



# The Zonta Key



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## Letter from the President

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Valentine's Day Everyone (is February here already?)! January went by so fast, I'm not sure I can remember any of it.

Our most important project right now is MEDIA ZONTA DAY! The Finance committee has come up with some terrific ways to make this a fabulous event. Many thanks to Michael Stewart as Square One for having us hold the broadcast at his wonderful venue. Our 2/20 meeting will be very exciting as we plan for MEDIA ZONTA DAY.

We have one important announcement. Due to conflicts with the Grand Key, the Area Workshop has been rescheduled for June, at the Radisson.

I know this message is short, but sweet. We'll have lots to talk about at the meeting!

Yours in Zonta,  
Jerilyn

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## February Meeting

The Grand Key continues to be closed. The Radisson is graciously hosting our membership meeting again this month. Dinner will be ordered off the Denny's menu. We have many exciting things to discuss including Media Zonta and the upcoming area meeting. See you there!

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## Zontian of the Month

Bonnie Burnett was our January Zontian of the Month. Bonnie has been a member of Zonta since 1996. Her tireless work on the ABC Walk/Run each year contributes to that fundraisers continued success.

She is an active board member and a valuable asset to our club.

Congratulations Bonnie!!



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## Media Zonta Day

Things are gearing up as the day approaches. I will have the signup sheets at February meeting so the group that cannot sell can sign up for one of the many other tasks needed to make this a successful fund raiser.

Ads are in the paper and the radio spot has been recorded so let's gear up and blow last year's total out of the water!

Remember the cost of ads has increased slightly. 1 ad for \$40.00, 2 for \$75.00, 1 -60 sec. live ad for \$100.00.

Another new aspect of this year's event is that we have a great donation to raffle. It is a 50" Sony rear projection TV. The raffle tickets are 1 - \$5.00, 5 for \$20.00. If someone buys 5 ads, they receive 1 raffle ticket free.



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## Membership

Membership's goal for this year was four new members. Roberta Spencer's installation achieved that goal but we are not going to stop there. In March we are planning a happy hour for potential new members. This will provide an additional opportunity for us to present Zonta to other business women in the community.

Pictured: New members: Kristen Wheeler, Dr. Jean Gormley and Roberta Spencer with Membership Co-chairs Ranny Fitzgerald and Crystal Ruffo

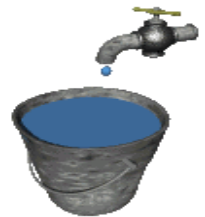


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## Service Hours

Service – A drop in our bucket of Time!

Cooking with love continues to be a good source of service hours. The residents of the Senior Citizens home are very appreciative and always happy to see us. It takes so little time to do so much for someone else.



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## Meetings

Status and Service March 6<sup>th</sup> 5:30 at Square One.  
Fellowship March 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30 at Square One.  
General Meeting February 20<sup>th</sup>, at the Radisson.  
Membership February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30 at Square One.  
Finance- February 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 at Walter's Grill.

**FELLOWSHIP GET TOGETHER – MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> AT T G I FRIDAY'S**

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## Cooking with Love

### Schedule February

February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Terri Axford & Rita Fabal  
February 10<sup>th</sup> – Crystal & Michael Ruffo  
February 17<sup>th</sup> – Jo Coveny & LouAnna Williams  
February 24<sup>th</sup> – Lou Ferris & Sara Cook



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## Birthdays

Amber Shaffer – February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Bonnie Burnett – February 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Shirley Freeman – February 16<sup>th</sup>



### Birthday Quotes:

Once I was looking through the kitchen window at dusk and I saw an old woman looking in. Suddenly the light changed and I realized that the old woman was myself. You see, it all happens on the outside; inside one doesn't change. - Molly Keane

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## New Kids on the Block

Hello ladies, We will be working together on the many tasks associated with Media Zonta Day! This is a perfect time to get your feet wet on a major fundraiser. Hard work is what makes these projects successful.

*Crystal*

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## The Zonta Foundation

At the Zonta International Convention (Sydney, Australia) in 1984, a resolution was passed authorizing the establishment of the Zonta International Foundation for the purpose of administering the funds for Zonta's international service programs and to serve as a vehicle by which Zonta could receive grants as well as bequests from individual donors.



One of the most immediate functions of the Foundation was the purchase of Zonta's first world headquarters building in 1986. Faced with an extraordinary increase in rent for office space, at the 1986 convention Zonta resolved that ownership of a headquarters building by the Foundation for its use and for rental to Zonta International would be more economically prudent. Following the convention, Past International President Harriette Yeckel (1972-74) and then-Chairman of the Foundation Development Committee undertook a tour of Zonta Clubs around the world, raising more than half a million dollars for the purchase of a building.

On 31 December 1986, the Zonta International Foundation purchased the building at 557 West Randolph Street in Chicago, which today serves as Zonta World Headquarters. In 1987 more than 300 guests attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony officially opening the building.

Once the Foundation was established, program funds were created for the Amelia Earhart Fellowships Program and the International Service Program, both long-standing Zonta programs.

In 1986, Zonta became the first NGO to support the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) by helping to institute the "Women's Development is World Development" program. Today, the Foundation has provided more than US\$1.5 million to UNIFEM for training, education, appropriate technologies, and funding for women in developing countries.

In 1988, Michael J. Freeman left a bequest to the Foundation for the establishment of the Michael J. Freeman Scholarships for Irish Women.

In 1990, the Young Women in Public Affairs Awards was launched and initially funded through income earned on the Foundation's Endowment Fund. Today, annual contributions to the YWPA Fund support the ongoing activities of the program.

In 1996, following a three and one-half year fundraising campaign, the Foundation had raised US\$1 million to pay off the mortgage of the World Headquarters Building.

In 1999, the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarships were established as the result of a bequest made by Zontian Jane M. Klausman. Her bequest of over US\$500,000 was intended to fund scholarships for women pursuing careers in business management. Jane Klausman was a member of the Zonta Club of Syracuse, NY and the International Parliamentarian for the Zonta International Board of Directors.

*(Information courtesy of Zonta International web site )*

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## Chamber of Commerce

Amber and I attended the January Chamber meeting. The meeting centered around the presentation of the Five Star Program's Teachers of the quarter. This program honors teachers quarterly and chooses a Teacher of the Year. Bios are read that were prepared by the principal of each teachers school. They receive a plaque, pin and a bag of goodies. Each item in the bag has a value of \$25.00. There are coupons for dinners, etc and CASH.

These meetings are a wonderful opportunity to meet other professional women and talk about ZONTA! It is important that we never miss the chance to tell someone about our wonderful organization.

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## Meeting Minutes – January 16<sup>th</sup> Zonta General Meeting at the Radisson

The meeting called to order 6:05 PM by President Jerilyn Barrack  
Pledge of Allegiance led by Lou Ferris.  
Invocation by Jo Coveny.

Crystal Ruffo inducted our newest member, Roberta Spencer, sponsored by LouAnna Williams.

Terry Axford moved to approve the minute of the November meeting with a second by Lou Ferris.  
Motion carried.

LouAnna Williams presented the treasurers report. Jo Coveny moved that the report be filed for audit as presented. Shirley Freeman seconded. The motion was passed. Jo Coveny moved that \$43.09 left over from our Christmas purchase for the Domestic Abuse Shelter be donated to them. Rita Fabal seconded. Motion passed.

Crystal Ruffo gave a short presentation on the life of Amelia Earhart.

LouAnna Williams announced that Roberta Spencer has donated \$1000.00 to Zonta. This will be used to start a new program to fund cervical cancer vaccinations for teenage girls.

Zontian of the Month was presented to Bonnie Burnett.

Finance: Sara Cook presented a report on Media Zonta Day. The date is April 21<sup>st</sup>. We still need a venue. Discussion followed regarding how the shortage of hotel rooms has affected businesses and might limit their advertising dollars. Ranny Fitzgerald moved that we raise the price of a 30 second ad to \$40.00 with a one minute ad special of \$75.00. Molly Ersay seconded. Rita asked how the Finance Committee feels about this and Sara said they are divided. After discussion, Ranny withdrew her second. After more discussion, Ranny moved that we offer one 60-second ad or two 30 second ads for \$75.00. Molly seconded the motion. The motion passed. Crystal presented a new idea for Media Zonta Day – a 60 second live spot for \$100.00. Buyers of this option would come to the live broadcast to present their live spot. They would need to commit by March 20th in order to schedule the time. Lou Ferris moved that we offer a 60 second live spot for \$100.00. Shirley Freeman seconded. Motion carried. Crystal presented a prototype brochure to be given to new potential advertisers. Everyone can examine it and offer suggestions.

Fellowship: Molly presented scarves to all January and February birthday girls. The date for the Bowling event is Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>. Sign up sheets were passed.

Literacy: Terry reported that the Literacy Committee has begun the search for the Young Woman in Public Affairs Scholarship recipient. Applications have gone out. Interviews will be held 3/15 at Key West High School. Winners will come to the June General membership meeting and each give a small presentation.

February's Status and Service meeting will be rescheduled due to conflicts.

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

None

Dollar Announcements, 50/50

Meeting adjourned 7:45 PM