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BETH COLVIN
President
Zonta Club of Joliet

Hello, Zontians!

Congratulations Karen Pastell being named 2022 Woman of the Year! You are a member who is very deserving of this award.

The Spring workshop in Streator was fun and informative. Thank you Mary Baudino, Cathy Miller & Karen Pastell for attending; they will also give the club an update at the May meeting.

The Spring Fling Fundraiser and Fashion Show was such a fun event! Thank You Kathy Giegerich, Liz Walsh and the fundraising committee for all the hard work. To Diane Harris, a huge thank you for all the beautiful outfits and all your hard work & effort. Please visit ItisAmazing Boutique, two buildings south of the Rialto. The models all had a great time!

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It was so nice to see all the Zontians and former Zontians and friends of Zonta that came out that afternoon to support our club. It was a very successful fundraiser! The Woman of Distinction, Michelle Jankowski, was so very appreciative of the award. Such a deserving woman.

The Jewelry Project was such a wonderful service project. The children in the community were so excited to pick out a beautiful piece of jewelry for their moms & grandmas. Thank You to Mary Baudino, Terri Taylor, Terri King and to all the Zontians and friends that donated jewelry and volunteered at each location.

We are going to have a very busy May meeting. Besides the induction and installation ceremonies, we will be voting on the 2022-2023 budget, discussing the distribution of funds to ZI and also the 2022 grant recipient funds.

If you would like to be a delegate for the Fall Conference in Milwaukee, please contact me as soon as possible. We will need to vote on delegates at the August meeting.

Committee sign-up sheets need to be turned in to Beth as soon as possible.

The May member meeting is a closed meeting; no guests please.

The May Board meeting will be in person at Blackburn Giegerich Sonntag Funeral Home 1500 Black Rd. at 6:00pm Tuesday, May 24.

Our next membership meeting will be Tuesday, August 9, 2022.

Sincerely,
Beth Colvin
President



EXECUTIVE BOARD 2021-2022

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 10 HYBRID

Member Dinner Meeting

Time: 5:30 Social, 6:00 pm start

Location: Al's Steak House OR
VIRTUAL--Link will be sent the day before the meeting

Meal: Chopped Steak with mashed potatoes and green beans, apple pie a la mode

MAY 24

Executive Board Meeting

Time: 6:00 pm

Location:

ZONTA on the Move LUNAFEST Video

The recording made by Joliet TV of LUNAFEST, hosted by Bonnie Winfrey and Kathy Cawley is now viewable on our website.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DNpzULpMYZs>

MEAL RULES

Contact Barb Leiber by 4:00 pm on Friday May 6 if you are not attending or if you choose to attend the meeting by Zoom instead of in person. If you do not cancel, you will be charged for the meal.

Please notify Barb by 4 pm Friday, May 6 to request a fish or vegetarian meal.

If you are a "Standing No" but are planning to attend the meeting in person, please contact Barb by the deadline so a meal can be ordered for you.

630-696-0453 or balive20@gmail.com

Payment Options: Cash or Check

We will now accept ONLY CASH or CHECK for monthly meals.

Our Club is looking at some new options for processing credit cards. We will not be accepting credit card payment for monthly dinner meetings until most likely the first of the year.

Please contact Treasurer Karen Pastell if you have questions at prairielandaud@att.net.



SERVICE & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE UPDATE

15 Volunteers needed for Service Hours

Saturday, May 21, 2022 9:00-11:30am

Food Sort & Pack

Northern Illinois Food Bank South Suburban Center, 171 S. Larkin Ave., Joliet

Must RSVP with Mary Baudino by Wednesday, May 11

mfbaudino59@aol.com or 815-955-4066 (cell/text)

All volunteer names will be submitted to NIFB prior to service date

All volunteers required to wear closed toe shoes (no sandals).

Partnering with Bridges to a New Day

Bridges to a New Day is a charitable agency whose mission is to provide prevention, intervention, and educational services which foster non-violence in the lives of children and adults, and is located at 215 W. Romeo Rd., Romeoville.

We are collecting new and gently used books for their clients. All books should be uplifting, funny and easy to read. The need is for older children, teens and adults. No self-help books.

The following are examples of some suggested reading:

Children:

- Percy Jackson and the Olympian Series
- Keeper of the Lost Cities
- The Land of Stories Series
- The Chocolate Touch
- The Lawn Boy and The Lawn Boy Returns
- Choose Your Own Adventures books

Teens:

- Harry Potter books
- The Hunger Games
- Hitchhiker's Guide to the Stars
- Anne of the Green Gables series
- Judy Blume books

Adults: easy to read, funny, approximately 250-300 pages

- Debbie Macomber
- Agatha Christie mysteries



**Please bring books to the May 10th membership dinner
meeting or contact Mary Baudino**

Zonta Jewelry Project

Our jewelry collection was extraordinary with over 1,200 pieces of jewelry donated.

Thank you to our members, family and friends for their generosity.

Sunny Hill Nursing Center received approximately 100 gift-wrapped packages of jewelry pieces for the older, more mature woman. They were very excited and appreciative to receive the gifts.

Thanks to Terri Taylor and her creative jewelry presentation, we were able to coordinate with five (5) Joliet District 86 elementary schools to provide the Kindergarteners the chance to shop for a couple pieces of jewelry for their mother or significant female family member in time for Mother's Day.

The same for the Mary Sears Childcare Center and approximately 35 young pre-school children "shopped" for that beautiful gift.

Thank you to Katy Leclair and the YMCA staff who helped us reach out to some of their after-school program children.

The children were not the only enthusiastic ones; the principals, teachers and teacher aides were so thrilled for the opportunity we gave the children. All the Zonta volunteers were happy to help the children with their gifts and put it in a beautiful gift bag! It truly was a vision to behold!



SPRING FLING 2022 THANKS

**Just over \$10,000 was raised
to support scholarships and
small grants to local
organizations!**

**Congratulations to the committee
on putting together a lovely
luncheon event!**



View more pix from the event [here](#) or on our website.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

FELLOWSHIP

Our May meeting will be hosted by Liz Walsh who did a great job co-chairing the fashion show luncheon for 2022. See you all then.

Donna Zanzola
Chair

ARCHIVES

A little history: Let's talk fashion shows.

Forty years ago in 1982, the Zonta Club sponsored a fundraising fashion Show titled "CHARISMA Fashions for Career Minded Women "at the Rialto Theater.

Tickets were \$12.50 for a vegetable buffet and fashion show. Zontians cited were Emmie Ostrem as a director, and Carmie Castagna, Pat Miller and Diana Gliwa....all still active now.

Fashion never seems to go out of fashion and our April show wasn't an exception. Congrats to all the committee and models. Maybe someone will write about you in forty years.

REMINDER TO OFFICERS AND CHAIRS:

Please remember the archives store each years activities; therefore I need August 2021 to May 2022 reports for meetings and board minutes, event and committee annual reports. Hardcopy or digital are fine. Thanks.

INTERNATIONAL

Eight months after the Taliban take-over in Afghanistan, AIL (Afghan Institute of Learning) and the Jebreel Learning Center in Herat still continue to function. At our next Zonta meeting we will present a short summary of the status of Afghan women and girls today.