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NEWSLETTER OF THE ST. CLOUD AREA ZONTA CLUB

"Never interrupt someone, doing something, you said couldn't be done"

Amelia Earhart 1930s

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1. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

02-05-09 Board Meeting
02-12-09 Business Meeting
02-26-09 Program Meeting--Dr. Mitch Bender Chair SCSU ETS Dept. (Environmental & Technology Studies) will speak on environmental issues facing Mid MN.

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

2. NOTICES OF FUTURE MEETINGS and/or EVENTS

03-05-09	Board Meeting
03-12-09	Business Meeting
03-26-09	Program Meeting

SAVE THE DATE for the 2009 Area Meeting:

- The Zonta Club of Brainerd invites all Zontians to the 2009 Area Meeting hosted by the Zonta Club of Brainerd, Minnesota. The meeting will be held *April 17-18* at the beautiful and historic Grand View Lodge on Gull Lake. Visit www.grandviewlodge.com for a virtual tour. Our host club is hard at work on the details and a formal invitation with more information will follow. Please direct any questions or program suggestions to me at fabguy@hickroytech.net. I am looking forward to seeing you all there.

3. EDITORIAL NOTES



"Cementing the Sisterhood"

From our "esteemed membership committee":

- We are working on a link from our website to the District website where there is a nice greeting from our new Governor, Kathy Swan that we recommend everyone read. The District website is a wonderful resource for many items: <http://www.zontadistrict7.org/> Please click on it to see "Greetings" from Kathy.

Tidbit of Info:

- Word has it that Hillary Swank is starring in a movie about Amelia Earhart to be released October 2009. Think Hollywood would put a plug in about her Zonta Membership? You editor doubts it since she herself is having trouble finding much documentation for said membership.

- ***Someone's on her Honeymoon!***



- ***Someone's about to deliver a new "Baby Zontian"***



- ***Lots of Sisterly Encouragement and Love, to our esteemed President Miss Linda. You go Lady!! We are all rooting for you and admire your courage.***



4.BOARD, BUSINESS, & PROGRAM MEETINGS' MINUTES

Board Meeting January 8, 2009

Present: Susan Voeltz, Lori Rebischke, Sue Dege, Steph Jussila, Pat Molitor, LeAnne Miller, Judi Gay, and Deb Grant.

Call to order: Susan called the meeting to order at noon, filling in for Linda Linn.

Usual welcoming and organizational items addressed.

Minutes: Motion made by Pat Molitor to approve the minutes of the Nov 13 and Nov 20th with a spelling correction on Beth Anvary's name. Seconded by Steph Jussila. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports: Motion made by LeAnne Miller to approve the November and December Treasurer's reports. Motion seconded by Judi Gay. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Thank you notes and letters were received from the Centra-Care Health Foundation - Journey Home; Anna Marie's Alliance; the Great River Regional Library - Summer Reading Program; ISD 742 -Pen Pal Program.

Zonta received fund requests, yet most of these did not meet the Mission of Zonta, except one that supported young women's leadership.

Motion made by Lori Rebischke to donate \$150 in support of the Gold Award Girl Scout project of Ailsa Odom, and independent Girl Scout—due to her past and current community leadership skills given on behalf of women; to help empower young women's leadership skills. Seconded by Steph Jussila. Follow-up: Steph will ask Ailsa to come to tell Zonta about her Memory Box project (VA) when it is completed.

Committees:

Finance – Susan V. will be needing a member to take over creating the Zonta Club Financial reports. This is ideal for a detail minded, numbers-woman! Interested members should contact Susan Voeltz: savoeltz@bremer.com.

Membership: More potential new members will be coming as guests to Zonta business and program meetings. How to extend hospitality – if you notice a new Zonta member sitting alone—go sit by them and strike up a conversation! Most of November's new members are associated with at least one service committee!

Christmas House Re-cap:

Ticket money – some members still need to turn in their ticket money. Steph will send out a blast e-mail reminding members of the next meeting and about bringing remaining tickets and ticket money! Ticket money gets turned in to Sue Dege.

Lori R. suggested that we get three strong people to coordinate and implement Christmas House for this year (2009). Recruiting new Christmas House Coordinators needs to happen now. Need super PR people—stellar diplomatic, assertive, coordinating skills! The coordinators work with home-owners, decorators, and sponsors—and keep things moving!

By summer we should know which house will be the next Christmas House.

2009- Crafts Direct would like to be more involved with producing flyer-inserts bags to be given to Crafts Direct shoppers!

1,304 guests this year. Only two guests left due to the at-door cost for tickets.

Checklists and guidelines need to be prepared for the homeowners and decorators to advise them about how Christmas House works. This will help decrease misunderstandings—and be a great help to the new coordinators of Christmas House.

January 16th – Friday: Spaghetti dinner service project at the Eagles club (Spaghetti dinner for the blind) serving will start at 4 p.m. Jean Madsen will be calling Zonta members to volunteer.

Business Meeting January 15, 2009

Meeting minutes not available at this time

Program Meeting January 29, 2009

Meeting minutes not available at this time



5. TREASURER & FINANCE REPORTS

Treasurer Report

Ending January 31, 2009

Balance 12/31/2008	\$20,253.66
Receipts	
Interest for Jan	.86
Pin Penalty	5.00
Xmas House Ticket Sales	245.00
Total Receipts	\$250.86
Disbursements	
Girl Scouts-Gold Project	150.00
Total Disbursements	\$150.00
Balance 1/31/2009	\$20,354.52



Finance Report

Ending January 31, 2009

Operating Fund

Designated Funds:

International Convention Fund	\$1,967.28
Supplies/Postage/Post Office Box	\$101.28
Website/ZoNews (copies/supplies/postage)	\$500.00
Membership Committee	\$276.03

Total \$2,844.59

Undesignated Funds:

	\$2,695.91
<i>Total</i>	<hr/> \$5,540.50

Service Funds

Christmas House	\$11,065.53
Flower Sale	-0-
Golf Outing	-0-
International Fund	\$1,435.00
Memorial Fund	\$25.00
Miscellaneous	\$667.49
Scholarships	\$1,621.00

Total

\$14,814.02



6. SPECIAL EVENTS REPORTS

- **Sister Nancy Fischer has arranged for Coburns to send Yellow Zonta Roses to Journey Home and Anna Maries-each, on Tuesday March 3rd for Zonta Rose Day.**



8. SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORTS

***Thank you letters were received from the following organizations
in the last few months:***

- 1. ISD 742 Pen Pal Program - donation of \$84.00 for the purchase of stamps**
- 2. Great River Regional Library - gift to their 2008 Summer Reading Program**
- 3. CentraCare Health Foundation - Gift of \$1,910 to Journey Home**
- 4. Anna Marie's Alliance - Gift of \$3,815**
- 5. Lynae Hemming - Scholarship thank you**