



# ZoNews

## **NEWSLETTER OF THE ST. CLOUD AREA ZONTA CLUB**

*"Courage is the price life exacts for granting peace" (Amelia Earhart 1930s)*

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### **1. CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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|                       |                              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Club Board Meeting    | Thursday, September 4, 2008  |
| Club Business Meeting | Thursday, September 11, 2008 |
| Club Program Meeting  | Thursday, September 25, 2008 |

(All meetings held Noon at the Ground Round Restaurant, Division Street, St. Cloud)



## **2. EDITORIAL**

*Sisters:*

*It is with humility that I take over the reins of the ZONEs from Ms. Julianne Buttweiler who has been your most able and faithful editor these past few years. First, I would like to extend a big thank all of her help toward this endeavor, her suggestions and ideas, and her patience with my endless emailing the question "how".*

*With this new position I hope to keep the long standing tradition of a timely, well written, and informative newsletter zipping your way each month. I ask for any and all who have ideas, suggestions, or complaints, (but heavens sisters do we ever complain?) Please send them to me as quickly as possible so that I may address the situation. All your humble editor asks is that:*

- If you are a committee officer you ever so kindly send me committee reports in a timely fashion so that I may meet my deadline*
- If unable to attend to your duties you ask another committee member to step in and assume duties so that I receive information*
- Please Remember: in Aviation, a late airplane makes for unhappy customers. I cannot apologize for years of industry training toward this concept. I will not hound you for your reports, simply---your section of the newsletter will remain empty for that month and you will deal with the "passengers' wrath". (We surely do not want popcorn to begin flying across the tables at The Ground Round)*

*It seems in my memory I volunteered this past year to become a sort of "let's get to know each other better committee chair" and agreed to initiate ideas which would allow our members to become better acquainted, other than across the tables at the Ground Round. Therefore, in the coming months I would like to use the ole newsletter as a vehicle to initiate ideas in which we may "cement our sisterhood". Thus I ask:*

***At the Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup> meeting please be willing to share how Zonta has impacted your life since becoming a member.***

*Your most humble editor,*

*Dr. Tara L. Harl*

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### ***3. MEMBER CELEBRATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**Your editor is hoping these poor balloons do not have  
To hang here alone each month.....**



**Please send information.....**

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### ***4. BOARD, BUSINESS, & PROGRAM MEETINGS' MINUTES***

#### **Board Meeting September 4, 2008**

**Present:** Linda Linn, Tara Harl, Lori Rebeschke, Carol Barrymore, Susan Voeltz, LeAnne Miller, Pat Molitor, Stephanie Jussila, Judi Gay

Meeting called to order by President Linda Linn at 12:00 noon at the Ground Round.

Pledge, Blessing, and Pin Penalties completed

**Announcement:** In order to address all the business needed, Linda directed that the board meetings would be streamlined: Updates, unless needing approval or discussion will be done during regular business meetings so that duplication of efforts and time does not occur.

**Minutes of May 1, 2008:** Motion to approve the minutes made by Susan Voeltz. Seconded-Carol Barrymore. Passed.

**Correspondence:** Key status for the Zonta mail box. Judi get a key from Carol Rae. The post office box is by Applebee's.

**National Zonta Convention update-** Linda L.:

Dues were increased to \$30. \$15 of this due shortly; Zonta Int'l directed these dues to be called "voluntary dues." One check from each club to cover \$15 for each member will be due. We need to think about options about how to pay this.

**Budget:** 31 members. Budget for 2008-09 to be prepared by the October Board meeting.

**Membership:** Linda will get updated membership roster from the Zonta Int'l web site and distribute via email. October 9<sup>th</sup> – Evening: Membership promotion meeting arranged by Stephanie Jussila. New pamphlet being created; postcard will soon be ready to go out to members & prospective members. Steph will check out cost of using Gorecki Conference Center, at the College of St. Benedict.

Sonja Jacobson, Area Director will be the speaker for the luncheon meeting and for the evening meeting. Place to be decided for the evening gathering. Theme: *Embrace the Passion* focusing on the primary priorities of Zonta's work to empower women.

**Service: Flower Sale:** Linda distributed a Flower Sale Recap Report 2000-2008. See handout. During the past eight years Zonta members sold 4,330 tickets raising \$62,593 of which the Nurseries received \$37,469.50 and \$23,541.81 was distributed to Journey Home, Anna Marie's, Scholarships, International Convention fund and a small amount to undesignated account. Distribution of funds will occur along with distribution of funds from the Golf Outing.

**Christmas House:** Susan and committee members have been meeting through the summer attending to the details. The house will be in Deer Creek East Edition and is the home of Andy & Jody Fritz owners of L.J. Plumbing. The owners do not want their name used.

Dates: November 21 and 22. Decorators' tour is 9/23/08 from 11-2

Motion by Susan Voeltz to increase price of tickets from \$5 to \$7 pre-sale and from \$7.00 to \$10 at the door. Seconded by LeAnne Miller. Motion carried.

Next Christmas House committee meeting is September 22.

**Golf Outing Fundraiser:** LeAnne reported that there is still one more team of 4 needed. Silent Auction items and more Hole Sponsorships needed as well. Everything is coming along! It will be a great event!

**Business:**

ZoNews Newsletter editor needed. Tara Harl stepped up!

Web site maintenance needed: Stephanie will contact Smart Site, Erick Braun to see about costs of this organization hosting the Zonta web site.

Public Relations & Communications Chair needed.

Pen Pal Program coordinator needed: we will wait until contacted by Distr. 742.

Holiday Social location: Nancy Fisher will be coordinating this event.

Installation location in May 2009: Linda suggested an evening meeting, and forming a committee to work on this event.

District Meeting – Jamestown, ND October 3-5, 2008

Registration due 9/22/08. Contact Linda if you'd like to go.

**Other business:**

Herberger's Community Day (November 15, Saturday) Coupon Booklets available from LeAnne Miller. \$5.00 each. Zonta gets to keep 100% of the proceeds.

Flower Sale: Lori thanked all who worked at the Flower Sale; there were members who came back to work again and again!

Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn made by Pat Molitor. Seconded by Steph J. Motion carried. Board meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Judi Gay, Recording Secretary  
September 11, 2008

***Judi Gay and your editor have been in contact to coordinate the reporting of meetings' minutes each month. The new process will be: the FIRST FRIDAY of each month you will have all minutes from the PREVIOUS month's meetings. Thank you for your understanding as we change Editors.***



#### ***4. TREASURER'S & FINANCE REPORTS***

##### **Treasurer's Report Ending August 31, 2008**

|                             |                    |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Balance 5/31/2008</b>    | <b>\$10,771.24</b> |
|                             |                    |
| <b>Receipts</b>             |                    |
| Interest for Jun/Jul/Aug    | 4.39               |
| Christmas House (2007)      | 40.00              |
| Golf Sponsors/Registrations | 2620.00            |
| Pins Sold                   | 90.00              |
| Dues                        | 99.00              |
| Flower Sale                 | 3445.00            |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>       | <b>\$6,298.39</b>  |
|                             |                    |
| <b>Disbursements</b>        |                    |
| JaneKlausman Scholarship    | 500.00             |
| Southway Greenhouse         | 4689.00            |
| <b>Total Disbursements</b>  | <b>\$5,189.00</b>  |
|                             |                    |
|                             |                    |
| <b>Balance 8/31/2008</b>    | <b>\$11,880.63</b> |

**Finance Report Ending August 31, 2008**

***Operating Fund***

***Designated Funds:***

|                                             |            |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| International Convention Fund               | \$1,108.28 |
| Supplies/Postage/Post Office Box            | \$248.28   |
| Website/ZoNews<br>(copies/supplies/postage) | -0-        |
| Membership Committee                        | \$37.29    |
| Dues Pending                                | -0-        |
| <i>Total</i>                                | \$1,393.85 |

***Undesignated Funds:***

|              |                   |
|--------------|-------------------|
| <i>Total</i> | \$3,543.29        |
| <i>Total</i> | <b>\$4,937.14</b> |

***Service Funds***

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Christmas House    | \$20.00           |
| Flower Sale        | \$3,181.00        |
| Golf Outing        | \$2,620.00        |
| International Fund | \$5.00            |
| Memorial Fund      | \$25.00           |
| Miscellaneous      | \$342.49          |
| Scholarships       | \$750.00          |
| <i>Total</i>       | <b>\$6,943.49</b> |

## ***5. SPECIAL EVENTS REPORTS***



### ***19<sup>th</sup> Annual Zonta Christmas House....***

The committee has been busy with the details of this year's home located at Deer Creek East, 3547 Wildflower Road South, St. Cloud. The dates of this year's tour are Friday, November 21, 3:00-9:30 p.m. and Saturday, November 22, 9:00-4:00 p.m. If you would like to see the home, Lori has arranged a decorators' tour for Tuesday, September 23 from 11-2, so feel free to stop by between those times to view this beautiful home.

We will be seeking everyone's help with the many tasks involved with our biggest fundraiser of the year, and will need your assistance serving as hostesses during the tour. Tickets will be forthcoming to all members as well, with prices being \$7.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door. Stay tuned to updates and sign up sheets at our meetings and the ZoNews. We are looking forward to another successful Christmas House!

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## ***6. SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORTS***

**Need a gift for someone special?**

***The "Zonta Women Working Together to Support the World" pin would make a great gift for Mother's Day, Secretary's Day or any time you want to honor the women in your life! Linda Linn & Debbie Grant have a supply of pins for sale @ \$15.00 each.***

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## ***7. NOTICES OF FUTURE MEETINGS and/or EVENTS***

|                 |                 |             |                           |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| <b>10/2/08</b>  | <b>Thursday</b> | <b>Noon</b> | <b>Board Meeting</b>      |
| <b>10/9/08</b>  | <b>Thursday</b> | <b>Noon</b> | <b>Program Meeting</b>    |
| <b>10/13/08</b> | <b>Monday</b>   |             | <b>Columbus Day</b>       |
| <b>10/23/08</b> | <b>Thursday</b> | <b>Noon</b> | <b>Regular Meeting</b>    |
| <b>10/24/08</b> | <b>Friday</b>   |             | <b>United Nations Day</b> |
| <b>10/31/08</b> | <b>Friday</b>   |             | <b>Halloween</b>          |



**Do we ever wonder how different her life might have been if she had only owned one of those GPSs so many of her ZONTA sisters have on the dashboards of their cars?**