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Zonta Club of St. Cloud

THE ZONEWS

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ZONTA SPEAKER MEETING

OCTOBER 27TH

LIVING THE LIFE YOU WERE MEANT TO LIVE

ZONTA CLUB OF ST. CLOUD

Board of Directors- FY 2023

- **President: Laurie Ann Oppel**
- **Vice President: Veronica Villeneuve**
- **Treasurer: Kati Blum**
- **Recording Secretary: Mary Nimmerfroh**
- **Communications Secretary: Rachel Thompson**
- **Board Members- 2nd term**
  - **Glenny Olufson**
  - **Mary Robak-Saari**
- **Board Members - 1st Term**
  - **Belinda Ryan**
  - **Mary Garding**
- **Past President: Joal Peitz**

NOTICE:

ALL BUSINESSS MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT CROOKED PINT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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Cara Ruff

LIVING THE LIFE YOU WERE MEANT TO LIVE

Cara Ruff is the Director and Transformational Life Coach for the Starfish Program, which is sponsored by the Women's Fund of CMCF. Over the past 14 years Cara has worked intensely with women who have experienced domestic violence and/or sexual assault, assisting them to overcome the lasting effects of abuse and trauma and creating the life they were truly meant to live.

Cara is also the Founder and Executive Director for Independent Lifestyles, Inc. a Center for Independent Living (ILICIL). ILICIL is a private non profit organization which serves persons of all disabilities throughout a thirteen county service area.

2022

ZONTA SPEAKER MEETING

OCTOBER 27TH

5:30-6PM PM SOCIAL
6 PM DINNER
7 PM SPEAKER

REGISTER BY:
FRIDAY, OCT 14TH

Price: $25

VERONICA.VILLENEUVE@UBS.COM
320-443-3600

Pay onsite, VENMO or mail checks to:
P.O. Box 7453 St Cloud, MN 56302
Check payments can be made out to
Zonta Club of St. Cloud

VENMO ACCOUNT:
@zontaclubstcloud

COYOTE MOON
480 55th Ave SE,
St Cloud, MN 56304

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 8 – MN Women's Suffrage Day (League of Women Voters mark this date)
September 15 -- Terebinth Refuge fundraiser 7:30 – 9 am Park Event Center
September 8 – Business Meeting @ CROOKED PINT
September 8 or 9 – Welcome back social TBD
September 22 – Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid Benefit Luncheon 11:30-1 pm Park Event Center RSVP 612-746-3709 or boconnell@mylegalaid.org
September – Service Project – Cook at Anna Marie's TBD
Month of October – Domestic Violence Awareness Month (Color is purple)
October 6 – Board Meeting
October 11 – International Day of the Girl Child
October 13 – Business Meeting @ CROOKED PINT
October 13 – AAUW Program – Fall for Jazz (an evening of Inspiration & Empowerment) – Great Hall at St John's University $75
October 13 –Take Back the Night Rally and Walk
October 26 – Anna Marie Breakfast – fundraiser – The Park Event Center 8-9 am
October 27 – Zonta Evening Speaker Meeting/Membership Drive – Coyote Moon
Month of November - EVERY MEMBER, EVERY NOVEMBER CAMPAIGN
November 3 – Board Meeting
November 8 – ZI 103rd anniversary
November 10 – Business Meeting, Anna Marie's Center for Family Peace TBD
November 11 – Zonta St Cloud 72nd anniversary --
November 18, 19 – Christmas House
November 25 – December 10 – 16 Days of Activism
December 1 – Board Meeting
December 8 – Holiday Social Belinda Ryan is Hostess- bring a friend and $10 Gift for exchange, potlock.
December 10- Human Rights Day
Month of January – Human Trafficking Prevention Month (Color is Blue)
January 5 – Board Meeting
January 11 – Human Trafficking Awareness Day
January 11 – Amelia Earhart Day
January 12 – Business Meeting
February 2 – Board Meeting
February 11—International Day of Women & Girls in Science (STEM)
February 9 – Business Meeting
February 13, 15 or 16 – Advocacy/Service Social & Fundraiser
February 17 – Random Acts of Kindness Day

March 2 - Board Meeting
March 8 – International Women's Day, #Zonta Rose Day Every Rose Day/March, acknowledge and honor our members Also Commission on the Status of Women scheduled annually for March
March 9 – Business Meeting
March ?? – Service Project – Cook at Anna Marie's
April 6 - Board Meeting
April —Area Meetings
April 13 – Business Meeting
April —A Walk Together: Unite Against Sex Trafficking
April 26 – Denim Day (A visible means to protest against the misconceptions of victim blaming and destructive myths that surround sexual violence)
April 20 or 27 – Evening Speaker Meeting
May 4 - Board Meeting,
May 11 or 18 – Annual Meeting TBD
June 2023 – Zonta Inter-District in Indianapolis, IN

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO ADD TO ZONEWS?

Submit to Rachel@VisitStCloud.com by the first Friday of the month!

Zonta Board Meeting Minutes
8/4/2022
Anna Marie's Alliance, St Cloud, MN and ZOOM

Present: Laurie Ann Oppel, Mary Nimmerfroh, Mary Robak-Saari, Belinda Ryan, Mary Garding, Rachel Thompson, Joal Peitz, Glenny Olufson

Absent: Veronica Villeneuve, Kati Blum

Guests: Debra Kellerman

The meeting was called to order by President Laurie Oppel at 12:05pm/ The Pledge of Allegiance and Zonta Blessing followed the call to order. Pin Penalty was invoked. The agenda for today's meeting was presented for approval. Additions:
Rachel Thompson moved to approve the agenda; Belinda Ryan seconded the motion. *Motion was approved.*

Consent Agenda

Transitional Board minutes of 7/19/2022
Treasurer's report of July 2022

Motion to approve was made by Mary Nimmerfroh and seconded by Rachel Thompson. *Motion was approved.*

Business:

FY 22 Year End Budget Report – Debra Kellerman reviewed the finalized Finance Report for 2021-22. This report covered June 2021 thru May 2022. Some of the checks written and dispersed in May had not yet cleared the bank by the end of our fiscal year and therefore were not included in the report. The finance committee does their report on an accrual basis as opposed to the cash basis that the Treasurer does her report. Rachel Thompson made a motion to accept this finance report and Belinda Ryan seconded the motion. *Motion approved.*
Discussion on payment methods – VENMO now has a business model and their fees are much lower than other platforms at 1.9%. If a credit card is used with VENMO the charge is 3%, however there is no fee if a debit card is utilized. There was discussion about other types of cars. Motion to approve utilizing VENMO was made by Laurie Oppel and seconded by Belinda Ryan. *Motion approved.*
Speaker Meeting – This will be in October at Coyote Moon and meal cost will be $25
International Meeting – The PowerPoint presentation by the District 7 board was reviewed. There was discussion about having a small amount of time at every ZOOM meeting to go over the ZOOM presentation. Laurie Oppel would like to have the 4 projects for the Biennium reviewed at a meeting.
Kayak for a Kause report - There are 40 registered kayaker's as of today. Two paid tickets were given to Anna Marie's. There are 10 auction baskets so far. The ARTISTS OF MINNESOTA donated several small pieces of Artwork that will be sold for $10 each and a "mystery" gift card will be attached to each. There are 9 people registered for just lunch.

Business meeting location -- Joal Peitz has been checking for a new location for our business meetings. The Crooked Pint and Grizzlies each have rooms that can do ZOOM and do not charge a fee for the room.. However, Grizzlies won't be available until maybe November. We decided to go with the Crooked Pint. Meals can be preordered from their menu via Laurie Oppel – same a last year. There was the possibility of doing a fundraiser at Crooked Pint, but no decision made on that.
Website update – Rachel Thompson has added a new document page under "About" and "Join". The new page was reviewed. She also advised she has removed all individual member's photos due to amount of time required to update them and the lack of submission of pictures.
Holiday Party – There was discussion regarding whether or not to have a holiday party this year. Everyone on Board in favor of the party and it will be held on December 9th, the evening of the December business meeting. Belinda Ryan will host.

Adjournment – Belinda Ryan made a motion to adjourn. Rachel Thompson seconded the motion. Meeting Adjourned at 1:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Nimmerfroh
Recording Secretary

CLUB UPDATES

LEGAL AID'S ST. CLOUD OFFICE

Eleventh Annual

Virtual Access to Justice Luncheon

Speaker: Honorable Anne K. McKeig
Associate Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court

Thursday, September 22, 2022 • 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Park Event Center, Waite Park

RSVP by September 8 to Barb O'Connell at boconnell@mylegalaid.org or 612.746.3709
There is no cost to attend the event. Guests will be asked to make donations to Legal Aid's St. Cloud office at the conclusion of the luncheon.

Thanks to a generous donor,
gifts up to $5,000 will be matched dollar-for-dollar!
That doubles the impact of your gift.

Unable to Attend? Giving is Easy!

- Give on our event page: https://tinyurl.com/stcloudluncheon and click on the "Donate" button.
- Send a check to MMLA-St. Cloud Office, P.O. Box 886, St. Cloud, MN 56302.
- Scan the QR code on the right with your phone to go directly to our giving page.

Your entire contribution benefits the St. Cloud office.

Thank you for your support!

KAYAKING FOR A KAUSE

REGISTRATION: 40 PADDLERS

A huge thank you to the committee and the co-chairs Alicia and Joal!

Final event numbers came in at a net of ...

DRUM ROLL....

$4,183

SAVE THE DATE!

August 6th, 2023!

Zonta Club of St Cloud
Treasurer's Report
Period Ending August 30, 2022

Balance 7/31/2022 checking account	**$**	**2,855.05**
Receipts		
Christmas House	$	1,505.00
Change 4 Change	$	25.85
Kayaking for a Kause	$	6,116.78
Marketplace	$	25.00
Interest August	$	0.46
	$	-
Total Receipts	$	7,673.09
Disbursements		
Kayaking for a Kause	$	1,990.44
CC fees	$	25.12
Zi Convention dues	$	590.00
Total Disbursements	**$**	**2,605.56**
Balance 8/30/21 Checking account	**$**	**7,922.58**
SAVINGS ACCOUNT REPORT		
BALANCE ON 7/31/21	**$**	**26,669.33**
Interest Aug	**$**	**2.48**
Balance 8/31/21 Savings account	**$**	**26,671.81**
Total Accounts	**$**	**34,594.39**

INTERNATIONAL UPDATES

Firsts for Women: August 2022

Zonta International celebrates "firsts for women" in all different sectors in countries and communities around the world.

Read all on the Z.I Website

https://www.zonta.org/Web/News_Events/Articles/Firsts_for_Women_August_2022.aspx

Eileen Cikamatana – first woman to win weightlifting gold for two countries at the Commonwealth Games.

Nomusa Dube-Ncube – first woman premier of KwaZulu-Natal, a coastal South African province

Charlotte de Witte – first woman and first techno artist to close out the iconic Mainstage of Tomorrowland, the world's largest electronic dance music (EDM) festival.

Sarah Nurse – first woman to be on the cover of an Electronic Arts NHL game.