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CLUB OF
JOLIET AREA

**BUILD A BETTER WORLD
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**

MARCH 2023

NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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BETH COLVIN
President
Zonta Club of Joliet

Hello, Zontians,

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered Saturday at The Northern Illinois Food Bank.

The ballot for Woman of the Year will be due March 14th please email or give your ballots to Peggy Field Tuesday. The Woman of the Year will be announced at the April meeting.

The Fearless Female Z-Club will also be attending our March meeting and all members are invited to the Induction Ceremony on March 20 in the Joliet Central High School Cafeteria and Galleria from 5 to 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served after the event.

If you plan to attend, please email kschlismann@jths.org by March 13. Congratulations to the inductees!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Lunafest will be held on Thursday, March 30th at 5:00pm at The Renaissance Center. I encourage all Zontians to attend and bring your friends. This will be an event you do not want to miss out on. For more information, please go to jolietzonta.org.

The Area Spring Workshop will be held on Saturday, April 1, in Ottawa. District 6 Area 5 Director Mary Baudino has emailed the invitation to all members. PLEASE consider attending this event--it is a great opportunity to learn more about Zonta. You will also meet other clubs in our district and hear about all there great events and ideas.

April 15th from 2pm-3pm, our club will have an opportunity to volunteer to man the phone lines at the Easter Seals Telethon. Please wear your orange shirts. If you would like to purchase a Zonta says No shirt please contact Mary Baudino mfbaudino59@aol.com.

We will be inducting the new Zonta members and new Executive Board members at the May meeting. If you are interested in being nominated for one of these positions or have questions regarding responsibilities, please contact Mary Baudino, Pat Perrier or Helen Ross.

The Zonta North American Inter-District Meeting will be held June 30th - July 2nd in Indianapolis, hosted by District 6. This event is like an Area workshop on steroids. It offers a chance to hear from the Zonta International President and ZI staff as well as offering workshops to strengthen Zonta skills in leadership, membership, service and advocacy. It is a great opportunity to meet and and share ideas with Zontians from districts throughout the U.S. and Canada.

I will see everyone at the next meeting on Tuesday, March 14th at Al's Steak House social hour at 5:30 and the meeting at 6:00pm.

Sincerely,
Beth Colvin
President



EXECUTIVE BOARD 2022-2023

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 14

Member Dinner Meeting

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

Location: Al's Steak House

Menu: Corned beef and cabbage with red potatoes and carrots, Grasshoppers

MARCH 30

LUNAFEST Film Festival

Time: 5:00-9:00 pm

Location: Renaissance Center,
214 N. Ottawa St., Joliet, IL

Tickets: Eventbrite

\$45 General Admission

APRIL 1

Area 5 Spring Workshop

Time: 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Location: First Federal Savings Bank
2nd Floor

633 LaSalle St. Ottawa, IL

Registration: \$40 by check to
Mary Jean Anderson

108 Vista Drive, Seneca, IL 61360

or Venmo: Konni Rodeghier at
@Konni-Rodeghier

APRIL 11

Member Dinner Meeting

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

Location: Al's Steak House

Menu: Mostaccioli with Italian sausage
and vanilla ice cream with chocolate
sauce

APRIL 15

Easter Seals Telethon

Volunteer Service

Details: TBD

MEMBER MEETING RSVP

Please advise Attendance Committee Co-Chair Reni Tracy if you are unable to attend the monthly meeting by 4 pm on **Friday, 3/10**.

If you will be away for several months be sure to include all of the months you intend to miss. If you wish to be a **STANDING NO**, please advise.

If Reni is not informed by 4 pm on the Friday before the meeting, you will be charged.

Email is the preferred contact method but if you call, include your name and which month or months you will not be attending.

Reni home #: (815) 726-7303

Any requests for a vegetarian or fish meal must also be received by Reni by 4:00 pm on the Friday preceding the meeting.

We will now accept ONLY CASH or CHECK for monthly meals. Meals are \$27.

Zonta District 6

Area 5 Spring Workshop

Saturday, April 1, 2023

8:30 am • Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 am • Welcome and introductions

Becky Keene, President, Zonta Club of Ottawa

Mary Baudino, Area 5 Director

9:15 am • Governor Cheryl Trudeau

9:50 am • Lt. Governor Isabel Vidal

10:10 am • Jeni Royalty, Foundation Ambassador

10:30 am • Yvonne Chalfant, Leadership Development

Chair • NAIDM update

11:15 am • Club Reports

Joliet Area, Kankakee, LaSalle Peru,

Ottawa, Streator

11:45 am • Break Out Game

12:30 pm • Lunch Break

1:30 pm • Keynote Address

Pamela Beckett

2:00 • Closing remarks

See the flyer in the email for more details and payment options.



COMMITTEE UPDATES

FELLOWSHIP

INSPIRATION AND TABLE TALK: Cathy Miller

PROGRAM: Z-Club Presentation

50/50 and Drawing

Thank you: Dianna and Carmie for hosting the February meeting. As always you ladies do a terrific job.

Committee: Bonnie Horne & Yolanda Reyes, Co-Chairwomen. Carmie Castagna, Kristie Cichon, Dianna Gliwa, Diane Harris, Carla Liburdi, Cathy Miller, Liz Walsh

INTERNATIONAL

NGO CSW 67 FORUM (March 5-17) :

During the 67th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) at the UN in New York City the NGO CSW 67 Forum will also be held. This is a primary opportunity for NGOs including Zonta to meet with UN members and others from throughout the world concerning the status of women and girls. A wide array of topics will be covered in working groups, including gender equality in the digital age, the prevention of violence against women, etc. You can participate virtually at <https://ngocsw.org>.

OUR CLUB'S CONTRIBUTION TO JEBREEL/AIL IN AFGHANISTAN:

On February 25th our club sent \$1000 to the Afghan Institute of Learning/Sakena Fund to be used at the Jebreel Learning Center and for other emergency work for Afghan women and girls. This includes \$500 we collected, along with \$500 matched by our club. We now look forward to hearing from ALL concerning how they utilize the funds.

ARCHIVES

The archives are cataloged and the following items are missing. Anyone who may have a copy of the following, please contact me:

Membership Yearbooks for the years:

1985-6, 1990-1 to 2008-9, 2012-3, 2017

Fundraising Luncheon Programs: 1995 and 2017

Anyone wishing to donate other memorabilia is welcome to do so. It will be greatly appreciated.

Donna Zanzola

Archives Chair

Z Club

Central's Fearless Females Z Club kicked off Women's History Month with an Etiquette Event at Thrive Restaurant on March 1. Students learned about table manners, dressing for the occasion, the importance of walking in with presence, table conversation, the power of a thank you, and more. Special thanks to JJC Executive Vice President & Zontian, Yolanda Farmer, for her facilitation of the event and to Zontians Dianna Gliwa and Carmie Castagna for hosting and planning the beautiful holiday party that generated the funding that made the event possible for the girls. View pictures and video from this fantastic event: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjAucF6>.



2023 Woman of the Year Nominations Sought

All nominations for 2023 Woman of the Year are due no later than March 14th. Nominations are to be sent via email to pongfield@gmail.com.

Please state their name and your reason why you think she should be WOY.

Anyone who has already received the award can not be considered again.
Here are past recipients.

Carmie Castagna	Bonnie McElroy	Pat Perrier	Peggy Field
Dianna Gliwa	Karen Lega	Yolanda Reyes	Cathy Lowery
Emita Ostrem	Kathy Giegerich	Bonnie Horne	Helen Hester-Ross
Lora McGuire	Mary Baudino	Beth Colvin	Kristine Schlismann
Catherine Adamowski	Pam Hunte	Terri King	Donna Zanzola
Karen Pastell			

Treasurer's Message

At the February dinner meeting, Zonta members voted to approve establishing a Joliet Zonta 501 (c) (3) organization.

This will be the charitable fundraising arm of our Zonta Club. Karen Lega will be taking the lead in setting this up, filling out the application and gathering the necessary documents. Thank you Karen Lega. I do not know what the time frame for completion of this is right now. We'll have more information as the process moves along. Please contact me or Karen if you have any questions.

Karen Pastell, Treasurer



Celebrating Women's History Month at Plainfield Library

This year's display is all about local women and their accomplishments. Pictured here are Zontians Lisa Pappas and Pam Hunte, with the display featuring Zontian Pat Miller, who, in 2023, established The Dr. Patricia Lynn Miller Endowment for Advancing Women's Rights and Celebrating Women's History, which will fund programming each March at the Library.



LUNA FEST

A film festival written, directed and produced by women, and brought to you by Luna® and the Zonta Club of Joliet Area. Event proceeds benefit the Zonta Club of Joliet Endowed JJC Scholarship for women continuing their education at Joliet Junior College.

03.30.23

5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Food stations & cash bar open at 5:00

Films begin at 6:00

Renaissance Center

214 N. Ottawa St., Joliet



Emceed by Zontian
Essence Clark

\$45 per person
Get your tickets at
Eventbrite



bit.ly/3XvqjQo

For a detailed list of the films and filmmakers, or to learn more about LUNAFEST, visit lunafest.org. For more information about the ZJCA or for sponsorship information, visit jolietzonta.org.

Major Sponsors:



We're very excited that LUNAFEST 2023 is just a few weeks away.

Please purchase your individual ticket or gather your friend to reserve and purchase your table of 8 at the next Zonta meeting on Tuesday, March 14th.

Moonbeam/Empowered Women sponsorships are still available. See the website for sponsorship information.

Helen Ross and
Kristine Schlismann
Co Chairs, LUNAFEST 2023