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OUR PRESIDENT' MESSAGE

A Business Meeting

The Zonta Club of Arlington Area invites you!

Date: **October 28, 2015**
 Social: **6:30 PM (cash bar)**
 Meeting: **7:00 PM**
 Where: **Osteria da Nino**
2900 South Quincy Street
Shirlington Village
Arlington VA 22206
osteriadaninova.com
(703) 820-1128

Karen Bibbins coordinates our reservations. Call or email her @ cell: 313-729-4869 or k_bibbins@yahoo.com before the meeting. If you made a reservation and cannot attend the meeting, please advise Karen asap prior to the meeting. Guests are welcome.

Board of Directors' meetings are held monthly before the business meeting. If you are interested in being on the distribution list, let Nancy (nramsay2@gmail.com) know.

Dear Sister Zontians,

Congratulations to Margo Sheridan and her District 3 Board for a wonderful conference in Williamsburg at the beginning of this month. From the opening with the Drum & Fife Corps to the most touching memorial service, and everything in between, this conference was packed full of Zonta at its best. Huge hugs to all of the Zonta Arlington members who served by successfully running credentials, the registration desk, and our tables at the Zonta Bazaar.



Most notable memories of the weekend include our own Miss Charlotte beautifully dancing at the gala, Margo's multi-colored hair as a result of the challenge for ZIF donations of \$10,000 or more, and our club proudly winning the District Communications & Public Relations award.

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The Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC) is

low on cereal, pasta, peanut butter and other food items. Please bring your donation to the meeting. Please be generous.

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Fast approaching is the holiday season which means that our next two meetings will be Chez Charlotte and our Holiday Party. Chez Charlotte will be held at Charlotte's home on November 21. Charlotte hosts a most delicious sit down dinner for members and their guests. The minimum donation is \$25 per person, but feel free to donate more... The proceeds go to fund the Marymount Scholarship. I hope to see you all there.



NOTE: Charlotte will pass around a sign-up list at our meeting, but if you are not at the meeting, please be sure to contact her as soon as possible to let her know if you

We are in the midst of our White House Ornament sale. If you haven't seen them yet, they are beautiful and actually light up. They make wonderful hostess gifts, gifts for neighbors or family, and are used by many as holiday gifts for their customers and business associates. Contact Pam Jackson to obtain ornaments to sell, and please be certain to get the ornament money back to her soonest.

Marty Ditmeyer is hosting our Holiday Party at her home on December 12, for club members and guests. More details to follow, but this will be a pot luck dinner with a small gift exchange. We had a great time at Margo's last year and I'm looking forward to this year's.

While we are talking about dates – it's not too early to start advertising for the Wine Seminar. The date is locked in for April 9, 2016. Early save-the-date notices to friends and family will help us keep our numbers up for this event. As a reminder, this is our LARGEST fundraiser and we need everyone's help to make it successful.

Finally, I would like to remind you all that a healthy membership level is critical to achieving all of the good works that we do. Not to speak of adding to the richness of our interactions with each other. Please think of asking friends and business associates, who would be a good addition to our club, to join us for a meeting. Our area has a high rate of transition, and this year again we will lose several members. We would love to welcome new members in to add to our club. If you have any questions or would like Marty Ditmeyer to extend an invitation to someone, please let her know.

Nancy

Membership Message

Empowering Women through Service and Advocacy

A warm welcome to our newest member Sharon DePrato!

Zontians all over the world volunteer their time, talents and support to local and international service projects, as well as scholarship programs aimed at fulfilling Zonta's mission and objects. The Zonta Club of Arlington area would love to welcome members interested in Zonta's mission of service, advocacy and scholarship.

Membership is everyone's business and you can help by suggesting friends, colleagues and acquaintances who might enjoy being a member of Zonta. If you know of anyone who might be interested please forward me the appropriate contact information and I will follow-up by sending out information. Keep in mind that the club invite prospective members to join us as a guest of the club for a meeting.



Thanks,
Marty Ditmeyer, Membership
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703 768-5540

Anne and Mike's Adventures in Oregon



Hello All Arlington Zontians and Z-Bs!

Mike and I are still wrestling our new home into shape and getting rid of stuff that we should never have brought with us. But after 8 months here at **2683 SW Vista Ave in Portland**, we are finally feeling like we are growing some roots and connections here. Mike is busy - busy doing home renovation work such as re-siding the house and planting trees, but also spending more time with his family – everyone from Aunts to Grandnieces.

Thanks to my sister, I have gotten certified and trained as a Travel Agent! I can help folks find the right cruise, land tour or special group event, but my focus is going to be wine travel and touring. We are learning a ton about the food and wine scene here in Oregon and around the Pacific NW, which is almost work ... there is so much going on here. In addition to lots of wine touring and tasting, both Mike and I are now official employees of a winery! We work in the Lenné Estate tasting room pouring wine for visitors and planning great events for the Lenné Wine Club. So, wine and travel are my new day-to-day business. I remember being told when taking my MBA classes that you should never mix your work and hobbies – they were WRONG!!

Anyways, the guest room(s) are ready, the wine cellar is built and full, and we're always happy to have visitors from "Back East." As for our own travel, we'll be around the first week of December as well as sometime in April for the 12th Annual Zonta Wine Seminar.

Hugs and Missing You All,
Anne

ZONTA MESSAGES & REMINDERS

63rd Zonta International Convention website live

Find information on:

- Convention events
- Program schedule
- Workshops
- Bright Spots Street
- Resources for delegates
- Links to registration, hotel reservations and tour options



www.ZontaConventionNice.com

Save the Date: 14-26 March 2016
#CSW60

PRIORITY THEME:

Women's empowerment and its link to sustainable development

REVIEW THEME:

The elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls
(agreed conclusions from the fifty-seventh session)

Interested in attending or learning more about CSW60 in New York, USA? Please email Megan Radavich, Director of Programs and Advocacy, to be added to the contact list.



Minutes of September 23, 2015

Two Year Theme – Broadening Horizons – Strengthening Relationships

ATTENDEES: Janie DiSalvo, Marty Ditmeyer, Virginia McGee, Virginia Nickich, Nancy Ramsay, Margo Sheridan, Karen Bibbins, Laura Nakamoto, Barbara Kirkland, Charlotte Floyd, Jan Witt, Pam Jackson, Mary Lou Fine, guests- Andrea Ryon, Anna Raven Hansen (13 members, 2 guests)

Nancy Ramsay began the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Zonta Blessing, followed by introduction of 2 guests. Margo Sheridan introduced Anna Raven-Hansen, our 2014 Jane Klausman winner, and Marty Ditmeyer introduced Andrea Ryon, a potential member who learned about us from her “about to be” sister-in-law who is a Zontian in Michigan.

Virginia McGee gave the Secretary’s report, presenting Minutes from the May 27, 2015 meeting. Motion to approve was made by Margo Sheridan, seconded by Marty Ditmeyer and approved by all. Minutes from our June 13, 2015 Planning Retreat were then presented. Motion to approve was made by Marty Ditmeyer, seconded by Jan Witt and approved by all. (Both of these are included in the current Club Newsletter)

Treasurer’s Report and Budget review were laid over to October 28 meeting because Ellie Karro, Club Treasurer was not present at this meeting.

Janie DiSalvo gave the Service Report. Projects coming up are--- Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving Day, for benefit of Doorways & AFAC. Girls on the Run needs volunteers to do a “Mail Stuffing” in November. Information should be available on the websites, or contact Janie or Nancy for more info. Karen Bibbins brought up a potential new Service Opportunity, on Human Trafficking. She can provide more information to anyone who is interested.

Marty Ditmeyer gave a short Advocacy report, explaining that she received information about a UN Sustainable Goals program that is taking place on September 24. (This might duplicate ZI Program Goal #5). Nancy suggested that we all check out our club’s Face Book Page, and “like” it giving us access to a lot of good information about club and ZI activities.

Marty Ditmeyer, now our Membership Chair, reported that we currently have 25 paid members, and at this meeting we received an application and fees from Sharon DePrato, who was a guest at our May meeting. As soon as that paperwork is submitted to ZI we will be up to 26 Members!!!

Margo Sheridan went over the details of the upcoming District Conference, explaining what items will be discussed and voted on, as well as the slate of District Officers to be elected for the next biennium.

Nancy Ramsay, as our delegate to the Conference, reviewed topics/people that she will need to vote on, and asked for club members input, because she wants to be sure she represents us fairly. Nancy also explained that she has made a Schedule of Assignments for the 8 (or 9) members of our club who are attending the Conference. She will email that out to all of us.

Pam Jackson is this year’s Ornament Inventory Chair, and she called everyone’s attention to the White House Ornaments that she brought to the meeting, explaining the we sell them for \$20.00 and buyers can take about \$4.00 each as a charitable contribution (because we are a 501(c)3



Charitable Organization.) She distributed some of the ornaments, with Laurie Nakamoto recording “who took, how many”, so Pam can track the money as they pay her. Pam will also bring ornaments to District Conference for sale in the Zonta Store.

One New Business Item was brought up (before the formal start of the meeting). The club needs to put some process in place to have a SECOND SIGNATORY on the club bank account. As it stands now, the treasurer is the only one who has the CLUB DEBIT CARD, and if she is unavailable, no one else can pay our bills. This meeting was an example of that. The restaurant expects to be paid with ONE CARD, and members bring their checks made out to ZONTA CLUB OF ARLINGTON AREA. So Nancy Ramsay had to put the whole bill on her card, and wait until the checks clear the club account to be reimbursed. THERE NEEDS TO BE A BETTER WAY. Historically, our club always had the president as a second signatory..

Marty Ditmeyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jan Witt seconded and all agreed.

9:00 PM Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Virginia McGee

Zonta Club of Arlington Member Birthdays

Karro, Eleanor	1/27
Witt, Jan	2/20
Sheridan, Margo	3/6
Di Salvo, Janie	3/16
Anderson, Blanche	3/22
Walker, Mary	4/6
Sudi, Linda	5/1
Nickich, Virginia	6/28
Oller, Anne	7/1
Rivera, Gillian	7/4
McGee, Virginia	8/5
Doreste-Johnson, Alina	9/2
Ditmeyer, Marty	10/16
Kirkland, Barbara	10/19
Ramsay, Nancy	10/20
Floyd, Charlotte	12/10



If you don't see your birthday listed here, please share your birth month and day so we can celebrate with you and send it via email to:

Virginia Nickich

virginiaroseyoga@aol.com



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**ZONTA CLUB OF ARLINGTON AREA
 2015-2016 CALENDAR**
 (Updated 10/27/2015)

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	NOTES
September 2015			
Service Opportunity	AFAC Donation Project PEACE activity in Sept or October (TBD)		
Sept 15 or 16	Board of Directors	Metro 29 Diner/Virtual?	Let the President know if you will attend
Sept 23	Business Meeting: 6:30 Reservation: Virginia Nickich virginiaroseyoga@aol.com	OSTERIA DA NINO 2900 South Quincy Street Shirlington Village Arlington, VA 22206 osteriadaninova.com (703) 820-1128	Kick off the club year
October 2015			
Service Opportunity	Sell Ornaments Support Conference AFAC Donation		
Oct 3-4, 2015	District 3 Fall Conference—members will be sent information	Williamsburg, VA (on-line registration) Doubletree Hotel	Let the President know if you will attend, volunteer—there will be a sales table Club will do conference registration
Oct 13 or 15	Board of Directors	Metro 29 Diner/Virtual	Let the President know if you will attend
Oct 28	Business Meeting: 6:30 Reservation: Virginia Nickich virginiaroseyoga@aol.com	OSTERIA DA NINO 2900 South Quincy Street Shirlington Village Arlington, VA 22206 osteriadaninova.com (703) 820-1128	
November 2015			
Service/Emphasis	Z 16 Days of Activism Support Scholarships AFAC Donation Girls on the Run (GOTR)		No regular meeting, but Chez Charlotte's and volunteer opportunities
Nov 18-19	GOTR Packet Pick-up	To be Determined Check website for opportunities; volunteers must pre-register	www.gotrnova.org/volunteers (Let Janie/Nancy know if you get involved)
Nov 21	Chez Charlotte Zonta philanthropic dinner Donation to Scholarships	The Representative 1101 South Arlington Ridge Road, Apt. 316 Arlington, VA 22202-1924	Let Charlotte know if you/spouse/other will attend
Nov 21-22	GOTR Race Days	Rosslyn Woodbridge	Volunteers always needed
Nov 26	Thanksgiving Day		
December 2015			
	Finish up Sales		



Service Opportunity	AFAC Donation		
Dec 12	Holiday Party Laurie Nakamoto's Address (to be supplied)	Potluck Bring a secret exchange gift (\$10 or less)	Details to follow
January 2016			
Service/Emphasis	Amelia Earhart celebration AFAC Donation		
Jan 19 or 21	Board of Directors	Metro 29 Diner (or Virtual) 4711 Lee Highway Arlington, VA 22207 Metro29diner.com	Let the president know if you would like to attend
Jan 27	Business Meeting: 6:30 Reservation: Virginia Nickich virginiaroseyoga@aol.com	OSTERIA DA NINO 2900 South Quincy Street Shirlington Village Arlington, VA 22206 osteriadaninova.com (703) 820-1128	Business Meeting Elect Nomination Committee
February 2016			
Service/Emphasis	Doorways Organize for Wine Seminar AFAC Donation		
Feb 11th	Doorways Dinner with Friends	Clarendon Methodist	Doorways Service Project Let Janie know if you will help
Feb 16 or 18	Board of Directors	Metro 29 Diner (or Virtual) 4711 Lee Highway Arlington, VA 22207 Metro29diner.com	Let the president know if you would like to attend
Feb 24	Business Meeting: 6:30 Reservation: Virginia Nickich virginiaroseyoga@aol.com	OSTERIA DA NINO 2900 South Quincy Street Shirlington Village Arlington, VA 22206 osteriadaninova.com (703) 820-1128	
March 2016			
Service/Emphasis	Prep for Wine Seminar		
Mar 8	International Women's Day March, NYC	New York City	Check (www.Zonta.org) International Advocacy website for updates
Mar 12	District 3, presence NYC UN Commission on the status of women (CSW59)	New York City	See District 3 Newsletter for detailed information
Mar 15 or 17	Board of Directors	Virtual Meeting	
Mar 23	Business Meeting: 6:30 Reservation: Virginia Nickich virginiaroseyoga@aol.com	OSTERIA DA NINO 2900 South Quincy Street Shirlington Village Arlington, VA 22206 osteriadaninova.com (703) 820-1128	Nominating Committee Presents Slate
April 2016			
	Wine Seminar	ALL HANDS ON DECK	
Apr 9	Wine Seminar	WIMSA, Arlington National Cemetery	ALL HANDS ON DECK



Apr 19 or 12	Board of Directors	Metro 29 Diner (or Virtual) 4711 Lee Highway Arlington, VA 22207 Metro29diner.com	
Apr 27	Business Meeting: 6:30 Reservation: Virginia Nickich virginiaroseyoga@aol.com osteriadaninova.com	OSTERIA DA NINO 2900 South Quincy Street Shirlington Village Arlington, VA 22206 (703) 820-1128	Elections



ZONTA CLUB OF ARLINGTON AREA INFORMATION



Officers and Directors 2015-16

President	Nancy Ramsay
Vice President	Karen Bibbins
Treasurer	Ellie Karro
Secretary	Virginia McGee
Director	Barbara Kirkland
Director	Linda Sudi
Director	Jan Witt

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