

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

~ Sonja Jacobsen [387-6757]

Happy New Year! This is always the time of year when we long to settle into the "routine" and begin to look forward at the challenges of the New Year.

Membership continues to be a major challenge for all Zonta clubs. Our international OMC chair, Glenne Harding, has issued the challenge to each club to be "up one member" by the end of this biennium. We have some work to do!

In addition to our Zonta International goals, we have several local projects that will continue to offer a variety of opportunities for service, membership and fellowship; the YWPA and Klausman scholarships, SILs dinner, nominations to honor our own Zontian of the Year and the YWCA Women of Distinction awards, the 4-Club event, another Meet and Greet for potential members and of course our Zonta Garden. Let's also remember to strap on those athletic shoes in preparation for Hilltop Florist deliveries on February 14 and May 11, 2008!

As we begin a new year, let's continue to advocate, serve, participate and collaborate as we advance the status of women in our own community and worldwide.

LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION!

The Zonta Board of Directors has changed meeting locations. We now meet in the Conference Room at the Harry Meyering Center. Same night, same time. If you arrive late, you will need to call Sonja at 381-2540 to enter the facility. You will also need the double-secret handshake.

CALENDAR OF Z' EVENTS

JANUARY

- 10 R Business Mtg – 6:45am @ Perkins
- 22 T OMC Mtg – 5:15 pm Wine Cafe
- 24 R Program... To Be Announced!

FEBRUARY

- 11 M Board Mtg – @ Harry Meyering Ctr
- 14 R Business Mtg – 6:45am @ Perkins
- 28 R Program... To Be Announced!

MARCH

- 10 M Women's Night Out!
4.30p Networking and Exhibits
6.15p Dinner
7.00p Program - Looney Lutherans
Save the Date!
- 13 R Business Mtg – 6:45am @ Perkins
- 27 R European Market at Madison East
Catered meal at this event!

APRIL

- 10 R Business Mtg – 6:45am @ Perkins
- 24 R Amelia Earhart Program at
Mankato Airport with
Mark Leavitt speaking

MAY

- 8 R Business Mtg – 6:45am @ Perkins
- 22 R Annual Meeting @ Country Inn

JUNE

- 12 R Business Mtg – 6:45am @ Perkins
- 26 R Annual Picnic

MEMBERSHIP

~Sara Anderson [-]

OMC met in January 5th at Judy A's. Those in attendance, Judy A, Sara A and Angie S. We are working on the binders, getting updated info for the Intro to Zonta packets (yellow folders) orientation folders and the member binders.

Next meeting – T, Jan 22, 5:15pm Wine Cafe

PUBLIC RELATIONS

~Barb Scott [-]

PR committee met Monday 12/10/07 at 8:00 am at Dunn Bros. Discussed the newsletter sponsorship, all the slots are filled for sponsorship for this year, and Sue is keeping in touch with Loretta regarding payment of sponsorship fee. New website is up and running. It looks good, but if any errors are found, Keri would like us to let her know.

Next meeting – To be determined

PROGRAM

~ Muriel Schoon [387-2963]

January 24, 2008, we have the opportunity to learn more about Open Door Health Center and how they have benefited from the funds raised by Zonta fashion show extravaganza. Sarah Kruse, RN, will be our tour director. We will meet at the ODHC, 309 Holly Lane at 5:30 PM. Use the main entrance in the front. Following the tour (about 6:15 PM), we have reservations at the Bandana Brewery for dinner just across the parking lot from ODHC.

Program Committee will meet February 11, 2008, 12 noon at Charley's.

Programs for the remainder of our committee year are:

~ February 28, 2008 -- TBA

~ March 27 2008 -- European Market at Madison East Community Center with a catered meal.

~ April 24, 2008 -- Amelia Earhart Program at the Mankato Airport with Mark Leavitt speaking. Dinner will follow the program and place will be decided later.

~ Mary 22, 2008 -- Annual Meeting at Country Inn & Suites

~ June 26, 2008 -- Annual Picnic – Celebrate Zonta!

SERVICE / STATUS OF WOMEN / Z-EARTH

Ann Klasen [-]

No news is good news! Stay tuned for further updates at the Business Meeting and in the newsletter next month. Next meeting – To be announced.

FINANCE

~Barb Bergman [382-2876]

The European Marketplace silent auction is coming up on March 27. Start thinking about what goodies you can put together into a basket to be auctioned off. Funds raised go into our travel fund to reimburse registration costs for members attending Zonta conferences and meetings.

Puffin Sales – Final numbers still arriving

Pin Sales – Getting ready for the new year

Next meeting – W, Feb 6, 11:30 Hub Coffeeshop

FASHION SHOW

~New Chair [-]

A new and exciting year is just starting... Are you ready to grab the bull by the horns and ...run with it?

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT

Monday, March 10, 2008

4.30p Networking & Exhibits

6.15p Dinner

7.00p Program - Looney Lutherans

Save the date!

