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Greetings!

As you look back on the Fourth of July, you may have done a little barbecuing, enjoyed a get-together with friends and family, and had an extra day off from work. While the economy forced some cities and towns to cancel fireworks due to the cost, which could run well over \$15,000, other communities went ahead with planned celebrations and fireworks.

As a little girl, my family always went to see the fireworks, in both my hometown and neighboring communities. All the local town celebrations ended with a big fireworks display, as if in competition with neighboring towns, each one was more spectacular than the previous one. The bright colors of greens, reds, gold and purples exploded in the night sky and I found myself “oohing and aahing” along with the other folks. Our cars were all lined up on the hill overlooking the ball field, and in front of the cars were others with lawn chairs and blankets, all waiting in anticipation for the sky to darken. I would clasp my hands over my ears in anticipation of the “sonic boom,” which was sure to reverberate into the next county. Surely the next one would be the “sonic boom”. The grand finale was certainly thousands of fireworks, all exploding in a surreal domino effect. And, at the end, everyone blew their car horns in unison and the show was over. Those hardy souls who had braved the dreaded mosquito horde scurried back to their cars, bikes, or homes and my dad drove us back home.

In remembrance of the 4th of July, I found some inspirational quotes on freedom and thought they were worth sharing.

“Our greatest happiness does not depend on the condition of life in which chance has placed us, but is always the result of a good conscience,

good health, occupation and freedom in all just pursuits.” - Thomas Jefferson

“Freedom is the oxygen of the soul.” – Moshe Dayan

“This, then, is the state of the union: free and restless, growing and full of hope. So it was in the beginning. So it shall always be, while God is willing, and we are strong enough to keep the faith.” – Lyndon B. Johnson

“For what avail the plough or sail, or land or life, if freedom fail?” - Ralph Waldo Emerson

“You can’t separate peace from freedom because no one can be at peace unless he has his freedom.” – Malcolm X

“Life without liberty is like a body without spirit.” - Kahlil Gibran

“The love of liberty is the love of others; the love of power is the love of ourselves.” – William Hazlitt

“There, I guess King George will be able to read that.” - John Hancock

I guess that even the forefathers of our country had a sense of humor!

Several members attended the Jeremiah Program open house last month and enjoyed the beautiful Minnesota weather at W.A. Frost on their garden patio. If you were unable to join in on this event, the Jeremiah Program is hosting future open house programs at the St. Paul location on Wednesday, July 21st (5:30-6:30) and August 16th (12 noon to 1 p.m.). For more information go to www.jeremiahprogram.org or call Stephanie at 612-259-3038.



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Memorial for Lauraine Torgerson

The celebration of life for Lauraine was held Saturday, June 26th. Lauraine's family spoke and we enjoyed a slide video of her life. After lunch, friends and family shared stories of Lauraine. It was a loving tribute to a beautiful, free-spirited woman.

July Meeting/Event-Tuesday, July 27, 2010

We will be carpooling/meeting at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum located at 3675 Arboretum Drive, Chaska, MN 55318. We will plan on carpooling for this event. Please invite spouses, friends and family to join us. Judy will be making reservations. To insure that we are able to participate in the 12 noon Tram Tour and luncheon afterwards, she will need to make reservations within the next week.

Please let Judy know as soon as possible if you are planning on attending, if you will be bringing a guest, and if you need transportation. Please feel free to invite guests to this event.

Some of the information following is a repeat from last month's newsletter.

The cost for this event will be \$25, which includes gate admission, parking and lunch. If possible, please bring cash, since it will make it easier to take care of the entrance fees and luncheon cost.

This is an event that requires reservations in advance. We will be required to pay for all reservations. If you register and then cannot attend, you will be billed for the \$25 cost. The Arboretum has requested that we arrive together as a group, and that one driver be responsible for payment for the group.

After lunch, you are free to walk the grounds, browse in the gift shop or head back home. We selected the noon tour since the Arboretum is a distance from most of us and we will be able to avoid rush hour traffic.

Tuesday, August 17, 2010 5:30 p.m. – President's dinner

The President's Dinner will be held at Peggy's on Tuesday, August 17th. The dinner will start around 6 p.m. Cost will be \$20 and proceeds will go toward our convention fund.

The menu has been planned and sounds delish! If you are able to help with the food, please let me know; I will be bringing the menu to the July meeting – complete with recipes!

We hope that Linda Nelson (our proxy) will be able to join us to give us an update on the events decided in San Antonio.

DINNER ATTENDANCE Rules:

Members are to call Dorothy if they are unable to attend no later than that the Friday before the monthly meeting date. If you do not call, it will be assumed that you are attending and you will be billed for that meeting.

If you are unable to attend due to last minute circumstances, you will be billed for that meeting.

Exception to reservation date: Please contact Dorothy for the President's dinner by August 13th. We need a close count so that we have adequate food and refreshments.

Web Sites to Remember:

Zonta International
<http://www.zonta.org>



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Zonta District 7

<http://www.zontadistrict7.org>

Zonta St. Paul website at:

<http://www.zontastpaul.org>

Reminders! Zonta Club of St. Cloud and Minneapolis

The Zonta Club of St. Cloud will be hosting their 6th annual "Diamonds in the Rough" golf outing and fund raising event. It will be at the Rich Spring Golf Course, Cold Spring, MN on September 10, 2010. The entry fees are dependent upon whether you choose to golf or just attend the luncheon event. Deadline for registration is September 1, 2010. For information, contact Debbie Grant at 320.685.8609.

The Minneapolis Club will be having their annual fall fund raising event on Sunday, November 14, 2010, 10:30 to 2:30 p.m. at International Market Square in Minneapolis. Pencil in the date on your calendars.

Birthdays in July!

Connie Hill – July 17th

Lois Nyman – July 16th

Dues Invoices

Everyone should have received their dues invoice in their June newsletter. We have sent in the district and international dues for all members. If you haven't submitted your dues to the club, please do so. Let me know if you need another copy of your invoice.

Did you know?

Zonta has more than 31,000 members belonging to more than 1200 Zonta Clubs in 66 countries and geographic areas.

Zonta International was founded in 1919 whose mission is:

- To improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional status of women at the global and local level through service and advocacy.
- To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of executives in business and the professions.
- To promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.
- To be united internationally to foster high ethical standards, to implement service programs, and to provide mutual support and fellowship for members who serve their communities, their nations, and the world.

Zonta International, its districts and its clubs are nonsectarian and nonpartisan.

Did you know that the Red Pine is Minnesota's state tree? A new state record pine is located in the famous Lost Forty Grove in Itasca County. The lost forty is located northeast of Bemidji just southwest of Big Fork. The trees in this grove are estimated to be 300-400 years old and some are up to 4 feet in diameter. The new state champ is estimated to be 350 years old, with a crown spread of 38 feet and a circumference of 9 feet 7 inches. The bark of the red pine is fire-resistant, which makes it able to survive forest fires. The red pine ranges from the eastern half of Minnesota, through most of Wisconsin and Michigan and then through Canada and the Northeastern part of the U.S.



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The new Roseville Library will have its open house Saturday, July 10th! Big Celebration and open to everyone.

Fall Area 3 Conference – Austin, Minnesota

The fall conference will be October 1st and 2nd in Austin, MN. More details forthcoming.

November meeting – November 17th

Erma and Phyllis have once again graciously offered to host our November meeting at the Ridge Room. Plan on arriving around 3:30 and working on our blanket project. More info on this will be posted in an upcoming newsletter. Cost will be \$20 with proceeds going to service.

Project with Altrusa/MVNA

We have been invited to join with Altrusa again this year to do a project on Saturday, September 18th about 9:30. I believe that this is a tentative date and time. There are several project ideas in the works.

They also have been in touch with Marybeth Boyle (from the Grandmother's Circle) and are planning on having her speak to their group in October. Romelle had talked with her at the spring shower for MVNA as a speaker for our October meeting, which is scheduled to be at Pat's community room. Let's discuss these ideas at our get-together at the Arboretum.

Upcoming Area Events

Measure for Measure at Century College Outdoor Theatre Complex, West Campus, 3300 Century Avenue N. White Bear Lake. A comedy and tragedy meld in Shakespeare's dark

romance set in Vienna. July 9, 17, 30 7 p.m. and July 2 and 25 at 6 p.m. Bring your own seating! Tickets available at door.

Julie Kramer Book Signing 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 13th at White Bear Lake Library, 4698 Clark Avenue. Julie Kramer signs copies of her new release – "Silencing Sam". Author has also published "Stalking Susan" and Missing Mark, which are also thriller mysteries.

"Little Women: the Musical" at Bethel Theater at Bethel University, 3900 Bethel Drive, St. Paul, MN. Tickets at 651.638.6333 or visit www.bethel.edu/benson-great-hall.org. Tickets \$10-\$14; family special of \$44 (2 adults, 2 students). July 15-17, July 22-24 at 7:30 p.m.; July 18 and 25 matinees at 2:30.

If you are looking for Library events and don't want to wade through every library website, go to www.melsa.org and click on Library Events. You can search by date, location, event type and age group.

The St. Paul Libraries are having free dance demonstrations and instructions followed by music and public dance at St. Paul Central Library on several dates in July.

They are also sponsoring the Museum Adventure Pass program, presented by Macy's. It provides free and reduced entry fees to 18 area museums and centers. Get your pass at your local area library.

If you have any articles, news, etc. that you would like put in future newsletter, please let me know.

Have a wonderful summer and we hope to see you at our summer events. Friends and family are welcome to attend these events.

Peggy