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EMPOWERING WOMEN  
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

## *The Zonta Zone*

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**Zonta International**  
is a leading global  
organization  
of professionals  
empowering  
women worldwide  
through service  
and advocacy.

### PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

As I look back on this biennium I feel honored to have served as your president. The time passed quickly. Some of my favorite memories are of club meetings. We had great fellowship spawned from our "happy money" moments, great food and great programs!

I especially enjoyed listening to the girls from Teen Challenge, who shared with us their hardships and successes. The program with Boone County Sheriff Mike Nielsen opened my eyes to the challenges women face in and out of jail. Through other programs I learned about UNICEF, the United Nations and KIVA. I had fun learning more about Amelia Earhart, and celebrating a 100 year anniversary with our local hospital. As al-

ways the Rose Award and Scholarship Award ceremonies were awesome, recognizing wonderful women and girls in our community. Thank you Vice President Lisa for planning all of the programs!

I am so proud of our service projects. Many club members spent time with the girls at the United Methodist Children's home to mentor, give a hug and lend a helping hand. Also I believe we have built a stronger bond with the Lebanon High School Z Club, our longest running service project. We will host their installation ceremony in June, continue to work with them at fundraisers, and sponsor potential candidates for Boone County Fair Queen.

Finally I am very proud of the hard work you all have done over the last two years to raise money for college scholarships. A special thanks goes to our fundraising committees for Lincoln Days, pasta sales, Amazon gift wrapping, flower sales, and Ladies' Night Out.

As this biennium closes I leave you in great hands with the new board and Lisa Conard as your president.

Thank to each of you for helping to make this a great biennium for our club. I have enjoyed it.



### MAY MEETING

Program:

**Spring Workshop Recap**

**Officer & Board Installation**

Where: **Boone REMC**  
1207 Indianapolis Ave.

When: **May 4 at 6pm**

Dinner: Catered by Theresa Gordon

Cost: **\$12.00**

**RSVP regrets** to Debbie at 765-894-2054 or  
dholloman.quality@gmail.com by 2pm Monday

## Save the dates!

Club Meeting  
May 4

Board Meeting  
May 17

Club Meeting  
June 1

Zonta Says NO Walk  
October 1

### INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ACTION ON WOMEN'S HEALTH

May 28 is the International Day of Action for Women's Health. May 28th has been commemorated by women's health advocates and their communities since 1987 and has been crucial in the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) movement building. May 28 provides a great opportunity to remind our government leaders that Women's Health Matters.

With the recent adoption of Agenda 2030, governments have acknowledged gender equality and women's empowerment as crucial to sustainable development, while reaffirming the outcomes from the ICPD Programme of Action and the Beijing Platform for Action. Central to women's empowerment, however, is the respect, protection, and fulfillment of the human rights of women and girls in all their dimensions, including their sexual and reproductive rights, and acknowledging the actual needs of all women and girls in all their diversities!

The above is taken from the International Day of Action on Women's Health website. Visit [www.may28.org](http://www.may28.org) for more information.

### ZONTA INTERNATIONAL RELEASES POSITION STATEMENT ON PROSTITUTION

In February 2016, ZI released the following position statement on prostitution:

Zonta International is an organization pledged to empower women at the global and local levels, and to promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Zonta International calls on governments to

- address prostitution and related issues from a human rights perspective. Women are not commodities; they are human beings and have rights to dignity and equality.
- protect children (every human being below the age of eighteen) from all forms of sexual exploitation and sexual abuse, as detailed in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, Article 34, and the Optional Protocol on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography
- take all appropriate measures, including legislation, to suppress all forms of trafficking in women (within or across borders) and exploitation of prostitution of women, in accordance with the UN Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women, CEDAW, Article 6, and the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings, CETs 197, and the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Istanbul Convention).

To read the paper in its entirety visit <http://www.zonta.ch/file/1077/PositionPaperProstitution.pdf>

*I can do things you can not;  
you can do things I can not;  
together we can do great things.  
~ Mother Theresa*

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