



ZONTA

CLUB OF
JOLIET AREA

BUILD A BETTER WORLD
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

MARCH 2024

NEWSLETTER



President's Message



BONNIE WINFREY

Hello Zontians:

Welcome to Women's History Month 2024! This is our time to celebrate women and women history makers. I celebrate all of you who have made a mark in your professions, families, our world and in Zonta.

This month, we are launching two incredible projects. On March 8th, we will have our first ever International Women's Day panel discussion. We have a powerful team that will tackle issues such as bullying, domestic violence, and human trafficking. The focus is prevention and healing.

The panelists include Deputy Chief Sherrie Blackburn of the Joliet Police Department, Kate Edrinn-Communications Manager of Zonta International, Senator Meg Loughran Cappel from our Illinois 49th district, Zoe Fischer-Lead Preventionist with Guardian Angel Community Services, Dr. Cassandra Ma-founder and executive director of Reclaim13, Betty Major-Rose-founder of Parents Against Gangs & the Family Trauma Advocacy Program, and Tricia H. McKenna-Assistant State's Attorney for the Will County State's Attorney Office. What an esteemed panel! This event will take place thanks to Essence & Kristine at the JTHS District building at 5:30pm. It will be streamed live on our Facebook page and later shown on JCTV and on their YouTube channel. This event is free and open to the public. I am asking Zontians to please come in person.

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Purchase your
"Through Her Eyes"
Film Festival tickets now:

<https://bit.ly/ZontaThroughHerEyes2024>

"If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring in a folding chair."

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Our second major event is our fourth annual film festival. 'Through Her Eyes' will feature films created for, by and about women, with a focus on the environment, which is a priority for our new film curators, Wild & Scenic Films.

The emcee for the evening is Caroline Portlock, Director of the Workforce Investment Board of Will County, who is active in Joliet Rotary and the Visitation and Aid Society. The musical artist during the Boss Up Reception is local performer Karen Isberg Sorbero. Purchase your tickets now on Eventbrite for \$60. Invite others, especially the women in your lives, to this enlightening and empowering celebration of women's voices in film.

The festival will also be televised and shown later and available on YouTube.

Zonta is on the move! Thanks to all of you, we are affecting change and making our world a better place to live for both women and girls.

Thank you all for everything you do for Zonta!

Bonnie Winfrey

Events Calendar

MARCH 6

ZCLUB ETIQUETTE LUNCH

Location: Thrive Restaurant

Time: 11:00 am

MARCH 8

ZONTA IWD PANEL

Location: Joliet Township Admin Building

Time: 5:30 pm

MARCH 12

MEMBER MEETING

Location: Al's Steak House

Time: 5:30 pm

Meal: \$29/Cornd beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, grasshoppers

MARCH 11

FEARLESS FEMALES MARCH

Location: Joliet Central Cafeteria

Time: 3:30 pm

MARCH 18

ZCLUB INDUCTION

Location: Joliet Central Cafeteria

Time: 5:00 pm

MARCH 21

THROUGH HER EYES FILM FESTIVAL

Location: Renaissance Center

Time: 4:00 pm

MARCH 23

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Location: Elwood

Time: 8:30 am

MARCH 25

CORE COMPETENCIES WORKSHOP

Location: Joliet Black Road Library

Time: 6:00 pm

Sign up for Teamup for more details and additional events:

<https://teamup.com/ksivn9hahw73tuc4i7>

Member Meeting RSVP

ATTENDANCE RULES

- Notice for the March 12 meeting must be made by 5 pm on Friday, March 8.
- For each monthly member meeting, you are required to notify the Attendance Committee if you will not be attending. You will be charged for the cost of your meal if you fail to notify Attendance that you will not be attending.
- If you are a standing no but plan to attend, you must notify Attendance.

MARCH MEAL

Corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots and grasshoppers for dessert

Meal Price: \$29 Cash or Check OR now accepting Credit/Debit

- Vegetarian and fish meal requests must be made in advance following the above procedures. Fish substitutions will not be honored at meetings

Contact Attendance:

Preferred method: Email

Barb Leiber: balive20@gmail.com

or call/text Barb: 630-696-0453

Back-up option: call Reni Tracy:

815-370-0838



Download the teamup app on your Apple or Android phone via the app store or play store to keep up with ZCJA meetings and events.

Committee chairs*

Contact Lisa P (lpappas@papl.info or 815.557.8351) or Pat Perrier (pperrier@ix.netcom.com) as soon as you plan your committee's meetings so we can get them added to the calendar!

Here's the link to the ZCJA's Calendar:
<https://teamup.com/ksivn9hahw73tuc4i7>



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March

Karen Lega
March 12

Yolanda Reyes
March 19

Helen Hester
Ross
March 28

Ericka Williams
March 29

Kristie Cichon
March 30

Committee Updates

Zonta Says No ~ Orange T-Shirts – Short Sleeve

Sizes ~ Small – Medium – Large –
X Large = \$12/each
Size 2XLarge = \$14/each
Email/Text Mary Baudino
mfbaudino59@aol.com
815-955-4066

T-shirts are at the Contractors
Association of Will & Grundy
Counties,
233 Springfield Ave., Joliet
M-F 8am-4pm
Call 815-741-1455

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Z Club Committee

Etiquette Event – March 6

Location:

Thrive Restaurant – JJC

Downtown Campus

235 N. Chicago St. Joliet IL 60432

Schedule:

Students Arrive at 10:30 a.m.

Lunch/Event 11 to 1 PM – Depart

1:30 PM

***20 Students will Attend with

Sponsors

***Meal is \$19 for Z Club Planning
Committee Members Who Would
Like To Attend

Z Club Officer Presentation to
Membership at Dinner Meeting –
March 12

Al's Steakhouse - PowerPoint
Presentation from Student
Officers Providing Fearless
Females Club Update

Z Club Induction- March 18
Central Student Center and
Cafeteria

Dr. Scanlon Delivering Keynote –
Knowing Your Worth – Self-
Respect & Wellbeing
5 to 7 PM

March 21 – Through Her Eyes Film
Festival

Renaissance Center. Students
provide guest assistance and help
as needed.

International Committee

March is Women's History Month!
March 8th is International Women's
Day! Celebrate! Be sure to check
out the displays of women authors,
etc., at the Plainfield Public Library
and at both the Ottawa Street
Branch and the Black Road Branch
of the Joliet Public Library.

The important UN Commission on
the Status of Women (CSW68) and
the parallel sessions of the NGO
(Non-Government Organization)
CSW68 will be held in New York
City from 11-22 March. Participants,
including Zonta International, will
come from throughout the world.
Many topics pertaining to gender
equality will be discussed. Sessions
will be both in-person and virtual.

Registration is free. Just go to:
ngocsw.org

The International Committee will be
reviewing Zonta's role in these
events in greater detail at our March
meeting.



Committee Updates

Service and Advocacy

Habitat for Humanity Kevin Walsh Memorial Build - Women Build - Saturday, March 23 will be a Zonta volunteer work day with Habitat for Humanity. More information to come.

Our jewelry collection will be organized and prepared during the month of March.

Dates for jewelry shopping at school locations with the Joliet Public Elementary Schools are set for April. Information will be shared at our March membership meeting.

This is a partnership project with Visitation & Aid of Joliet.

The 2024 Zonta Small Grant Application has been released and sent to local not-for-profit organizations/agencies. The application is available on the website at www.jolietzonta.org The due date for these applications is April 1, 2024.

SAVE THE DATE:

Guardian Angel Community Services
Sexual Assault Center

Walk a Mile

Thursday, April 18, 2024 -- 4:00pm-6:00pm

Joliet Public Library, 150 N. Ottawa St., Joliet

Fellowship Committee

In honor of Women's History Month, our program will be "Zonta, The UN, and Commission on the Status of Women". The program will be presented by our own Pam Hunte and her International Committee.

ZCJA Film Festival Committee

We're excited about this year's "Through Her Eyes" Film Festival. Please bring someone that hasn't attended this event before. We're happy to welcome all to this year's event.

Make sure you join us beginning at 4 p.m. for the "Boss-Up" reception with Karen Sobero and enjoy fun & laughter and "Sing-A-Long" with our other guests. Purchase your tickets now:

<https://bit.ly/ZontaThroughHerEyes2024>