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NEWSLETTER OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF FREDERICK

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August, 2014

Calendar:

- August 11th - Installation of Officers -
Guest – Area Director
Joann Gallos
- September 8th –Program to be announced
- September 27th – District 3 Fall
Conference,
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.,
Downingtown, PA.
- October 13th - Program to be announced
- October 27th - Annual Fall Dinner/
Auction, Dutch’s
Daughter Restaurant,
Frederick.

I know all of you will join in all of our activities with enthusiasm this year, because you have done it in the past. I hope too, that each of you will assume the responsibility of increasing our membership. If each of us would invite a friend to our meetings (remember that their first meal with us is free), and if we all are super welcoming to your friend, perhaps we can cultivate a garden of new members. The more the merrier. Isn't that a nice thought? Unlike our gardens which will slowly go to sleep as Fall nears, we need to engage these friends in our auction this Fall like we would encourage Spring plants. I know some of you have friends who faithfully attend our fund raisers. Perhaps we could start with them. All it takes is an invitation, and maybe a ride.

Carole

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President’s Message

Dear Friends,

It is a new and humbling experience for me to be co-President of the Zonta Club of Frederick. I will need to draw on all the experience and help that my co-president, Elizabeth, can give me. Especially I hope she will keep me on schedule, and help me with the responsibilities of reporting to the upper levels of Zonta...oh, and go with me to District III Conference. I would love to have more of you come, too. It is only one day, September 27.

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Fall Dinner and Auction Fund-Raiser

Our Annual Fall Dinner/Auction Fund-Raiser has been scheduled for Monday, October 27th, at Dutch’s Daughter Restaurant. The same menu at the same price as last year is available. Laura has the letter ready to send out for donations. She will have copies at the August meeting for members to pick up to give to businesses they use. All members need to be thinking about donations they can request and about their own donation for the auction. Also, be thinking about friends/guests to invite for the dinner. **We need to sell tickets!** Plans for

theme, centerpieces, etc., will be discussed at the August meeting.

Picnic

Thanks to Laura for again hosting our Annual Picnic on July 14th. It was a rainy, stormy evening, so we moved indoors, but we had a great time. We had as guests two of our YWPA scholarship recipients - Savannah Steinly, the winner – and her mother –, and Michelle Shedd, one of the two runners-up. Barbara Stastny presented their checks. They spoke briefly about their continuing education plans. Thanks to Anne-Lynn for auctioning our “white elephants” for a profit of \$181. As usual, there were some interesting donations!

Art in the Park

The annual All-Playground Art Show was held on August 6th. Judging the entries were Laura, Anne-Lynn, Maida, and Elizabeth. There were more entries than last year, and the youngsters really seemed to enjoy the presentation of gifts. As always, the leaders stretched our money to present many prizes. If you have never helped with this project, try to attend next year. It is fun!

Women of Achievement Dinner

Only one guest, and her mentor, was able to attend the Women of Achievement Dinner on June 9th – Chloe Scott, first runner-up for Young Woman in Public Affairs Award, whose career interests are in law, politics, and communications. Jennifer Bailey, public relations representative for the Sheriff’s

Department, was her mentor. Chloe is currently attending Hood College and has been very active in the community.

Angela Hobbs-Spencer, Correctional Classification Specialist for the Work Release Program, Frederick County Sheriff’s Office Correction Bureau, was the keynote speaker. She also serves as Chair of Frederick County Human Relations Commission. A very dynamic speaker, she stressed the importance of service in the community. We need to be the match to start the fire for service, to make things better.

Zonta International 62nd Convention

Zonta conventions are events you want to attend each biennium after attending the first one. I missed the last two for many reasons so it was time to reconnect.

Late June is not the best time to vacation in Florida. Orlando was the site, specifically the Marriott World Center Hotel. I was in the venue for five days because it was too hot to be outside and too far to visit without a car or cab. Inside was cool but big - 2009 rooms in what appeared from the highway to be an entire city.

Total attendance was 1592 including Board, PIPs, delegates, members and guests. A Zonta tradition is to devote a lot of time (too much I think) to revising bylaws. My first convention was in Sydney, Australia where bylaw changes centered on creation of the Foundation. This time there were 71 published changes to be considered. Most important is no dues increase! Controversial changes in the board and quorums were defeated. I will not attempt to summarize the hours and hours of bylaw discussions but they made it impossible for delegates to attend any workshops. They were wonderful, I’m sure!

New President is Maria Jose Oestergaard from Denmark. She was president-elect last biennium. Check the Zontian or ZI website for her goals for the new biennium and the service projects.

I have the convention manual with me. Ask to see it for more information.

Seeing friends from past conventions and making new ones were the highlights of my trip along with the Zonta aura pervading the meetings and social functions. Perhaps others will attend the 2016 convention in Nice!

Donna Lane

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District Conference

District 3 Fall Conference will be a one day event this year. It will be held on Saturday, September 27th, at Downingtown, PA, (near Philadelphia), 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will be a long day but offers an opportunity for more people to attend at a reasonable cost. The theme will be “Unlocking the Potential in Women: Empowerment, Knowledge, Confidence, Togetherness.” Focus will be on selection of Service and Advocacy Projects for clubs and district. Each club is asked to bring a donation for the Conference Service Project – Dawn’s Place, a residential non-profit organization located in Philadelphia which works to improve the lives of women trapped by, or at risk for, commercial sexual exploitation.

All members are encouraged to consider attending this Conference. Carole is planning to attend and will drive. Elizabeth is also planning to go. Registration, including breakfast, lunch, and afternoon break, is \$40 until August 15th. It increases to \$50, until August 27th, \$60, until September 6th, and \$75 after September 6th. For more information and a registration form, see Carole or Elizabeth, or go online to <http://2014zontad3conference.eventbrite.com>

Membership Goals

The District Governor’s goals for membership for this biennium are :

- One new club chartered in District 3 during each year of the biennium,
- Net gain of 1 member per area during the biennium,
- No club disbandments in District 3 during the biennium, and
- Club presidents and governors report increased level of active member participation.



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Co-Presidents – Carole Larsen
Elizabeth Derr

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: \$12.00

Reservations: Elizabeth Derr, 301-473-8113
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Please notify Elizabeth by 4 p.m. on the Friday 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 absence due to 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 submit any information to be included to Elizabeth no later than October 1st. Thanks.



No Birthdays in August or September.

