

THE ZONEWS

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ZONTA CLUB OF ST. CLOUD

Board of Directors- FY 2023

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

NOTICE:

SEPTEMBER BUSINESS MEETING:
SEPTEMBER 14TH

AT CROOKED PINT!
ALL BUSINESS MEETINGS IN 2023
will be held at Crooked Pint.

THIS EDITION:

Calendar of Events
Meeting Minutes
Financials - **COMING SOON**
Club Updates
ZI Updates

**BUILD A BETTER WORLD
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**

2023-2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 7 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon/Bring your lunch

September 8-10 – District 7 Conference, Courtyard Marriott Downtown

September 8 – Service Project & Bar Hop Membership Event \$25 per guest – Courtyard Marriott 8 pm

September 14 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon

September 14 – Terebinth Breakfast 7am and Film Event at 6-8 pm Park Event Center

September 28 – Take Back The Night- Rally at 6:30 pm

Month of October – Domestic Violence Awareness Month (Color is purple)

October 5 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon/Bring Your Lunch

October 12- Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon or TBA

October 13 –Take Back the Night March- 5:30 Mixer, 6:30 Speakers, & 7:00 March- College of St Benedict

October 25 – Anna Marie’s Alliance Breakfast – 7 am Park Event Center

October 26 – Volunteer Event/Membership Drive??

Month of November – EVERY MEMBER, EVERY NOVEMBER CAMPAIGN

November 2 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon/Bring Your Lunch

November 8 – ZI 104th anniversary

November 9 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint

November 11 – Zonta St Cloud 73rd anniversary

November 17- 18 – Christmas House Fri 3-9pm, Sat 9am-4pm, Tickets \$20, available at Coburns, Door or online. Each member gets 5 tickets to sell.

November 25 – December 10 – 16 Days of Activism, Light the Town/World Orange

December 7 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance

December ? – Anna Marie’s Alliance Event – Meal and Cookie Decorating

December 14 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon

Month of January 2024 – Human Trafficking Prevention Month (Color is Blue)

January 4 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon- (changed to Zoom only due to weather).

January 11 – Amelia Earhart Day

January 11 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon

February 1 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon

February 8 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon

February 15 – Service Social (Potluck) & Fundraiser – 5:30 pm. Bring \$10 gas GC’s to donate. Items to donate to a silent auction and \$1 bills for surprise event.

March 7 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon/Bring Your Lunch

March 14 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon

March ?? – Service Project – Cook at Anna Marie’s?

April 4 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon/Bring Your Lunch

April 11 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ noon

April 18th – Evening Speaker Meeting

April 27(?) – A Walk Together: Unite Against Sex Trafficking – Shear Dynamic’s Salon

May 2 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance @ noon/Bring Your Lunch

May 9, 16 or 23 (TBA) – Annual Meeting

June 27-30 – 2024 Zonta International Convention in Brisbane, Australia

July 2024 – Transition Board Meeting, Date, Place and Time, TBA

August 1, 2024 – Board Meeting – Anna Marie’s Alliance at Noon

August 4, 2024 – Kayaking For A Cause

August 8, 2024 – Business Meeting – Crooked Pint/Waite Park @ Noon



Zonta Business Meeting Minutes
09/10/2023
AnnaMarie's Alliance, St Cloud, MN and ZOOM

Present: Debra Kellerman, Acting President; Gayle Borchert, Susan Dege, Mary Garding, Deborah Grant, Mary Nimmerfroh, Glenn Olufson, Alicia Reif, Mary Robak-Saari, Belinda Ryan, Lyndsey Stram, Rachel Thompson, Susan Voeltz.

Absent: Laurie Anna Oppel, President; Veronica Villeneuve, Vice President; Carol Barrymore, Jan Bensen, Katie Blum, Deb Dingman, Debra Eid, Vickie Erickson, Karla Kruger, Linda LaSota, Alice Lenzmeier, Linda Linn, LeAnn Miller, Kayla Perlinger, Joal Peitz, Lori Rebischke, Cindy Slivnik,

Guests: None

Call to Order: Acting President Debra Kellerman called the meeting to order at 12 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and Zonta Blessing followed the call to order.

Motion to approve the meeting agenda was made by Susan Dege, seconded by Belinda Ryan. Additions/corrections: Addition of Service Committee Report, Delegates for D7 meeting and Member involvement concerns.
Motion was amended and approved.

Consent Agenda:

Minutes of Business meeting on 05/23/2023

Treasurer's reports for May, June, July 2023

Rachael Thompson made a motion to approve the consent agenda as published in the ZoNews. Mary Robak-Saari seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence and Requests: Found in August 2023 ZoNews. As per bylaws, \$50 memorial donation for Joel Peitz's mother was made to Zonta International Rose Fund.

BUSINESS:

Service Committee: A service project for D7 meeting will be assembling 30 "bolt bags" for distribution to local agencies. The bags will include personal care items and other miscellaneous items. A holiday dinner and cookie decorating event at AnnaMarie's will be set soon.

Business Meeting Location: Various locations and meeting times were discussed. It was determined more time and input was needed. Motion was made by Belinda Ryan to keep business meetings at Crooked Pint until the end of the year. Motion was seconded by Susan Dege. Motion carried.

Kayak Report: Alicia Reif presented information on the successful event. There were 27 individuals who did kayak but others joined for lunch, raffle and prizes. Over \$9,000 was raised. The committee is exploring ideas for next year, 08/04/2024.

Finance Report: Debra Kellerman submitted finance report for 2023 including budget items. Motion to accept the report was made by Mary Nimmerfroh. Belinda Ryan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Member Involvement Concerns: Discussion regarding the various concerns of members and issues that would involve more members. One example was attorney fees for 5013c process. The bill initially included non-club items. These were corrected by the attorney and bill was resubmitted to treasurer and paid in May. This expense was discussed in April meeting but action was not clear. Some members understood the bill would be resubmitted to the club and others understood it would be resubmitted to treasurer once the bill was corrected. Consensus was that Mary Nimmerfroh will review any notes she made for the minutes and discussion of this issue tabled to September meeting. Another concern discussed was the need to have members involved by voting for decisions made by members involved in projects/committees. An example of this was delegates for D7 Meeting.

Christmas House: House owned by Ed Zapp has been selected by committee. Tickets will be printed and eventually distributed to Cash Wise, Coborn's, West Side Liquor and members to sell. Ticket cost will be \$20 each or on-line sale of 2 for \$38.

Foundation Update: IRS has not yet reviewed club application which was submitted March 2023. Feedback on inquiry indicates IRS is working on applications submitted in October/November 2022. Bylaws were created for the foundation and current foundation board members include: Laurie Ann Oppel, Veronica Villeneuve, Mary Nimmerfroh, Debra Kellerman, Rachel Thompson, Alicia Reif and Lindsey Stram. Bylaws indicate others can be added to the board up to a maximum of ten. Bylaws could also be amended. It will need to be very clear what money goes into club versus foundation funds. Susan Dege asked to review the foundation bylaws as she is in process of reviewing club bylaws.

Dancing with the Stars Update: Rachael Thompson's group won first place in the Women's fund dancing event. This totaled to approximately \$85,000 which will be held by Women's Fund until IRS letter is received for foundation. The funds will then be invested as an endowment to fund future scholarships. Foundation must report money spent for "women in transition" items such as scholarship until the \$85,000 is spent. Rachel will take on the required reporting.

D7 Meeting: Currently there are 45 registered to attend with about 15 members from St Cloud club. It is expected there will be a total of approximately 55 attending at least part of the event. Members can bring a guest on Friday night social event with cost of \$25 for each guest. This will also include the service project bolt bags. Due to conflict, St Cloud club needs to name a delegate and alternate. This was reviewed at the Zonta Transitional Board meeting. Discussion was this should be voted by membership. Motion made by Susan Dege to name Belinda Ryan as delegate and Mary Garding as Alternate. Mary Nimmerfroh seconded the motion and vote was 12 in favor and 1 opposed. Motion carried.

Speaker Meeting: Glenny Olufson indicated more information was will be presented in the future regarding meeting on October 26, 2023.

Trivia: Rachel presented trivia question and Belinda Ryan won the trivia prize.

Adjournment: Mary Nimmerfroh moved to adjourn, Seconded by Susan Dege.
Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Garding
Recording Secretary

CLUB UPDATES



**DO YOU
HAVE
SOMETHING
TO ADD TO
ZONEWS?**

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

DISTRICT 7 CONFERENCE IS SEPTEMBER 8-10 IN ST. CLOUD

Registration has closed



NEW TO THE BOARD:

LYNDSEY STRAM
POSITION: TREASURER



MARY GARDING
POSITION: RECORDING SEC

**We are starting the search for our next BOD,
interested in a seat on the board?
Contact Nominations Chair: Deb Kellerman!**



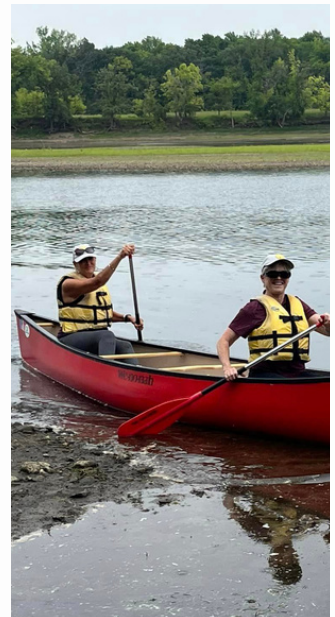
KAYAKING FOR A KAUSE

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN 2023!

SAVE THE DATE

AUGUST 4th, 2024

CLEAR WATERS OUTFITTING COMPANY



Kayaking for a Cause 2023

		Beginning Balance	\$500
Expenses	Quantity	Amount	Balance
Kayak Patch	None		\$500.00
2nd Time Patch	None		\$500.00
3rd Time Patch	100 @ \$1.12/ea	\$120.00	\$380.00
Hats	None		\$380.00
Mailing			\$380.00
Raffle Tickets	350 @ \$98	\$0.00	\$380.00
Raffle Payout	1500	\$1,500.00	-\$1,120.00
Catering (Nelson Bros)	40	\$471.03	-\$1,591.03
Kayaking	\$29/ea	\$783.00	-\$2,374.03
Copying (Maps/Sponsors)	30	\$37.45	-\$2,411.48
Ice Cream (Jupiter Moon)	None	\$0.00	-\$2,411.48
Facebook Ad	None	\$0.00	-\$2,411.48
Cookies/Bars	Donated	\$0.00	-\$2,411.48
Chips	Donated	\$0.00	-\$2,411.48
Water	Donated	\$0.00	-\$2,411.48
TOTAL EXPENSES			-\$2,411.48
Revenue		Amount	
Sponsorship		\$5,280.00	
Anonymous		\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Williams Dingmann Family Funeral Homes			\$1,500.00
Carol Feneis		\$130.00	\$1,630.00
Poppy Salon			\$1,630.00
Sandy Neutzling/Jennings Insurance			\$1,630.00
Rengel Printing	Inkind		\$1,630.00
Ameriprise Financial: Beste & Associates			\$1,630.00
Minser Chiropractic Clinic		\$100.00	\$1,730.00
Blattner Company			\$1,730.00
Simplicity Health			\$1,730.00
BankVista			\$1,730.00
Dale Gruber Construction			\$1,730.00
Gilleland Chevrolet Cadillac			\$1,730.00
Krillan Custom Apparel, Inc.			\$1,730.00
Coborn's	Inkind		\$1,730.00
Schlenner, Wenner, & Co.			\$1,730.00
Chris and Deb Stahlboerger - Miller, Welle, Heiser, & Co.			\$1,730.00
Oakmont Capital Services	Inkind		\$1,730.00
Mosford, Barthel & Co	Inkind		\$1,730.00
Echo Health		\$425.00	\$2,155.00
Total (non itemized from above)		\$3,125.00	\$5,280.00
Tickets		\$2,660.00	
Check	7	\$665.00	\$5,945.00
Online	21	\$1,995.00	\$7,940.00
Donations		\$200.00	
Cash - Andreas Haffar	Anonymous	\$100.00	\$8,040.00
Venmo Kayla P		\$100.00	\$8,140.00
Lynx tickets - 4 100-level			\$8,140.00
Twins Signed baseball			\$8,140.00
Silent Auction/Punch Wall		\$400.00	
Punch wall		\$400.00	\$8,540.00
Raffle		\$3,200.00	
Tickets (printing 350, members to sell 5 ea)	235	\$20.00	\$11,740.00
Lunch Only		\$75.00	
Online	2	\$30.00	\$11,770.00
On-site	2	\$45.00	\$11,815.00
Other			
Funds not accounted for elsewhere			\$11,815.00
TOTAL REVENUE			\$11,815.00
Held on Reserve for 2023			\$500
TOTAL DONATION AMOUNT AVAILABLE:			\$8,903.52



ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL

**ZONTA INTERNATIONAL HAS RELEASED THE
2023–2030 STRATEGIC PLAN**

Zonta, Gender Equity, and a Vision for 2030 & Beyond



<https://www.zonta.org/images/docs/AboutUs/Strategic%20Plan/ZontaInternationalStrategicPlan.pdf>

