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A global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS



What a GREAT time we had at the District 6 conference in Columbus! There were so many highlights that our delegate Joanna will tell us about at our November meeting. I am especially proud of the Golden Z Club of the University of Illinois. They participated in the panel discussion for "Voices of the Millennials". I am amazed by the poise, confidence and humor of these young ladies. They all vowed that after college they will join a Zonta club near where they reside. And if one is not there, they said they will start one, as they did their Golden Z Club! Zonta will continue on with the next generation of great women!

Regarding fundraisers, selling food at the Lincoln Festival

was a huge success, netting over \$1000. That covers one scholarship! A big thanks goes out to co-chairs Bev Rader and Kay Geisler and to all that helped make it a success!

Next up is the online Pasta Fundraiser. This FUNdraiser is so much FUN and so EASY! But unfortunately, we are still very short of our goal, less than 25% and the campaign ends in two weeks. As of October 28 only seven people have purchased online. If you have not already, please post the link to your Facebook page or send the link to friends in an email. And please consider ordering some for yourself. The link is below. Please let Pam or me know if you need help getting this link posted

or need help using the paper forms.

Fall is a big time for fundraising. It is also a big time for advocacy. In October I hope many were able to spread the word about Domestic Violence. We have more opportunity to advocate in November. At the meeting November 5th, we will be discussing an opportunity for us to advocate for the Zonta Says No campaign. We are doing great things for women!

I'm looking forward to seeing you and hearing the program on Teen Challenge at the REMC building November 5th!

NOVEMBER MEETING

Program:

Fall Conference
 Joanna Shoemaker

Teen Challenge
 Dawn Rose

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

When: **November 5** at **6pm**

Dinner: Catered by Teresa Gordon

Cost: **\$12.00**

RSVP regrets to Debbie at 765-894-2054
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DON'T FORGET! The Fun Pasta FUNdraiser deadline is November 15. Use the link below to share on Facebook and tell your friends!

<https://www.funpastafundraising.com/shop/zonta-club-of-lebanon-1>



Save the dates!

Club Meeting
November 5

Pasta Deadline
November 15

Board Meeting
November 18

16 Days of Activism
Nov 25 - Dec 10

Club Meeting
December 3

BREAKING FREE

In *Breaking Free: True Stories of Girls Who Escaped Modern Slavery*, author Abby Sher compiles the stories of three girls who escaped modern slavery. Orphan Somaly Mam was born in Cambodia and lived with a family until she was around 9 years old. A man offered to take her to live with her parents in a neighboring town, but instead Somaly became a victim of sex-trafficking. Today she runs a foundation that frees and educates girls and women who were involved in the sex trade. Minh Dang grew up in California, where she was abused by parents before being sent to work in brothels at the age of 10. Minh is now an anti-trafficking advocate and was recognized by the White House as a Champion for Change. The third story is that of Maria Suarez, a Mexican immigrant who came to the United States as a teenager. Tricked into slavery by Spanish-speaking woman and abused by an older man, Maria was falsely accused of the murder of her captor and imprisoned for over 22 years. After her release, she started the Maria Suarez Foundation "to prevent abuse and rescue and rehabilitate survivors."

Breaking Free is heartbreaking yet inspiring book about three women who could have become "voiceless victims," but instead fight back to become advocates for other young women and survivors. Adults and teens alike will find these tales of despair--and hope--to be engaging reads.

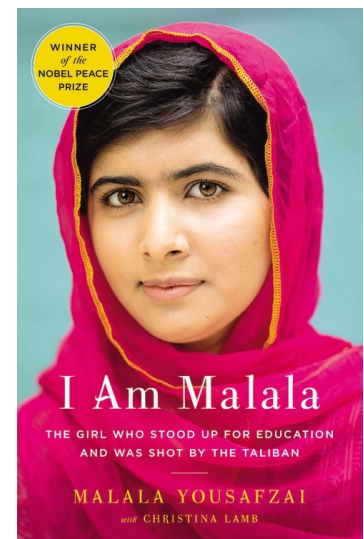
MALALA YOUSAFZAI

In mid-October 17-year-old Pakistani student Malala Yousafzai became the youngest Nobel Peace Prize laureate, sharing the honor with co-recipient Kailash Satyarthi, a children's rights activist from India. Malala's memoir, *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and was Shot by the Taliban*, was published in October 2013. Malala describes her family life, her educational opportunities, and private and political life in her small village.

Malala's father, Ziauddin Yousafzai, is a school owner and educational activist. Soon after the Taliban set an edict that no Pakistani girls should attend school, Malala began speaking out against the group. Though the ban was eventually lifted, the Taliban presence was still felt in the area, and many girls were too afraid to attend classes.

As Malala's voice grew in power, so did the threats to her life. In 2012 the Taliban leadership decided to kill her. She survived a shot to the head and continues her campaign for education.

Malala's memoir has been adapted and made available in a Young Reader's version, and many biographies are now available, so that her story can be shared with girls and women of all ages.



"In some parts of the world, students are going to school every day. It's their normal life. But in other parts of the world, we are starving for education. . . It's like a precious gift. It's like a diamond." ~ Malala Yousafzai

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