

2007 BANQUET PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES FOR ROSA E. FIOAL MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

While all Zonta clubs have a shared identity, each has a unique personality based on the talents, skills and faces of its members. The statement that “people are our greatest asset” is never truer than for that of an organization like ours. Unfortunately however, while the immensity of women’s needs worldwide persist, volunteers to serve those needs are harder to find than ever. Maintaining, much less growing, club membership has become more challenging as people have either less time or inclination to volunteer. Additionally, clubs face increasing competition with other service organizations.

Therefore, this year District 11 has further intensified its focus on building strong clubs through the recruitment and retention of members in Zonta International. And while some clubs are still struggling, there are many success stories as well. In fact, some clubs’ efforts at recruitment and retention warrant special recognition.

The membership of District 11 has been blessed with an annual gift from the Rosa E. Fiol Trust. In keeping with Dr. Fiol’s wishes, District 11 has established a membership award to be given to the club in each area that

has the greatest percentage net increase in membership. Newly organized clubs also receive a membership award.

Each winner of the Rosa E. Fiol Membership Award receives a trophy to keep for the remainder of the club year, along with a certificate of recognition for the club's records. Last, but not least, each winning club and the clubs of Puerto Rico, Caguas, Ponce, and San Juan, receive a \$200 credit for conference attendance.

Area 1

The Zonta Club of Memphis increased its membership by a net of 1 member for a 6% increase.

Area 2

The Zonta Club of Savannah increased its membership by a net of 10 members, for a 55% increase.

Area 3

The Zonta Club of Boca Raton increased its membership by a net of 11 members for a 58% increase.

Area 4

The Zonta Club of Bartow increased its membership by a net of 3, for a 25% increase.

Area 5

Unfortunately, no club in Area 5 had a net increase in membership.

Area 6

The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva increased its membership by a net of 7 members for an 11% increase.

And the newest club organized in District 11, the Zonta Club of Doral in Area 3 which was chartered with 24 members.

**Congratulations to this year's winners of the Rosa E. Fiol
Membership Award!**

Protocol Chair:

Area 1: Memphis

Area 2: Savannah

Area 3: Boca Raton

Area 4: Bartow

Area 5: None

Area 6: Sanibel/Captiva

Newly Chartered: Doral