

President’s Message:

Dear Members,

Another school year begins...But it bears little resemblance to past years. School begins virtually and we also continue to meet virtually. Who knew we would all learn to Zoom?

We all continue to hope; Hope that the pandemic is controlled; Hope that a safe vaccine is on its way; Hope that the economy improves; Hope that we all stay healthy; and Hope that someday we will meet in person, maybe even without masks.

In that spirit of hope, I completed and submitted a Membership Grant Application for a new banner. I think these grants will be announced at the virtual Governor’s Seminar on October 2nd. The program looks valuable and I hope you all received the “Save the Date” document. I will continue to forward information on this event to you.

On a slightly different note, I am recruiting 3 to 4 Zontians to serve as judges for this upcoming Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) scholarship. I agreed to serve as the District 3 Chair for the YWPA scholarship. District 3 may have less applicants this cycle, but if there are applications from clubs, a District 3 winner will need to be chosen. The judging will be done in April as applications for the District 3 must be to me by April 1st and the District 3 winner’s application must be to Zonta International by May 1, 2021. The volunteers would need to do the reading and judging the first 2 weeks of April. Please let me know if you are willing to serve. Also, as a club, we will need to decide if we have funds to award a YWPA scholarship this next year.

See you or hear you at our next Zoom on Monday, September 14th.
Jeannine

Virtual May meeting

Our September meeting on September 14 at 7 p.m. will be virtual once again. Jeannine sent out the agenda, minutes, and financial reports. To log in, you may need to copy the link listed below into the address bar. You should not need a password. You may need to download Zoom so it is suggested you do this prior to the meeting. You follow the prompts once you join. Normally you select connect to video and connect to audio.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84499458643?pwd=TUhCTGVVYUc4NXk3ZGhHckRqbXhTdz09>

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Program Committee Report

It was suggested that we have speakers at our Zoom meetings. The talks would only last about 15 minutes. This would provide good information for members and keep our name in the public. Speaker, such as Jennifer Dougherty, business owner; John Fessler, Tourism Council; Mary Mannix, head librarian at the Maryland Room; or the previous speaker from our cancelled Anniversary Tea, Karlys Kline, were mentioned.

From Maida Wright

I am happy to report that after 8 weeks of recovery time I am almost walking on my own again. I have graduated to a walker, which is good for walking down Homewood's long halls, and have been issued a cane as well. I drove (for the first time in 3 months) to a doctor's appointment and discovered that the (only) elevator was out of commission, so I climbed the 18 steps. I found that it was more difficult descending than ascending, but not because of my ankle. It's my knees that really need the work! I have one more week of physical therapy and then I will “graduate.”

Membership Committee Report

The two individuals that were interested in joining decided to wait until we can meet in person again. Barb still has membership packets available if you know of someone that is interested in Zonta. If you would like one, let her know and she will get one to you.

Communication Committee Report

Eileen told Allison, who is creating our website, to go live with the new site. She is first going to update the latest version of our club's history. Everything may not be on the website yet, but it is more up-to-date than the old site.

Remember, we now have a gmail account zontafrederick@gmail.com that we can use to send and read emails that only apply to our Club. We can use it for fliers and invitations. Please share our Facebook Page with your friends and invite them to like it.

You can post comments, articles and photos that support the Zonta mission and organization. <https://www.facebook.com/zontafrederick/>

New President Susanne Shares Message for the New Biennium

Fellow Zontians,

It is truly an honor to be your President for the first biennium of Zonta's second century and to be the first Amelia Earhart Fellow to serve as Zonta's President.

Thank you for putting your trust in me. Six months ago, none of us could have imagined we would not be in Chicago celebrating our 100 years and kicking off our second century. Life changes have been dramatic, and we have adapted.

Now it is time to focus on the future. I am a forward-looking person. But, there is one thing we must never lose sight of from our first 100 years. And that is the vision that our founders in 1919 had for achieving women's equality. They understood the importance of

education. They had enthusiasm, passion and dedication to make changes for women.

Today, we still need to push for change.

Our new programs and projects focus on two major areas. One is education and the other is eliminating violence against women and girls.

Our own Zonta Education programs show that we have always known that education is important for women's equality. The women who are receiving our awards are making a difference in breaking down barriers in male dominated fields They serve as role models for the next generation.

Our UN projects focus on education and eliminating Violence Against Women and Girls. Providing opportunities and removing impediments for girls to remain in school has lasting impact. Benefits of education include financial security, better health care for their family and contributions to the betterment of society. Education is the key to decision-making.

Working to Eliminate Violence Against Women and Girls has taken on an even greater priority. With COVID-19, the world is seeing more domestic violence. We must do all we can to provide safe environments for women and girls.

I call on you to support our Zonta work -- our education programs, international service projects and advocacy efforts.

Your financial contributions to our Foundation are needed to make progress for women's equality. Those of you who have attended conventions have seen the display boards with stickers for your donations. It is so inspiring to see your generosity to financially support Zonta's work. This robust beginning of the biennium is one thing that we have lost entirely in our current virtual world. Foundation contributions fund our programs and projects.

Please consider making a donation to help start the biennium and our second century. Finally, as we begin this biennium, let us look for opportunities to grow our membership and work for women's equality.

I challenge all of us to have the same enthusiasm, dedication and passion of our founders to fulfill our mission.

Let's start our journey together into our second century.

I look forward to working with you in teamwork and partnership.

Warm regards,

Sharon Langenbeck

Zonta International President



Governor's Virtual Seminar - October 2

Zonta members are resilient, always striving to meet Zonta's mission, "To empower women through service & advocacy". Yet, in this time of social distancing and limits to gathering, we can still "get together," learn new ways of doing and thinking, and applaud our award winners. The 2020 Governor's Virtual Seminar will not disappoint you. You will meet Zonta International Director and District 3's Liaison, Fernanda Gallo Freschi; be fascinated by the achievements of our scholarship, award winners; and learn new strategies to recruit and retain members and develop service and advocacy projects

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9:15 - 9:50

- **Login & Review Zoom logistics**
10:00 - 10:30
- **Welcome & Introductions**
- **Greetings - Fernanda Gallo Freschi, ZI Director**
- **ZI Convention Update**

- **Foundation Ambassador** 10:30 - 11:15
- **Club Achievement Awards**
 - **Scholarship, Awards, Fellowship Winners** 11:15 - 11:30
 - **Break** 11:30 -12:50
 - **Webinar: *Virtual Advocacy & Service projects***
 - **Webinar: *Virtual Recruitment & Retention strategies*** 12:50 - 1:15
 - **Membership Grants**
 - **Lt. Governor Award**
 - **Governor Award**
 - **Closing Remarks**

Link for registration:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/zonta-district-3-governors-seminarwebinar-tickets-119968690583?utm_source=eventbrite&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=post_old_publish&utm_content=fullLinkOldEmail

U.N. Sustainable Goals

Goal #1 – No Poverty

Why Is This Important? More than 700 million people, or 10% of the world population, still live in extreme poverty and is struggling to fulfil the most basic needs like health, education, and access to water and sanitation, to name a few. The majority of people living on less than \$1.90 a day live in sub-Saharan Africa.

Worldwide, the poverty rate in rural areas is 17.2 per cent—more than three times higher than in urban areas.

Having a job does not guarantee a decent living. In fact, 8 per cent of employed workers and their families worldwide lived in extreme poverty in 2018.

Poverty affects children disproportionately. One out of five children live in extreme poverty. Ensuring social protection for all

children and other vulnerable groups is critical to reduce poverty.

What Can I Do About it?

Your active engagement in policymaking can make a difference in addressing poverty. It ensures that your rights are promoted and that your voice is heard, that inter-generational knowledge is shared, and that innovation and critical thinking are encouraged at all ages to support transformational change in people's lives and communities.

Learn more at

<http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment>

(Pat is going to include in each newsletter a U.N. Sustainable Goal?)

