



PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Salutations,

What an enjoyable time to witness the transition of seasons as summer slowly gives a way to fall with a drop in temperature and our most colorful display of leaves; my favorite season. The transition of seasons give me time to reflect on all we have accomplished this year. Collectively, we can accomplish anything.

October, as you know, is cancer awareness month. Let's do our part and call a friend to remind them about performing their annual mammogram check. As we continue to give comfort to women with our contribution, Bosom Buddies, we are providing relief to women affected by this plague.

As we transition to the season of giving, we have the Children's Christmas Parade. We will join forces with the Z-Club students to merrily wave to the city. Please mark your calendars to join us on 11/30/2017.

December, our hard work comes to fruition with aesthetically pleasing showcases during the Zonta Home Tour. The home tour will take place 12/2/2017. The home tour committee has been working diligently on details involved in putting on such a grandiose event. We will NEED all members' assistance to make this another remarkable year.

And lastly, we mustn't forget our Christmas party. It's always great fun and we will be rolling out details very soon.

With all we have accomplished--we have just begun! I look forward to the continued success and dedication of the Porterville Zontians.

With gratitude,

Esther Figueroa

August Program Meeting:



Director Vickie Schmidlekopher, Vice President and Program Chair Lynn Trice and Director Rudy E. Pina

The program in August was presented by two directors from our local PAAR Center which has been offering a home-like recovery atmosphere for over 40 years. Founded in 1965 as The Porterville Halfway House for Men, The PAAR Center originally only treated five clients at a time. Since then, it has continually expanded into the current large operation servicing numerous counties. To house the high client volume, The PAAR Center maintains five separate facilities in the residential neighborhoods of Porterville, and all are Victorian-style, two-story homes.

PAAR specializes in substance abuse services and mental health services. The services include partial hospitalization / day treatment, residential long-term treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, outpatient methadone/buprenorphine or vivitrol, and residential options for those who enroll. Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment, a Residential Treatment Environment, Domestic Violence Counseling and Treatment, Medication Awareness Groups, Anger Management Courses, and Stress Management Courses are all available.

September Program Meeting:



Pictured: First Vice President, Lynn Trice; Guest Speaker, Rebecca Reyes, President, Esther Figueroa

1st Vice President Lynn Trice, welcomed Rebecca Reyes of the Imagine Community Art Center, along with Zonta President Esther Figueroa. The Imagine Community Art Center encourages young people to Just Make Art. Their mission is to enrich, inspire and support children through all manner of art acts to instill NO LIMITS/NO MISTAKES. They recently arranged a showing of Butterfield student's art projects at the LA County Police Museum. Their next event will be in collaboration with the Porterville Library in December for "lil Elves"

New Member Corner

*Nancy Likins and her
sponsor, Lynn Trice*



Welcome new member, Nancy Likins

Nancy graduated from Porterville High School and received her AA degree in Social Science from Porterville College. She later became certified in Project Management with additional training in Process Re-engineering. Nancy's first job in high school was at the Porter Theater performing a variety of tasks until she found her career path in Social Services. In 1978, she was hired by Tulare County as an Eligibility Worker in the Welfare Department. The bay area was her next home in 1981 where she continued her career for Santa Clara County Social services for the next 28 years in a variety of management positions that culminated as Planning and Implementation Manager for the CalWin project.

Nancy shares her home with her ex-husband, Bruce Rolfe, who is a passionate drummer and provides drum lessons locally. Her son, Monte Reyes and wife, Rebecca, have four children and two grandchildren. Monte currently serves on the Porterville City Council and is active on a variety of boards. Nancy has three siblings, all brothers: Bob, Jim and Tom Likens. Gardening and caring for her many furry friends are Nancy's passions. She dearly loves her two rescue dogs and eight cats.

Nancy's long-time friend, Denise Marchant, proudly shared the many ways Zontians have volunteered to improve the lives of women and young girls in our community and throughout the world. Lynn Trice followed up with an invitation to join and brought Nancy to a number of meetings. Nancy was impressed with the efficiency of meetings, effectiveness of projects, and the fun all of the ladies displayed. Nancy decided that her time had come to join this "amazing group in their efforts to help women and girls to a better life".

STEM Program Update:



Members, Ela Pandya, Sharon Pearson, Norma Verduzco and Joslyn Walker represented Zonta, on June 1, 2017 at SPARK into Pathways Exhibition held at Porterville Gym. The exhibition assists students in K-8 grades to attain an early idea of their options as they look forward to their freshman year in high school. Zonta Club of Porterville is working to encourage younger students to be exposed to STEM pathways. Zonta supplied raffle prizes for the event and several times throughout the evening, our organization was announced as a supporter of SPARK by staff members of Fresno State University. It was an exciting and encouraging evening to watch young students enjoy the various exhibits prepared by older students.

Christmas Home Tour



Exceptional...That's All That Can Be Said

We have 4 extremely exceptional homes included in the 25th Annual Zonta Christmas Home Tour and Artisan Boutique. We have a goal to sell 350 tickets at \$30 each and we should easily reach it if YOU get the word out.

Muriel Josten's home is a tribute to past Zonta Members including Vivian Lucey (her mom). The Irish Pub that graced Lucey's Bar and Grill is so beautiful. The memorabilia amassed and artfully displayed is wonderful. In the backyard, the PMS Lounge welcomes all her friends.

The Shannon home was previously the Howard Smith home. They have lovingly restored much of the home and the walls are adorned with amazing art including many works by Mindy's husband Ken. It is a treat to be allowed into their home.

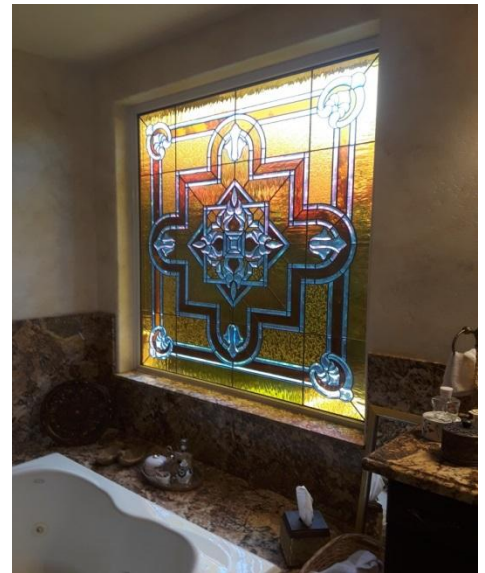
Susie and Randy Carroll have a home and a view to die for. It's so hard to pick out just a few "must sees". From the welcoming front entrance to the fabulous vista all said is WOW. The media room has a full bar and down the stairs is a huge wine cellar including a wonderful tasting table where Randy hosts "card parties". The stained-glass windows were amazing (and done locally). The kitchen and great room are a gathering space to love. The pool house, outdoor kitchen and pool provide the perfect venue to enjoy a beautiful Porterville vista.

Randy Cline's home is a hidden gem. Built in the 1920's, the Cline family has lived there since 1959. The home was and is a gathering place for friends, friends of friends and family. The unique collections of toy soldiers, railroad locks and just wonderful and whimsical décor amaze. You'll meet Max, short for Maximillian, the suit of armor in the dining room. So much more to say about the interior, but for now we go to the back yard to see the pool house, pool and extremely entertaining area for their 2 children. There is a hedge row that has been trimmed in the inside to make a tunnel and a San Diego Zoo worthy walk-way to a tree house with a special view of Porterville's City center.

Tickets will be available at the October Business Meeting but start talking it up now! Also, EVERY member needs to save the date to help. We need to staff every home from 11:30 – 4 on December 2. Because of the configurations of the homes and their uniqueness, more people will be required than before.



Shannon Icon Collection



Carroll's Stain Glass Window



Exterior of Cline home



Lucey's Irish Pub at Muriel's

Special Fund Raiser We Can All Participate In:

Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible SmileAmazon purchases to charitable organizations selected by customers. You must register (it's easy) and part of your Amazon purchases will go towards Zonta. A number of us have been doing it for quite some time!

[Register Now](#)

How do I register and participate in donations for Zonta?

1. Search for your charitable organization by name and then select the organization you wish to have a percentage of your purchase go toward, Be sure to confirm you are selecting the correct organization, as many charitable organizations have similar names.
2. Accept the AmazonSmile Participation Agreement
3. Verify your email address (it's recommended that you use the email address that you use for Zonta).

Happy Shopping!

Make up a Zonta Team!!!



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3rd Annual

Judy Sarber Memorial Golf Tournament

Friday, October 13, 2017 River Island Country Club
11am Shotgun Start

Type: 4 - person scramble * **Entry:** \$125/person, \$500/team
Includes green fees, cart, and heavy hors d'oeuvres during the
awards presentation * Handicapped event with team, longest drive,
and closest to the hole awards.

Contact Habitat for Humanity at 559-734-4040, Matt Spindler at 661-932-5978
Steve Pearson - 559-359-8652 or Gary Gostanian - 559-288-8983

Habitat for Humanity of Tulare/Kings Counties ~ PO Box 848, Visalia CA 93279
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Awesome New Member Event last month. A number of Zontians joined in the fun, good food and valuable information regarding your Zonta organization.

Many thanks to our presenters, Sharon Pearson and Giovanna DePaoli and Diane Grubel!



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Joslyn Walker	767 North Porter Rd	559-359-7600 or 559-781-4123	joslyn@oacys.com	All work!

If you are a committee chair, please reach out to these new members.

Special Notes:

- **President Esther will be available for all meetings after 5:30 pm Mon-Thurs**
Please let her know date and time of your committee meeting
- **Please send all bills, checks, reimbursement requests to Renay Sprague**
- **If you have someone you would like to invite to a Zonta Business meeting as a potential new member, free meal vouchers are available for your guest.**

Zonta International

The UN Committee of Zonta International participated and presented at the HLPF meetings at the UN. Meetings during the first week discussed themes and goals. The second week hosted the VNRs - Voluntary National Reviews. The reports and documents provided by the various nations can be found at, <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf>

There were four events/meetings on the wide-spread and multi-factorial impact early age, forced marriages. One such event was held by ZI on July 11th. The meeting was well received and attended by 80 people. Of the other three meetings addressing early marriages, Ms. Leslie Wright, UN Committee Chair, attended two and has provided following links to publications related to the topic.
<http://www.costsofchildmarriage.org/publications>

There is no doubt; Zonta is a leading organization in the pursuit of gender equality.



October Birthdays

October 1 Norma Verduzco

October 10 Susan McGuire

October 12 Sharon Pearson

October 14 Cassandra Garcia

October 14 Jan Mekeel

October 31 Kiran Sandhu



August Anniversaries

Dianne Kavern Diane Graybehl Lynn Trice

Upcoming Events and Meetings

Oct 2 Board Meeting 5:45 at Steve's Community Room

Oct 10 Business Meeting @ Rosa's 12 pm

Oct 24 Program Meeting TBA