



ZONTA CLUB OF FINDLAY, OHIO

P.O. Box 415 - Findlay, OH 45839-0415

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Mission Statement of Zonta International: Zonta International is a global service organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women through service and advocacy.

50th Year Celebration Planning!

From the Celebration Committee: Time is quickly passing and, before we know it, 2009 and our 50th Year Celebration will be here. Here's quick update on our latest plans. We're keeping the Celebration theme simple and to the point: "Celebrating 50 Years of Service." Our logo, to be used on all printed material and artwork, is shown in rough form below. Deb Perkins is in the process of completing the final copy. We chose to break the overall Celebration Committee into sub-committees with specific areas of responsibility for reporting back to the main Celebration Committee.

Meg Heminger's sub-committee is overseeing media publicity which includes a Proclamation from the Mayor, article in the Zontian, OHIO magazine, local newspapers, TV, and radio coverage as events draw nearer.

Kathy Creighton's sub-committee is preparing travelling displays that will appear in various Findlay locations prior to the main Celebration event as well as videos and displays at the main events.

Of course, the main events, a reception and installation banquet is being planned for May 16. Shirley Copeland, Marilyn Knepper, and Marge White are sharing the chair responsibilities for this sub-committee and have secured the Findlay Country Club for both events. The entertainment has been set and their sub-committee is currently working on content for invitations.

There will be a ribbon-cutting event at Zonta Landing on May 19, 2009, coordinated with the Hancock Park District.

We'll be helping to plant our Zonta geraniums at Zonta Landing, hopefully prior to that date.

You're all aware of the new Zonta shirt options made possible through the work of Deb Bartlett's sub-committee, especially the coordination efforts of Kathy Foust. Deb's committee is also planning a group photo shoot and arranging for celebration photographing.

Jane Shoemaker is chairing the public awareness sub-committee. Her team is looking into painting our celebration logo/theme on Main Street, painting Wilson's windows, and other banners/signs, etc.

Marty Hoover is chair of the Money-maker sub-committee. Through your support of the money making ideas she and her committee are managing in coordination with the finance committee, we will be able to cover all costs incurred as well as our commitment for Zonta Landing. We have submitted a budget to finance and intend to work within that budget. Please help us to reach our goals by participating in the gold jewelry sales, silent auctions, and in selling Great Scot grocery raffle tickets. All net proceeds from the \$5.00 Great Scot ticket sales are earmarked for our commitment to the Zonta Landing project. So please help us sell, sell, sell those tickets.

Our 50th Celebration is the ideal time for a full out media/public awareness blitz aimed at making everyone in Findlay and the surrounding areas aware of Zonta and what we do. 50 years is just the beginning. We face a future with unlimited opportunities for growth in membership and growth in giving to the community and throughout the world in our quest for advancement of women through service and advocacy. We have a very busy, very challenging, yet very fun and rewarding year ahead of us. The excitement is growing as we approach the new year -- our year of Celebration!

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Findlay, Ohio

Advancing the Status of Women
Since 1959

A couple of donors have chosen to contribute directly toward the Zonta Landing project. We are not asking members or others to donate in this fashion; however, if someone asks or is interested in contributing in this way, we want them to know that, for a tax deductible donation, checks should be written to the Hancock Parks Foundation and sent to Zonta Club of Findlay, P.O. Box 415, Findlay, OH 45839-0415. Checks may also be given to Barb Wilson or Paulette Wildman. We want to include such donations in our records to make certain they count against our \$5,000 commitment. Zonta will forward the check to the Hancock Parks Foundation. The Foundation will then send notice of receipt to the donor. Donations that are not tax deductible may be made directly to Zonta Club of Findlay. It's helpful to place "Zonta Landing" in the memo section of any checks written as a donation to this project.

President's Message:

*I wish you all a very happy holiday!
We will meet to celebrate together for lunch on
Tuesday Dec 16, 2008 at the Country Club with the
other Service Organizations, Altrusa, Civitan,
and Exchange Club.*

*Committee Chairs: Please be prepared to
Discuss your committee to our newest
Members at the New Member Tea on
January 11, 2009. It will be held at Lois
Bell's home from 2pm – 4pm.
More details to follow.*

*Have a wonderful, happy,
healthy 2009!*

TO ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS: Please copy me on your committee meeting dates. I would like to attend as many as possible.



Birthdays for December

Happy Birthday: Kristi Bryant - 17th, Bonnie Sterling - 19th

Cancellations -- Reminding everyone to please call me before 11:00 am on the Friday before a meeting if they are NOT going to be able to attend. Otherwise, they will be charged for their meal -- Please call Lois Bell, 419-422-0883. Committee heads, please send your meeting attendance to Jan Pevoar, they count toward perfect attendance!
-- Thanks, Lois, Attendance Chair

February Newsletter Deadline is Friday, January 16th. Any items of interest for the Zee News should be forwarded to Deb Perkins at debperkins@thecourier.com.

Zonta Memorabilia Anyone?

Anyone who has any Zonta memorabilia that the Celebration Committee could use for the traveling displays and banquet display, please contact Kathy Creighton. Also, anyone with photos of past (recent or long ago) Zonta events or people who would let us have them or make copies, please let me know.

CARRY IN -- COATS FOR CHRISTMAS

Our most recent Carry In for the United Way's Coats for Christmas program brought in many new items for the distribution. We collected 3 scarves, 38 hats, and 52 pairs of gloves. Our merchandise had a retail value of over \$244!! The folks at the United Way were glad to receive our donation.

Thank you, fellow Zontians for your kindness and generous spirit in this holiday season.

Beth Vincent

Service Committee Chair



*Our 2008 Jane M. Klausman Women in Business winner,
Megan Garner*

Megan is in her senior year at the University of Findlay working on completing a dual bachelor degree in economics and international business. Her volunteer work with Habitat for Humanity gave her the passion and desire to incorporate service work into her future endeavors. Upon completing her undergraduate degrees, Megan plans to volunteer with the Peace Corps where she will help local communities with their business activities.

"Megan goes beyond expectation and has become very valuable to our program" said her school's program manager. "Megan manages her time well. She is a full-time student, work-study participant, and is involved in a variety of volunteer work. It amazes us on how she always stays on tasks and does so well with all of this responsibility."

Upon completion of her work with the Peace Corps, Megan plans to enroll in the Peace Corps Fellows/USA program and will continue her education, working toward a Masters degree in Economics/Business with an emphasis in non-profit organizations.

I look forward to an exciting, successful career in business and am honored to be a recipient of the Zonta International Scholarship, as well as grateful for the support it would lend toward my journey.

Megan Fast Facts: Member of the Mortar Board National College Senior Society
Recipient of the UN Trustee's Scholarship
Dean's List honors



60-Second Updates:

Our featured 60-second speakers at business meetings
for the following months will be:

January: Renee Perry --- February: Kim Trautman

Those interested in slots for the rest of the year, please contact Melinda at
pydia@aol.com or 419-427-2335.