

**Zonta District Conference Update
January 9, 2013**

The Zonta District Conference will be held at the Westin Hotel September 28-29, 2013 with preconference activities on Thursday, September 27. The Westin is offering a room rate of \$129 and has recently updated rooms which are large so people can easily share a room. The theme for this year's conference is "Building Bridges in the City of Bridges". We expect to have 200-225 members attend and will charge \$200-225 per person.

Several committees have been formed:

Committee	Chair	Committee Responsibilities
Conference Chairs	Mary Jo Sonntag/Lee Fogarty	
Treasurer	Mary Ann Rieland	Create, manage, and report on conference budget at conference committee mtgs.
Secretary	Bobbi Cramer	Record and distribute committee minutes
Fund Raising	Patty Hanz	Seek sponsors for the conf.
Logistics	Carolyn Savikas	Coordinates logistics with the Westin: meeting and sleeping rooms, meals, breaks, AV equipment, computer, internet connections, Wi-Fi, hospitality room. Spec sheets for speakers/room set-up Decorations, signage Photographer
Publicity	NEED A CHAIR	Publicity plan Conference brochure Press releases Conference program Promo pieces Face Book page/Twitter Spring Workshop 2013 announcements
Gifts	Mary Ann Rieland/Kathy Egan	Gifts for presenters Goodie bags, Raffle baskets Zonta store
Credentials	Heidi Fenton, Joan Westcott	Protocol, procession, table assignments, registrations, U.S.

		& Canadian flags, Voting papers, ROTC club, Singers for national anthem
Entertainment	Carmella Wehrle/Lorene Vinski	Thursday night reception, Friday, pre-conference activities, Friday & Saturday evening entertainment/awards Saturday lunch speakers Sunday lunch for Board members Sunday memorial service
Volunteers	Karen Miller	Volunteers at conference/Zonta store

We are currently seeking members for all committees. To date, 18 members of the Pittsburgh Club have volunteered to lead or serve on a committee. We are very grateful for this level of participation and show of support. The Three Rivers North Club has volunteered to sponsor the preconference reception on Thursday night at the Tonic Bar. Additional volunteers will be recruited at their April meeting. The Washington Club has volunteered to sponsor the entertainment for Friday night and to provide gift baskets. Nine of their members have volunteered to serve on committees. We are in need of volunteers with PR expertise for the Publicity Committee.