

MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday, January 28, Masonic Temple, Noon

Please e-mail Del Paulson at mpdp@pie.midco.net to advise of attending/eating plans!

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Zonta International is a global service organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

Zonta District 12's purpose is to build, develop, and maintain strong clubs through support, leadership, and communication in order to further the mission of Zonta International.

The Zonta Club of Pierre-Fort Pierre is a service organization dedicated to advancing the economic status of women and to improving the health and welfare of women.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! We received some great responses from our recent member survey of how to recruit more members, how we can improve the attendance at our monthly meetings, and how we can make our meetings more interesting and fun. I plan to implement as many of your suggestions as I can by encouraging the committee chairs and co-chairs to have meetings to try and get all of their committee members involved with Zonta projects/activities. I'll also try to speed up the business portion of the meetings, do e-votes when possible, and hope to improve the social/fun time at the meetings. We will also plan to have a fun member recruitment event.

We have a few big Zonta events coming up in the next few months that your assistance with and attendance at will be appreciated. The Membership Committee will be hosting a prospective member event on February 19. Don't forget to submit at least one prospective member form and please plan to attend this evening social event—Did I mention that wine and snacks will be served!?!

The Zonta Spring Craft Show is scheduled for April 18-19 at the Expo Center in Fort Pierre. This is our club's second largest service dollar fundraiser event ... so please be prepared to sign up on the volunteer lists that will be circulated at the next few monthly meetings.

The Service Committee will be organizing its Service Dollar Distribution event, tentatively to be held the evening of April 22 in lieu of our regular noon monthly meeting. This is a very cool event where we get to hear directly from each of the organizations who receive funding from our Zonta Club of Pierre-Fort Pierre—funding that we have all worked very hard over the past year to raise! The organizations explain what projects they plan to fund with the Zonta dollars as well as give a brief description of their services provided to the community. Watch for more details about this event and please plan to attend!

Speaking of the Service Committee, please remember that the January project is a children's sock drive. The Pierre Area Referral Service (PARS) has a goal of collecting at least 240 pairs of socks for the 120+ children in the backpack program who have no socks. Your contributions to this project will be appreciated!

Check out the pictures in this newsletter of the recent Zonta social events—the December 6 Community & Youth Involved *Tour of Homes* and the January 10 *Hollywood Tonight* event sponsored by Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center (MSDVC).

Hope to see you at the monthly meeting on January 28!

—Laurie Gustafson

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AGENDA for January 28, 2009

Call to Order
Welcome Members and Guests
Sharing of *THE COLLECT*
PROGRAM—Becky Grandpre, Therapeutic Foster Care, Capital Area Counseling (CACs)
Approval of November 2008 Meeting Minutes
Accept and File Financial Report(s) for Audit Communications—
Committee Reports—
Unfinished/New Business—
Announcements—
50/50 Raffle
Adjournment

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sherri Miller—Feb 7



**Place your AD, glad or sad, for a \$1 fee!
Pay the Treasurer and e-mail the Editor!**

A letter from the District Service Chair was read; it included requests to learn more about what Zonta does around the world.

Member Beverly Lewis talked about the upcoming Storytimes to be held at the Capitol; she distributed flyers for members to display.

Del asked everyone to remember Martha Rankin who is ill.

Anita distributed information about “Activism Against Gender Violence” that is co-sponsored by Zonta; she also displayed posters.

It was noted that 50 years ago Zonta had a flea market with a limited number of spaces located at the Community Hall.

The business meeting was adjourned upon motion by Alison and a second by Laurie S.

Program Chair, Nelly Nord, facilitated discussion on the following:

1. How can we recruit more members?
2. How can we improve the monthly meeting attendance of our current members?
3. How can we make our meetings more interesting, fun, inviting?

Specific discussion centered around the monthly meeting format, i.e., evening meetings; separate business meetings, attendance; table top discussions at the meetings., etc.

Respectfully submitted, *Beverly A. Lewis*

MINUTES of November 26, 2008

The Zonta Club of Pierre-Fort Pierre held its monthly meeting at 12:00 p.m. on November 26, 2008, at the Pierre Masonic Temple with 12 members present. The call to order was made by Vice President Jane Page. The Collect was shared.

The October 22, 2008, Minutes were approved as distributed upon motion by Anita and a second by Donna. New member Christine Gors was installed.

It was announced there would not be a regular monthly meeting in December. Two special events, the annual Community & Youth Involved Center's Holiday Luncheon and Tour of Homes to be held December 6 and the annual Hollywood Tonight sponsored by Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center (MSDVC) to be held January 10 were highlighted. Anita circulated a sign-up sheet for both events and asked that Jean Lakner be contacted for any further information and signup.

The Financial Reports were filed for audit. It was noted that receipts from the Fall Craft Show Raffle were \$430 for the General Fund.

The Zonta Foundation Board was dissolved by Zonta International and more information will be distributed.



Women in Science Becomes Expanding Your Horizons

The Pierre Women in Science Conference (WIS) has joined the national Expanding Your Horizons Network (EYH). The Network is a non-profit membership organization of educators, scientists, mathematicians, parents, community leaders, and government and corporate representatives. The mission is to encourage young women to pursue science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers. Through Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) Network programs, members provide STEM role models and hands-on activities for middle and high school girls. The ultimate goal is to motivate girls to become innovative and creative thinkers ready to meet 21st century challenges.

As part of the network, Pierre WIS will become the *SD Discovery Center Expanding Your Horizons Conference*. As part of the national network, the conference planners will have access to resources that will help recruit speakers and increase the hands-on nature of the sessions, to an on-line registration system and to a pre-designed conference packet for the girls. To see more about EYH, go to <http://expandingyourhorizons.org/about/>.

The SD Discovery Center EYH conference is scheduled for April 7, 2008, from 8:30 am to 5 pm at the Ramkota. Tanya Crevier, "World's Best Female Basket Ball Handler," from Jefferson, South Dakota, will be the keynote speaker and entertainment. New this year, the committee has accepted proposals from those interested in presenting sessions. A group of girls will select the actual sessions from those proposals. Danette Jarzab of the SD Discovery Center is this year's conference coordinator.

As in past years the Pierre-Fort Pierre AAUW Branch will be the luncheon host. The *Expanding Your Horizons* Committee, however, is also looking for volunteer(s) from other groups to assist in many ways throughout the Conference, i.e., registration and to act as session hosts. Please contact Danette at 224-8295 if you would like to volunteer on behalf of our Zonta Club.

—AZ

ZI Voluntary Dues Update

The 2008 Convention approved an increase of US\$15 in dues beginning 1 June 2009. This brings the total per member international dues to US\$65 for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. This amount does not include the per member fee for liability insurance paid by clubs in the USA and Canada.

The Convention also approved a motion requesting Zontians to pay an additional \$15 per member to Zonta International as a voluntary dues payment in 2008-2009 in addition to their regular dues of US\$50.

To make your Voluntary 2008-2009 Dues Payment, the preferred manner of payment is a group payment by the club using a check or wire transfer (the same methods used for regular dues payments). Clubs are encouraged to make the Voluntary 2008-2009 Dues Payment. **[Please note that this 2008-2009 voluntary dues payment of US \$15 is in addition to the regular international dues of \$50 per member for 2008-2009.]**

In addition, on August 7 individual Zontians received an e-mail with a Subject Line: **Voluntary Dues, Special Message from Zonta International Finance Committee 2008-2010** as well as from Zonta International Treasurer/Secretary Gloria Stootman Wristen detailing the update and links.

—AZ

Voluntary 2008-09 ZI Dues Payment

Please submit your Voluntary 2008-09 ZI Dues Payment of \$15 as soon as possible. Remember, members are challenged to make this additional payment of ZI Dues to assist with the ZI Budget since the retroactive dues proposal did not pass at the ZI Convention in Rotterdam.

[See article above for details
and/or go to www.zonta.org!]

Simply make your check payable to:

**Zonta Club of Pierre-Fort Pierre
In the amount of \$15
Designate as "Voluntary Dues"
Give to Club Treasurer**

Our Club will be sending in one check of any Voluntary Dues received to Zonta International by March 1, 2009.

—Alison E. Jares, Treasurer

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

Applications have been sent to the local high schools for the local college and technical school scholarships and the Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarship. These applications are due March 1, 2009. The Jane M. Klausman Women in Business applications will be sent to CUC when they become available in January.

—Laurie Schultz, Scholarship Chair

Trivia and more!

Here's a new question—One of the Clubs in District 12 recently changed its name. Which one? What is the new name?

Here's an old question (Do you remember the answer?)—Why do we celebrate January 11 as Amelia Earhart Day?

2008 FALL Craft Show

NOTE: Remember to record your fundraising hours for any and all work that you did for the Fall Craft Show. For those of you who marked on Friday evening and worked on either Saturday or Sunday, you should have a minimum of +3 hours to add to the tally.

SAVE DAKOTAMART RECEIPTS!!!!

Please remember to continue to save your DakotaMart receipts for the **We Care** program at Lynn's Dakotamart. For each **\$10,000** in register receipts that our Zonta Club collects, we receive a check for **\$100** simply by bringing them to DakotaMart. [OUR ZONTA CLUB RECENTLY COLLECTED A SECOND CHECK FOR \$100.] It is EASY! Simply bring your receipts to the monthly meetings and give them to **Peggy Cruse**.

NEWS FLASH—According to Peggy, a few days ago the last count for the receipts was \$7,228.89. Let's locate those receipts and bring them to Wednesday's meeting!

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Mark your Calendar – Membership Event – February 19

The membership committee needs your help!

Do you know someone who is looking to make a difference? Someone who seeks to:

- Improve the lives of Women Worldwide and Locally
- Promote Women's Human Rights and Equality
- Share with other Professionals
- Form Local and International Friendships

There will be a membership event on

Thursday, February 19 at 5:30pm at Alison Jares' home at **20459 Green Grass Road**.

The directions to Alison's home are:

From the top of Euclid turn left and travel north on 1804 for approximately 1.7 miles. Turn right on Range Road (right by the Oahe Horse Arena and the shooting range), drive approximately 0.8 miles and turn left onto Green Grass Road. Continue on Green Grass Road traveling north to—the gray house on the left (west) set back from the road with a Cleary Building.

Thanks so much to everyone who has submitted names. So far we have received information for six prospective members. The invitations will be sent in early February, so there is still time to submit names. Just complete the electronic form you received via E-Mail or complete a form at the January meeting.

Hope to see you on February 19. It will be a fun time with great people, food, and refreshments.

If you have any questions, please give Denise a call (224-2698) or send an e-mail (dluckhurst@pie.midco.net).

Thank You!

Membership Committee
Theresa Burke
Carol Huber
Alison Jares
Jean Lakner
Denise Luckhurst
Dawn Tassler



SOUTH DAKOTA ADVOCACY NETWORK

Women 4 Women (W4W) Day!

Location: State Capitol
500 E. Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-

Date: February 2, 2009 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm (Central Time)

Hosted By: South Dakota Advocacy Network for Women (SDANW)
For more information, please e-mail sstevens@ppmns.org

RSVP by: January 31, 2009 at 6:00 pm (Central Time)

Stand Up for the Women of South Dakota!

The **South Dakota Advocacy Network for Women** (SDANW) proudly presents

Women 4 Women Day!

Men and Women from across the state are invited to participate in this exciting and FREE day to rally, lobby, and be visible to the South Dakota Legislature.

We want our voices to be heard on important women's issue such as:

Reproductive Rights
Violence Against Women
Equal Opportunity
Education

The day will begin at 10:00 am at the Capitol in Pierre. Take the bus for **FREE** from Rapid City or Sioux Falls! Each participant will be given a **Women 4 Women** participant pack which includes talking points on the 4 issues and tips on how to speak with your legislator. We will rally on the Capitol steps, hold a visibility event outside, and observe the Senate and House chambers in action. We will show the South Dakota Legislature that we care about the laws they are passing, which affect our lives, our bodies, and our families! Our voices need to be heard now more than ever! Please join us in Pierre!

A free lunch at the Kings Inn will be provided for those who are interested in joining us. Also, like last year, W4W is a **two-day event** for those who are eager to join us the evening before. Are you interested in meeting other women who are working toward change in Pierre and in South Dakota? Are you wanting to network and learn more about the political process? On Sunday, February 1, we will be meeting in Pierre at the Kings Inn and the Longbranch for socialization, dinner, and an important legislative update from the organizations who care about women. Please e-mail sstevens@ppmns.org for more information if you're interested in attending on Sunday.

To register, GOTO—

<http://www.standupsd.com/>

OR

http://www.ppaction.org/ppmsd/events/sdwomenforwomen_clone_1759001/details.tcl