



Zonta Club *Milwaukee*

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Wednesday, April 23rd, 2014

Zonta Club of Milwaukee

Annual Club and Foundation Meeting

Presented by Joni Reese, Club President and

Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry, Foundation Board President

Join us for our Annual meeting to learn what transpired over the past year and what is in store for 2014-2015. Come hear reports from standing committees as well as the Foundation. We will also be voting on our 2014-2015 slate of officers for the Club. Your attendance is needed to ensure we meet our obligations for the Foundation and Club and to celebrate the hard work and achievements over the past year.

The dinner choices for the evening are either Meat or Vegetarian Lasagna and Carrot Cake for dessert.

5:30 - Social

6:00 - Dinner

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

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

RESERVATIONS: Please call Helen Ludwig (414-321-0078, Extension 114)

or email her at hludwig@sbl-law.org with the cancellation of your standing reservation or any call-in reservation by 9:00 am on Monday, April 21st, 2014.

Upcoming speakers for the year:

May and June will be announced at a later date

Thank You

Kim Brinsko

President's Message...

Hello Zontians!

It has been a busy month!

The service/advocacy training sessions with our anti-violence/trafficking program were completed in March, and the Area 2 Spring Workshop was held in Beloit and attended by many representing the Club on Mar. 22.

The Annual Fashion Show Fundraiser on April 5th was a success and the biggest year ever, both in number of people attending and the amount of money raised! I want to thank the committee, the participants, the donators, and the many volunteers that contributed to make this event a success. Another thank you goes to the members that help us spread the word, buy tickets, and invited their family and friends to attend. This is our one big fundraiser of the year, allowing us to support women and girls both locally and internationally for the following year. The day flew by and I believe that everyone had a good time.

April means that we are now coming up to the Annual Meeting and changes in the leadership of the Club and Foundation. Thank you to the members who are willing to take on these future positions on the Club and Foundation Boards. Your enthusiastic willingness is greatly appreciated.

There is a prospective membership event planned for May 6th. Besides those that expressed an interest at the Fashion Show, please reach out to others that you believe would be interested, and that you would be interested in having as a member.

Please consider supporting the Chancery fundraiser on April 28th at the Wauwatosa location. Simply eat, present the flyer and the Foundation will receive 25% of the food proceeds.

Last, but not least we have a new baby Zontian!! Congratulations to Camelia and her husband!! They welcomed their new baby girl Mia Alexandra into their family on March 9th at 7:02pm. Mia was 20 inches and weighed 9 pounds and 6 oz. Both mom and baby are doing well.

Thank you for all you do, for women locally and around the world.

Joni Reese

Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2014

5:30 pm Social Hour - 6:00 Dinner

Call to order and Dinner: The meeting was called to order by President Joni Reese. After the Zonta Blessing, dinner was served.

After dinner activity: Due to the planned speaker being ill and unable to attend, Kim led a get-to-know-each other exercise among the Club members.

Committee Reports

Service/Advocacy: Donna Neal attended the Wisconsin Woman Health Summit on behalf of Zonta.

The Neu-Life anti-violence and anti-trafficking training sessions have been completed, with a couple of Zontians participating.

Program: Since the April meeting will be the Annual Business meeting, we will not have a speaker.

Membership: The 2014-2015 dues letters will be sent to all members. If members would like to pay with a credit card, they will have that opportunity at the Fashion Show. Otherwise checks can be given to Elizabeth.

A Prospective Members Reception is being planned for May 6, 2014.

Fashion Show: The Fashion Show will be held on April 5, 2014 at the Milwaukee Marriott West. The vendors are Chicos and Soma. The reservations are due and can be made on-line. Day of help is still needed.

PR/Web/Newsletter: Newsletter articles are due by the 7th of each month.

The Nominating Committee report was given by Donna Conant. President Reese asked three times if there were any nominations from the floor. With no nominations made from the floor, Donna Conant moved that the nominated slate be accepted. It was seconded by Donna Neal. The motion was carried.

Meeting Minutes Continued

Other Business

Area 2 Workshop: The Area 2 Workshop in Beloit was well attended and had many attend from the Zonta Club of Milwaukee. The Beloit Club has started a Z Club.

Delegates for International Convention: Joni Reese and Donna Kahl Wilkerson were nominated and elected as delegates to the International Convention in Orlando, Florida.

Alternates to the Convention: Pam Knackert and Diane Lindsley were nominated and elected as alternates to the International Convention.

Upcoming Meetings

Club Board Meeting: April 8 at the ICC

Annual Club Business Meeting: April 23 at the ICC

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.

Baby Mia Alexandra

Greetings!

I am proud to announce that my husband and I welcomed our new baby girl Mia Alexandra to our family. She was born March 9, 2014 at 7:02pm.

She was 20 inches and weighed 9 pounds and 6 oz.

She is doing well and I'm on the road to recovery myself. Thank you all for your support during this wonderful journey.



Service Corner

News & Updates!

JOINT ZONTA/NEU-LIFE VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Zonta Club of Milwaukee Foundation is supporting the Youth Anti-Violence Project, a collaborative effort among Neu-Life, the Zonta Club of Milwaukee, and outside partners.

The project will be an ongoing, self-sustaining violence prevention program focused on sexual violence and human trafficking and targeting youth aged 10+. It will provide participating youth the skills to help keep them safe as well as the opportunity to make an impact in the larger community through awareness-building, peer advocacy, and/or service.

We will utilize (and customize) curricula called ARTREACH and TIPS, developed by Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships (www.htap.org), a Zonta-driven effort in west Florida, to implement this program.

There will be opportunities for Zontians to be educated about trafficking during the course of the staff training events. There will also be opportunities for Zontians to be adult volunteer facilitators in the program for which training is required. You are not obligated to become a facilitator by attending the training.

Preparation: Trafficking Training

TIPS Session

Nola Theiss from HTAP led Neu-Life staff, alumni (who will be adult coaches in the ARTREACH program), and seven (7) Zontians/invitees in the TIPS Train-the-Trainer program on March 20 at Neu-Life. TIPS is a scenario-based learning experience based on real life stories of trafficked victims. The program was very impactful and we are now equipped to conduct TIPS ourselves at Neu-Life, within Zonta, or elsewhere if we so choose.

ARTREACH Training

We launched ARTREACH at Neu-Life with a Train-the-Trainer program run by Nola Theiss on Friday, March 21. In this all-day program, the Trainers (staff, alumni, and adult volunteer leaders) went through the entire program as the youth will. Two teams of future trainers produced fantastic art with serious messages. Neu-Life is now equipped to deliver **ARTREACH**.

ARTREACH is an interactive creative arts program that has been developed by HTAP designed to instill a sense of awareness about human trafficking in our community's boys and girls (middle and high school age) and to empower them to become peer spokespersons. The participants learn about modern day slavery, human trafficking, and how art has been used to raise awareness and affect social issues. The students are taught about the risk and vulnerability factors associated with human trafficking. The program works with participants to create art by discussing ideas, putting thought on paper, and actually creating a finished work of art. The kids have full artistic freedom. Works of art are reproduced and displayed to the broader public at churches, galleries, conferences, etc. to generate more awareness.

For more information about the ARTREACH or TIPS programs, visit www.htap.org or contact Donna Neal for more detail.

Service Corner Continued...

Other New & Exciting Events to Come!

CAREER EVENT UPDATE

The Career Event we will be sponsoring with Neu-Life youth will now be scheduled for July, to tie in with weeklong career programming planned for two Neu-Life sites this summer. Stay Tuned! Contact Donna Kahl-Wilkerson or Cheryl Lucas DeBerry for more information about how to participate.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

For the most part, the school supplies from the Back-to-School Backpack drive are holding up pretty well, but the Neu-Life youth are running short of looseleaf paper and folders – and yes, they are being used for schoolwork. A lot of homework going on! If you run into a sale or want to pick up either, you can drop them off at Neu-Life or just bring them to our next monthly meeting.

GOT PAINT?

If you have flat (not enamel) paint sitting around in your basement that you don't plan to use, we will be able to use it in the ARTREACH program. Call Donna Neal and she'll arrange a pick-up, or bring it to any monthly meeting from now on. The program will be ongoing and so will the paint collection.

- Donna Neal

Neu-Life Photos



2014 Scholarship Opportunities

Our Zonta Club of Milwaukee is again offering four scholarship opportunities in 2014 through our Zonta Foundation. The upcoming ones are listed below. Members are encouraged to promote these scholarships to their colleagues, contacts at area high schools, colleges/universities and other non-profit organizations. Further information and applications are available on our website: <http://zontamilwaukee.org/OurScholarships.htm>

Women in Technical Specialties (\$1,000) Applications are due May 28, 2014

This scholarship is aimed at low income or otherwise disadvantaged women. Its purpose is to support technical and vocational education of women in technical fields including (but not limited to): Health Occupations, Computer & Electronics, Mechanical, Plumbing and Other Non-traditional Technological Fields. Applicants must show evidence of dedication to advancing the status of women.

Women in Science (\$1,000) Applications are due May 28, 2014.

Students ready to enter their third or fourth year of an accredited undergraduate Science, Technology, Engineering or Math program are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Applicants must have an outstanding academic record and demonstrate intent to complete their chosen program.

Jane M. Klausman Women in Business (\$1,000+) Applications are due May 28, 2014

Women studying business at the undergraduate or master's level and who show outstanding potential in their chosen field of business are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Applicants must currently be in at least their second year of an undergraduate program when they apply. Applications are due on or before May 28, 2014.

(Note: The local scholarship winner's application will be forwarded to Zonta District 6 for consideration for selection to compete for one of the twelve \$7,000 international scholarships that will be awarded by the Zonta International Foundation.)



Membership Corner

Thanks to everyone for your great participation in the "Your Doorway to Fashion: Opening Doors for Women & Girls" fundraiser. It was a great success.

The membership committee is planning a Prospective Member Reception for Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at Susan Koepsell's condo meeting room. (See enclosed invitation.) If have you not already received an e-mailed copy of the invitation, you will be receiving it shortly. Please start inviting anyone you think may be interested in learning more about Zonta.

If some of your guests from the fashion show have indicated an interest, please follow up with them. Also, invite any other relatives, friends and co-workers that you think would make good members. With the new Zonta year starting June 1 it's a great time to have them join. If they can't make this event then invite them to the dinner meeting on May 28 at the Italian Community Center. (Our annual business meeting in April is not appropriate for guests.)

In addition, pass on our newsletter to prospective members so they can see all the good work we doing.

Hope to see everyone at our Annual Business Meeting this month.

-Helen Ludwig

Save the Date

April 28th - Chancery (Wauwatosa) Fundraiser

May 10th - Neu-Life Art of Peace, Youth Art Show & Luncheon

June 27th to July 1st - Zonta International Convention in Orlando, FL



Delanie Reese
April 5th

Demy Anfang
April 14th

Cindy Talkovic
April 19th

Foundation Corner

A BIG Thank You to all for a successful fashion show fundraiser. Kudos to the committee and everyone involved.

Awards were presented to CORE/El Centro, Know Thyself, Neu-Life Community Resource Center, Our Next Generation and Sojourner Family Center. At the April meeting we will vote on how we want to distribute of 1/3 of the funds we raised at this year's fashion show for our donation to Zonta International.

Another fundraising opportunity will take place at the Chancery in Wauwatosa (7615 W. State Street) on Monday, April 28, 2014. Distribute the attached flyer to your friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors and bring a group with you. Zonta Foundation, Inc. will receive 25% of the food sales that day when this flyer is presented. Once we receive funds we will discuss how it will be disbursed – local agencies, service, and/or scholarships. Let's make this a successful event as well.

Thank you for all you do to advance the status and women and girls worldwide, and especially efforts that benefits our Milwaukee community.

- Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry

SUPPORT YOUR CAUSE-EAT!

ZONTA FOUNDATION

Dine at the Wauwatosa Chancery and 25%
of all food sales that day (when accompanied
with this flyer) will be donated to the
Zonta Foundation Inc.

APRIL 28, 2014

7615 West State Street, Wauwatosa

Chancery

Simply Present This Flyer When You Dine With Us Anytime
4/28/2014 At Our Wauwatosa Location.

Guests are required to present the flyer at the time of purchase to receive credit for their contribution.
Reservations must be presented before ordering. No other discounts or coupons will be accepted on
this event. Thank you for your support.

Advocacy Corner

I'm looking for a few Milwaukee Zontians who would like to help me with Advocacy. I've found in the past year, I've been pretty much a one person committee and, well, quite frankly, I don't think that's the most effective way to get things done. I'm proposing for those interested, that we meet for a working breakfast or lunch during the summer to flesh out a compelling advocacy route for next year with a focus on the following three areas:

- Increasing the visibility and impact of the ZCM's International Zonta Says No! campaign in November,
- Increasing ZCM's presence in the Zonta Clubs of Wisconsin's International Day of Advocacy in March, and
- Creating a virtual communication process to address local issues affecting the safety and well-being of women and girls.

If you'd like to help me with that process, please call or email me: 414-412-0049 or karen.hunt@resilientcities.org.



You are invited to the
Zonta Club of Milwaukee
Prospective Member Reception
Tuesday, May 6, 2014
5:30 p.m. socializing
(light hors d'oeuvres will be served)
6:00 to 7:00 p.m. program
At
Glendale Lakes condo party room
1600 W. Green Tree Rd

You can take I-43 to Good Hope Rd exit, west to River Rd, 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 lot - 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 call 262-309-3927. Take elevator up to 2nd floor community room.

RSVP to Pam Knackert at pmknackert@gmail.com or
262-784-7613 by Saturday, May 5

Come learn more about
Zonta International and the
Zonta Club of Milwaukee, a service organization whose mission is to
improve the status of women locally and worldwide. There will be time for questions
and answers. For more information about Zonta & the Zonta Club of Milwaukee visit
www.zonta.org and www.zontamilwaukee.org

2014 Zonta Fashion Show



Nominating Committee Report for the 2014 Election

The slate was approved as presented for a vote in the April, 2014 meeting. The individuals listed below as “New”:

Club Board – New Club Officers:

Donna Kahl-Wilkerson – President (2014-2016)

Carol Cline – President Elect (2014-2016)

Victoria Frazier – Vice President (2014-2016)

Diane Lindsley – Treasurer (2014-2016)

Judith Lehman –Secretary (2014-2016)

Club Board – New Directors:

Barbara Fitzgerald (2014-2016)

Helen Ludwig (2014-2016)

Elizabeth Stull (2014-2016)

Continuing Board members:

Maria Bellmann (2013-2015)

Judy DuSell (2013-2015)

Karen Hunt (2013-2015)

Zonta Foundation Board – New Directors [The Foundation Board elects its own officers.]

Jackie Beaudry (2014-2017)

Susan Koepsell (2014-2017)

Cheryl Nowak (2014-2015)

Lori Peterson (2014-2017)

Continuing Foundation Board Members:

Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry (2012-2015)

Christine Todd (2013-2016)

Pam Knackert (2012-2015)

Missy Creevy (2013-2016)

Connie Thoma (2013-2016)

Nominating Committee:

Donna Conant, Diane Lindsley, and Helen Ludwig

March 15, 2014