



MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

November 2018

District 6 • Area 4 • Club 373

Thanksgiving!

Zonta Club of Frankfort 2018 - 2019

Happy

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Hello ladies . . .

Co-Presidents Message

WOW! How time flies, as it is already nearing November, which means the holidays are right around the corner. It has been a busy Fall with various Club activities and our Zonta year is off and running! What follows is a recap - to date - of our Fall happenings.

Marvel and Marlene, along with Nancy and I, attended the District 6 Conference on October 5 -7. The first roll call question was two-fold, asking the number of club members and how many of them were new. Although several clubs have more members than us, we blew them away with our 15 new members! Another question was for each club to tell the amount of dollars raised to support service. We are pleased to report that our club was in the top 10 with \$4940 raised at the 2018 Chicken Noodle Dinner & Country Store. Way to go Frankfort Zonta!

At our October 10th meeting, Susan and Dana, for the UN Committee, highlighted our international service projects. A new project with funding of \$2 million targets early marriage. Worldwide, almost 650 million women alive were married before they turned 18and if this trend continues, that number will be nearly 1 billion by 2030. The initial phase has the potential to reach 2.5 million girls by the end of 2019. As a long-term project, this links to our ZISVAW efforts as child marriage is viewed as a form of violence against women. We also learned that a couple US states have marriage laws that allow girls to marry as young as 12 and 13 with parental consent. News was also given on Madagascar and Jordan projects; for information go to Zonta.org. We thank Susan and Dana for letting us know how our service dollars are helping women and girls around the world.

Ten members and four Z Club girls participated in the 4th annual Area 4 walk against violence on October 13th. There is more information and pictures from the walk in this newsletter, along with actions in support of the "16 Days of Activism", so check it out. A "thank you" to Susie T. and Annissa with the Advocacy Committee for working out the details for the walk.

Our Fall service focus on the YWCA Emergency Shelter continues through November. A few items have been added to their needs list, so please check the current list in this newsletter. Also, possible options to do a hands-on project for or with the YWCA are being explored, so stay tuned for more on that during November.

As you can tell from these various activities and events, we can and do make a difference in our community. Thank you.

We hope to see you in November for both our business meeting on the 14th and our Advocacy program meeting on the topic of Human Trafficking on the 28th!

Nancy and Jeni

July 4 - 8, 2020 - Chicago Zonta International Convention



Hosted by District 6 Illinois, Indiana, & Wisconsin

Centennial Anniversary Biennium 2018 - 2020



Mark your calendar & please..., RSVP to your Ovite by 6pm on Sundays!

(It is so helpful and eliminates the need to place calls or send texts. Thanks!)

November 7th **Board meeting** November 14th **Business meeting** November 25th — December 10th 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence & Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women campaigns Program meeting, Advocacy Committee — Human Trafficking November 28th



Human Trafficking will be the topic of our program meeting on November 28th. Please plan to attend and hear an Officer with the Frankfort Police Department share how this crime is occurring here in our state and throughout the US.

Human trafficking is a form of modern slavery that occurs in every state, including Indiana. The National Human Trafficking Hotline works closely with service providers, law enforcement, and other professionals to serve victims and survivors of trafficking, respond to human trafficking cases, and share information and resources.



2017 – Indiana

Victims Identified = 123 Traffickers Identified = 77 Trafficking Businesses = 22

Support our Fall Service Project!

The domestic violence shelter with the Lafayette YWCA needs our help. Along with Clinton County, this shelter serves five other counties in Central Indiana, offering a 24/7 safe place for victims.

Shelter Needs

baby wipes construction paper hats and gloves new t-shirts (children & adult all sizes) twin size blankets

coloring books & crayons diapers - size 4-6 liquid laundry detergent solid colored plastic plates, bowls, & cups

911 Cell Phones

The YWCA accepts unwanted cell phones to program to dial 911, which are then provided to domestic violence victims.

December 5th—Noon

eliminating racism empowering women

Greater Lafayette

Board meeting

Main Street Grille





SAVE THE DATE! THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13th **CHRISTMAS DINNER** Location to be determined



Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women!

Lebanon Park — Oct. 13th, 2018





<u>Front row:</u> Emily Goodman Kinse Funk Emma McKinney Izzie Casey



Brittany Brumbarger, Dana Myers, Nancy Harshbarger, Jeni Royalty, Ann Barnes, Jenny Neal, Marlene Brant, Lori Davis, Susie Trees, & Susan Kaspar



With members from our club and the Clinton Prairie Z Club, Zontians from Indianapolis and Lebanon came together for the 4th annual "Zonta Says NO!" walk to advocate for attention to violence against women. The morning began with the Z Club girls leading everyone in a stretching warm-up exercise before the walk around the park. Prior to walking, Boone County Sheriff Mike Nielsen spoke and outlined some national statistics on the topic of Violence against Women:

- 1 in 4 victims of severe physical violence are at the hands of an intimate partner
- 1 in 7 victims are stalked by an intimate partner
- 20,000 phone calls are made daily to domestic violence hotlines nation-wide

According to Sheriff Mike Nielsen "the increase in violence is due to drug issues and alcohol issues which affect everyone in the home". Nielsen also stated "Only because of increased awareness and people taking action can we decrease the trend of violence. <u>That's why organizations like Zonta are so important</u>."

<u>"16 Days of Activism & Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women!</u>

More orange will be lighting up our community as "Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women" during the "16 Days of Activism" : November 25 (*International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women*) to December 10th (*Human Rights Day*). Look for orange at Old Stoney, the Frankfort Community Public Library, on a special tree (*in memory of Frankfort Zontian, Martha Webb*), at the TPA Park, and..., who knows where else you may see **ORANGE**!

For far too long, violence against women has continued, escalating to pandemic proportions—one in three women worldwide experience gender-based violence. Zonta is helping to end this.

2018 District 6 Fall Conference Why Zonta? Relevant Membership Through Diversity

Diversity is being invited to the party. Inclusion is being asked to dance. -Verna Myers



District 6 (Illinois, Indiana, & Wisconsin) **5** Areas 22 Clubs 549 Members (Lots of diversity in this group!)



Hosted by the Zonta Clubs of Area 3 and presided over by District 6 Governor, Elaine Rynders, the main conference activity was the business of the District. This consisted of details from the Japan Convention, various reports by District officers, and the possible restructuring of two Areas within the District and the impact on several Chicago / Northern Illinois clubs. Our keynote speaker, Colonel Leslie Maher, Commander of the 375th Air Mobility Wing of the USAF, shared her story of growing up on a farm in South Dakota and the challenges she faced and overcame being a woman in the military. Married with 2 children, she is one inspiring, tough lady!

Elaine Rynders, Governor Frankie was really in the room! Exceptional conference and time well-spent.

being allowed to wear jeans on Saturday, which proved very successful! We were also entertained by a Sinatra vocalist who, if you closed your eyes, made you think

All 22 clubs in the District were represented with 93 Zontians in attendance. Donations made to the Zonta Foundation during the conference totaled over \$7000, partly due to an incentive of



President Susanne at a recent meeting at the United Nations.



Susanne von Bassewitz, President, ZI & ZIF

"Let's stop calling it marriage: It's a crime."

This sentence has come to my mind again and again since I sat in a packed conference room at the United Nations on Tuesday last week. Seated to my left was a girl, Maryam Ahmad from Nigeria, who herself had been a victim of this cruel violation of human rights. She seemed vulnerable yet remarkably firm and strong when she called for our joint effort to end it. "No one can talk about this issue as well as us. We're the ones affected by decisions that are made."

Zonta International was the only private sector partner of the Global Program to Accelerate Action to End Child Marriage at the high-level meeting that joined many and very diverse people. All were united in fighting one of the most harmful practices afflicting women and girls. Among them were leaders and representatives of African states, the African Union, ministers of Canada, Great Britain and an ambassador of the European Union as well as leaders from UNICEF, UNICEF USA, UNFPA and UN Women. It was encouraging to hear from Zambian Chieftainess Muwezwa how traditional leaders, without whom the necessary cultural change will not happen, rally for a common goal.

Another comment that stuck with me: "People need to understand that marrying off our daughters will not get us out of poverty." It was a spirit of commitment and collaboration at the table that felt energizing. I am glad that the clear vote of the delegates at the Yokohama Convention allowed us to partner with this movement that will benefit many, many girls and through them many societies.

Members of Area 4 pause (and pose!) at Fall Conference to wish Zonta an early 99th birthday on November 8th!



Knock Knock

Who's there?

Pecan!

Pecan who?

Pecan somebody your own size!

PREMIUM

Oh yeah, it's that time... **NUT(s) Time!**

The main order has been placed and should arrive by November 16th! Please talk to your family, friends, and neighbors to find out their favorite kind and get your order form to Marlene! (Order form included with newsletter e-mail.)



Mixed nuts are cashews with obstacles!

DRINK SCHEDULE FOR MEETNGS

Committee Chairs will again ensure there is ice and prepare tea, lemonade and water for each business and program meeting. Thank you to the following members and please make a note of your selected month.

(Re: Please check the supply in the cabinet the month prior to your assigned month, in case any supplies need to be purchased, and please let Marvel know so she can replenish.)

Oct.10 and 24Marlene Brant, Z ClubJan.9 and 23Rita Betts, Amelia EarhartMar.13 and 27_____, MembershipMay8 and 22Dawn Layton, Fellowship

Membership recruiting is the responsibility of every Member. Please use the

"Prospective Member Form"

Nov. 14 and 28 Feb. 13 and 27 Apr. 10 and 24 Jun. 12 Stephanie Buntin, Service Debbie Graves, Advocacy Susan Kaspar, United Nations Jenny Neal, Scholarship







Date:

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Prospective Member Form

I would like to submit the following name for possible membership:

Name:
Home Address:
What is the individual's occupation?
About how long have they served in this profession?
Where are they currently employed?
Other club affiliations:
Is the prospect a friend or business acquaintance?
Other comments:
Signature of member submitting:
Note: If you would like this prospective member to attend a meeting so they can interact with fellow Zontians, feel free to bring them. Just please get this sheet to Nancy or Jeni prior to inviting them so they are aware.
Send completed form to:
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