



February 2011 Newsletter

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District 15, Area 2
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- 1 Business/Committee Meeting
Coral Gables, East Lansing, MI
- 15 Program Meeting Michigan Women's Hall of Fame
Speaker -Pat Curran
- 22 Executive Board Meeting at "Champs"
in Eastwood Town Center
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March

- 1 Business/Committee,
Country Club of Lansing
- 15 Program:
- 22 Executive Board Meeting at "Champs"
in Eastwood Town Center

Membership Birthdays

- February 1, Mary Haskell
- February 8, Darlene Harris

Member Anniversary's

- 1985 Elaine West
- 1994 Darlene Harris
- 2003 Jane Bitsicas
- 2009 Nancy Johnson

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary Ladies!

Member News:

Our thanks to Pat Curran for setting up and handling a club outing to MSU's Breslin Center. She along with Sue Eareckson made for a fun Zonta Sunday. On February 13th some of the Zonta Club Members attended the MSU vs. U of M Women's Basketball Game. I am told it was a sell out game with the final score being: MSU 69/UofM 56 Lest I say: Go Green! Thanks Pat and Sue for your hard work putting this event together.

FYI about Women's Basketball.

Did you know the Breslin Center holds 15000 seats. Women in the past were only allowed to play half court, they could play only until you began to perspire. Did you know that the initial "playing costume" of Women's Basketball were Bloomers, and it took until 1924 for women Basketball players to be allowed to play in the Olympics. In 1929 as part of the Women's Olympics, women's basketball included a beauty contest. But it took until 1976 for Women's Basketball to become an Olympic sport. That year, the Soviet team won the gold medal and the USA won the silver medal. The Harlem Globetrotters Basketball Teams are the only co-ed professional basketball team. All in all, like we all have heard before, We have come a long way baby but looking around the world, we have a long, long way to go.

Zonta Club of Lansing wishes to officially welcome our newest official member Sherrie Graham. Due to illness, the installation ceremony of February 1st, has been delayed until March 1st. Sherrie commutes to Lansing from her home in Gladwin, MI where she is the Executive Director of Potter Park Zoo. Here are a few of the many things that she is responsible for at the zoo. She manages the affairs of the Zoo Society, along with the conservation education department, she also is in charge of public relations and communication and the handling of special events and fundraising. Sherrie received unanimous approval from both the Board of Directors and the Club Membership to join our organization. Please introduce yourself and welcome Sherrie to Zonta Club of Lansing.

This invitation was sent to President Mary Haskell on behalf of MSU Golden Z Club to be passed on to all the ZCOL members:

On behalf of the MSU Chapter of the Golden Z Club, we extend an invitation to members of your Club to our Spring Semester installment, taking place Thursday, February 17, 2011, 7:00 P.M., Michigan State University, Human Ecology, Room 9.

This would be an excellent opportunity for our young community to seek input, support, and to connect with professional Zonta members in the surrounding Lansing area.

If you have the opportunity please consider going to the Golden Z Club Spring Semester installment and showing the support of the Zonta Club of Lansing.

Sue Eareckson asked me to report on the thank you that Zonta Club of Lansing received from Eve's House. Here is that letter:

Sue Eareckson
PO Box 6235
East Lansing, MI 48826-6235



December 30, 2010

Dear Sue,

On behalf of the women and children at EVE we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generous participation in EVE's Adopt-A-Family program. The amazing out pouring of support was wonderful. EVE was able to meet the needs of close to 92 families including those presently in shelter. These families included over 200 children. Without you their holidays would have been bleak.

All Programs at EVE, Inc. are client centered and free of charge. Your support is essential to our mission as we look ahead to expand our services and continue the struggle against domestic violence. Again, thank you for remembering EVE this holiday season.

We hope you will keep us in mind this next year for any donations you may wish to make. Check our wish list at www.eveinc.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy A. Bates".

Nancy A. Bates
Community Development Director

Thank You Members, We made Christmas special for

those that might not have had one.

News from the Zonta Area Clubs

The Zonta International logo, featuring a stylized 'Z' inside a square frame with the words "ZONTA INTERNATIONAL" above and below it.

Lansing Zonta Intercity Dinner
Sponsored by
Zonta Club of East Lansing

University Club of MSU
3435 Forest Road
Lansing, Michigan 48910

February 22, 2011
6:00—9:00 PM

Tickets: \$40
Reservations Required

A portrait of Miss Michigan 2010, Katie LaRoche, wearing a crown and a blue dress.

Program: Miss Michigan 2010 - Katie LaRoche

At some point, we all come to recognize injustice in our world and wonder why such injustice exists. It is a special person, though, who continues beyond recognition and wonder on the long and difficult journey of dedicated action needed to address injustice in our world. One such special person is Katie Lynn LaRoche.

A graduate of Michigan State University and an Alpha Chi Omega Alumna, Katie Lynn is the founder of *One World. One Future.*, a non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness of and actively combating human trafficking, in the United State and around the world.

Tickets: \$40

- **Reservation Deadline: February 17, 2011**
- **Send reservations and checks payable to ZCELA to:**
Mergie Griffith
3505 Coolidge Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
- **Email reservations to:**
mgriffith@wccpas.com
(Those with a reservation confirmation email may pay at the door.)

Invitation received: February 8th

Committee Reports:
Fellowship, Program and Special Events

No Committee Report Filed

Membership Committee

No Committee Report Filed

International Relations/United Nations

No Committee Report Filed for February

The following information was received January 24th after the January Newsletter was printed. It is far too valuable not to pass along.

We defer to the January issue of the Zontian Magazine; it contains excellent information about ZI Service Projects for the 2010-2012 Biennium; great photos of our new ZI Board and highlights from the 2010 International Convention in San Antonio., You'll also find some info about the 2012 Convention in Torino, Italy.

Prepared by: Sally Churchill

Public Relations and Communication

Bi Weekly Notifications of Club Meetings and Programs are sent to the Lansing State Journal for printing in their Business Section.

Judy Manson - Chair

No Board Action Needed

Service Ways and Means

No Committee report filed

Status of Women

I wanted to make sure you heard about this:

Congressional Republicans, who vowed to come to Washington and focus like a laser on the economy, are instead focusing like a laser on social issues, including a bill that could let hospitals refuse to end life-threatening pregnancies and put the lives and health of women at risk.

Dorothy Mitsifer - Chair

Club Board of Directors

Mary Haskell , President
Pat Curran, Vice President
Melody Atwood, Corresponding Secretary
Tania Matz, Recording Secretary
Jacquelyn Pulford, Expense Treasurer
Dorothy Mitsifer, Revenue Treasurer
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Judy Manson, Director
Elaine West, Director
Mary Zehner, Director

Foundation Board of Directors

Melody Atwood
Norma Bunday
Sally Churchill
Margaret Groves
Mary Zehner
Pat Curran, ZCOL Vice President, Ex-Officio

For Menu Planning,

Please RSVP by Tuesday the week prior to our meeting if you will or will not be attending the next club meeting.

Contact: Pat Curran at either 517-484-3850 or email her at hildapat@gmail.com

For the Monthly Newsletter,

Final printing is completed by the third Monday of each month. Please submit all information you wish to be included in the current month's upcoming Newsletter, which includes all Committee Reports, by the second Thursday of the current month. This gives the Correspondence Secretary less than five (5) days to put together a quality newsletter that can be viewed online or by a Hard-Copy For those with no access to a computer, to receive a mailed copy. Please send to: Melody Atwood at atwood.melody8@gmail.com or 633 Irvington Ave.,Lansing, MI 48910

Zonta District 15 News

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**Members of the MSU Golden Z Club
Request the Pleasure of your Attendance
At Their
Spring Semester Installation Service
Guest of Honor
District 15 Governor Denise Quarles**

Place: Human Ecology 9

Date: February 17, 2011, 7:00 P.M.

**Address: Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI 48823**

Attire: Business

RSVP by: February 11, 2011

To: Lauren Manzano

<manzanol@msu.edu>



**Save the Date for the
2011 Zonta North American Inter-District Meeting
June 3-5, 2011, Reno, NV**

Why you should attend: Meet Zonta International Leaders; reconnect with Zontians from other Districts; participate in workshops on a variety of timely topics; refresh your spirit of commitment to improving the lives of women

What you'll Do: Learn about how Zonta really works by sitting in on informative panel discussions and selecting from up to 16 different workshops organized into 4 Tracks - "Advocacy", "Leadership", "Membership", and "Public Relations; take away useful tools to strengthen your club; raise the level of dialogue about how North American Zonta Clubs can successfully collaborate on membership, service and advocacy.

Where you'll Stay: Join us at the exciting and newly expanded Atlantis Casino Resort Spa, 3800 South Virginia St., Reno, NV 89502 www.atlantiscasino.com. Once you check out their beautiful facilities, you'll want to book an extra day just to pamper yourself!

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| All amounts in USD - Registration includes meals and materials | | Schedule of events |
| Early Bird Registration (before May 1, 2011) | \$175 | Fri. June 3 6-8pm Opening Reception |
| Late Registration (May 1 - May 27) | \$200 | Sat. June 4 7:30am-4:45 Workshops |
| Hotel Room Rates - single or double occupancy, plus \$10 resort fee | \$109 | 6-10pm Banquet |
| Amenities: In-room coffee service, High Speed (wireless and wired) Internet Service, Indoor and Outdoor Pools and Outdoor Jacuzzi, Boarding Pass Printing Services, 15% Discount at the Atlantis Spa | | Sun. June 5 9am-Noon Workshops/ Brunch 12pm Program Concludes |

Start making your plans now. Watch for e-mail registration announcements and our fantastic slate of workshops and presenters. For additional information, please contact Committee Co-Chair Joy Orlich at joyorlich@sbcglobal.net

2011 Zonta North American Inter-District Meeting - Registration Form

Please provide workshop selections and payment information below and mail with your payment to:
Joy Orlich, 830 Broadway Blvd. Reno, NV 89502 by May 27, 2011

| Workshop Series | Track 1 Advocacy | Track 2 Leadership | Track 3 Membership | Track 4 Public Relations | _1 st Choice _2 nd Choice |
|--------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|
| Saturday 10:15-11:45 | 1A-Creating a N. American strategy on Zonta issues | 2A – Addressing Intergenerational Issues-What do women in Zonta want? | 3A – Building a cooperative membership strategy for North America- Part 1 | 4A – Developing a N. American PR Strategy – Part 1 | # _____ # _____ |
| Saturday 1:45-3:15 | 1B – Maximizing our Relationship to the United Nations | 2B – Beating Negativity and driving positive change | 3B – Supporting regional growth plans for Zonta – Part 2 | 4B – Developing a N. American PR Strategy – Part 2 | # _____ # _____ |
| Saturday 3:30-4:45 | 1C – Ratifying CEDAW in the US | 2C – Growing Leadership in Zonta – What does the date tell us? | 3C – Working for Win-Win in Zonta Conflicts | 4C – Maximizing Social Media to Zonta's Advantage | # _____ # _____ |
| Sunday 9:00-10:30 | 1D – Working for Women's Total Health | 2D – Mentoring and Coaching Zontians to Excellence | 3D – Getting Zonta Business Done Well – Why are our meetings so ___? | 4D – Branding, Marketing and Reaching a Multi-Cultural Audience | # _____ # _____ |

Name: _____ e-mail: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____
_____ Work Home Cell

City: _____ State/Province _____ Postal Code: _____

Zonta Club of: _____ Title: _____

Please list prior Zonta offices you have held:

Please indicate if you have any special dietary considerations: _____

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ (payable to Zonta Club of Greater Reno or ZCGR)

I wish to pay by Credit Card \$ _____ Name on Card: _____

Visa/MC Card # _____ Exp. Date: _____ Sec. # _____

Signature: _____

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations received before May 27, are subject to a \$25 cancellation fee. **No refunds after May 27.**

Hotel Reservations: Please book directly with the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa by calling **800-723-6500** Mention you are with the Zonta Inter-District meeting – **Hotel Reservations must be made by May 4, 2011.**

Attire: Business or Business Casual

Questions? Contact Conference Co-Chair Joy Orlich – **775-544-0686** (cell) or HYPERLINK "mailto:joyorlich@sbcglobal.net"joyorlich@sbcglobal.net

International Women's Day Networking Gala



Join Zonta International at the 2011

International Women's Day Networking Gala

A global celebration of women - past, present and future

Join Michigan Association for Female Entrepreneurs (MAFE) along with Zonta International for the first annual **International Women's Day Networking Gala** in recognition of International Women's Day 2011.

International Women's Day provides a unique and global opportunity to reignite, inspire and channel women's equality for the future. We invite women and men to join us along with various partner organizations across the state as we celebrate the economic, political and social achievements of women in Michigan and around the world.

Tuesday, March 8, 2011

6:00 pm ~ 9:00 pm

Detroit Marriott Southfield
27033 Northwestern Highway
Southfield, MI 48034

Tickets: \$15 (advance purchase only)

Ticket price includes a delicious selection of hors d'oeuvres, door prizes, entertainment, and a cash bar.

Purchase your tickets online:

<http://mafe-zontainternational.eventbrite.com>