



ZONTA
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 HAMBURG-
 ORCHARD PARK
 MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
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 THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Newsletter
May 2017

President’s Message

Dear Zontians,

This is the last President’s Message I will be writing. The reins have been turned over to the very capable hands of Tricia Browne. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support and enthusiasm during this past year. Your contributions to the Zonta Club of Hamburg-Orchard Park and Zonta International, through service and advocacy, are greatly appreciated. We may be a small Club, but we are mighty!

There are many activities and events going on in May, and I hope to see you at one or more. We move back to the Banquet Room at JP’s for the June 12th meeting. Carolyn has offered to host the picnic on Monday, July 10th, so be thinking of guests you would like to invite.

If you haven’t already considered one of the Amelia Earhart Cruises (British Isles - 8/29-9/10, 2017 and/or Caribbean - 1/19-1/29, 2018) please do so.

Again, thank you for all you have done for Zonta, and for me, this past year.
 Marianne

Next Meeting

The June meeting will be held on Monday, June 12th at 6:15 PM at JP Fitzgerald’s. Join us for socializing at 5:30PM. We will host our scholarship winners and their families that evening. We will also present our Daisy and Zontian of the Year Awards.

Amelia Earhart Cruises

There is a 12 day cruise to the British Isles for August 29 – September 10, 2017. A second cruise leaves from Fort Lauderdale to the Caribbean for 10 nights, January 19 – 29, 2018. More information is available on the District 4 website: www.zontadistrict4.org. Contact Donna if you have questions.

Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to our scholarship winners. They will be honored at our June meeting.

High Schools:

Frontier High School	Kaylee Filighera	SUNY Oswego	Public Relations
Hamburg High School	Meagan Prusak	Daemen College	Physical Therapy
Orchard Park High School	Hanna Walker	Baldwin Wallace University	English

Adult Scholars:

Christina M. Knop	Trocaire College	Registered Nurse
Michele Lynn Winsor	Trocaire College	BS Nursing



Installation of Officers

Thanks to Carolyn for planning a lovely dinner and to Elaine for treating us with chocolates.

Congratulations to our new officers who were installed at the May meeting:

President – Tricia Browne

Secretary – Joyce Banko

Treasurer – Marian Tetreault

Board Members – Peggy Minnich & Shirley Plec

Past President – Marianne Chiumento

We look forward to working with you in the coming year.



Rose Day Awards

We presented the Rose Day Awards to Lynn Dixon and Suzanne McKenney to recognize them for their contributions to the community.

Lynne has served as an Erie County Legislator since November of 2009. She represents the residents of Hamburg, Lackawanna, Blasdell and a portion of South Buffalo. She has served on many committees, including Erie County's Opioid Epidemic Task Force, the Cyber-Bullying Law, which focuses on protecting the youth, Silver Alert initiative to locate missing adults just to name a few.

Each year she partners with local schools for the Valentines for Veterans program to thank our servicemen and women for their sacrifice. For six years, Lynne has organized the Prom Dress Drive to provide free gowns to local girls.

Suzanne is a founding member of the Character Council in 2000 and serves as the Past President of the Character Council of WNY.

She also serves as a mentor/coach of CITRS (citrs.org). CITRS is a non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-profit that partners with schools and other organizations to implement effective character initiatives to enhance the lives of those we touch. Suzanne facilitates training of faculty and staff, and oversees program implementation in the pilot schools.

Everyone has opportunities, but not everyone chooses to act on them. Suzanne does. Thank you for your gifts of time, inspiration and leadership for our community.

District 4 Conference



55th Zonta District 4 Conference September 21 – 24, 2017

Hilton Niagara Falls, Canada – Fallsview Hotel and Suites

Come join in for a rewarding weekend. Register at www.zontadistrict4.org under the D4 Conference Tab.

New Member

We welcome Cherie Scherbarth who was inducted at our installation dinner. We look forward to working with you. She is a 9th grade English Teacher at Frontier High School and lives on Lawrence Place in Orchard Park. Her son graduates from high school this year.

Centennial Committee

The district has started planning for the 100th Anniversary of Zonta in 2019. If you are interested in working on a committee, please let Tricia know. Committees forming so far include: Public Relations, Research, Events, Fundraising, Marketing, and Program Development. Toni Majchrzak is the Chair of the Centennial Committee. We welcome your ideas and your help.

Jane M Klausman Business Scholarship

The application for the Jane M Klausman Business Scholarship is available on our website: www.zontahamburgorchardpark.org . All applications are submitted to Carolyn. Details are on the website. The deadline for the Jane M. Klausman Scholarship is **May 26th**

Birthing Kits

We will join the Cheektowaga-Lancaster Club to assemble 500 birthing kits on Saturday, May 20th at the Cheektowaga Senior Center at 9 AM. Attached is a letter to request donations. We still need 4 x 4” gauze squares. Doctors often donate them. We are ordering the plastic sheeting from a new vendor. Please let me know if you are able to obtain a package of gauze. These will be sent through Medical Women International along with kits from other clubs. The district had a request for 2800 kits.

Young Woman in Public Affairs Scholarship Winner

District 4 has announced Eva Ren as the winner of the \$1000 scholarship from the district. Her application was submitted by St Catharines Club and will now be submitted to Zonta International for review for the ZI scholarship. There were 36 applications received by 12 clubs.

Eva’s interests lie in international humanitarian law, non-profit work, politics, and public affairs. She hopes to attend the University of McGill in Montreal to study management with a minor in international relations. She wishes to positively impact others through resolving conflicts and hopes to continue to volunteer with organizations that promote gender equality and help immigrants integrate. For more information about Eva and her achievements, log on to the district website at www.zontadistrict4.org under the scholarship tab. Her biography will be posted.

Upcoming Dates

- 5/19 Social Gathering – The Cemetery Club
- 5/20 Birthing Kits Assembly at Cheektowaga Senior Center 9 AM
- 5/25 Kitchener-Waterloo Golf Classic
- 6/12 June Meeting in Banquet Room at JP Fitzgerald’s
- 7/10 Picnic and “Fun” Auction at Carolyn’s House
- 9/21-24 District 4 Conference in Niagara Falls, Canada