

# Zonta Club of Flint I

Advancing the Status of Women

# The Sparks

## A Message

## from the President

This is the end of another great year for our club. We have really done a nice job of recruiting new members this past year of those who really want to give of themselves and participate. Let's not forget our individual challenge from Gail Griffin Sackett and Daphne Pattee. It was for each of us to try to bring one new person in this next year. That goal sounds good to me!!!

Our installation was such a success. We had more members attend than since I've been in Zonta and I was so proud. A good time was had by all and oh yeah...good food. Our Zontian of the year was Rhetta Hunyady and she was very well deserving. She brought our club together for a great event and showed us when we all participate things really do happen. I did give out an honorable mention this year to Jody Blackburn. Not only were the numbers close from the membership on voting but I feel Jody has gone above and beyond this past year to get our website and newsletters up to date and spectacular. Thank you to both of you ladies.

We will be starting our new year here soon and hope all of you have a great summer. Make sure the committee chairs try and get something started this summer so we have a great start to our new year.

Take care,  
Karen

## Rhetta Hunyady Named Zontian of the Year

And The Award Goes To...Rhetta Hunyady

Rhetta was named Zontian of the Year at this years annual installation luncheon held on May 22, 2008. Rhetta was the catalyst behind the successful "Swinging Into Spring" event that was held at Baker College last month. Rhetta is the Vice President of Operations, Education & Training at the Genesee Regional Chamber of Commerce and has been a member of Zonta Club of Flint I since March 8, 2007. Rhetta came into Zonta with the intention of making a difference in this community and is showed. She quickly volunteered to take the lead on the spring fundraiser and never looked back. She was instrumental in the organization and implementation of the event and the rest of us just followed her lead. Rhetta is truly an example of what "commitment" looks like.

Thanks Rhetta!!



## ZONTA HOUSE NEWS

The girls from Zonta House, once again, participated in the Healing Hands 5K Run/Walk to benefit Genesee County Free Medical Clinic. Members and friends of the Zonta Club of Flint I also walked in the event with the girls. A very worthwhile cause and thanks to all those who participated.

Please mark your calendars for the **second Wednesday** of each month, as that is the standing activity night for the Zonta House. The girls love to have the women from Zonta visit; it really does matter. Hope to see you there next month.

### Hands On Projects

Remember to contact Pam Costabile to choose from a variety of "hands on" projects. The membership voted to designate the third week of each month as "hands-on service" week instead of our Thursday luncheon. Please choose from one of our very worthy projects to support with your time and talents each month.

## REMEMBER!!

Call Marlene before 10 AM on Wednesday if you will not be able to attend the Thursday meeting. PLEASE note that if your absence is not excused ahead of time, you will be charged for the lunch at the next meeting.

### Self-Acceptance

**Have Patience with all things but first with yourself. Never confuse your mistakes with your value as a human being. You are a perfectly valuable, creative, worthwhile person simply because you exist. And no amount of triumphs or tribulations can ever change that. Unconditional self-acceptance is the core of a peaceful mind.**  
~St. Francis de Sales~



### Mark Your Calendars

June 5th - Board Meeting  
June 12th - Business Meeting  
Sept. 4th - Board Meeting  
Sept. 11th - Business Meeting

Laughter increases your body's levels of cells that fight viruses. It also increases the antibodies "immunoglobulin A", which protects your upper respiratory tract. So laugh it up!





# Membership News

## New Members Installed

Vanessa Renfro, Owner/Director of Dodds Dumanois Funeral Home, and Karen Church, Chief Executive Officer of Elga Credit Union in Burton, were installed as members of the Zonta Club of Flint I as part of the May 8th business meeting. **Welcome**

**Vanessa and Karen!** We look forward to working with you in fulfilling the mission and objectives of Zonta.

*The best bridge between despair  
and hope is a good night's sleep.*  
-E. Joseph Coleman

## Directors and Officers Elected

Congratulations to the newly elected officers and directors of the Zonta Club of Flint I. The following people will lead the club through the 2008/2009 fiscal year. The officers and directors are as follows:

President:	Karen Smith
Vice President:	Marlene Morris
Operating Treasurer:	Sharon Green
Charitable Treasurer:	Jody Blackburn
Secretary:	Sharon Rasmussen
Director:	Chris Benson
Director:	Mary Houton
Director:	Pam Fernsler
Director:	Rhetta Hunyady
Director:	Terri Wilson
Director:	Pam Costabile
Parliamentarian:	Elleen Roth

## Committees for 2008/2009

Attendance: Marlene Morris\*, Pat Smith, Mary Houton

Finance: Sharon Green\*, Daphne Pattee, Jody Blackburn, Mary Houton

Hospitality: Pat Smith\*, Pat O'Brien, Terri Wilson

Newsletter: Jody Blackburn\*

Public Relations: Pam Fernsler\*

Scholarships: Chris Benson\*, Gwen Kelley, Rhetta Hunyady, Mary Houton, Pat O'Brien

Service/Hands-On: Pam Costabile\*, Amy Morehead, Sharon Green, Gail Griffin-Sackett

ByLays & Roster: Pam Costabile\*, Pat O'Brien, Rima Kudish

Historian & Scrapbook: Shirly Collins\*, Martica Thompson

Membership: Daphne Pattee\*, Gail Griffin-Sackett, Eileen Roth, Vanessa Renfro

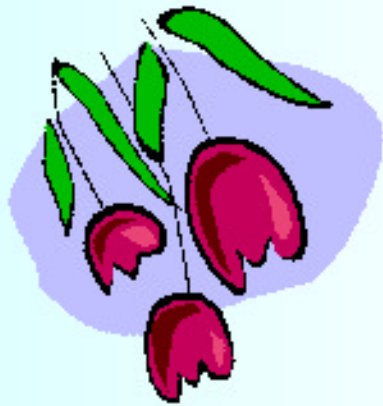
Program: Sharon Green\*, Sharon Rasmussen, Karen Church, Vickie Michelson

Recognition: Pam Fernsler\*

Fundraising - Chris Benson\*, Carol Turkovics, Jan Barlow, Rhetta Hunyady

Website: Jody Blackburn\*

\*Denotes Chair Person



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