



Zonta Club of Marietta

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Do you know...

Violence Against Women and Girls

(Taken from the Zonta Website)

Globally, gender-based violence is the most pervasive and least recognized human rights violation. It affects every race, class, culture, ethnicity, age and country. Women are potential victims of violence at every stage of their lives.

Beyond individual consequences, gender-based violence has public health and economic impacts, as businesses and public health systems often bear the costs of treating injuries related to violence against women and girls.

Violence against women takes many forms, including prenatal sex selection, female infanticide, female genital mutilation, sexual harassment, abuse and assault, dowry violence, honor killings, domestic violence, battering, marital rape, forced prostitution and trafficking.

Though gender-based violence takes many forms, it is deeply rooted in one source: **inequality.**

- Around the world, 1 in 3 women will suffer some form of violence in her lifetime, becoming part of an epidemic that devastates lives, fractures communities, and stalls development. *UNIFEM*
- In no country in the world are women safe from domestic and intimate violence. Half of the women who die from homicides are killed by their current or former husbands or partners. *UNIFEM*
- More than 2 million girls between the ages of 5 and 15 are trafficked, sold or coerced into prostitution each year. *UNFPA*
- Violence Against Women is both a cause and a consequence of rising rates of HIV infection. By December 2004 women accounted for 47% of all people living with HIV worldwide, and for 57% in sub-Saharan Africa. *UNAIDS/WHO*
- At least 130 million women have been forced to undergo Female Genital Circumcision. Another 2 million are at risk each year. *UNFPA*
- Large-scale, organized and systematic rape as a weapon of war has been documented in Liberia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sierra Leone, Cambodia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Rwanda, Peru, Somalia, Uganda and Sudan. *UNIFEM*
- Domestic violence is the major cause of death and disability for **European** women ages 16 to 44, and accounts for more death and ill-health than cancer or traffic accidents.
- In the **US**, a woman is raped every 6 minutes; a woman is battered every 15 seconds. 700,000 women are sexually assaulted annually; 14.8 percent of them are raped before the age of 17.
- In **Peru**, a study of 12- to 16-year-old girls giving birth found that 90 percent of them were pregnant from rape, often incest.
- This year, more than 15,000 women will be sold into sexual slavery in **China.**

For more information on this topic-

Log on to the Zonta International Website:

Visit www.zonta.org

Committee News:

Unique Boutique Committee:

Unique Boutique Spring 2007

The dates for the Spring Unique Boutique sale are set for Friday, April 13 (4pm- 8pm) and Saturday, April 14 (9 am- 2pm). The sale will be held at the same location as the Fall sale, 456 Pike Street (next to Dudley's' Florist) in Lafayette Center. Volunteers are needed to set up and sort during the week and volunteers are especially needed for the days of the sale. Sorting will begin at 5 pm instead of 6 pm for those who can start earlier. Clothes can be dropped off during the day at Century 21 on Pike Street, if needed. All Zonta members were e-mailed a flyer about the Spring Unique Boutique, please distribute and post.

Remember that the Spring Unique Boutique, along with the Fall Unique Boutique, is the biggest fundraiser for the Marietta Zonta Club. Please contact Carrie McNamee, Spring Unique Boutique Chair, at (740) 373-3745 or cmcnamee@wmcap.org or Desni Crock, Co-Chair at (740)525-9958 or desni@century21.com.

Women of the Year Committee:

"ZONTA NAMES WOMAN OF THE YEAR"

Dorothy K. Peppel of Devola is the 2007 Woman of the Year for the Zonta Club of Marietta. She was named Monday evening by the Zonta Club of Marietta and Environs and is its 34th Elizabeth L. Hadler Zonta Woman of the Year.

The presentation was made by Shirley Morrison, President of the Zonta Club of Marietta and Environs. In her speech, Ms. Morrison said the nominators described Ms. Peppel as someone who shares sunshine and gifts with those less fortunate, and whose generosity and energy has helped many in our community.

Ms. Peppel's volunteerism has included Marietta Pioneer Civitan Ladies Club, BPW, Washington Co. Trustees Assoc., American Heart Assoc., Kiwanis, American Cancer Society, Eastern Star, Belpre Area Chamber of Commerce, Marietta Chamber of Commerce, St. Paul's Evangelical Church, Washington Co. Women's Republican Club and Washington Co. Republican Central and Executive Committee. She is a tireless volunteer who is eager to help when called upon.

This year's presentation was made at the Annual Dinner of the Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce on Monday evening, and is awarded to a Washington County resident who has dedicated years of outstanding volunteer service to the community. Previous winners include: Marion Metz (2002), Connie Grimes (2003), Arlene Balfour (2004), Phyllis Wells (2005) and Jean Tasse (2006).

Program/Amelia Earhart/Status of Women Committee:

Amelia Earhart Program Summary:

What Do Space Exploration, Botany, Geckos and Robotics Have In Common?

They are all part of the research work undertaken by two speakers who visited the Washington State Community College campus on Thursday, March 8. Maria Lia Molas of Argentina, a Ph.D. candidate at Miami (Ohio) University, and Kathryn Daltorio, a doctoral candidate at Case Western Reserve, spoke to local high school students, college students, and the community about their work in science and engineering research. The presentations were open to the public and were held at 11 a.m. in Graham Auditorium in the Arts & Sciences Center.

Molas is studying the adaptation of plants to space environments and the role played by gravity and light in the final shaping of plants. The study is important because when humans embark on long-term missions in space the supply of food, water and air are crucial to survival. Delivery of surplus from earth is not an option. Molas' goal is to

contribute to a better understanding of the “big questions” in plant biology.

Daltorio is working toward a Ph.D. in robotic design for unmanned Micro Air and Land Vehicles. Her work involves the use of gecko inspired dry adhesives to a wall-climbing robot to enhance the robot’s performance. Her hope is that work she has done will serve as a prototype for future robots that may be able to inspect the exterior of manned and unmanned vehicles.

Both speakers are Amelia Earhart Fellowship winners through Zonta International, a designation that was established in 1938 in honor of the famed female pilot and member of Zonta. The fellowships are made annually to women pursuing doctoral degrees in aerospace related sciences and engineering. Molas’ and Daltorio’s visit was sponsored by the Zonta Club of Marietta, Washington-Morgan-Meigs College Tech Prep Consortium, the Washington State Science Club and the Washington State Physical Therapist Club.

Molas also made a presentation to the Zonta Club of Marietta’s business meeting on March 8 at 7 pm. in the Lafayette Hotel.

From the President:

Shirley Morrison



Listen up....

As we have just set our clocks an hour forward to “spring ahead” it is also time for our club members to contemplate springing ahead for the new year. At our April meeting – and don’t forget it will be a week later than usual – April 19th – we will be asking members to select what committees they are willing to work on and chair.

Please take the time to review what each committee’s responsibility so that you may make a better determination as to the committee right for you!

Archives - Access club records for archival value. At the end of each biennium or term of office ensure that all records are accounted for and assessed. Records are then retained, transferred to archives or disposed of appropriately. This committee has met on and off throughout the last few years to go through our old records and bring us up to date on this procedure and will continue to do so.

Attendance and Fellowship - Keep accurate records of membership attendance at meetings. Report to the board any member who is absent for two consecutive months without adequate excuse. In charge of Zonta’s Birthday Dinner in *November* of each year including, arrangement of facilities, program, and invitations to past/present Women of the Year. International/Intercity - Arrange for our joint dinner with the Parkersburg Zonta Club for this event held the 4th Thursday of *August* each year. The hosting of this event rotates between the two clubs.

Bylaws - Review any bylaw amendments to be made locally or on an international level. Determine if our local bylaws are in agreement with international’s. Propose necessary changes to local bylaws based on this review.

Finance - Prepare and submit the budget to the board and club. Monitor the budget vs. actual income and expenses during the year and recommend appropriate budget adjustments. Devise effective fund-raising plans. Arrange for the club’s financial records to be compiled and audited. Recommend suitable investments for club funds.

Membership/Classification - Develop a plan for recruiting members and design activities that will help identify new members. Encourage every member to identify prospective members throughout the year. Identify a mentor for each new member. Submit applications to the board for new members for approval. Determine classification of new members and members who change jobs.

Newsletter - Develop a communication for our members, area director, and district governor; and distribute on a regular basis.

Program - Update our membership program books for the year including names, addresses, e-mails, etc. The program book also includes our budget, committees, and dates of meetings. The program book should be completed and distributed by the *August* business meeting. The program committee plans the Christmas party (held the

2nd Thursday of December) and the installation dinner (joint dinner with Parkersburg Club rotated – 2008 Parkersburg hosts). Also develops a program for our Amelia Earhart program meeting held in February of each year. Normally includes contacting a speaker, arranging a place to have dinner, etc. Status of Women Program -Develop a program to be held the latter part of April of each year for membership and community. Program should be of particular interest to women and involve the goals of Zonta.

Public Relations - Provide news releases for the club to use for special events. Keep informed of projects and achievements of the club using every opportunity to promote Zonta's name and work in the community. Promote Zonta Rose Day (March 8th)

Status of Women Service - Recommend action and service projects to support Zonta's objects, mission and goals. Promote and distribute information concerning our various scholarships (Amelia Earhart Award, Jane M Klausman Scholarship, Young Women in Public Affairs Award, WSCC Scholarships)

Unique Boutique Chair - Lead members in our most recognized fundraiser/service project. The sale is held the first weekend in April and the first weekend in November, with the week leading up to the sale as our set-up time at the facility.

Website – Develop and maintain our local club website with updated information

Woman of the Year - This is a three year commitment. Work on this committee begins the first part of January and ends at the Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce Dinner held in March.

Member News:

Welcome Beth Heuer!

Beth is our newest Member. She was inducted at our March Business meeting. There will be more information about Beth in next month's Newsletter...Stay tuned and WELCOME Beth!

***Dues Reminder:**

April 1st is the deadline for dues without a penalty.

***Committee Reports** are due to Shirley by **April 1st**.

Note from Rose Marie:

The new DVD produced by Ohio Citizens Action regarding the work of the local Neighbors for Clean Air is dedicated to the memory of Su Hockenbrocht, a deceased Zontian. Su died of pancreatic cancer in 2004. Her husband, Tom, a cancer survivor, is one of the persons featured in the DVD, "Eramet Neighbors Documentary." The DVD had its first community viewing Saturday, March 10, at the Metzenbaum Ohio Citizen Action Awards Ceremony at the Holiday Inn.

Upcoming Events:

Newark Zonta Club's The Bold and the Beautiful Style Show and Luncheon:

You are cordially invited to The Bold and the Beautiful, Zonta of Newark's Champagne Style Show and Luncheon! The event will be held at the Cherry Valley Lodge, Friday, May 11 and doors open at 11:00 a.m. They will feature fashions from 7 local sponsors modeled by Newark Zonta's own models.

What's new and exciting this year, however, is the SILENT AUCTION!!! The auction starts at 11:00 a.m. with results to be announced throughout the program. Don't forget to bring your shopping money!

The proceeds will benefit Hospice of Central Ohio, Licking Memorial Hospital Oncology Department and the Richard J. Solove Institute of the Arthur G. James Cancer



Here's what our members are doing...

Here's the Scoop...



Spread the News and Mark your Calendars!

Hospital. Please help Newark Zonta support these worthy causes.

Please forward this message on to your friends and family. For tickets, please contact BECKY SHOULTS at 740-344-5566 or email her at rbshoult@adelphia.net. Tickets are only \$30.00 and include a gourmet meal prepared by the Cherry Valley Lodge's renowned chefs.

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Zonta Meetings:

The next **Board Meeting** will be April 5th, 2007 – The Inn at Marietta 5:30pm
The next **Business Meeting** will be held April 19th, 2007 – Lafayette Hotel 7:00pm



**Happy Birthday to
you...**



Birthdays: (March)

Traci Stotts on March 3rd
Shirley Morrison on March 7th
Desni Crock on March 10th
Sharon Hoffee on March 13th

A very Happy Birthday to you!