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NEWSLETTER OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF FREDERICK

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June, 2016

Calendar:

June 13th – Program: Speaker – Elaine Petro, Amelia Earhart Fellow, Doctoral Student in Aerospace Engineering, University of Maryland. 7:30 p.m.

July 2nd – 6th – Zonta International Convention, Nice, France.

July 11th – Annual Club Picnic at home of Laura Duthoy, 12 Kline Blvd., 5:30 p.m.

August 8th – Program to be announced.

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

President's Message:

I want to thank everyone in the club for all the effort and enthusiasm you put into all of our activities. Also, a special thank you to all the members that have agreed to be on the board. I know that you will all make my job easier. I am open to any and all suggestions. Please feel free to e-mail or call me. I will also try to be at all meetings 15 minutes early if anyone needs to catch me to discuss something before a meeting. If there is any thing you want to put on the agenda for any meeting, just let me know. I want our club to not only survive but to thrive and hopefully be around for another 85 years.

Barb

Annual Meeting:

We were honored to have Area 3 Director Joanne Gallos at our May meeting to conduct the installation of officers for 2016-2018 biennium and induct new members. Officially inducted were Grace Odom, Karen Butler, and Stacey White. Officers installed were President Barbara Stastny, Vice-President Deborah Lundahl, Secretary Laura Duthoy, Treasurer Donna Lane, Board Members Maida Wright, 2016-2017, and Grace Odom, 2016-2018, Nominating Committee - Barbara Brittain, Elizabeth Derr, and Carole Larsen. Joanne conducted meaningful ceremonies with candle-lighting and explanation of duties. Yellow roses were presented to new members and officers. The Korean jewelry chest, a gift from the mother of a Korean girl who Zonta sponsored at Hood College in 1949, was passed on to President Barbara.

Plans were made for our June meeting. Amelia Earhart Scholar Elaine Petro has accepted an invitation to come to Frederick to speak. It was decided to invite Girl Scout Gold Award recipients to attend as our guests. Because of the short planning time available we decided not to attempt to secure mentors but will invite the girls to speak briefly about their Gold Award projects. A newspaper article will be published to invite interested persons to attend to hear the speaker.

Summer Picnic:

Our annual pot-luck picnic will be held on Monday, July 11th, at the home of Laura Duthoy., at 5:30 p.m. Details of food plans – e.g. fried chicken, other – will be discussed at the June meeting. We will also decide

whether to have the usual “white elephant” auction. This is a good meeting to bring guests.

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New Member:

We were pleased to welcome **Stacey White** to membership in May. Stacey had attended our ZING in July and several meetings since. She is Program Manager for Office of Home Energy Programs – City of Frederick. Her office address is 100 E. All Saints Street, Frederick, MD 21701. Office Phone - 301-600-4506; Home Phone – 301-693-5466; e-mail – supton95@msn.com.

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Service:

Barbara Stastny attended the Frederick Community College Reception honoring scholarship donors. She found that our Returning Woman Scholarship had not been awarded this year, but the Helen Smith Art Scholarship was awarded. She did not have an opportunity to meet the recipient.

We had no applications for the Jane Klausman Scholarship again this year.

The Service Committee will be presenting a proposal for use of service funds remaining in the 2015-2016 fiscal year at the June meeting.

The Salvation Army has invited a member of our club to be a guest at their 2016 Annual Civic Dinner on June 18th. They will also be celebrating their 130th Anniversary in Frederick.

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Area Workshop:

Carole Larsen, Barbara Stastny, and Karen Butler attended the District 3, Areas 3 and 4, Spring Workshop, at Mitchellville, MD, on April 23rd. Area Directors Joanne Gallos

and Pat Latona gave presentations on *Building and Sustaining Leadership* and *Employing Best Practices for Club Success*. Leadership development is very important in Zonta. Techniques for identifying and developing leadership within the club were presented. Among the best practices for club success discussed were teamwork, communication, financial sustainability, and evaluation.

Each club was asked to share a success story from her club to show “what works in Zonta,” describing purpose, description, and outcomes and benefits of the event. The success story identified from our club was our ZING, 85th Anniversary, and presentation of local service awards event. Also identified by a new member was looking forward to participating in local service projects and supporting and empowering women.

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New Zonta Club Chartered:

On Saturday, June 4, a new Zonta Club as chartered in Prince George’s County. Because it is the second club in that county, its name is the Zonta Club of Mid-Maryland and the original club has the county’s name. It was noted that since Prince George’s County has over 900,000 population, it is not strange that there should be two Zonta clubs – there is plenty of service to be done.

I was privileged to attend the Chartering Ceremony and Celebratory Luncheon at the Country Club at Woodmore, Bowie, MD. In addition to the District 3 Governor, Margo Sheridan, Lieutenant Governor, Donna Clark, and Parliamentarian, Mary Ellen Bittner (past District 3 Governor 1996-1998) officiated in various capacities. Our out-going Area 3 Director, Joanne Gallos, was there as part of the overseeing committee that helped this club in its formation. She is the incoming Lt. Governor of District 3. I was proud to be one of the 5 club presidents of Area 3 (out of 8) present for the occasion. One of these was the outgoing President of the

Harrisburg/Hershey club, Suzanne Gale, who is our incoming Area 3 Director. There were representatives of several other women's non-profit groups and a County Council member present to add congratulations. The new members were inducted and the officers installed with a ceremony similar to our induction and installation in May, also with yellow roses. The luncheon speaker was Dr. E. Fay Williams, Esq., National President and CEO of the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. She found many common aims and goals between our organizations. As a former preacher and teacher, her talk was invigorating and challenging as both organizations strive to empower women and girls.

The new club was chartered with 50 members! Elizabeth tells me that our club was chartered in 1930 with 15 members. She added that we grew to 24 members by the end of our first year. We wish them well!

Carole

Program Notes:

Elizabeth Chung, founder and director of the Asian-American Center of Frederick, was speaker at our April meeting. A dietitian, who also has a Masters in Public Health, Ms. Chung described the experience of Chinese immigrants coming to America looking for the "American dream" and their need for help to overcome language and cultural barriers. She began the Center to work with Asians, but it now serves many more ethnic groups. They provide language services, citizenship classes, health classes. Recently they are training community health workers. They now provide interpretation for more than 30 languages.

Grace Odom gave her classification talk at the May meeting. A graduate of Frederick Community College and Towson University with a degree in Business Administration and Accounting, Grace began working in

Marketing at Frederick Community Foundation through the Women's Mentoring Program. Currently, in the scholarship season, the Community Foundation has \$1 million in scholarships, receives 1000 applications and awards 260 scholarships. Grace reported that she is going to be leaving the Foundation. Her aspiration is something in the field of business.

Among Our Members:

Pat Rosensteel reported that she was retiring as Director of Frederick County Citizen Services on June 1. Her retirement was announced in a very nice newspaper article, reporting on her 17 years of county employment, first as director of Frederick County Head Start and then as head of Citizen Services. According to the newspaper article, after taking the summer off, Pat suspects she will be looking for jobs that allow her to return to her roots in early childhood education.

Also anticipating a job change, in addition to Grace Odom, is **Deborah Lundahl**. Good luck, in finding just the right job, Deborah and Grace.

Birthday Greetings:

June – 17th – Anne Mossburg.

July – 13th, Pat Rosensteel,
16th – Barbara Brittain

International Convention:

Since we have no members attending the International Convention in Nice, France, we have asked Judy Johnston, of Fairfax County Zonta, to serve as our proxy. We will look forward to hearing from her after the convention.

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President – Barbara Stastny

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

Reservations: Maida Wright 301-644-5835
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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 a 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.

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

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