

## Rose Petals

September 2020

### COOS COUNTY FRIENDS OF PUBLIC HEALTH JUNE 19TH PROGRAM

Board members from the Coos County Friends of Public Health were happy to receive a \$2,000 grant from Zonta at the award luncheon in December. Between January 15 and April 15, almost all of the \$2,000 had been spent to help ten women at the Coos Health & Wellness public health clinic. The services provided to these women, ranging in ages from 19 to 47 years, included exams and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, evaluation of gynecological problems, family planning, and cancer screening.

CCFoPH has been honored to receive a grant from Zonta every year since 2008-for a 13-year total of \$29,016! This partnership with CCFoPH, and the public health clinic, has fulfilled Zonta's goal of improving the health status of women in our community. Women who receive services at Coos Health & Wellness are assessed for their ability to pay, and are enrolled, if eligible, in publicly-funded programs, such as the Oregon Health Plan, or ScreenWise. The Zonta funds have been the payment of last resort for women who are hurting financially and "fall through the cracks" for government programs. Over the years, many women have been grateful for Zonta's assistance with their health needs.

CCFoPH Board Members and Service of Money Chair Megan Jaquot



Megan Jacquot, Debbie Schade, Florence Pourtal Stevens, Frances Smith, Stephanie Polizzi, Anita Hale, Jeanne Moore



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#### ZONTIAN - CHARLENE MOORE



To many of us in Zonta, Charlene Moore is a familiar name, a friend, and a rockstar. So the following may not be news to you. But to all the newer Zontians, who may not know Charlene,

here's the scoop:

Do you love the way she talks? That's from her Massachusetts roots having being raised in Lowell Massachusetts.

Charlene was invited to join Zonta in 1997 by Patty Borcher. She is a ZAPP – Zonta Active Past President and has held every position on the board with the exception of treasurer. (And please don't ask her to do that!) She has also served as Area 4 Vice Director and Area Director. She attended Zonta International conventions in both Hawaii and in New York.

When you see Charlene at our events, you'll often see her husband James with her. Together they have 4 grown children, 8 grandkids and 3 great-grands, including the newest great grandson in Texas whom they have yet to meet due to Coronavirus.

Charlene and James moved to Oregon in 1997 where he continued in his business involving computer technology. They served many years with the CASA program, Charlene for 22!. Charlene provided critical help in establishing the South Coast Relief Nursery. She was greatly disappointed when for financial reasons the program was discontinued. She served 8 years on the Coos Bay School Board with many memories (not all fond ones. Her dedication to her passion for children was no doubt the reason she was chosen as "Woman of the Year" by the Boys & Girls Club in 2013.



Terri Turi September 2<sup>nd</sup>
Audrey Duke September 8<sup>th</sup>
Kriston Correll September 17<sup>th</sup>
Carolyn Thompson October 14<sup>th</sup>
Sheree Busby October 15<sup>th</sup>
Renee Frati October 16<sup>th</sup>
Paula Bechtold Ocotber 18<sup>th</sup>

#### **Continued – Charlene Moore**

Charlene has always had a heart for Zonta, specifically helping moms help their kids through the support of the Little Red Schoolhouse project. She's been part of the program since the beginning of LRS.

She was the president when the first Celebrity Dinner came together. It was interesting to hear of the many smaller fundraisers the club did when funds were always limited. She has always enjoyed the friendships and camaraderie that Zonta has brought to her life. It is the only service club in this area that she was interested in belonging to. Zonta is lucky to have Charlene!

A Little Zonta FUN! Two Truths & a Lie:

- 1. I worked with Rose Kennedy JFKs mother
- 2. I have a daughter that is only 10 years younger than me
- 3. I have 4 sisters and one brother

Which is the lie??

#### FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT LINDI



"Moving on is getting on with whatever and to wherever. Moving forward is more oriented and it assumes all participants have the

consensus in the moving direction."

We are living in challenging times, full of change and many uncertainties. COVID. Human Rights concerns. So many unknowns. And a lot of "It will be what it will be." True, yet let's talk about what we can control in our Zonta world.

Our club is resilient and resourceful. We have years of leadership in our members and creative ideas to share. We need to design a plan for the club's future that includes projects and fundraising activities. They must sync with our resources and our mission.

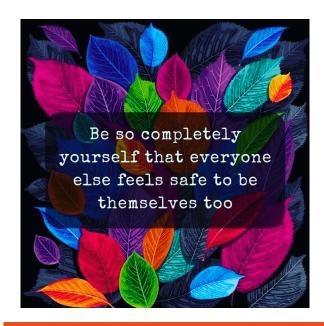
What are our priorities? From my viewpoint they are education opportunities for and service to women in our community. Are these your priorities? We want to know. The Membership Committee will be sending out a survey in the near future. What does your membership is Zonta mean to you? How do you want to help support our mission? How many projects can our club support with our resources? Do we want to make a big impact on a few or a smaller impact on many? There is no

right or wrong answer here. Only shades of grey. Or maybe shades of yellow.

I hope that when you see the survey link you will take the time to provide some input. Your



perspective is valued and important as we move forward. Oriented, organized, together in the same direction.



# PARKING LOT SALE IN SEPTEMBER!

WHAT YA GOING BRING??? FURNITURE
- YES!

CLOTHES ?? ONLY THOSE YOU ARE WEARING PLEASE. : )





TWO COOL KATS!

# Nikki's Two Truths & a Lie: WHICH ONE IS THE LIE!

- 1. Is a Canadian citizen
- 2. Has been to Mexico
- 3. Has been to Ireland

### Rose Petal Editor is Retiring

Sharon Lovie has been our club's newsletter editor for many years. She has patiently waited for our contributions, put them in the newsletter, updated our calendar and jazzed it up, over and over again. Not an easy act to follow! **THANK YOU SHARON!** 

As we continue our move into the tech world we will be using the Mail Chimp newsletter format for both our internal and external communication efforts. Alissa has experience with this tool and has set up our account. I am looking forward to learning more about it especially in our efforts to engage supporters of our projected and encourage them to contribute to our good work. Will you be our new Rose Retal Editor?

One of the many rewarding parts of being involved in a service organization is learning new skills. If not for Zonta, I would not have learned how to use Excel, organize fundraisers or my favorite.. you know it... master mail merge!:) COME WITH ME ON THIS ADVENTURE!

#### ZONTIAN - NIKKI PRITCHARD

"If you cannot afford an attorney one will be provided for you"

That might be our Nikki as she is employed by the Public Defenders office. If you don't recognize her,



don't worry, she's here among us. But being from a busy job, she often misses our meetings due to being in court. She has been involved behind the scenes on committees all along.

Nikki grew up in San Francisco where her sisters still reside. Her parents now live in Lake Oswego. She attended college at UC Santa Cruz before she transferred to Lewis & Clark college in Portland where she received her law degree. Nikki shares that she has always had a passion for protecting American Civil Liberties and loves the Bill of Rights. She recently joined the Oregon Criminal Defense Organization board of directors.

In 2016 she moved to Coos Bay and was invited to join Zonta by Judge Bechtold, which she did in 2017. She now serves on the Club and Foundation Boards as the Service of Money Chair. Thank you Nikki for jumping in!!

She joined Zonta to become more involved with other professional women who were also interested in civil and women's rights. After being in Zonta, she has been surprised to learn the level of organization at Zonta International and the global impact of the Zonta projects.

Nikki loves the area and all its beauty. She shares her home with her two tabbies, Fred and George. Some of her favorite pastimes (when she has time!) are playing guitar and singing and favorite places to dine out are at Front St. Provisioners and Maria's. Thank you Nikki for stepping up in our Zonta club!

# SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES 2020

STEM SCHOLARSHIPS \$3,000 EACH

**NICOLE WALES** 

ALYSSA MONOHAN





ZONTA CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS \$3,000 EACH

**ELLA HUTCHERSON** 

JESSICA ROWE





Z CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS \$1,500 EACH

HANNAH MORK BETSY MCDOWELL SKYLAR LUCAS

MHS

**NBHS** 

SWOCC GOLDEN Z







# SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES 2020

### YOUTH ENGAGEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

A new club scholarship this year recognizing volunteer activism that will continue into college.

Yoselin Aguirre

\$5,000

Samantha Huffman \$2,500





MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP & PATTY BARTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARHIP

NIKKI WRIGHT

\$2,000 PLUS \$2,500 PER COMPLETED TERM FOR 8 TERMS

