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Upcoming Meetings & Events

Aug. 4th – 7:30am Breakfast Business Meeting (Legion Memorial Golf Course)

Aug. 18^h – 11:30am Lunch Program Meeting (Legion Memorial Golf Course)

Aug 26th – 4:00pm or later - TGIF – Emory's on Silver Lake

Zonta Club of Everett website: <http://www.everettzonta.org/>

Club Officers:

President: Linda Lepak

Past President: Suzanne Poppema

Vice President: Carrie Blair

Secretary: Peggy Wiltz

Treasurer: Cindy Phillips

Directors:

2015-2017: Jeanne Judd, Carol Janowicz

2016-2018: Suzie Truglio, Judith Strand,



Newsletter

Deadline for Submissions: 26th of the Month

Email to Darcie98@aol.com

AUGUST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a busy month we have had and we are on the road to accomplishing many good things to achieving our goals and mission to improve the lives of women and girls.

Carrie and I attended the biennial convention in Nice, France. What a lovely time we had. We also had our retreat with a fairly good turnout. Below is a brief report on the convention.

At the convention, new officers were elected, along with directors, then we went into our biennial goals and fundraising goals. The new Zonta International Board is: President, Sonja Honig Schough, President-Elect, Susanne von Bassewitz, Vice President, Sharon Langenbeck, Treasurer/Secretary, Bridget Masters.

The 2016-2018 biennial goals are as follows:

- ✓ Service-Zonta's service projects reflect our mission.
- ✓ Advocacy - Zonta international is a leading advocate for women's rights.
- ✓ Membership - Zonta International builds and sustains a vibrant global membership and resources.
- ✓ Support - To support mission and vision fulfillment.
- ✓ Centennial - Zonta's 100th anniversary celebration in 2019 will have visibility around the world.

For 2016-2018 fund raising goals, fewer projects were proposed so that the donations can have a bigger impact where they are spent. They felt also that it would facilitate easier communication for the clubs. Two of the projects were carried over and two new projects were introduced. And the education programs were not changed from the current biennium. As quoted from our convention catalog, *"The proposed projects represent different ways to empower women by improving women's health and education and continued work to end violence against women; however, there is one common denominator. They are all working to ensure autonomy and self-sufficiency for women. Every woman shall have a choice."*

The two projects carried over are Elimination of Obstetric Fistula (a complication of childbirth) in Liberia and Delaying Early Marriage in Niger. Zonta International has previously committed \$2,550,000 to UNFPA (the United Nations Population Fund), which has helped thousands of women and adolescent girls receive treatment and rehabilitation. Zonta is donating \$1 million to UNFPA's efforts to eliminate obstetric fistula. According to Zonta, Niger has the highest child-marriage rate in the world, and moreover, it says

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42 percent give birth before the age of 17. Zonta is donating \$1 million to UNFPA's efforts to delay child-marriage.

The new projects adopted at the convention are "Let Us Learn Madagascar," an integrated program for adolescent girls. According to Zonta, children are particularly vulnerable in an economy prone to national disasters, where people live on less than \$2 a day. Their goal is "to create opportunities for vulnerable and excluded girls to realize their right to an education in a secure and protected environment."

The second new project is addressing human trafficking and unsafe migration in Nepal. Zonta notes: "In the aftermath of the April and May 2016 earthquake, Nepal faces a heightened risk of human trafficking and unsafe migration. Natural disasters heighten the risk and create the right environment for traffickers to exploit the vulnerabilities of the affected population."

To each of the new projects, Zonta has pledged \$1 million.

By Linda Lepak
President, Zonta Club of Everett

Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy

Service Committee Report - July 2016

At our July meeting, our committee reviewed and approved the Service Strategic Plan in preparation for the Club's annual retreat. More hands-on projects for the coming year will be a major focus. Agencies and membership will be requested to offer ideas which will be reviewed in September by our committee and brought to the membership for discussion in October.

Scholarships will continue as funds allow, currently including YWPA, Jane Klausman, WIT, and a new AMTEC scholarship. A proposal will be brought before our membership at the Aug. 4th business meeting.

A new Arts and Literacy scholarship has been suggested by Lyn Kent. Further discussion of this idea will ensue.

Please send hands-on project ideas to Marilyn Marsh at marilyn@jmarsh.com. by Sept. 15th

Marilyn Marsh
Service Committee Chair



Come celebrate with Helen Kendall and Bill Sanford on Thursday, September 8, 2016 at 7:30 AM. They are honored to be receiving the Reeves/Sievers award from United Way of Snohomish County and would love to have you there. Please reserve your place by going to <http://www.uwsc.org/spiritbreakfast>

Spirit of Snohomish County Breakfast
Thursday, Sept. 8, 2016
Tulalip Resort Casino - Orca Ballroom
[10200 Quil Ceda Blvd., Tulalip, WA](#)

Their annual Spirit of Snohomish County Breakfast, they honor those who have been dreaming big in Snohomish County and used those dreams to break the cycle of poverty. Great food, great community and a great program. [Read more.](#)

Raffle Donations:

Thank you, to all who have volunteered. Upcoming reminders:

Aug 4th - TBD
Aug 18th - TBD



Program Committee

Program Meeting – August 18th at the Legion Memorial Golf Course

Speakers: Amanda Goetz, Career Technical Education Program Administrator and Brie Ducamp, Education Director. Amanda will be talking about the STEM education program.

Next Program Committee meeting will be on September 19, at Carol Johnson's starting at 5:30 pm.



Member Spotlight: Carol Janowicz

Note: Carol Janowicz has been a Zontian for the past four years, since 2012, and is currently Zonta Club of Everett membership committee chair and a board member at large.

At the time I joined Zonta, I had retired from accounting, working mostly for construction companies. Ted and I still had our own retirement, personal contracting and fused glass art project business.

I was born and raised in Seattle; my mom and dad were both in the military. I went to Shoreline High School and met Ted on a blind date the summer of my high school graduation. He was in the Air Force and had just come back from Vietnam.

We got married the following year and I lived at home and worked and went to school while he was overseas in the military. I knew I wanted to get a business degree, and took courses in accounting. I worked with an engineering firm while Ted went to the University of Washington on the G.I. Bill. He graduated with a degree in electronic engineering and we moved to Pomona, California, where both of us worked for General Dynamics. We moved back to Seattle and Ted got a job at Boeing, where he worked for 26 years. Boeing sent us to Edwards Air Force Base in California on a special program, and we were there for a year.



When we moved back to the Seattle area, Ted was flight test engineer, designing the electronic equipment on the airplanes to record the information during the early flights of new airplanes. During that time, I worked for engineering and construction firms, and we built a house in Shoreline, where we lived for 16 years. Then we built another house in Richmond Beach; in which I was the construction manager.

About 12 years ago, we bought a house in Stratton Hill, in Everett. We designed many of the interior elements in the house, and landscaped the outdoors. When we bought the house, the back yard went out about ten feet from the house. Going down the hill, it was just wild vegetation, dogwoods, and tall grasses and a huge patch of ivy. We had to have a bulldozer take it out. We actually found a doe and her fawn sleeping down there. The two of us started at the top of the hill, working our way down through the terrain and trying to have walkways and paths. We had help putting the pond in, and I'd find unusual garden art at events like Sorticulture, the garden art show, and the Bellevue Arts Fair. I try to do plantings in odd numbers; if it's an unusual plant, I'll usually just have one, but sometimes I'll have multiples of three. I really like the color lime green, and I'll put that with the dark Japanese maple. A few years ago, we had 500 people go through on the Mukilteo Garden and Quilt Tour. I love flowers and try to give their presentation a bit of fun; I think art needs to be fun.

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Both of us were artistic, but we also had the engineering and accounting bent. I didn't feel I had it in me to make a living as an artist, but I enjoyed collecting and making it. A few years ago, I took courses in fused glass, and started producing glass pieces, often with floral motifs.

Ted loves woodworking; he and I have collaborated on bird houses and contemporary grandfather clocks. In last year's Zonta auction, I put in one of his coat-trees, totally hand-made from exotic woods.

One of the biggest hits we've contributed to the Zonta auction were the decorative small-sized "chicken coops" - yard art about 18 by 28 inches square, and 36 inches high, with a tin roof, and a metal chicken, all made from salvaged materials.

Four or five years ago, (longtime Zontian) Jeanne Judd asked me to come to meetings of Zonta. It was a learning curve for me, and I saw that other women in business were pursuing their outlets for giving of their time and their money. That camaraderie helps, and takes a while to build. Zonta in general has specific goals for women in the world, and finding out about those things was interesting. As Zontians, we want to make the world a better place for women.

One of our goals is to raise our numbers, including younger members. We need to get into the heads of younger people and find out what their interests are. They are so media-savvy and are the future leaders of our communities. It won't be long before they're teaching us, and we have to be open-minded to accept what the changing world brings.

The next Membership Committee is meeting August 2 (Tuesday) at 5:30-5:45. At Carol Janowicz' residence: 2425 56th St SW, Everett 98203.



~ August Birthdays ~

Isbell Juntila - August 8th
Marilyn Marsh - August 16th
Patricia Allen - August 29th

Photos from Cindy's Annual Pool Party



Thank you for hosting Cindy!! What a beautiful evening!!

2016 Zonta Club of Everett Annual Retreat



Brief from the Retreat held Saturday July 23, 2016 at the home of Carol Janowicz. We had 17 members in attendance. Donuts and coffee were served before beginning at 10:00. Thank you for hosting Carol Janowicz, you have a beautiful home and yard.

A full brief was presented on our experience at the 2016-2018 Nice Convention. Followed by a report from the PR committee, particularly since the chair was unable to be present. Membership also gave a report requesting input on preferences for future fellowship events, such as how often and what they prefer to do. If there is any input that members would like to voice, please contact Carol Janowicz.

Continuing after lunch we reviewed the Strategic Plans of each committee. There was only one missing but managed to get a brief on that. During this retreat we were attempting to consolidate into a Club Strategic Plan. This has not yet been accomplished, however, taken from our board meeting, we will continue with committee plans to be addressed on progress of each committee to every board meeting. This should help us to follow the guidelines we created to reaching our goals.

Looking ahead, announcing the Governor’s Seminar coming up in September, everyone was urged to go if possible. Here are a few photos from retreat.



Other Reminders and Information:

A REMINDER: *ALL members are **invited** to attend Board Meetings.*
 *ALL committee representatives are **expected** to attend Board Meetings.*

August TGIF

Friday 8/26/16 4:00pm or later - Emory's on Silver Lake. Come join us for a fun fellowship and please bring friends!

Reminder:



Please send hands-on project ideas to Marilyn Marsh at marilyn@jmarsh.com. by Sept. 15th

Interested in membership?

Have you asked yourself the following questions:

1. How can I impact change in my community?
2. How can I impact change around the world?
3. How can I improve and empower the lives of women and children?

If you are shaking your head yes, then you should learn more about Zonta! We have the answers to your questions! Contact the Zonta Club of Everett to find out more. Let's get together and chat, and change lives together! Email: info@zontaeverett.org Website: <http://www.everettzonta.org/>

