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Wednesday, November 18th, 2015

Zonta Dinner Meeting

Speaker:

Dana World-Patterson with a topic of Human Trafficking.

Dana has served on the county task force and had established a non-profit organization to address and eradicate human trafficking.

Reminder: Bring a pack of newborn diapers to the meeting for a mini service project.

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

Social: 5:30

Dinner: 6:00

Speaker & Meeting to follow

Meal Choices:

Beef Tenderloin Tips w/Noodle or Eggplant Roulette (Vegetarian Option); Vegetable medley & salad

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

RESERVATIONS: Please email Lori Peterson at lorapeterson@wi.rr.com or leave a message at 262-370-9540. Messages or emails MUST be left by 9 AM on Monday November 16th, 2015.

President's Message...

Greetings Milwaukee Zontians;

We installed a dynamic woman last month at our meeting and we're looking forward to installing another one at our November meeting! We had another inspirational speaker in the person of Dr. Joan Prince. She spoke of her experiences working in Washington's political environment on behalf of state and federal issues. We were mesmerized!! Veronica (from Sierra Leone) reminded Dr. Prince of the assistance she gave her when Veronica was new to Milwaukee and wanted to attend grad school. Dr. Prince remembered her and it was a touching moment... It reinforced our goals as women to simply help and support other women whenever and wherever we can. We've heard from one of our scholarship winners who has asked for our help in an event which will be held at Alverno College in February 2016 called "Dress for Success". More detailed information will be given after the holidays.

The club has been given their "child" from Gwen Jackson's School to support with Christmas gift(s). If you have not received yours please contact Joann C., Janet or Cheryl N. of the service committee. We need to turn in our gift(s) to the committee by December 16th at our Christmas Social. Speaking of that, the club has voted to have our annual **Christmas Social at Northwest Family Center on 12/16/15 @ 6pm**. This year the food will be catered. **The address is 4034 West Good Hope Road.**

The mini project for November is **Newborn diapers for the Stork's Nest-St. Joseph's Hospital**. This agency works with under-aged, new mothers who lack the usual support from their families and other circumstances that prevent a new mother from getting a good start for her and her baby. If you are unable to make the meeting please get your package of diapers to someone who is coming. Each package will be labeled with our club logo and name.

Remember: Our Annual Fashion Luncheon is April 9, 2016. Start developing your guest list now! This is an important fundraiser...the more tickets we sell, the more work we can do in our community!

Next Club Meeting: November 18, 2015 at the Italian Community Center. Happy Birthday to all members who will celebrate their "day" during November!!

- Donna KW



Meeting Minutes

October 29, 2015

President, Donna Kahl-Wilkerson convened the meeting, guests were welcomed.

Barbara Wyatt-Sibley introduced our speaker, Dr. Joan Prince. We were privileged to learn of her many experiences, as she filled the position of the Alternate Representative to the 67 th General Assembly of the United Nations, to which she was appointed by President, Barack Obama. Dr. Prince has held many positions and has worked successfully on many Boards to further the impact of women having a role in making positive changes in the world. The United Nations works on all the world issues, such as of preventing child marriages, hunger, global health, and the environment. Human trafficking, another one of the issues, has particular significance for us, as Milwaukee, Wisconsin is one of the largest problem areas in the United States.

Installation of new member: Donna Kahl-Wilkerson called for the Installation of new member, Sandra Goldmann. Pam Knackert facilitated the ceremony. We are pleased to have Sandy as our new member.

Correspondence: 1. Donna Kahl-Wilkerson wrote to Mahalia Kirk, President of the Alpha Pi Chapter, Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., thanking them for their participation and donation in support of our first annual, silent "Zonta Says NO to Domestic Violence" walk held on September 28, 2015. 2. Neu Life thanked us for our participation in their career day, giving us a print from their Youth Art Show, for which the theme was "I Can Be Anything." 3. Neu Life also thanked us for our help in getting the children ready for school with backpacks. 4. Donna Conant thanked us for supporting her as Governor of District 6, appreciating the healthy turn out for the Conference, and for putting the Ad in the conference Book. 5. Marge Holzbog thanked Zonta members for the lovely corsage she was given at District Conference, honoring her work.

Reports from committees are as follows:

Membership: Pam Knackert; The Zonta Club of Milwaukee was pleased to be part of the installation of Sandy Goldman as our new member. Pam Knackert reported that we will have 51 members in our club after Montez Ashley and Martha Dela Rosa are installed at the November Meeting.

Treasurer Report: Diane Lindsley reported that the accounts are balanced and in good order.

Website: Joni Reese has been working on the Web Site, and will use the Web Administration for District 6, for our Milwaukee Club. It will fit our needs, and seems to promise easy access.

Advocacy: Karen Hunt and Krista Betts are organizing the 16 Days of Advocacy, which occur from November 25 to December 10, 2015. There will be an Art Event focusing on Human Trafficking at City Hall from November 23 to December 1, 2015. Please visit and wear your orange tee shirts for "Zonta Says No" to violence.

Girls on the Run will take place Sunday, November 15, 2015 at the Bay Shore Mall, beginning at 9:00 am. Zonta members will gather at 8:30 am to cheer on the girls and support the event. It was suggested that Zonta members might wear their orange, "Zonta Says No" tee shirts to the event.

Meeting Minutes Continued...

Zonta members received names of their children for the gift giving event with Neu Life. The children created lovely, laminated wish lists with information about themselves. The gift should be in the \$25 range, but not higher, and gift bagged or wrapped, if possible. Gifts may be brought to the Zonta dinner Meeting in November, or to our December Zonta celebration. The children are always very excited, and hope to see Zonta members at their party for the gift giving, which takes place at the close of the party, held from 3:30 to 5:00 pm, December 17, 2015. Please contact Chair of the project, Cheryl Nowak, if there are questions.

Scholarship: Missy Creevy reported that Kosovka Spreco, a senior at Alverno College, is collecting clothes for students. "Dress for Success" is collecting clothes for young women to wear to job interviews and job fairs. The term for the clothes needed is "business formal." The last official day for collection is February 4, 2016. Contact Missy Creevy, Zonta Club of Milwaukee, Scholarship Chair, for further information or if you have donations. The young women are all ages and sizes.

Foundation: Missy Creevy reported that December 15, 2015, is the deadline for grant submissions. There are many programs interested in our support.

Fashion Show: Joni Reese reported that we are working on finalizing the vender for the show. The work on the invitations is well under way, as is the work on the invitation list, solicitation letter, and requests for baskets for the silent auction.

Mini Project: President, Donna Kahl-Wilkerson invited us to collect diapers for the Stork's Nest, United Way. Please bring New Born Pampers to the next dinner meeting for the young mothers in need of support.

Zonta Club of Milwaukee, December Gathering: Zonta member, Victoria Frazier, has offered to have the December event, December 16, 2015, at the North West Family Center, 4024 West Good Hope Road. The refreshments will be catered at a nominal cost, and we will decide at the November Meeting, whether we will have "white elephant" gifts.

Business Meeting: Adjourned.

- Judith Lehman



Correction to September Meeting Minutes

Scholarship Report: Missy Creevy introduced scholarship winner, Kosovka Spreco, Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM), who won our local award as well as the District 6 award. In addition Ananya Murali joined us, and is a triple winner of the Zonta Women in Public Affairs Scholarship, receiving an award from the Milwaukee Club, District 6 and International. Each young woman presented a wonderful update of their accomplishments and activities.



16 Days of Advocacy

Turn Facebook Orange During the 16 Days of Activism

We're working to raise awareness of the Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women campaign during the 16 Days of Activism, November 25 to December 10. Here are a few ways you can use Facebook to help raise awareness among your family and friends about the prevalence – and many forms – of violence against women.

- Take a photo in your Zonta Says No T-shirt and/or wearing your orange ribbon and make it your profile picture for the 16 Days.
- Post a photo of yourself – or a group – in your Zonta Says No T-shirt to the Zonta Club of Milwaukee Facebook page and encourage your friends to “Like” it. The person with the most “Likes” gets bragging rights.
- “Share” the Zonta Club of Milwaukee #ZontaSaysNo #16DaysofActivism Facebook posts with your friends.

“IRL”

We want to spread the word “in real life,” too – in our face-to-face interactions. **Wear a ribbon, share a ribbon during the 16 Days.** If you didn't get one at the October meeting, pick up your ribbon and a ribbon or two to share, with the accompanying informational card about the Zonta Says No campaign, at the November meeting.

How to Update Your Profile Picture

1. On your current profile picture, click the camera icon (on your computer) or the pencil icon (on your phone).
2. “Upload Photo” or “Choose from Photos”.
3. Select the photo you want to use and you're done.

How to Post Your Photo to the Zonta Club of Milwaukee Facebook Page

1. Go to the Zonta Club of Milwaukee page (www.facebook.com/ZontaClubMilwaukee).
2. If you haven't yet, “Like” the page.
3. In the blank “Post” box at the top of the newsfeed, select the Photo option or click the camera icon.
4. Select the photo you want to post, include the social media tags #ZontaSaysNo and #16DaysofActivism, and click “Post”.
5. To tag yourself and others,
 - a. Click on the photo and select “Tag Photo.”
 - b. Click on the face of the person you want to tag and select from your friends list. (Remember, people must be your friend to be able to tag them.)
 - c. Click “Done Tagging.”

Dress To Impress for Less

At our October meeting, Missy Creevy mentioned that Kosovka Spreco, our 2015 Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship winner, contacted her regarding Zonta's participation in Alverno College's "Dress to Impress for Less" Spring Professional Clothing Drive.

She is looking for donations of new or gently used, professional clothing that would be appropriate for Alverno students to wear to job fairs, interviews, networking events and/or work.

If you have any items to donate, just please bring them with you for collection at the November, December and/or January meetings. Thank you.

Neu-Life Holiday Gift Drive

We love to see the children of Neu-Life filled with joy as they unwrap their special Zonta holiday gifts.

This year we have 73 children for our annual gift drive. We have about 50 donations filled and are looking for about 23 more. Please send an email to Cheryl Nowak (cnr3@msn.com) and Janet Kloser (Janet.Kloser@mrnet.org) to get the name of a child for your gift donation.

We will be collecting gifts at the November and December monthly Zonta meetings as well as the following locations. Please use a gift bag with the child's profile and ID number on the gift. While your generosity is greatly appreciated, please keep gift amounts limited to around \$25.

I will shop and wrap gifts for those who would like to give monetary donations by Dec 1st.

Cheryl Nowak - 414-840-4446:
House: 21975 W. Oak Park Dr., New Berlin
Work: We Energies, 333 W. Everett, Milwaukee

Janet Kloser
Southside pick up, please call 414-207-3750

Joni Reese - please call or text 262-995-4838 or email to tnjreese@wi.rr.com
Muskego-area pick up/drop-off
Work: Assurant Health, 501 W. Michigan, Milwaukee

Please stand by for details about the Neu Life Christmas party where the children will open their special gifts.

Regards,
Cheryl Nowak
(414) 840-4446
CNR3@MSN.COM

Future Meeting Dates

Board

Club

N/A	11/18
12/8/15	12/16/15
1/12/16	1/27/16
2/9	2/24
3/8	3/23
4/12	4/27
5/10	5/25
6/14	6/15

2016 Fashion Show

Our Committee is excited to be planning the 2016 Fashion Show highlighting our Zonta Club's 90 years of service to our community.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the Marriott Milwaukee West in Pewaukee. Our theme celebrates the success of our club, "Empowering Women & Girls for 90 Years." If you want to join in the planning, let us know. We would love to have you a part of the planning. We meet following our monthly club meeting.

To date, we have selected our invitation cover highlighting the styles of the three 30-year periods, finalized solicitation lists and letters for corporate sponsorships to be sent November 15th, and letters for raffle and silent auction items anticipated being sent in early January.

It is not too early to begin asking for donations. These items can be brought to our club meetings.

Give thought of whom you would like to invite to the event. Each member of the club is responsible to sell ten tickets. A table of family and friends could make this the largest number of guests to date. We anticipate having a certificate you can use for people on your Christmas list, and a Save-the-Date e-mail you can use for others to guide you in this effort. If you receive a gift at Christmas you cannot use, why not re-gift it to Zonta.

- Chris Todd

Sandy Goldmann
November 15th

Lori Peterson
November 27th

Camelia Clarke
November 7th



Missy Creevy
November 30th

Membership Committee

Again, I'd like to welcome those new members whom we installed at our October meeting and a few we will be installing at our November 18th meeting.

In October we installed Sandy Goldmann. In November we will be installing Montez Ashley and hopefully Martha de La Rosa.

Please feel free to invite any prospective members to the November 18th meeting. It will be a great time for them to meet other members and hear a great speaker.

Joann Comodore and Joyce McCrary will continue to ask for pictures and bios for new members in the upcoming months and continue to get our other members that we haven't gotten yet for publication in the newsletters.

Gloria Jones has agreed to be our "Membership Corner" person. If you have any bits of news about yourself and want to keep us up to date on what's happening with you let Gloria know and she'll have a little update in the newsletter each month. Who knows she may even ask you.

-Pam Knackert

Membership Corner

Hope all is well with you and your families. Happy Belated Birthdays to all of you that celebrated your Special Day during those months

A few NOTEWORTHY ITEMS to bring to your attention that occured during September, October and November.

1. Susan Koepsell has had cataract (the 2nd one) in September.
2. Gloria Jones's husband (Reuben Jones) had heart surgery (the surgeon put in a pacemaker/defibrillator) and made some adjustments to even out the beats on both side of his heart. We hope this gives him more energy. This week (week of November 8th) we found out that Reuben has COPD(a breathing disorder).

We, The Zonta Club of Milwaukee would like to send out Get Well Wishes and the Very Best to each family.

If at any time you have info that you want put into the membership corner, please give me a call or send me an email.

Gloria J. Jones

Meet Our Member Donna Neal



DONNA located to Milwaukee, Wisconsin in the early 1990's, accepted a job with Miller Brewing under the assumption that she would be here for 2 maybe 3 years, and the story continues....

Donna has closed to 35 years working in consumer and brand research, specializing in brand positioning, marketing strategy and new products. She has apx 20 years of managerial experience, as department director.

Donna received her Master's Degree in Liberal Studies from UW-Milwaukee.

Donna is a true Zontian, joining Zonta close to 24 years ago, shortly after moving to Milwaukee, and starting her new job. She was recruited (doubled team) by Marge Holzbog and Pam Knackert (both still Zontians today). It was an easy sell, because Donna has been an ardent advocate of gender equality since her teens, and shares that "finding Zonta was like finding a home in a new city".

Donna has held numerous offices at the Zonta Club and Club Foundation levels, including President of both. She is currently the Foundation Ambassador for District 6, after serving a term as Area 2 Director. She currently serves on a number of Milwaukee club committees.

Donna is a lover of the arts (esp. films & theater), she also enjoys reading, traveling, walking, golf, reading, AND learning.

Meet Our Member Mary Staten



Mary is a native Milwaukeean, with an undergraduate degree in Biology/Chemistry, and a Masters degree in Education from Alverno College. Mary is currently serving as an instructor, student teaching supervisor, and program coordinator at Alverno College. During the last three years she also worked as a student teacher supervisor at Marquette University and mentor for the first year teachers at Cardinal Stritch

Mary retired from MPS in 2012, during her tenure; she led the development and implementation of curriculum, instruction and assessment for science education in the district. She began her career in education in 1994 as a high school science teacher in MPS. Prior, to her employment at MPS, Mary worked for Miller Brewing Co. for 15 years in Research Microbiology and Marketing.

Mary's many collaborations and partnerships with businesses and institutions of higher education has resulted in several key grant awards which include the GE Foundation, WI Mathematics and Science Partnership, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, AT&T, and the National Education Association.

A program that Mary and other National Board Certified Teachers developed in collaboration with Alverno College won the Program of Distinction Award in 2003 from the WI PK-16 Leadership Council. She has also been awarded the Excellence in Education Award from the Milw. Board of School Directors, and the Alverno College Vanguard Society Leadership Award.

Mary has conducted numerous professional development sessions for teachers, district and school-based administrators, families, and community members. She continues to be a part of critical state level work groups and committees. She currently serves on the WI State Superintendent's Science Leadership Team and served for 4 years on the WI Master Educators Licensing Assessment Process development committee.

Mary is a member of several professional organizations including the Association. for Supervision and Curriculum Development, National Science Teachers Association, WI Science Leadership Association, WI Science Network, and the Metropolitan Milw. Alliance of Black of School Educators.

Meet Our Member Laurie Ward



Laurie is married to John, has three children and seven Grandchildren. She was born in San Francisco, California, but was located to Wisconsin at 6 months old.

Laurie graduated from high school early (age 16) and has been working full time since graduation. She worked for Kolmar Laboratories in the Old third ward, until they went out of business. She then acquired a job at Chr. Hansen Inc., a manufacturer of Natural Food ingredients (cultures, enzymes, colors, and animal feed enhancements).

Laurie started employment with Chr. Hansen Inc. as a laboratory technician and has held a various positions, including production supervisor, production manager, plant manager, and SAP project member. Currently, she is Production Planner and Master Data Coordinator for the CED Group. Over the years she has attended UWM and Upper Iowa Universities taking courses in Manufacturing and Business Management. Laurie's employment journey with Chr. Hansen is 41 years and counting...

Although, Laurie's job is demanding and requires travel outside of the United States, she enjoys her spare time. Her spare time activities include decorating, working in the yard, cooking, yoga, walking, volunteer service, and best of all spending time with family and church.

Laurie has been a Zonta member since June 2002, and continues to believe in the mission and advocacy of Zonta.

Club Communications

Did You Know?

We have 140 Facebook followers?

We have 23 Twitter followers?

If anyone would like to help with Facebook, Twitter, the website, picture-taking/organizing, publishing the monthly newsletter, and working to ensure that we have correct coverage of our events through those outlets and/or written articles, OR working with traditional media sources (newspaper/magazine/TV), please let Joni Reese know!!!!
(tnjreese@wi.rr.com)

2016 Grants

Attached with this newsletter is an electronic copy of the Funding Guidelines and Applications for 2016 Grants from Zonta Foundation Inc. of the Zonta Club of Milwaukee.

2016 Grants Program: In keeping with the mission and goals of Zonta International and the Zonta Club of Milwaukee, Zonta Foundation, Inc. is soliciting Funding Applications from 501(c)(3) non-profit agencies/organizations for specific programs, projects or services that are designed to empower women and/or girls in the greater Milwaukee area.

Grant Amounts: Individual grants typically range from \$1,000-\$3,000 per year, with commitments up to 3 years. However, the Foundation Board will consider requests for larger awards. Applicants should keep in mind that preference is generally given to funding requests for specific programs, projects or services versus unspecified contributions to a general operating fund.

Application Process: Funding Guidelines & Application for 2016 Grants can be downloaded from our club's website at www.zontamilwaukee.org. Completed applications (with all required supporting documentation) must be submitted in time to arrive by the December 15, 2015 due date. Electronic submission is preferred.

Funding Decisions: The Board of Directors of Zonta Foundation, Inc. will meet in January 2016 to review all applications, and will make their final decisions by the end of the month.

Award Presentations: Grants will be presented to recipients at the Zonta Club of Milwaukee's Annual Spring Luncheon and Fundraising Event that will be held on April 9, 2016.

Solicitation Communication Process: Over the next few weeks, Zonta Foundation Board Members will officially contact the six recipients of last year's grants to follow up on their progress on programs/project/services that we helped fund last year. In addition, the team will let them know about our 2016 Grants Program. (These six agencies are: Alverno College, Neu-Life Community Resource Center, Our Next Generation, St. Catherine Residence, Sojourner Family Peace Center and The Women's Center of Waukesha.) Also, Board President, Missy Creevy, will notify all the agencies/organizations that applied last year and did not receive funding.

How Every Milwaukee Zontian Can Help: If you know of any 501 (c)(3) non-profit agency or organization serving women and/or girls in the greater Milwaukee area, please take it upon yourself to personally contact them to let them know about this potential funding opportunity.