



ZONTA

CLUB OF ROSEBURG AREA

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

EMPOWERING WOMEN

THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

INSTALLATION DINNER 2016

The Zonta Club of Roseburg Area had their 2016 – 2017 installation of officer's dinner at Brix Gather. This year's officers include:

- President—Roxanne Kelly
- President-Elect—Rosa Mohlsick
- Secretary—Shon Garrison
- Treasurer—Gail Trimble
- 2-Year Board Member—Alison Eggers & 1-Year Board Member—Carolyn Kemp

District 8 Governor, Genelle Hanken and District 4 Vice Director Dora Daniels presided over the installation ceremonies. During her acceptance speech, Roxanne Kelly noted that this was her second term as president. While last year had the shooting tragedy at UCC, there was also much good that happened in the community. She noted that the Roseburg club had a successful Santa Run, despite the rain and our Wishes Come True project continued to bring joy to our senior citizens.

For the coming year, Roxanne would like to see an increased effort to build the club's membership. She challenged each member to think of potential new members and introduce them to Zonta's mission of empowering all women to receive gender equality, and to end violence against women. Roxanne would also like our club to start a Golden Z Club at Umpqua Community College. Not only would a Golden Z Club expand the awareness of Zonta's mission to college students, it would also serve as a conduit for recruiting new Zonta International members.

Roxanne concluded her speech by thanking members for their trust in her leadership, and her heart felt promise to do even better this term.



Pictured from L to R: Dora Daniels District 4 Vice Director, Alison Eggers, Carolyn Kemp, Shon Garrison, Gail Trimble, Rosa Mohlsick, Roxanne Kelly and Genelle Hanken District 8 Governor.



COOS BAY HOST AREA 4 WORKSHOP- IT WAS A BLAST!

. The Area 4 Workshop was held April 23rd at South West Oregon Community College's Oregon Coast Culinary Institute. Since Area 4 encompasses all of the Oregon Zonta clubs there were members from Coos Bay, Corvallis, Eugene-Springfield, Grants Pass, Portland and Roseburg. District 8 Governor, Genelle Hanken presented a power point presentation about this year's activities throughout the District which is available at the District 8 website: www.zontadistrict8.org.

The workshop also featured two programs geared to attracting and retaining members. One was a panel discussion where three new members were asked to describe what attracted them to Zonta, existing mentoring programs, what they knew about Zonta prior to joining. The companion presentation was membership enrichment. While Zonta's mission attracts members, it appears that fellowship and fun helps retain members. Some clubs set their new members up like graduating classes—"the class of 2016." The members within that class are encouraged to work with each other as they navigate learning about Zonta. Some clubs also establish that new members must attend 12 meetings. This obligation keeps new members coming when they might otherwise falter. Some clubs also establish mentors for new members so that a new and established member work together. Social events, fun events (Iron Woman & Santa Run), encouragement, bragging on each other, and keeping people involved also help with retention. Developing leaders was also a session. Leadership needs to be recognized and nurtured. Balancing new leaders with older leaders helps spread the workload and prevent volunteer burnout.

The Commission on the Status of Women report and update on Zonta International Foundation illustrated Zonta's accomplishments. Zonta has increased gender equality awareness, created a HIV Free Generation in Rwanda, delayed early marriage in Niger, establish Gender Responsive Schools in Vietnam, joined many Voices Against Violence, plus supported the Amelia Earhart Scholarship, Jane Klausman Scholarship and Young Women in Public Affairs awards.

SOWCC professor emeritus, Christina Alexander, gave a thought provoking talk about "phraseology." Stereotypic words impact how we view ourselves; whether or not it's true. Even benign words like "lady" create stifling images such as a lady must be "lady-like: don't run, keep your clothes clean, don't get dirty, don't play too hard, etc. Ingrained labels are hard to shake. When in doubt over the correct term for addressing somebody, just ask since it is so hard to keep up with politically correct terms and people's own feeling about the term.

It was also a proud time to be a Beaver! Katarina Morowsky, who is a Ph.D. candidate at Oregon State University, recently received an Amelia Earhart Scholarship to help her pursue her doctorate degree. Katarina gave a presentation on the evolution of her career, education and her doctoral research to increase helicopter safety. She ultimately hopes to work with agencies and the helicopter industry to develop strategies reduce helicopter accidents and eventually teach at the college level.

As a hands on project, all attendees were given a white tee shirt, paint and stencils. Everybody was able to create a shirt that bore a different slogan to reduce violence against women. For Roseburg, our Zonta tee shirts will be displayed at Umpqua Community College during October, which is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The workshop concluded with a talk about fund raising and the importance of thanking our sponsors. The "little things" like a thank you note, call, or gift can be HUGE in retaining sponsors. As a club that is marketing a message and fund raising, we need to establish a plan and give prompt recognition for donations.



Your Roseburg contingent: Muriel, Sandy, Laura, Gail and Shon.

Plus, Laura participating in a panel on what attracts new members to join Zonta.

PAM BUNNELL is going to the DOGS!

A member since 1989, Pam Bunnell is “retiring” from Zonta due to other commitments (AKC) in her busy life. Pam has been Zontian of the year twice, plus the vice president and president twice. She has also held many, many other board, officer, and committee positions. She brings a smile and radiates enthusiasm at every meeting and event. Pam was honored with a yellow rose, which is the official flower for Zonta. We wish Pam the best with her other responsibilities and pursuits, and will welcome her back with open arms.



ZONTIAN OF THE YEAR 2015-2016

Rosa Mohlsick was recognized as this year’s Zontian of the Year! Rosa is a newer member, but is actively involved in a variety of committees and club projects. She’s a go to type person who gets things done! She was elected as vice president and is currently serving her second term. Rosa is also the Executive Director of Safe Haven Maternity Home. Upon receipt of the award, Rosa noted that she enjoys the positive atmosphere of Zonta in empowering women, and felt honored to work alongside all the club’s members. CONGRATULATIONS ROSA!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **July 2-6 International convention in NICE, France**
- **Sept 10- Roseburg Iron Woman Competition**
- **September 23 – 24 Governor’s Seminar in Nanaimo British Columbia. The event will be held at the Coast Bastion Inn and will feature a variety of speakers. Check the District 8 website (www.zontadistrict8.org) for more details!**

FOCUS ON NEW MEMBERS

Rena Langston was raised in Myrtle Creek, and still proudly lives there. She completed her office systems certificate program from Umpqua Community College (UCC) and obtained a temporary position at Umpqua Training and Employment. She quickly moved into a full time receptionist position and has subsequently continued to promote within the company during the last 29 years. She moved up from the receptionist to Eligibility Worker, then to Supervisor of Eligibility, where she also served as the Summer Youth Employment Director. She then became the One Stop Manager and is currently the Program and Contracts Manager.

Rena married her high school sweetheart, Benney, and has been married 28 years. They raised two daughters, Britt and Chelsea and now also have two grandchildren. Rena is an avid Duck fan and she and her husband enjoy season football tickets each year. They also enjoy travelling and are especially fond of vacationing in Mexico. Mexico provides a laid back atmosphere for lounging by the pool and long walks on the beaches of the Caribbean.

Rena noted, "participating in Zonta will provide me the opportunity to expand service to my community beyond what my employment offers. I look forward to participating in activities that support the advancement and growth of women. I have found the members to be extremely welcoming, intelligent and quick witted and feel honored to have been accepted into the organization."



Pictured from L to R:

Rosa Mohlsick,
Diane Swingley,
new members Rena
Langston and Joy
Yori, plus Gail
Trimble

Joy Yori is a Roseburg native who graduated from Roseburg High School. During a high school work experience position at Winchester Elementary School, she discovered her desire for helping others through administrative work. She graduated from UCC; then earned her B.S. degree in Managerial Leadership from Northwest Christian College in 1996. Joy's career has ranged from restaurants to being a real estate office manager, to delivery driver, tax preparer and working for the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce. Joy is currently a Retail Pathways Navigator with UCC.

Throughout her career, Joy has enjoyed working with community leaders, businesses and local high schools to build a positive support network for her employers and herself. She recently obtained her "LEAN" certification which is oriented toward the manufacturing industry. However, she's successfully applying the same principles to the service industry by helping those working in an office setting to streamline their processes to become a more effective, efficient and productive team. Joy is a graduate of the Ford Family Leadership program and the Chamber's Project Leadership. She also enjoys public speaking and has been a commencement speaker at UCC.

Joy and her husband Keith enjoy camping, being active in their church, and being with her family and nieces and nephews. Said Joy, "I am honored to be part of an organization such as Zonta. The opportunity to serve and advocate for women to achieve their full potential without fear, personally and professionally, aligns with my personal values of helping other women grow, succeed and feel empowered to make their own choices."

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SERVICE OF MONEY

The Zonta Club of Roseburg Area pledged over \$3,500 this year for local and international projects. Locally Zonta contributes to the Wishes Come True project for senior citizens, plus provides an annual Young Woman in Public Affairs scholarship and Zonta's Hand Up program. The Hand Up program helps women through difficult transitions in life. The club works with the Battered Person's Advocacy, Adapt and Crossroads, Umpqua Community College and other agencies to select potential candidates needing assistance.

Internationally, the Roseburg Zonta supported: prevention of HIV transmission to children, gender responsive schools, reduction of obstetric fistula, and Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women. The club also annually supports the Amelia Earhart Fellowship which supports women worldwide who are seeking a doctorate degree in aerospace or aerospace related engineering. A doctorate student at Oregon State University is a recent recipient.

NICE- INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The 63rd Zonta International Convention will be held July 2 – 6 in Nice France. Most of the 67 countries worldwide with ZI Clubs will be represented at this convention. The convention will host the business meeting and election of officers, plus have workshops/presentations on advocacy, United Nations, UN and Sustainable Development Goal # 5—Gender Equality, leadership training and foundation news. Over 2,100 women across the globe will attend the convention. District 8 will be sending 22 Zontians to the convention. District 8 Governor, Genelle Hanken from Coos Bay along with her sister, Shon Garrison of Roseburg will be among those attending the convention.

District 8 extends from Alaska through British Columbia to Washington, Oregon and Idaho. It covers over 1 million acres and includes 16 clubs divided into 4 districts. District 4 includes all of the Oregon ZI Clubs.

