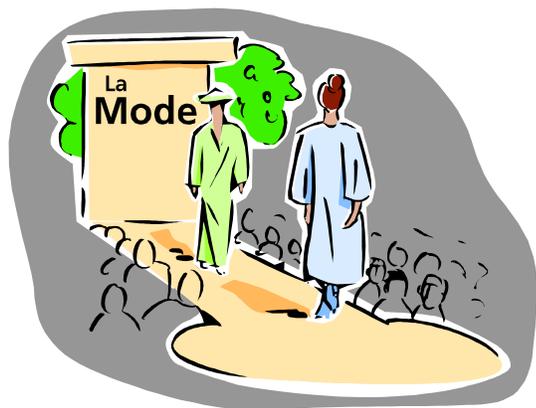
Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 20, 2010 for Zonta's "Zing into Spring" Fashion Show Fundraiser. Don't forget we need everyone to participate to make it a success. Individual invitations to past non-member attendees that we had addresses for have been mailed recently and member's invitations will be available at the club meeting unless you have been at a recent committee meeting and received them.

Here are the ways each member should be involved:

- Sell at least 5 tickets @ \$50 each (ask friends, relatives, co-workers) or purchase them as gifts for some of your favorite people.
- Donate a basket or other items for the raffle and silent auction.
- Ask some of the businesses you frequent if they would donate an item or gift certificate.
- Sign up to help on one of the committees– we still need help with day of activities.

The funds we raise from the fashion show will be distributed to Zonta's International Foundation service projects as well as our Foundation's local service projects.

Next Fashion Show committee meeting will be Wed. February 10.



Aviation Careers...A Growing Opportunity for Women

By Karen Coy Romano

A recent White House report has indicated that not only are women welcomed as pilots, there are other opportunities in Aviation as one of the fastest growing, well-paying careers in the current economy.

In honor of Amelia Earhart month, the Zonta Milwaukee Chapter will be welcoming Jon Pribyl, faculty member for Milwaukee Area Technical College Aviation Technician program; and, Becky Alsup, associate dean for Transportation Programs. They will share their perspectives on the expanding technical frontier of Avionics; current job opportunities and the industry outlook. As new airlines join the Milwaukee market such as Republic, Southwest, Air Tran and Sky West, a significant percentage are in the technical and maintenance areas. Republic Airline alone has announced 800 local jobs with 67% in the technical area. With Zonta's Amelia Earhart scholarship, this is a special opportunity to learn how to attract and support young women in this field.

We hope you and a guest will join us for this special presentation!

2009 Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship Recipients

District 6 – Kelsey Palmer (USA)

Kelsey was inspired to pursue a degree in business from a project she completed for her Girl Scout Gold Award in high school. The project, titled "The Apprentice," gave high school students their own non-profit to run for a day in a simulation game to teach the students about the business behind non-profits. From this experience, Kelsey decided to pursue a degree in business at Marquette University and hopes she can one day give back to the non-profits that inspired her by using her passion and business experience to benefit her community. Active in academic and volunteer activities both on and off campus, Kelsey is a member of the Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honor Society, Sigma Delta Pi Spanish Honor Society and a student member of the Wisconsin Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Kelsey will receive a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Finance and a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish from Marquette University in May 2010. After completion of her undergraduate degrees, she would like to continue her studies in a graduate program and become a certified public accountant and eventually a professor.

Congress Passes Strong Anti Trafficking Law

Late Wednesday night, December 10th, the Senate passed by unanimous consent the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Act that was passed earlier in the day by the House. The Act, H.R. 7311, authorizes appropriations for fiscal years 2008 through 2011 and enhances measures to combat trafficking in persons. The Act includes provisions making it easier for victims to remain in the U.S, provides \$7.5 million for victim assistance and an increased focus on combating trafficking in children. "In addition to providing assistance to trafficking victims, this Act further puts the weight of the federal government behind efforts to combat trafficking for labor, sexual exploitation and child labor" said Eleanor Smeal, President of the Feminist Majority Foundation.

Strong penalties, from fines up to life imprisonment, are included in the Act for traffickers and for those who benefit financially from trafficking activities carried out by others. Additional measures aimed at preventing and deterring trafficking include technical assistance to foreign governments and working with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the International Organization for Migration to provide "increased protections for refugees...including outreach and education efforts" to combat exploitation of refugees by traffickers.

Women in Trades---Looking for HELP

By Sandra Miller

Zonta Club of Milwaukee continues to support this group whose mission is to support women in the trades in the Milwaukee area. In a recent meeting, Sandra Miller presented an overview of using the internet. Now the team is looking for someone to share tips of preparing online job applications. If you are willing to lead this session, or know of someone willing to share their expertise please contact Sandra Miller.

You can follow the activities of this group by going to their website www.womenintradeswi.org.

YWPA Scholarship Applications Available Now

By Sandra Miller

The Scholarship team is seeking your help in identifying young leaders to apply for the Young Women In Public Affairs Scholarship. The goal is to encourage more young people to participate in public and political life by recognizing a young people's commitment to the volunteer sector. Please refer your applicants to our website www.zontamilwaukee.org where they can download the 2010 YWPA Scholarship Application and Letter. Applications due 3/22/2010.

Upcoming Events ...

Club meetings will continue to be held at the Italian Community Center (ICC) on the fourth Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted.

March

6 – Zonta Zing – Madison: Support our Madison Sisters in their fund raising event. Saturday March 6th 7-9:30pm Westside Club Madison (just south of Mineral Point Rd, just west of the beltline). Harmouious Wails, a light jazz group for entertainment, substantial appetizers, silent auction/raffle (no credit cards), and interested individuals can contact Tammy Hagen at to confirm tickets ~~and further details.~~

8 – International Women's Day & Zonta Rose Day.

20 – Zonta Club of Milwaukee "Zing into Spring" Fashion Show Fundraiser

April

10 – Spring Workshop – Madison, WI

June

25 – 30 – Zonta International Convention in San Antonio, TX

For the latest Club News check out this new website: www.zontamilwaukee.org



JANUARY
– Lauren Ward

GALS Tour 2010 **(Great Adventures for Ladies** **Southbound)**

By Sandra Miller

Headin' South for the 2010 convention? ZC Milwaukee is roundin' up Zontians for a Bus Tour that will get you there in style. Loadin' up in Chicago and unloadin' in San Antonio. Check out the fun stops between! See details below... limited reservations available, so don't lolligag! Y'all holler back at us real soon, Gals! (cowboys welcomed).

Join us **Friday, June 18, 2010** for a welcome reception in fabulous downtown Chicago. Board a Deluxe Motor Coach (highfalutin) and head South on Saturday, June 19. The rest of the tour as follows...

June 19 (Sat)1

Depart from downtown Chicago hotel pick up point, (10:00am). We board our deluxe motor coach. Traveling to Springfield, IL with a stop for **lunch (incl)**. Arriving in Springfield we start our Lincoln sightseeing experience. Arriving in Springfield we start our Lincoln sightseeing experience. Visit- **Lincoln Home National Historic Site**(3:00pm). This is the only home Lincoln ever owned; it was built in 1839 and purchased by him in 1844. Time permitting we will visit **Lincoln's Tomb**, (4:30-5:30pm) at Oak Ridge Cemetery. An Impressive monument containing Lincoln's tomb and the crypts in which Mrs. Lincoln and three of their four children are buried. Check into the **Drury Inn & Suites, Springfield, IL** (*Complimentary cocktails 5-7pm*)

June 20 (Sun)2

Breakfast (Incl.)@ Inn, Leave hotel (8:30 am). Our first stop in Springfield is **The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum**(9:00 -11:00am) where we visit the museum. Life-size dioramas depict Lincoln's boyhood home, areas of the White House, the presidential box at Ford's Theater, and the settings of key events in Lincoln's life, as well as pictures, artifacts and other memorabilia. Leaving Springfield we travel to St. Louis making a lunch stop, (on own) along the way. Arriving in St. Louis we will be visiting the **St. Louis Cathedral** (2:00pm) and the world famous **Missouri Botanical Gardens** (3:00-5:00pm). Later we check into our hotel, **Drury Plaza Hotel at the Arch** in St. Louis, MO (5:30pm),

(*Complimentary cocktail reception, (5-7pm)*). **Dinner (incl)** tonight at **The Old Spaghetti Factory** located in the historic warehouse district, Laclede's landing.

June 21 (Mon)3

Breakfast (Incl.)@ Inn, Leave Inn (8:30 am) This morning visit we visit **The Gateway Arch** (9:00 -11:00am) and ride a tram to the top. The Arch commemorates what was the gateway to the West for thousands of the 19th-century pioneers. Time to explore the museum at the base of the Arch. A step-on guide joins our group for a **1-hour tour of St. Louis** highlighting the history, heritage, diversity and architecture of the downtown metropolitan area. Ending our tour at **Union Station** we have lunch at our choice of Landry's Seafood, Hard Rock Café - St. Louis or one of the Mall's food court eatery's. (*Possible good time to meet other ZONTA members for lunch*). Heading south we overnight at the **Drury Inn & Suites, Hayti, MO**. (*Complimentary Cocktails 5-7pm*) Dinner tonight is on our own at a restaurant adjacent to the inn.

June 22 (Tues)4

Breakfast (Incl.)@ Hotel, Leave hotel (7:30 am) This morning we depart Hayti, MO, heading south to Memphis, TN. On arrival we visit the **National Civil Rights Museum** (9:00 -10:15am). The museum located at the Lorraine Motel, the assassination site of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. chronicles key episodes of the American civil rights movement. Visit **-Sun Studios**, (10:45 -11:45am). Here is where Elvis first recorded. Your guide will tell you the inside stories of BB King, Howlin' Wolf, and Ike and Tina Turner before Elvis...and Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, Jerry Lee Lewis, & Roy Orbison who were all drawn to the new Sun Sound. Lunch (on own). Visit **-Graceland Mansion**, (1:30 - 3:30pm) for a tour of Elvis Presley's home. Experience life as Elvis did at historic Graceland. The Mansion tour includes the living room, music room, Elvis' parent's room, dinning room, kitchen TV room, pool room and jungle room. Walk the estate grounds including the meditation garden and grave sights of Elvis and his family. Check into the **Comfort Inn & Suites**. Freshen up before this evening's **dining experience, (Incl.)**. "Put some south in your mouth" Enjoy the *Best meal on Beale* at the **Blues City Café**, (6:30 - 8:00pm). Choose from ribs, chicken tenders or catfish & sides, (*Lamers will need Individual choices with final Rooming List*). Remainder of this evening we are free to enjoy lively historic Beale Street before returning to our hotel for overnight.

June 23 (Wed) 5)

Breakfast (Incl.) @ Inn, Leave hotel (8:00am)
Continuing south we are heading for the "Crescent City", New Orleans, Louisiana. On arrival check into our hotel, **Drury Inn & Suites** located near the French Quarter. Freshen up before our evening **Dinner/Jazz Cruise** aboard the authentic **Steamboat Natchez**, New Orleans only steamboat. Savor the beauty and romance of New Orleans skyline, enjoy casual buffet-style dining with meals prepared fresh on board and featuring live jazz by the world renowned "Dukes of Dixieland". Return to hotel after cruise or check out the French Quarter (on own).

June 24 (Thurs) 6)

Breakfast (Incl.) @ Inn, Depart New Orleans, LA (8:00am)
Our journey today takes us west into the state of Texas. **Luncheon Buffet (Incl.) at the Texas Art Museum** in Beaumont, TX. During our luncheon we have a brief opportunity to view art decorating the walls of the restaurant. We then continue south through central Texas, arriving in San Antonio (Approx. 7:30pm).

Tour Includes:

- One Way transportation to San Antonio via Lamers deluxe motor coach with DVD/VCR/PA & restroom equipped.
- Hotel accommodations as listed for 5 nights; Springfield, St. Louis & Hayti = 2 Queens, Memphis & New Orleans = 2 Double beds.
- 10 meals; (5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, & 2 dinners, 1 dinner/cruise)
- Admissions, attractions & local guide service as listed in **BOLD** on this LT&T itinerary including tips.
- Luggage Handling
- All Taxes

Not included: driver gratuity

***Tour Cost, Per Person:**

Double: \$1,070.00, Triple: \$953.00, Quad: \$889.00, Single: \$1,403.00
(Price based on a minimum of *25 paying tour participants)

****St. Louis Boarding Option (applies once set minimum from Chicago are booked)**

****Double: \$815.00, **Single: \$1048.00**

**** (St. Louis Boarding option package begins with dinner & attractions in St. Louis, then continues.**

It does not contain hotel overnights until Hayti, MO)

There is still time to sign up for the GALS tour, the pre-tour before the Zonta International convention. You can learn more on the website www.zontamilwaukee.org or contact Sandra Miller to register. Remember the following deposit and payment deadlines.:

Deposit & Final Payment deadlines:

12/2/2009 to 3/1/2010: \$125.00 per person deposit. This deposit is refundable, less any non-refundable supplier fees.

4/8/10: Full final payment and Final Rooming List is due.

4/30/10: Cancellation penalty date. No refund will be given to any individual after this date.

**Need more information?
Want to make a reservation? E-mail us...**

Audrey Schmitz

or

Sandra Miller