

Rose Petals



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President Alissa's Message ~ Hello All

We are coming to the end of our fiscal year and we need to get dues to ZI ASAP, so if you haven't paid and would like to continue your Zonta membership, please get those checks in or contact Sherry or me to pay via Venmo.

As most of you know already, next weekend on **May 13 this the Traditional Irish Tea and Silent Auction Fundraiser** at the North Bend High School Hall of Champions. Chef Frank Murphy is preparing the menu and the North Bend Z-Club is assisting with the service. If you have not purchased tickets yet, I think there are a few still available, contact Genelle Hanken for more information. Hats encouraged!

In other news, we will be having our **scholarship awardee meeting on May 19th**, noon at the new 7 Devils Alehouse near the history museum. This is always a great program, so I am hoping that all of you will be able to attend. Lunch will be the normal lunch menu and beverages are also available to purchase.

There will also be an Installment of Club Officers and Directors and Induction of New Members



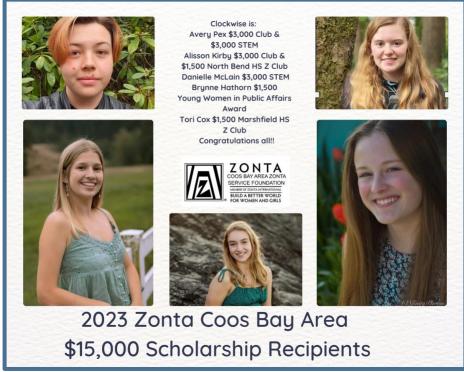
ceremony on May 30th, so please save the date. It will be a festive way to end this Zonta year and welcome in the new. I am optimistic about what is in store for our Club, and I hope that you can attend and celebrate with our new board and members.

Finally, **District 8 Conference begins Thursday**, **September 28th** with a kickoff party at the Mill Casino. More importantly, it is a great opportunity to meet with fellow Zontians from all over our district. Thank you to our organizers, Terri Turi, Julie Reed and all the ZAPP's!

I hope everyone is enjoying Spring! Many thanks, Alissa

Please scan the QR code to RSVP and make your dinner selection from the pre-fix menu. RSVP's need to be made by May 16th. Please contact

Lani with any questions at 971.227.4948



- **Danielle McCain** of Bandon was awarded a \$3,000 Science Technology Engineering and Math STEM Scholarship. McCain will attend Western Washington University to study biology.
- Avery Pex of North Bend also received a \$3,000 STEM Scholarship as well as a \$3,000 Club Scholarship. She will be entering Oregon State University this fall to study biology (pre-vet.)
- Alison Kirby of North Bend received a \$3,000 Zonta Club Scholarship and the \$1,500 North Bend High School Z Club Scholarship. Kirby plans to attend the University of Pittsburgh and major in Neuroscience.
- Victoria Cox will receive the \$1,500 Z Club Scholarship from the Marshfield High School Z Club.
 She plans to enter the University of Oregon in the fall to study art and music. Both Kirby and Cox were selected for their student leadership and activity while involved in a Z-Club at their high school.
- North Bend High School senior Brynne Hathorn has been awarded the \$1,500 Young Women in Public Affairs Award. This is a progressive award with Hathorn moving forward to compete for a \$5,000 YWPA award at the District 8 level of Zonta International. The YWPA Award is for young women who demonstrate both leadership skills and a commitment to public service and civic causes. In Hathorn's case she is a current intern at the SAFE Project assisting women and children dealing with domestic and sexual violence, she also volunteers at Boom Dance Studio at Pony Village Mall. Hathorn will enter Western Oregon University this fall to major in psychology. Her goal is to become a pediatric mental health therapist. SAFE Project Director Rachael Espy states, "Ms. Hathorn has completed her certification to become a victims advocate as well as completed Certification of Advocacy through the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence. Brynne has an extraordinary work ethic, is extremely punctual, she is great at taking direction and she is always ready for whatever project we give her."

All recipients will be honored at an upcoming the **May 19 Zonta club meeting** to be held at the Seven Devils Waterfront Ale House. Zonta Coos Bay Area members are proud to support the educational goals of our scholarship recipients. For more information about Zonta or to contribute to the scholarship fund visit www.zontacoosbayarea.org.

Zonta International & UNICEF USA

Partnership between Zonta International & UNICEF began in 1972, over 50 years ago.

The world was a very different place for women & girls then!

In US the women's rights movement was in full swing. The equal rights amendment had just passed both houses of congress* and leaders of feminism's second wave were making their voices heard. Around the world however, women's voices were often less audible. Women in Switzerland had only just earned the right to vote.



Globally, 543 million women were illiterate, and women in Asia and Africa regularly worked 13 more hours a week than men. Denied their basic rights in many regions of the world, women and girls faced enormous challenges to their health and well-being. The average life expectancy for a woman was 60. Child marriage was much more common, and access to birth control was much more limited.

For Zonta members, concern for the welfare and rights of women and girls around the world has always been part of their DNA. But, it wasn't until 1972 at Zonta's convention that the organization issued a formal resolution to incorporate global service.

Zonta Service Resolution: "Every Zonta club has the responsibility to support, through both monetary contributions and personal service, projects to its own community but also Zonta International service projects directed toward the work community."

That same year, Zonta and UNICEF USA launched their first project together: Mobile medial units to serve the health needs of children and mothers in hard-to-reach areas of Ghana. It would be the first of many projects for the partnership.

From 2008 to 2016, Zonta and UNICEF's partnership in Rwanda helped to contribute to a nation free of AIDS, and new HIV infection among children, adolescents, women, and families.

Together, both organizations have helped girls access education in Madagascar, helped combat child marriage around the world, created the well water project in Sri Lanka that spurred the creation of the Zonta International Foundation. Now, the Zonta Foundation for Women.

Most recently, Zonta and UNICEF's USA partnership has reached across the mountains of Peru to address the needs of indigenous and rural adolescents helping the, avoid childhood pregnancies and grow in an environment supported by social emotional learning and safe from violence.

Check out this interesting video titled 1972.

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*The ERA was not ratified to the U.S. Constitution because the deadline passed without having the necessary support from three-fourths of states. Congress does not have the authority to change a resolution that proposes a constitutional amendment after it is submitted to the states or after the deadline is reached.

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Thank you to our 2022-2023 Yearbook Sponsors!



Club Garage Sale – June 24th Greg Dalton and Genelle will cheerfully chair the garage sale on June 24 at Pony Village Mall IF we

have club support. By support we mean workers to set up, donate



sellable items, work the sale and be there for the CLEAN UP. The garage sale pays for our club administrative costs. Sign-up sheets to be passed at the June meetings. Save the date and your stuff!!!!!



PRESENTED BY CHEF MURPHY & NBHS CULINARY

Afternoon Tea

Congratulations!

AFTERNOON TEA FOR 6

Traditional Irish tea Petit Fours (pastries) Irish Sandwiches Smoked Salmon and condiments Served on Traditional Tableware

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Join the Zonta Team at the United Way Day of Caring - June 10th

Margaret Melvin is organizing a team of Zonta members willing to pull weeds, run a weed eater, trim hedges, etc. on Saturday June 10th. Shifts are 9-12 pm and 1-4pm. Volunteers are assigned to help seniors in need of basic yard care. Signup sheets will be passed at club meetings, or you can email Margaret <u>mkmelvin1955@gmail.com</u> to sign up. Wear work clothes and bring your weed eaters, hedge trimmers, clippers, gloves, etc.



Terri Turi and Julie Reed Conference Co-chairs Need Your Assistance

Zonta Coos Bay Area last hosted the District 8 Conference 10 years ago in 2013. We are excited to do it again. It's a great way to be involved and meet wonderful Zontians from our district!

Julie and I and are looking for members to assist with the following tasks:

- 1. Check in desk distribute conference ribbons, programs, etc. These staffers will work closely with Michaela Vonderohe, Registration Chair
- 2. Welcome Reception Thursday, September 28, Coquille Suite, The Mill. Foods and beverage donations needed as well as staffing and serving in the room. Julie Reed to be coordinator.
- 3. Flag ceremony Need to secure ceremony procedure with local group; coordination of 3 anthems (US, Canada, and Finland,) processional of D8 board.
- 4. Zonta Store Hazel Room, The Mill, open and staffed during various time slots throughout the conference. Lindi Quinn to chair.
- 5. Beverage and Bites event Friday September 29 Coos Bay Village area. Need members to serve as monitors/hosts at various venues.
- 6. Hospitality Room staffing Coquille Suite September 29 and 30 after evening events. Host and serve.
- 7. Credentials desk delegate check in. Dora and someone else?
- 8. PIG (Past International Governors) Dinner Restaurant O Thursday, September 28 Paula?
- 9. Memorial Service Saturday, September 30, 8:30 AM need members to plan, organize and implement traditional memorial service.

All members interested in assisting with any of these tasks, please contact Terri at terri.turi@gmail.com. EVERYONE'S assistance will be so helpful and most appreciated.



In recognition of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, our April program meeting featured updates from Julie Marshall and Sarah Bright from Kids HOPE Center, and Kallie Mill from the new Coastal Families Relief Nursery. Julie and Sarah spoke to the current needs for supporting youth experiencing abuse and explained the outreach and education programs led by Kids HOPE Center. Kallie explained the wraparound services that relief nurseries provide at-risk children (0-5 years) and their families. Both programs are critical supports for our community, and we are so appreciative of all that these folks do!





Pictured: Coastal Families Relief Nursery team at the nursery during a recent funder visit, Kids HOPE Center team at Family Fun Day

Member Profile Past President Sheila Wilma

I was born in Ferndale, CA Nov. 16, 1934, and grew up on the Monterey Peninsula. I vividly recall the start of World War II and the War years. After high school I attended Concordia College in Chicago and graduated in 1956. I taught at a Lutheran school in Sacramento for 2 years. While in Sacramento I met and married my husband Doug Wilma in 1958. He was in the Air Force, so we moved a number of times throughout the years. We have three children. Greg, born in Riverside, CA, Christine in Bangor, Maine and Elizabeth in Norman, Oklahoma.

While Doug was in Vietnam, I finished my Library Degree at the University of Oklahoma. As a librarian I worked at Strayor College in Washington D.C. and at the Newport News Public Library before becoming the Library Director at the North Bend Public Library in 1978. I retired in 2000. This June our family, Kids and Grandkids will gather in Long Beach, WA to celebrate Doug's 90th Birthday.



I joined Zonta in 1979 and have continued my membership since moving to Spokane in 2008 as a way to continue my connection to Zonta and the Coos Bay/North Bend Area. Zonta Coos Bay Area's contributions to the local area are always good to learn about. keep up the good work.

Sheila Wilma

Note: Sheila Wilma is a past club president and 44-year member of the Zonta Club of the Coos Bay Area. Although she now lives in Spokane, she continues to pay her club dues. This year when paying her dues, she sent a check for \$400 with request the remainder go into the Happy Box fund! We appreciate her support and dedication!

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Small group consensus building

The Community 101 project is coming to a close. After selecting alcohol and controlled substance use and abuse as the critical community issue they wished to address, doing the research to determine what local non-profits addressed this problem, inviting those programs to submit applications, reviewing the applications received, and hearing presentations on the problem and from the applicants about their projects, the club was ready to determine how to allocate the \$5,000 they have from the Oregon Community Foundation. They also voted to add \$500 from the funds they had earned this year working concessions. Zonta members Jen Shafer, Nikki Pritchard and Margaret Melvin joined two other volunteers to help the students in small groups reach consensus.

The final decision of the club, based on the recommendation of each group, has been reported to OCF for approval. Once that is received, the club will notify the applicants and present the awards at a virtual assembly that will be shared with the entire school.

We had a few volunteers help with Family Fun Day – same date as the prom which limited participation! Next up for volunteering is the May Fly Festival.

Sunday May 21 – it is now from 3-5 at the Marshfield Heritage Hall (inside the main gym) and is a bake sale and silent auction.



Family Fun Day

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Members,

I am involved with the Oregon Coast Music Festival. We are in need of temporary housing for the musicians this July. I know many of us both love music and have extra bedroom in our homes. Please contact me if you would be interested in learning more about participating this year. It is a great opportunity to make new friends and be a community music supporter.

Paula Bechtold



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As the school year comes to a close in just over one month there has been a flurry of activity with the NBHS Z Club.

Some of the events recently and still to come in May are:

- Participated in Earth Day events locally
- •Assembled condiment containers for the Waffle Project
- ·Assisted at BAH for hanging elementary school art
- •Information table at Freshman Orientation for Z Club sign-ups
- ·Held a club party at the Pottery Company

Coming events include:

- ·Helping Zonta with the upcoming Irish Tea
- •Assisting with Day Care for BAH at an upcoming Self-Care day for employees

The Z Club is one of two service clubs at NBHS and they are becoming known as a group that steps up to help when asked. Very proud of them!



Officer meeting held on the last Tue of the month (May 30th) and club meeting the first Tue of the month (June 6th). The school year ends on June 16th. Finished putting jam, peanut butter, and syrup in containers for the waffle project (3)

Kudos to Z Club scholarship winners! Both Avery Pex Ali Kirby were awarded 2 different scholarships. Also, of note another NBHS student Brynne Hawthorn received the YWPA this year! Meet them all at the scholarship award program on May 19th. Congratulations!! (See page 2 for more)

This month also includes election of next year's club officers. Those interested are in the process of submitting their campaign info to their online classroom. Elections will take place in approximately, 2 weeks. The next officer meeting and following club meeting will be under the direction of the new officers with assist with past officers.

Going forward to the next school year also brings a change for me, the club advisor. I will not be able to continue beyond this school year. This is best a job with two Zontians to share the meeting and activities. Both the students and the Advisor, Erica Street, have asked often of my opinion and listen to my suggestions with various projects. We need to continue to support this club and these kids. Please talk with your Zonta buddies and step up. Any who have questions or are interested please contact me. Please attend the next officers and club meeting with me to meet the new officers, Erica and learn a bit more about them.



The All-Area Zonta Workshop April 22nd via Zoom was attended by about 75 Zontians! Way to go! Many commented on how worthwhile it was to hear the speakers and have discussions and bring back new ideas to the clubs.

The first speaker, Marianne Tompkins, (new Zonta member) shared "My big life living small". She and her husband purchased property in Thurston County Washington to protect the land from developers and built a small house about 700 square feet with recycled materials, local venders is energy efficient. The discussions centered around how we as individuals could use less, carpool, recycle, repair, and educate others to have a smaller imprint in living; and consider making our homes more sustainable/earth friendly.

We heard from Pete Bober (Zonta Club of Corvalis) live from Ukraine! There were also members from the Uzhgorod and Lviv Zonta Clubs. Pete shared about current efforts to help the people in Ukraine.

After lunch I introduced Dr. Patty Scott, President of Southwest Oregon Community College. Dr. Patty shared about "Zonta's Next Generation". There is Gen X, 41 to 56 yr old, Millennials, 27 to 42 yr old, Gen Z are 11 to 26 yr old. Each cohort is affected by events and the culture with which they grew up. Using social media to reach a generation that is using U Tube, Tik Tok, Instagram, snap chat, phone video clips, Oh heck let's just get a U Tube page with a catchy title?

With all this in mind, Zonta Int'l does see the need to change in a changing world to keep Zonta's mission, making a better world for Women and girls viable. See what goals are introduced by ZI and Governor Deb for bringing into Zonta's circle the next generation!



