



ZONTA

CLUB OF
FINDLAY

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July 2017

District 5

Area I

Club # 0431

Zee News

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, July 4: No Business Meeting Today

Tuesday, July 11 at 5:30 pm: PR Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 18 at Noon: Business/Program Meeting

Thursday, July 27 at 5:30 pm: Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 1: No Business Meeting Today

Tuesday, August 15: No Program Meeting Today

Wednesday, August 16: Zonta Picnic

Thursday, August 24 at 5:30 pm: Board Meeting

Friday, October 20 through
Sunday, October 22 will be
the Governors District 5
Conference in Springfield.

ZONTA SPRING STYLE SHOW DONATIONS



Maile Doyle, Style Show committee chair, presented \$2,700 checks each to Sierra Hutton of Hope House, Ashley Ritz of Open Arms and Melissa Craythorn of The Daughter Project for a total of \$8,100. Each briefly described their agency's mission and how they will use our donations.

2017 SCHOLARSHIP & AWARDS PRESENTED

Deb Bartlett, Scholarship committee chair, described the Scholarship and Awards process and presented information about each of the recipients. Avery Holland and Zoie Nieto were able to attend and told a bit about themselves and introduced their guests.



CONGRATULATIONS



Kathy Foust welcomed her granddaughter, Lydia Mae on June 27. Lydia is 7 lbs 13 oz, healthy, with lots of hair!

Happy Birthday
Annette Shaffer
July 25



OUR DEEPEST SYMPOTHY

Colten Lee Abbey

HARROD — Colten Lee Abbey, age 15, died on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 4:24 a.m. at his residence.

He was born on February 11, 2002 in Lima, Ohio to Mike and Jessy (Reffitt) Abbey and they survive in Harrod.

Colten was a freshman at Allen East High School, where he was a member of the football team, track team, wrestling team and a member of the student council. He was a member of the Harrod Christian Church. Colten was a member of the Harrod Christian Youth Group. He was a member of the Auglaize Ag 4-H Club.

Also surviving are his three sisters: Sydney Abbey and Jolene Abbey at home and Makenna Hauenstein of Bluffton; maternal grandparents: Joe & Dee Reffitt of Harrod; paternal grandparents: Bob & Nancy Abbey of Findlay; maternal uncles & aunts: Rick & Kayla Reffitt of Lima, Jonas & Melissa Reffitt of Harrod, Jordan & Brittany Reffitt of Harrod, Joie & Jake Clum of Harrod, Demetrius Williams of Harrod, John Conyers of Ada & Alfred Conyers of Harrod; paternal aunt, Sheryl Abbey of Grove City; and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal uncle Bobby Abbey; and maternal great-grandparents: Kenneth & Sondra Lawrence; paternal great-grandparents: Henry & Hilda Reffitt. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Harrod Christian Church and/or Allen East High School.

Linda Branwell

FOSTORIA — Linda (Nye) Branwell, 66, of Fostoria, passed away peacefully at 1:20 pm Thursday June 22, 2017 in Port Clinton, Ohio at her cottage, with her family by her side.

She was born December 19, 1950 in Gottingen, Germany. Surviving are her husband, Alan Branwell; son, Jason Branwell of Indianapolis, IN; daughter, Tisha (Josh) Travis of Auburn, IN; granddaughter, Savannah Bailey; and grandson, Kane Travis. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lester and Helen (Podach) Nye, along with her twin brother, Larry Nye.

Linda carried out her strong faith throughout life. She was a very giving person and was always looking for ways she could lend a hand and help those in need. She didn't know a stranger. She regularly greeted people she didn't know with her bright smile and a friendly "hello." She enjoyed spending time with other people and had planned to enjoy her golden years with her family and friends at her cottage on Catawba Island in Ohio while travelling back to Indiana frequently to spend time with her kids and grandkids. She was a dear friend to many and an extremely loving and caring Wife, Mom, and Nina.

Memorials are suggested to the National Brain Tumor Society, St. Wendelin Catholic Church, and St. Anthony Catholic Church c/o Hoening Funeral Home 242 W. Tiffin St, Fostoria, OH 44830.



THANK YOU



April 27, 2017

Zonta Club of Findlay
P.O. Box 415
Findlay, OH 45839

Dear Zonta Club of Findlay:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, staff, and clients of Hope House, thank you for your auction item donation in support of the 2017 Hope House Benefit Auction.

Hope House continues to grow and work toward eliminating homelessness and poverty in Hancock County and the success of this mission depends on the generosity and support of our community. *Thank you* for being an integral part of growing Hope House's ability to meet the needs of homeless families in Hancock County.

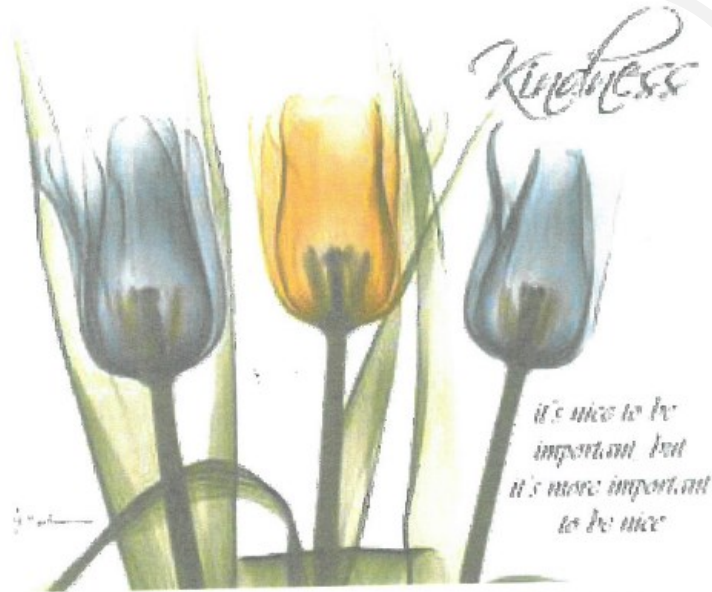
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in pink ink that reads "Sierra Hutton".

Sierra Hutton
Volunteer & Outreach Coordinator

*Thank you for
the amazing
basket!*

THANK YOU



My dear Gorta Sisters,

My son, Sean and his wife, Liz want to thank you from the bottom of their broken hearts for the special "Mary Davis Memorial Scholarship". They know of your kindness, as Del Beillett sent them James application and award information. I also thank you for your infinite

generosity and kindness.

God bless you all,

Barb Wilson

JUNE 20 PROGRAM MEETING MINTUES

ZONTA CLUB OF FINDLAY

Program Meeting - Draft

June 20, 2017

President Jane Shoemaker called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Zonta Prayer.

Jane welcomed our scholarship winners and their guests as well as representatives from the agencies who were selected to receive proceeds from this year's Spring Style Show. In addition, Becky Thompson was introduced by Lyn Benavides and Maile introduced her sister Peggy Miller, visiting from Virginia.

President's Remarks: Jane thanked the Scholarship and Style Show committees, Geranium Sale chair Paula McRill and all who worked hard to make these a success again this year. The Style Show funds donations to the agencies and the Geranium Sale is the sole funding source for our scholarships.

Maile Doyle, Style Show committee chair, presented \$2,700 checks each to Sierra Hutton of Hope House, Ashley Ritz of Open Arms and Melissa Craythorn of The Daughter Project for a total of \$8,100. Each briefly described their agency's mission and how they will use our donations.

Deb Bartlett, Scholarship committee chair, described the Scholarship and Awards process and presented information about each of the recipients. Avery Holland and Zoie Nieto were able to attend and told a bit about themselves and introduced their guests.

General Scholarship Winners: \$1,000 each to Kaila Butterworth, Avery Holland, Zoie Nieto and to Maria Streaker who received the Elizabeth M. Kobeska Award.

Non-traditional Student Scholarship of \$1,500 went to former Zonta member Pam Zimmerly. \$1,000 Liberty Benton Z-Club Scholarship to Maria Streaker. \$500 Young Woman in Public Affairs Award to Zoie Nieto. One time \$1,000 Mary Harris Memorial Scholarship for medical field studies went to Jenna Herr. \$8,000 total in scholarships and awards and both city and county schools were represented.

The Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship was not awarded this year.

Other announcements:

First board meeting of our new year will be next week, Thursday, June 29, 5:30 p.m., at Jane's office, 521 S. Main St., Ste. 200. Parking is available in back or in the Marathon garage. Board meetings are normally the 4th Thursday.

Summer picnic will be Wednesday, August 16 at the County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

Alzheimer walk is Saturday, September 16 and Findlay Zonta will have a team. Sign up to walk or donate or both; also taking donations of raffle items. See Jane Heringhaus or Kathy Natal.

Next meeting is July 18 due to July 4 holiday. Jane has a draft of the committee assignments to send out and will schedule a meeting of committee chairs.

With there being no further business, Nancy Abbey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Diane Ellerbe. The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Gallant

JUNE 6 BUSINESS MEETING MINTUES

ZONTA CLUB OF FINDLAY

Business Meeting – Draft

June 6, 2017

President Jane Shoemaker called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Zonta Prayer.

Members: 17 Guests: None Service Hours: 44.5 Fund Raising: 105

Benevolence Fund basket was passed. Fines were collected for not wearing pin or badge.

Question of the day: Who will (presumably) be the next District 5 Governor? Answer: Lt. Governor Margot Hoffman will succeed Gov. Joyce Combs. The election will take place at the fall conference. Margot attended our banquet for the installation of officers as Gov. Eileen Burkhart was unable to be present. In the event that neither are available, a past president may do the installation.

Celebrations:

Birthdays for June:

6/2 – Carol Metzger

6/4 – Mary Kay Combs

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries in June. Melissa Crowe's first anniversary was in May.

No 60 Seconds of Business this month.

President's Remarks:

Banquet follow up: Thank you to the planning committee, Kathy Foust, Chair, with Program and Attendance Committees. The food and entertainment were awesome! New board members were installed, new members inducted. Maile Doyle received the Woman of Achievement award. Geranium sale award winners were: 1st: Barb Wilson, 2nd: Shirley Pollock, 3rd: Kathy Creighton. Our entertainment was the Liberty-Benton a cappella choir. Mr. Wolf has sent a thank you note for our \$50 donation.

Jane read the list of those with perfect attendance from the banquet program. Committee meetings count toward perfect attendance. Chairs keep track with sign in sheets that are sent to Jodi DeVore or Jane Heringhaus.

In keeping with the theme of "Women of Excellence, Night of Stars", Jane presented gift bracelets to committee chairs who were unable to attend the banquet.

A thank you card received from Kim Lichtveld for our baby gift was passed around.

The Newsletter, Deb Perkins' last, went out June 2. There is a change as our Board meetings will be the 4th Thursday of the month at Jane's office, downtown.

Send information, such as dates to remember, to Jane for the club calendar. It can be accessed without a password on the website.

Committee chairs: Please provide a summary report of what you did this year asap.

Committees for this year are still being formed. Jane will contact members about serving on committees, will then send out the list and schedule a meeting of chairs. Jane's work schedule will be very busy the next 3 months with trainings in Toledo.

Club polo shirts may be ordered at <https://www.companycasuals.com/zontafindlay/start.jsp> This link will be added to our website.

ZI website password for Members' section: An email went out April 4 to change our passwords. Username is your registered email address. Create new password by clicking on the link. Jane will try to send out an email.

Board Report:

The board met on May 24.

Discussion of District To-Do items:

Club history will be needed from Archives Committee for 2019 Centennial. Kathy Creighton worked on it with Maile Doyle in 2015.

Risk Management Matrix regarding areas of potential concern needs such as legal contracts, etc., to be completed. Barb Wilson and Jane will work on it.

Days for Girls kits project is still on; more to come on this.

Discussed changes for noon meals. The cost to use the Historical museum comes from our meal payments. We may change this cost to be divided among members and added to quarterly billing. The Board will work with the Attendance committee on this. Main Street Deli is willing to work

JUNE 6 BUSINESS MEETING MINTUES CONT'D

with us on what we would like.

Board meeting date will be changed to the 4th Thursday of each month, 5:30 p.m., instead of Wednesday. Location has been changed to Jane's office with parking available behind the building or in the Marathon garage.

Old Business:

Minutes from the May 2 Business Meeting had been emailed and were in the newsletter. Judy Scrimshaw made a motion to approve, Jeanne Atkins seconded, with there being no changes or discussion, motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Barb Wilson was not present but will email them.

New Business/Committee Reports:

Finance: Carol Metzger, new committee chair, welcomes fund raising ideas. Paula McRill still has pink geraniums; red ones will be taken to AmVets. Paula also has some chairs that were left behind from the sale.

Style Show: New committee chair Renee Perry/Kathy Natal. Check presentation will be at next meeting 6/20 as Maile Doyle was out of town today.

Scholarship/Awards: Kelli Jo Arndt, new committee chair was not present, nor past chair Deb Bartlett. Jeanne Atkins reported there are two more scholarships to present.

Program: Kathy Foust, scholarship presentation 6/20. Jane Heringhaus is the new chair and will be looking for program ideas.

Attendance: Jane Heringhaus reported that we have 36 members.

Membership: Nancy Abbey was not present.

Fellowship: Becky Noack thanked everyone who participated. They will be looking for new or repeat TGIF ideas.

Z-Club: Kristi Bryant/Jane Heringhaus/Barb Wilson: Last meeting was in May. It was a good year, even though the VP had to step up. Meeting of new officers is coming up in June.

Service: Judy Scrimshaw thanked those who planted geraniums at Zonta Landing. Bill Patch would also appreciate ongoing care of the beds.

Public Relations: New committee chair Melissa Crowe and Jeanne Atkins are putting together a process including check lists with contacts and prices.

Advocacy/ZSN: Kelli Jo Arndt and Lyn Benavides weren't here but would like to do Advocacy earlier in the fall season.

Archives: Kathy Creighton/Annette Shaffer. Kathy reported they are getting pictures.

Zonta International Foundation Ambassador: Kristi Bryant was not at the meeting.

Next meeting is June 20 and will include the presentation of Style Show checks. Scholarship winners and their mothers are invited. There will be one meeting in July on the third Tuesday, a combined business and program meeting. There are no official meetings in August but the Club Picnic will be on or around the third Tuesday. The picnic is organized by the program, membership, fellowship and attendance committees. We will be back to our regular schedule in September.

Having no other business, Kathy Creighton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Becky Noack. The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Gallant

Secretary