



Zonta Club of Kankakee

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**Zonta Club of Kankakee
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Tuesday, May 1, 2007

General Membership Meeting

5:30 p.m. Social, 6:00 p.m.
Dinner
Provena St. Mary's Hospital
Franco Conference Center

If anyone needs transportation to the meeting, please contact Char Sims at csims@firstambank.com or call 927-5370.

Attendance and Fellowship...

If anyone has important news that you would like to share with other Zontians, such as death, illness, etc., please contact Char Sims at csims@firstambank.com or by phone at 927-5370. The committee will get the message out to all Zontians.

From the President:

Greetings fellow Zontians,

At the Spring Workshop on Saturday, a summary of Zonta membership was presented. I was so proud of our club as we learned that Zonta Club of Kankakee constitutes 23% of the membership in Area 5 (9 clubs)! Throughout the world we have 32,654 Zontians with 10,336 of us representing North America. Yes, as you can see, Zonta membership around the world is growing while North American is declining. My personal perspective is that this is perplexing. Never before are there so many professional women. Never before do women have such an opportunity to advocate on behalf of and be of service to other women to improve their status locally as well as globally. Seems like an easy sell to me! I am privileged to be in a club where you can make it an easy sell!! Your energy, enthusiasm and dedication to our club make our club dynamic and vibrant! I am blessed to work with so many wonderful women in this community! You are terrific.

Speaking of the Workshop, the Joliet Club did a terrific job of planning and executing a **fun** and invigorating workshop. We had a great time getting caught up with news from our Zontian sisters from around the Area, getting an update from the district and international levels from the Governor, getting report from the International Foundation and getting valuable tools to bring back to the club to improve our club operations. We can't wait to explain "episodic volunteering"! The fellowship with fellow club members on the drive to and from was a wonderful time as well!!

Gwen Hopkins, President

Just a reminder to donate your old cell phones to KC-CASA.

Amelia Update...

Margo Branz brought in a news article on significant new findings relative to the disappearance of Amelia Earhart. To learn more, go to Yahoo News and search for Amelia Earhart. Thanks for the info, Margo.

How's your Elevator Speech?

Are you ever asked what Zonta is? Do you have an answer ready? Try practicing your "elevator speech" which succinctly tells people the most important information about Zonta and what we do. We can practice on each other!

New Issue for the next 50 Years..

We learned during the Anniversary Celebration that our club members have struggled with reservations for our club meetings for 50 years. So, let's propose we put that issue in the archives and deal with it **no longer!** To make that happen, please let Char Sims, Attendance Committee Chair, know how you will communicate your attendance to her:

1. Standing reservation – you will let us know if you are NOT coming.
 2. Will Call reservation – you will let us know if you ARE coming.
 3. If you are bringing guests, we need to know to put another bone in the soup and set another place.
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Emblem Club Dazzler...

Thank you, **Jackie Fink**, for dazzling the audience at the Emblem Club Style Show. We are proud to have you represent us!

Last Call...

Celebration Dates...

May Birthdays:

- 03 - Amy Lafine
- 05 - Terri Hult
- 06 - **Zonta Club of Kankakee (51 years)**
- 14 - Barb Brown
- 18 - Glendal Kilbride

Happy Birthday!!!

Zonta Anniversaries:

- Patty Clancy
 - Kelly Gaunce
 - Bernadette Henriott
 - Kay Pangle
 - Doris Williamson
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Congratulations to **Dr. Connie Walker** who was honored at a retirement reception on Friday upon her retirement from Olivet Nazarene University. Ask her about her recent retirement cruise!

Condolences to **Terri Hult** and **Marge Milone** on the loss of their father Einar Hult. Mr. Hult was a great supporter of Zonta. This year was the first year that he was not at our Executive Luncheon. We will miss him as well.

2010 International Convention...

Has been rescheduled for San Antonio, Texas from Bangkok, Thailand. Our International President, Olivia Ferry provides a thoughtful explanation for the change in the recent issue of *The Zontian*.

Because we must pay the International Dues by May 31, we are asking you to make sure your dues payments get in. Payments received after May 31 will incur a reinstatement fee. Just a reminder, included in our dues are International Dues of \$53, District dues of \$19, Executive Luncheon, Christmas party, and monthly dinners. Please direct any questions about dues payment to Sylvia Thomas, Treasurer. Thanks so much for everyone's prompt response.

Zonta's Website - If you haven't yet registered on Zonta's website, please go to www.zonta.org and do so. There is a plethora of information there on this incredible organization of which we are a part as well as helpful tools to help us with club duties etc.

Area 5 Speaker's Bureau...

If you have a presentation that you would be willing to share with another Zonta Club in our Area, please let Gwen know. Area 5 is putting together a speaker's bureau to be a resource for program planning.

District Nomination...

Nominations for district positions from our club have been submitted to the District Nominating Committee: Lt. Governor - Yvonne Chalfant and Area 5 Director - Gwen Hopkins. Elections will be conducted at the Fall Conference, October 12 - 14 in Madison, Wisconsin. Please encourage and support these two in their service to Zonta.

The *Zonta Reporter* is published monthly by the Zonta Club of Kankakee. Submissions may be made via e-mail to: Sandra.Kambic@Provena.org. I may also be reached at 937-2477. Submissions should be forwarded by the 3rd Thursday of each month for inclusion in the newsletter.

Calendar of Events:

May 1, 5:30 pm - General Membership Meeting, PSMH Franco Center
Program: "Women Entrepreneurs" by Trudy Dickinson
and Jean Thomas

May 15, 5:30 pm - Board Meeting, PSMH Board Room

June 5, 5:30 pm - General Membership Meeting, PSMH Franco Center
Program: "Aging: Generational Grandparenting" by Region 2A Area
Agency on Aging

June 19, 5:30 pm - Board Meeting, PSMH Board Room