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BULLETIN

International District 6 – Area 2
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Guest Speaker: Ramon Candelaria

Community Director, Violence Prevention Initiative

Topic: Creating a Sustained, Multi-faceted Approach to Violence Prevention

The Medical College of Wisconsin and the Medical College's Consortium on Public and Community Health committed \$8.2 Million over the next 5 years to implement the Youth Violence Prevention Initiative. Described as one of the most under-recognized major problem health problem in Wisconsin, this initiative will decrease rates of violence in identified areas of Milwaukee and possibly greater Wisconsin.

Ramon Candelaria, former Executive Director of the Latino Community Center, has been selected as the Director of Milwaukee's new Youth Violence Prevention Initiative. ZONTA members and guests are encouraged to attend our October 27 program. Mr. Candelaria will discuss the goals of YVPI, its expansive partnerships and its plans to implement violence prevention programs for youth, develop leadership capacity and strengthen our community capacity to prevent youth violence.

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

5:30 PM - Social

6:00 PM – Dinner

7:00 PM – Guest Speaker: Ramon Candelaria

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

RESERVATIONS: Please call Helen Ludwig or e-mail her with your reservation by 9:00 am on Monday, October 25, 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.

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Presidents Message.....

Dear Sister Zontians:

In Zonta during the month of October we celebrate and recognize our achievements and goals with the UN (see article in this edition), we also are aware of another important event in the month of October which is the National Breast Cancer Awareness month. This year they are celebrating 25 years of "Awareness, Education and Empowerment."

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in the United States, aside from skin cancer. According to the American Cancer Society (ACS), an estimated 192,370 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed among women in the United States this year. An estimated 40,170 women were expected to die from the disease in 2009 alone. Today, there are about 2.5 million breast cancer survivors living in the United States.

While we honor our accomplishments and much work yet to be done with the United Nations, we should take the time to honor ourselves as women. We spend a great deal of time taking care of others both on the job and at home, in our communities, churches and of course Zonta, but let's take a pause and ensure that we take care of ourselves. Self examination is the easiest and first line of defense from this disease that has claimed so many great women. As we salute great women who have gone before us, take some time to TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF. If we don't then nobody else will.

Cheryl



Membership Corner

By Marianne Zapall

At the September 22 club meeting three new members were installed - Victoria Frazier, Linda Hext and Joni Reese. We anticipate installing two more new members at our October 27 meeting - Kate Kaiser and Arlyce Vogel. This is really exciting as we start our new fiscal year.

We are hosting a prospective member reception on Wednesday, October 13 at Elizabeth Stull's home. We are hopeful to have more new members to be installed at our November club meeting.

Should anyone need a prospective membership folder to share with someone you think would be interested in learning more about Zonta, please let me know and I will get the information to you or forward to the address provided.

If you haven't seen current members at our monthly club meetings, please give them a call and let them know that they are missed.



Joni Reese



Linda Hext



Victoria Frazier

Members Update

By Claudyne Whitaker

Happy AUTUMN/FALL Zontians. Embrace the soft breezes, note the falling leaves as they change colors on the trees as you view nature at her finest. What wonderful sights! Do continue to enjoy the UNUSUAL, UNSEASONABLY WARM WEATHER!!!!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Best wishes for the successful eye surgery and speedy recovery for Marge Holzbog. Cards and phone calls will no doubt speed up the healing time/process.

As we move into another EXCITING Zonta year, get involved in Zonta activities, participate on committees and keep the TEAM WORK going. AS THE CHALLENGE ESCALATES, TEAMWORK ELEVATES!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and best wishes for many more to all of the Zontians born in October. ENJOY.

LEARN TO SAY KIND THINGS. NOBODY EVER RESENTS THEM!



Zonta Fashion Show

By Co-Chairs, Pam Knackert and Laurie Ward

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, April 2, 2011 for our Fashion Show Fundraiser. Coldwater Creek will be our provider and it will be held at the Italian Community Center. Don't forget we need everyone to participate to make it a success. Here are the ways each member should be involved:

- Sell at least 8 tickets @ \$50 each (ask friends, relatives, co-workers) or purchase them as gifts (Christmas is coming) for some of your favorite people.
- Donate a basket or other items for the raffle and silent auction.
- Ask your company for a sponsorship donation from \$100 to \$1000.
- Ask some of the businesses you frequent if they would donate an item or gift certificate.
- Sign up to help on the committee or for day of event duties.

The funds we raise 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 Tues. Oct. 19 at Donna Kahl-Wilkerson's.



***Get set: Nov 13th St.
Catherine's Residence
Mom/BabyRoom Upgrade!
2010 Zonta Service Project
Volunteers, Contributions Needed:***

By Donna Conant

The Mom/Baby suite at St. Cates is opening up early November for our Zonta Club's service project – to paint & decorate!

Now that we have set the date for painting, the morning of Saturday, Nov 13th let's pull together to get the rest of the plans in place and our volunteers putting their energy where their heart is:

We have four teams for which you can volunteer: (select at least one, please!)

- 1) Painting team: work the morning of Saturday, November 13th to transform 2 bedrooms & bath of drab white to warm and wonderful. Supplies provided.
- 2) Decorating Team: Select decorating theme, paint color, handful of other items to purchase and then a few hours to "pull it all together" in the Mom/Baby room.
- 3) Shop & assemble Baby furniture: Comparison shop for best overall value that meets predefined specs, work with treasurer to procure without sales tax via Foundation, arrange for shipping/delivery and assemble as required.
- 4) Funding team: A few more dollars to complete the job in true Zonta style.

With your financial support, a tax deductible contribution to Zonta Foundation, Inc., you can underwrite one of more of the items above – or contribute to the project.

Let me know how you will help. I will e-mail all volunteers with specifics. Thank you for your generous participation and living the mission of Zonta!



***Zonta International Supports UN
Security Council Resolution 1325***

September 29, 2010

Dear Zontians,

Ten years ago, on October 31, 2000, the United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted Resolution 1325, the first formal document from the Security Council that requires parties in conflict to respect women's rights and to support their participation in peace processes. Many civil society organizations lobbied for the passage of the resolution. It calls for prosecuting crimes against women, extra protection for women and girls in conflict areas and involving more women in peace talks and reconstruction planning. Since then two more resolutions, 1820 and 1888, have also been adopted unanimously. Both of these resolutions emphasize and build on Resolution 1325.

Zonta International has supported these resolutions and now, ten years later, we find that women are still pawns of conflict. Sexual violence against women is in the headlines every day. According to UNIFEM, "In contemporary conflicts, as much as 90 percent of casualties are among civilians, most of whom are women and children. Women face devastating forms of sexual violence, which are sometimes deployed systematically to achieve military or political objectives." We can help to stop this brutality by joining with UNIFEM in Women Count for Peace. This campaign is part of SAY NO UNITE, End Violence against Women.

All Zontians can add their names to a petition which asks governments to support 3 steps to implement Resolution 1325. The petition asks the individual governments to: Prosecute those who command and/or commit sexual violence and exclude them from armies and police forces after conflict; Ensure that women participate in peace negotiations and all post-conflict decision-making institutions; and Increase the number of women in troops, police forces and civilians within international peacekeeping efforts.

You can add your name by going to www.saynotoviolence.org/make-women-count-for-peace where you can sign the petition online or print out petition forms that may be mailed. The women in war torn countries need our help.

Yours in Zonta,
Mary Ann Tarantula

Zonta International United Nations Committee, Chairman

September Meeting Pictures

By Diane Lindsley

Speaker: Danae Davis of Pearls for Girls



Installation of Victoria Frazier, Linda Hext and Joni Reese



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.

October 15-17: District 6 Fall Conference in Bloomington, IL-delegate: Cheryl Lucas-DeBerry; alternate-Pam Knackert. A report will be provided at the November Club Meeting

October 27th Meeting: Ramon Candelaria, recently appointed Community Director, Violence Prevention Initiative

November Meeting: Dr. Linda Stewart, Chief Operating Officer, Milwaukee Workforce Investment Board

December: Zonta Holiday Party; Location TBD

January Meeting: Amelia Earhart Month; Speaker To Be Announced



OCTOBER

Claudyne Whitaker
Donna Conant