

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

~ Barb Bergman [382-2876]

On December 10, 2008, the United Nations marks the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Zontians are reminded that Human Rights equal Women's Rights.

As we celebrate the holidays with our family and friends, we can also reflect on the many projects -- local and worldwide -- done in the name of Zonta that contribute to our mission to improve the status of women.

Happy Holidays!

~Barb

Z Holiday Party

Thursday, Dec 11 @ 6:15pm
Contessa - Downtown

Please bring an unwrapped gift for
donation to Santa Anonymous.

"We must work for the full implementation of human rights on the ground in a way that affects and improves the lives of the men, women and children who are all entitled, regardless of their race, sex, religion, nationality, property or birth, to realization of each and every right set forth in the Universal Declaration."

~ High Commissioner for Human Rights
Navanethem Pillay

Z' CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 11 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins
- 11 R Holiday Gathering
6:15 pm @ Contessa
RSVP Shelley Schultz
family5@frontiernet.net
507-327-8803
~Bring unwrapped gift for Santa Anon.

JANUARY

- 5 M PR Mtg 7:30am @ Coffee Hag
- 5 M Board Mtg 5.15pm @ Harry Meyering Ctr
- 6 T News Due to: liner@outtech.com
- 8 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins
- 8 R Program Mtg 12:00 noon @ Encore
- 22 R Program - Women in Law Enforcement
101 Main / Holiday Inn
Dinner and Social hour at 5:30pm
Lori Hodapp @ 6:45pm

FEBRUARY

- 9 M Board Mtg 5.15pm @ Harry Meyering Ctr
- 10 T News Due to: liner@outtech.com
- 12 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins
- 26 R Finishing Touches(European Marketplace)

MARCH

- 9 M Women's Night Out
Holiday Inn Downtown
- 10 T News Due to: liner@outtech.com
- 12 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

APRIL

- 6 M Board Mtg 5.15pm @ Harry Meyering Ctr
- 7 T News Due to: liner@outtech.com
- 9 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

MAY

- 14 R Business Mtg 6.45am @ Perkins

MEMBERSHIP

~ *Angie Schumacher* [317-6681]

The Organization, Membership and Classification [OMC] Committee met on November 18 at the Loose Moose Saloon at 4:30 PM. Members present: Chairman Angie S, Tricia S and Patricia P.

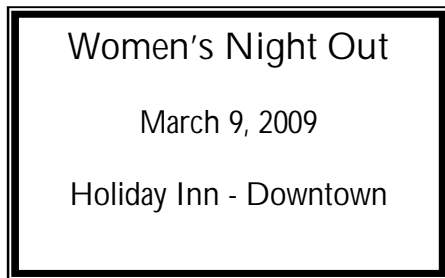
Discussed the notion of a retreat, we needed information from the members of the club. Decided to do a survey based on "10 QUESTIONS THAT MAY HELP YOU TO DETERMINE IF YOUR ZONTA CLUB IS WORKING FOR YOU" from the Zonta Club of Nassau, based on information gathered, the committee will plan a retreat for membership rejuvenation and retention.

Narrowed the choices to a long-sleeved T and long-sleeved sweat. Assigned to research each of these with options: screen, embroidery, jeweled.

Discussed the need for more complete information on the website so it can be utilized as a more effect tool for recruitment. Concluded we want something more inviting to persons checking our web site.

Discussed the last Meet and Greet and concluded it may have been too informal. We have had no applications for membership turned in to the committee.

Looking at a Meet and Greet to be held in February.
Location TBD.
Next meeting – January 2009



PUBLIC RELATIONS

~ *Barb Scott* [344-0573]

No meeting this month – see you in the new year!

Co-Chairs,
Judy Arzdorf - Barb Scott
Next meeting – M – Jan 5 7.30a @ Coffee Hag

HOLIDAY GATHERING

~ *Shelly Schultz* [327-8803]

Zonta Christmas Party for members and significant other
Thursday Dec 11 @ Contessa Restaurant
6:15pm - Cocktails and appetizers with dinner to follow.

Please bring an unwrapped gift for donation to Santa Anonymous.

FASHION SHOW – STARRY NIGHT

~ *Sara (Anderson) Sletten* [612-501-9138]

Please welcome Sara Sletten as Fashion Show '09 Chair!
She will be a fantastic leader.

Next meeting –... We welcome Sara Sletten!

SERVICE / STATUS OF WOMEN / Z-EARTH

~ *Carol Lee* [387-7409]

The Z EARTH and SERVICE committee met November 25th. We decided to recommend to the board that Zonta give \$250 to the Holiday by the River Event that was created in part, to benefit families who have a loved one in the military by providing them with Christmas trees. We also recommended \$200 be given to benefit children receiving services from the county run Children's Project. Also, \$100 will be donated to the Music Mart for a program that puts instruments in the hands of kids who would otherwise be unable to afford them. We also streamlined a quick survey for membership about the future of Z Garden to be implemented at the morning meeting.

Next meeting – January 2009

FINANCE

~Sara (Anderson) Sletten [612-501-9138]

Finance committee did not meet in December. However, we would like to thank all of those members who volunteered their time to sell pins at Madison East annual non-profit organization Bake/Craft Sale and at Lake Crystal Holiday Expo. Also, thank you to those who participated in the Herberger's coupon fund raiser. Finance wouldn't be able to do any of this fundraising without those who helped out! Thanks again for donating your time!
Next meeting – January 2009

In the recent MN Valley Business, on page 48, our press release about the \$7800 donation to Open Door is mentioned.
Great team work on the event!
Thanks Kate L for finding this and for writing the press release!

~ Reminder ~

Please wear your name tag to all Zonta functions.

Z GARDEN

~Chair [-]

The Garden is sleeping... resting up for the new year.

PROGRAM

~Shelly Schultz [327-8803]

Christmas Party is scheduled for December 11, 6:30pm at Contessa. See you there!

Lori Hodapp from Minnesota State Patrol will present "Women in Law Enforcement" on Thursday, January 22 at 101 Main / Holiday Inn. Dinner/social hour at 5:30pm and presentation at 6:45pm. Join us!
~ Muriel Schoon

"Finishing Touches" (formerly European Market) will be February 26. Program will be working with the Finance committee as we are responsible for determining the location and food.
~ Diane Volden

~Shelley

Next meeting – January 8 Noon @ Encore