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NEWSLETTER OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF FREDERICK

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August, 2016

Calendar:

August 8th – Program: Speaker – Carole Larsen, *Trip to Antartica.*

September 8th – International Literacy Day.

September 12th – Program: Speaker – Judith Johnston, *Report from International Convention*

October 1st – District 3 Governor’s Seminar, hosted by Southern Ocean County Club, Sheraton Atlantic City Convention Center Hotel, Atlantic City, NJ, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

October 24th – Annual Fall Dinner/ Auction Fund-Raiser, Dutch’s Daughter Restaurant, Frederick.

President’s Message:

Hello Fellow Zontians,

The heat is on! Thank goodness for air conditioning! I hope all of you are getting a chance this summer to relax and catch up with family and friends.

I think a fun time was had by all at the picnic this year. A big thank you to Laura for hosting us in her beautiful back yard.

We are gearing up for the fall fundraiser on Oct. 24th. Save the date!

Also, don’t forget the Governor’s seminar on Oct. 1st. Formerly known as the fall conference, when it hits on the first year of the biennium, it is pared down to a one day event since voting and such is not required. It is in Atlantic City this year, so you might want to take a CHANCE and head up there. The ODDS are that it is going to be a good time!

I had a conference call with 5 of the area presidents (including me). I was surprised that except for the new mid-Maryland club which has 50 members, the rest of the clubs all had between 11-15 members.

Stay cool,
Barb

Service:

We were pleased to distribute Service Funds to representatives of a number of local organizations at our picnic on July 11th. Those attending to speak briefly about their organizations and receive checks were Ed Hinde – SHIP, Meg Menke – Second Chances Garage, Linda Ryan and Jennifer White – Mission of Mercy, and Kathy Schey – Faith House. We also have a donation for the Asian American Center who had no representative present that night. Our picnic was most enjoyable on a beautiful evening in Laura’s backyard. Carole was a very effective auctioneer for the “white elephant” sale. We raised \$187.24 from the sale and dinners.

Art in the Park:

The annual All-Playground Art Show, for which Zonta provides prizes and judges, was held on August 3rd. Laura, Carole, Maida, Pat, and Elizabeth served as judges. There were a lot of entries this year, in categories of painting, drawing, magic marker, crayons, and mixed media, in age groups from 6 and under to teens and leaders. There was an especially large number of entries from the 9 to 11 year olds in the magic marker category. We had the opportunity to present the awards to the youngsters when they gathered for a program and presentations. Most of the winners were there to receive their gifts this year. The leaders do a great job in using our donation to buy the large number of gifts.

It's almost time - - -

Our Annual Fall Dinner/Auction Fund-Raiser is coming on October 24th. Laura has copies of the letter to send out to businesses requesting donations. We can get copies of the letter to give to businesses we use. Susan Dufney has again painted centerpieces for the tables – this year boxes of various sizes beautifully decorated with scenes of Frederick. Be thinking about donations you can request and your own donation for the auction. Also, be thinking about friends/guests to invite for the dinner. There will be more discussion of plans at upcoming meetings.

Membership Grants Program:

Pat Rosensteel, Membership Committee Chair, has solicited input from the members for a proposal to be developed from our club for a District 3 Membership Grant, related to recruiting and retaining members, club development, promotion and publicity. More information will be coming at an upcoming meeting.

Revised By-Laws/Standing Rules:

Review of the proposed Revised By-Laws and Standing Rules was begun at the June meeting. Also revised were Frederick Zonta Facts. Action will be taken on these revisions at an upcoming meeting.

Program Notes:

We were honored to have Amelia Earhart Scholar Elaine Petro as speaker for our June meeting. Elaine, whose field of study is Aerospace Engineering, is one of three Amelia Earhart scholars at the University of Maryland. In speaking of her path to her PhD, Elaine noted that her parents, who accompanied her to Frederick, were both involved in aerospace-related activities. A graduate of Poolesville High School, where she enjoyed physics, math, and Spanish, and of the University of Maryland, Elaine worked at NASA before returning to the University of Maryland to pursue her doctorate.

She is studying a type of propulsion system that uses an electronic propulsion device called a Helicon thruster. Helicon thrusters are attractive propellants for outer solar system missions because they can harvest water vapor for refueling during the mission. Elaine explained all of this with slides to help us comprehend what she is studying!

Elaine said that it is a huge deal in the field of advanced aerospace education to be an Amelia Earhart Fellow. The Amelia Earhart Fellowship program was established by Zonta International in 1938 to assist women in the field of aerospace science and engineering. Since its inception, Zonta International has awarded 1,473 Amelia Earhart fellowships, totaling more than 9 million dollars to 1,044 women from 70 countries.

Do you remember - -

Chloe Scott, who was a recipient of one of our Young Woman in Public Affairs Awards in 2014? Chloe has recently been selected to receive a 2016 Circle of Excellence Scholarship. A senior at Hood College she has earned this \$3000 scholarship for her excellent academic record and her impact in the community through leadership, service and mentoring. She has been very active at Hood and in the community and has been the recipient of a number of awards for service activities, including planning a public forum on human trafficking. She plans to use the scholarship to help pay for her first semester of law school or student loans.

**A Message from District 3 Governor
Donna Clark**

Welcome to Zonta International District 3.

On Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at the closing banquet of the Zonta International 63rd Convention held in Nice, France, the installation of the 2016-2018 Zonta International Officers and Board Members occurred. I was very proud to have been a part of those festivities surrounded by friends. Your welcome was overwhelming.

I have been a part of Zonta since 2000 in the Zonta Club of Charles County, Maryland, and it has been a passion of mine to be of service. I will continue that passion while serving as the District 3 Governor for 2016-2018. Together we will work to advance the status of women through service and advocacy. I look forward to working with you. We have an exciting biennium ahead and we need everyone involved to help execute Zonta's mission.

During this biennium our District 3 goals will reflect those of the Zonta International 2016-2018 President Sonja Honig Schough. We will focus on the five areas which are service, advocacy, membership, resources and the Centennial Anniversary.

It is important to remember our mission:

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to

achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men.

In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

Continued success,
Donna Clark
District 3 Governor

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Meetings – Second Monday of each month
Board and Business Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Dinner and Program 6:30 p.m.

Location: Homewood at Crumland Farms
Willow Road, off Route 15 North

Dinner: \$13.00

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Please notify Maida by 4 p.m. on the Thursday before the meeting if you have a standing reservation and will not be attending or if you do not have standing reservation and will be attending. Reservations are also needed for guests. Except in an emergency, you will be expected to pay for the meal if you have a reservation and do not attend.

The next Z-Line will be published in October. Please have any information that you would like to have included to Elizabeth Derr by October 1st. Thanks.
