

Newsletter April 2017

President's Message

Hello Fellow Zontians! Our March meeting was very busy, with a very interesting speaker, and many activities and dates talked about. Please check the Minutes, and this Newsletter, for information on upcoming events.

O'Connell and Company, in Residence at the Park School, will be performing "The Cemetery Club" from April 20 to May 21. We have decided to attend at the 7:30 performance on Friday, May 19th. Tickets are \$30 or \$22 for Seniors (62 and older). Here's a description: "A romantic comedy about 3 Jewish widows who meet monthly for tea before visiting their husbands' graves. A local butcher disrupts the group's dynamics, guilt develops, and hearts may break." We also talked about having dinner before the performance. If interested in attending, let me know (and bring \$\$\$) at the April meeting or shortly after. I would like to get the tickets sooner rather than later as I don't know how many the auditorium holds.

I will bring Service/Fundraising sheets for January, February, and March, so have your hours ready to go on the appropriate sheets.

If you have been in charge of any activity, and have not already filled out the "Zonta Event/Activity Report" form found in your yellow folders, please do so, as I am required to send in these reports. I will bring extra copies to the meeting. Elaine designed them (Thank you, Elaine!) and they are simple to fill out. Thank you in advance for doing this!

You ladies are awesome! Our FUNDdrive for Savers is going very well. Bonnie's car was filled at the March Meeting, and my storage area is filling fast. So, give me a call if you have additional bags, and I will come and pick them up. Remember that we are taking the bags to Savers on April 10th. I don't have the exact time yet, but it will be during the day before the meeting. If you have lots of bags and would prefer to meet us at Savers, that would be great! I will let everyone know the time as soon as I find out.

As always, thank you for all that you do for Zonta and the community! See you April 10th! Marianne

Next Meeting

The April meeting will be held on Monday, April 10th at 6:15 PM at JP Fitzgerald's. Join us for socializing at 5:30PM. Please RSVP to Liz Newman.

April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to 4/3 Carolyn Mooney 4/22 Cheryl Schmidt







Amelia Earhart Cruise

Price reduction of \$400 for the 12 day cruise to the British Isles is August 29 – September 10, 2017. A second cruise leaving from Fort Lauderdale to the Caribbean for 10 nights has been added for January 19 – 29, 2018. More information is available on the District 4 website: www.zontadistrict4.org. Contact Donna if you have questions.

Scholarships

Carolyn has submitted the application for the Young Woman in Public Affairs Scholarship from Lauren Smith of Orchard Park High School to District 4.

The applications for our local scholarships and the Jane M Klausman Business Scholarship are available on our website: www.zontahamburgorchardpark.org. All applications are submitted to Carolyn. Details are on the website. Deadline for applications are:

High School and Adult Scholarships – April 26th

Jane M. Klausman Scholarship – May 26^{th.}

Nominations

The Slate of Officers will be presented at the April meeting. Please contact Kathi or Judy if you are interested in serving on the Board or as an officer.

Pink Pillow Project Comedy Night

Many members are planning on attending The Pink Pillow Project fundraiser. The "Laughter is *still* the Best Medicine" Comedy Night will be held on Saturday, April 29th at the Hamburg Palace Theatre. Doors open at 6:30 PM to give you an opportunity to take chances on the basket raffles, 50/50 raffle and live auction items. Comedy show will begin at 7:30PM. www.thepinkpillowproject.com.

Savers – Collection for Donated Items

As Marianne mentioned above, we are **still** collecting bags to donate items to Savers. They can be any size bag, as they are weighed. For a list, please check their website: www.savers.com/donate/whatwetake The first delivery will be Monday, April 10th. This is an easy way to raise funds. Contact Marianne.

Spring Workshops

Several members are attending the District Workshop in St Catherine's on Saturday, 4/8. If you are interested in attending a different workshop, contact Bonnie as she is attending the Stratford, Ontario and Bradford, PA workshops.

Birthing Kits

We will join the Cheektowaga-Lancaster Club to assemble birthing kits on Saturday, May 20th at the Cheektowaga Senior Center at 9 AM. Attached is a letter to request donations. We still need razor blades (Harbor Freight - \$ 5.00 for box of 100), Quart size storage bags (not freezer bags – too heavy) and the plastic sheeting, (unless someone knows a contractor who could donate, we usually buy this at Lowes – we will coordinate with Cheektowaga as they have their tax exempt status.) Non-latex gloves, **4** "gauze squares, and non-perfumed soaps are always needed. Doctors and dentists often donate these.

Club Awards

The Zontian of the Year Award recognizes a member for their outstanding service to the club during the past year. The Daisy Award recognizes a member for their service to the community. Please contact Carolyn if you would like to nominate someone.

Upcoming Dates

April 8, 22, 29 th	Spring Workshops	s (see above)
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- 4/10 April Meeting, JP Fitzgerald's 5:30 Socializing, 6:15 Meeting
- 4/29 Pink Pillow Project Comedy Night at Hamburg Palace Theatre 6:30 PM
- 5/7 Not Your Grandmother's Tea Buffalo Club at 20th Century Club 1 PM
- 5/9 **Tuesday,** Installation Dinner at OP Country Club
- 5/19 Social Gathering See President's Message
- 5/20 Birthing Kits Assembly at Cheektowaga Senior Center 9 AM