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"When you see something beautiful in someone, tell them. It may only take seconds to say, but for them it could last a lifetime." - Unknown

Dear Zonta Sisters,

February – a month that literally pulls at our hearts!!! Christmas decorations and candy have barely been moved to the clearance aisle before we are seeing RED and HEARTS.... tempting delicious red strawberries to be covered in chocolate, red heart boxes of candy and chocolates, Valentine cards covered with red hearts, and beautiful hues of red roses everywhere we turn when shopping. It should lift our hearts and spirits just to see all that colorful beauty! Remember to STOP and SMELL those roses...it's a free gift to ourselves...ENJOY!!!

February is also a month that is full of awareness dates; did you know that President Johnson first designated February as "American Heart Month" to take place in February, 1964? Maybe you wore your red for this awareness on National Wear Red Day, February 2, 2018, which was also Goundhog Day! February 4th was World Cancer Day; February 14th Valentine's Day AND National Donor Day; February 19th is designated as President's Day, and it happens to be our regular monthly meeting date.

Somehow all this heartfelt awareness brings my thoughts around to Zonta and "advancing the status of women." How, you ask? I ask that too as we are winding down the last four months of our Zonta club fiscal year. I have relayed several times that I believe we must "engage" ALL our membership to act toward the goals and projects for overall club success. So often it is the little things that we receive along the way that can make a giant difference in how our day is going, or how we are feeling, or just how pleased and satisfied with life we will feel at the end of the day. A phone call of encouragement or just to say "hello" and "I am thinking of you"; a note written and mailed to say thank you and you are appreciated; a compliment to someone as general as you admire their handwriting or a bracelet they are sporting....these are all just a small way that we may lighten someone's personal load for that day. I believe we should practice this at home, on the front line at our meetings, in our everyday encounters, as well as globally.

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FEB MEETING MONDAY, FEB 19TH 6:30PM

OUR HOSTESSES

**Brenda Lessor, Lisamarie Williams,
Debra Habecker and Karen Weinheimer**

We will welcome Penny McBride from the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce and coincidentally our most recent recipient of the Woman of Achievement Award. She will be speaking to us regarding the Chamber's activities as well as giving inspirational thoughts about the future of Fredericksburg. Hoping to see you Monday evening, 6:30 pm, at the Fredericksburg Golden Hub.

**RSVP to Brenda - 5PM FRIDAY the 16th
text or call:
email: brendalessor@gmail.com**

Our hostesses are looking forward to seeing each of you there for a taco bar and sangria!

ARE YOU RESOLUTE?

Here we are into February and many of us have already forgotten about any resolutions we made this year. "One at a time" was the suggested successful path; the first of which was to attend our January Zonta Meeting. We have close to 40 members in our Club and we rarely get to see most of you. Being a member of this wonderful organization includes participation in the meetings and volunteer efforts of our goals towards advocacy in our community and the world around us. As newsletter editor I am taking advantage of this media to reach out and make aware that simply by reading this publication does NOT do justice to attending a meeting in person. The camaraderie and information one receives by attending our monthly meetings and listening to the guest speakers we sponsor is imperative to our cohesiveness as a group. The meetings do not change in time or place – they are always the 3rd Monday of the month held at The Golden Hub. Please put these FIRST on your calendar and make a point of attending. We'd love to see you again. – Lisamarie Williams

ESSAY WRITERS WINNINGS!!!

Each year, Zonta celebrates the life of Zontian and famed aviator Amelia Earhart in January. Our Zonta Club challenged the local students to write essays about Amelia to learn about her extraordinary life. At the January meeting we awarded money to two girls for their written words.

Congratulations goes to:

Clare Quay for winning \$150 in the 12-14 year old group and to Julia Maenius for winning \$300 in the 15-18 year old group. We appreciate your enthusiasm!



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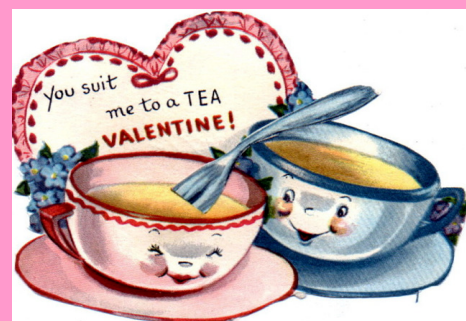
If we are to empower and advance women worldwide, we must lend support here "in our own back yard." Please be supportive of your fellow club members. For the "seasoned" members, I encourage you to reach out to our newer members that you have sponsored or members that you would like to get to know better. Our daily lives can get so complicated; all of you that have joined have done so, I believe, to make the world a better place for women. Let us continue to lift up and support our fellow club members as part of this betterment. Kindness matters.

As Hostess Coordinator, Jo Ann Krauskopf will be contacting some members we have missed seeing at our regular monthly meetings. If you, yourself, have missed seeing a fellow Fredericksburg Zontian, I encourage you to reach out and check on these sisters in Zonta. It may be something as simple as someone needing a ride to the meeting or a personal reminder of the meeting date. Please, I encourage you as a member to engage your support and care to your fellow club members.

I am always saving or posting encouraging words around my abode, my personal work station, or cell phone. The most recent words I came across to save are these: "Strong women are often perceived as cold and mean simply because they refuse to be disrespected, mistreated, or taken for granted." Let us use our own hearts toward kindness and care. I close with these borrowed words...

"EMPOWER and ENCOURAGE others and your own life will be enriched."

*Yours in Zonta,
Frankie Hohenberger, President*



HOSTING FUN AFTER FIVE

The Zonta Club of Fredericksburg will be a host for the Chamber's February 15th Fun After Five Event to be held in the Grand Ball room of the Admiral Nimitz Museum. This is always a wonderful chance to get the word out to prospective members and to share our Zonta story of service and advocacy.



Please let President Hohenberger know immediately if you are interested in attending and helping host our information table for the evening. Feast & Merriment will be providing delicious nibbles alongside wine and beer from Torre di Pietra Vineyards and Keg 1 O'Neal brews.

KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS ...

our members and send "thinking of you and hoping you are better" wishes to:

Debra Habecker – who completed her radiation treatments ... whoo-hoo!

Sharon Wahrmond – recuperating from an accident in which she sprained her knee and is laid up at home.

Lisamarie Williams – celebrating her final chemo treatment!!!! Radiation is around the corner.

Brenda Lessor – recovering from a bad sprain and possible broken toe, keep the swelling down!

Bonnie Baseke and her husband, George – recovering from respiratory illness and the flu.

Debra Habecker's husband Frank – experienced a dissection of his aorta, grateful HCMH found the issue and Fredericksburg EMS transported him to University.

MEMBERSHIP DUES AROUND THE CORNER

Just a gentle reminder that our dues for the NEXT fiscal year will be coming due soon. Our fiscal year is June 1st, 2018 to May 31st, 2019. Dues of \$115.00 will become due April 1, 2018, and must be paid to Treasurer Bonnie Baseke NO LATER THAN APRIL 30, 2018. Bonnie will also send out individual notices soon as a helpful reminder.

There is quite a bit of paperwork management that goes along with our required membership dues submissions to Zonta International and Zonta International District 10, which is the reason of why our local dues are required at these times.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Our **Nominating Committee** consisting of Ginger Mitchell, Sharon Wahrmund and JoAnn Krauskopf is in process of taking nominations for our 2018-2019 Board Members and Officers.

Please give them a call or email if you are interested in volunteering your time for any particular position. Announcement of nominations will be made in March for slate approval in April.

HAVE YOU HAD THE CHANCE TO PERUSE OUR NEW WEBSITE?

I hope you take a gander at our Zonta Club of Fredericksburg's website for many reasons! We have restructured the site somewhat, but mostly we re-created the site to save money! Our domain name remains the same:

zontafredericksburg.org

You do not have to try to remember any new website information. Our web host is now WIX which is a free site. Management of the information placed on our site can be accomplished easily by anyone with the sign-on passwords, thereby saving the dollars we were spending on hosting through our previous site management. If you have any suggestions on how to make the site better or more cohesive, let me know ... I'm happy to keep perfecting it!



What is re-dress?

re-dress: (n) a Hill Country pop-up boutique that provides FREE formal wear to girls and women for a variety of formal events AND encourages the re-use of local resources.

How YOU can help:

Donate your ready-to-wear formal wear and accessories (dresses, jewelry, handbags) and encourage your friends to do the same!

Upcoming 2018 Boutique Dates

Thursday, April 5, 4:00-6:30

Friday, April 6, 4:00-6:30

Saturday, April 7, 10:00-2:00

Drop-off sites: (during regular business hours)

Dankworth Dry Goods
500 S. Lincoln

Braunbach Granite
520 S. Adams

Century 21 Sunset Realtors
408 W. Main St.

Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Award

The 2018 application for the YWPA is on our club web site. **Young women aged 16-19 may apply by the application deadline of February 28, 2018.** The winner of our club award of \$500 will also have her application submitted to District 10 for consideration for a further award.

The goal of the Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Award Program is to encourage young women to participate in public affairs by recognizing a young woman's commitment to the volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leadership achievements and a dedication to the empowerment of women.

Applicants are asked to reflect on their voluntary commitment to their school and to their community and the problems limiting the empowerment of women in their own country and worldwide. Classified members and employees of Zonta International and Zonta International Foundation, and their family members, are not eligible to apply for the Awards. Z Club members are eligible to apply.

If you know of young women who are eligible and may be interested in applying, please encourage them to do so. Contact Jerri Striegler at 830-997-4223 or jstriegler@beecreek.net if you have questions or seek additional information.

SPREAD THE WORD! IT'S SCHOLARSHIP SEASON!

The Zonta Club was established to assist and encourage women of all ages to further their career goals. The Zonta Club of Fredericksburg is part of a Global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. Our focus toward the mission has been to provide scholarships to women of Gillespie County and its adjoining counties (Blanco, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, and Mason) for college or other training to enhance their professional opportunities. The Scholarship Committee of the Zonta Club of Fredericksburg accepts applications in the Spring; this year's deadline is March 31st, 2018.

General Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be a resident of Gillespie County or of an adjoining county: Blanco, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, or Mason.
- Applicant must be a high-school senior or older who will be attending an accredited post-high-school educational institution (i.e. college, university, trade school, etc.)
- Scholarships are based in part on financial need.
- Grade point average will be considered.
- Consideration is given to whether the overall circumstances and plans of an applicant make achievement of her goals realistic.

(The link to the application is on our website.)

THE ZONTA TRASH AND TREASURE SALE IS BACK ON !

The Trash and Treasure Sale is Saturday, March 3rd, 2018. So to those members that have had individuals wanting to donate items, you may now let them know we are **BACK ON!** IT WILL BE A ONE DAY SALE. **It's time to be dropping off your items now until the day of the sale. Please bring everything priced!** Sharon Wahrmund has graciously offered her three car garage and large drive way as a place to hold this event at **106 Cristol Street**. Get the word out; there will be many wanting to donate their items that they have gathered from their first-of-the-year closet cleaning.

We are needing your volunteer hours to help with this fundraiser. A sign-up sheet will be circulated at our February meeting. Be sure to attend and get your name on the list. This is NOT a one-man event.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Debra Habecker – February 5
 Carol Cain – February 19
 Wanda Draper – February 19
 Jeanette Warrington-Pressler – February 22
 Sharon Joseph – February 23
 Marti Barth – February 27
 Nancy Fitzpatrick – February 27
 Pam Nabers – February 27

Happy Birthday!

A MEMORIAL ...

As a tribute to our dear departed Carol Cain the Zonta Club of Fredericksburg's Board has suggested that we donate \$80 in luminaries to The Relay for Life Cancer Fundraising event this spring. We are hoping that all of our Zonta ladies are in favor of it. A simple tribute to one woman whose smile shined brightly to all who were in her sight.

Rest in Peace, Carol.



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CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT DATES

February 12th – Lincoln's Birthday

February 13th – Mardi Gras

February 14th – Ash Wednesday & Valentine's Day

February 15th – Fun After Five Nimitz Ballroom

February 19th – General Membership Meeting

The Golden Hub 6:30pm

February 19th – President's Day Holiday

February 22nd – Washington's Birthday

March 5th – Zonta Board Meeting 5:30pm

March 8th – Zonta Rose Day

March 19th – General Membership Meeting

The Golden Hub 6:30pm



April 21st – Zonta Area 3 Conference in Brownsville, TX