

THE ZONTA ROSE - Zonta Club of Washington County Newsletter



Special February Meeting Information

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

@ Union Grille

Washington, Pa.

@ 6:00 PM

March Meeting Information – Rose Day

Wednesday, March 5, 2007

@ Rolling Hills Country Club

McMurray, Pa.

@ 6PM



AMELIA EARHART AWARD DINNER

The Amelia Earhart Dinner was held on February 13th at the George Washington Hotel in Washington, Pa.

Congratulations go out to **Pat Kline** and her Committee including **Jeanine Rainone**, **Carole Babish** and **Ramona Selvoski** for such a wonderful evening! All of their hard work and extra effort was evidenced by the beautiful location and inspiring program.

During the evening, 14 deserving Junior girls from each High School in Washington County was honored for their service to community, attitude of commitment, and the leadership in volunteerism that they demonstrate. Each young woman received a \$200 savings bond and a copy of the book *Amelia* by distinguished Historian and Author, Dr. Goldstein.

Dr. Goldstein was the key speaker at the event and he spoke about the spirit of Amelia Earhart and recognized the young ladies for their achievements, while encouraging them to keep their momentum as they headed off to college and their careers.

The 2008 Amelia Earhart Honorees are as follows:

Avella High School – Joelle Yamber of Avella
Bentworth – Lindsay Bostich of Bentleyville
Bethlehem Center – Emily Petsko of Fredericktown
Burgettstown – Juliana Marie Bandi of Bulger
California – (Hannah) Sey Young Min of California
Canon-MacMillan – Alexandria Savage of Canonsburg
Charleroi – Kristen Sciroto of Charleroi.
Chartiers Houston – Samantha Danyo of Houston;
Fort Cherry – Marissa Miles of McDonald;
McGuffey – Alexis Brenner of Taylorstown;
Peters Township – Lindsay Mauer of McMurray
Ringgold – Dedra Totin of Donora
Trinity Area – Ms. Angela Palumbo of Washington
Washington – Roxanne Rogers of Washington,.

(Hannah) Sey Young Min of California was also awarded the Exemplary Service Award receiving a \$1000 bond.

Dedra Totin of Donora was also selected to represent Zonta at the District 4 Competition for Young Women in Public Affairs.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE THANK YOU

A big **Thank You** also goes out to **Jane Piatt** and her Committee including **Rachel Lozosky**, **Dee Hart** and **Cheryl Hopper** for all of their time and effort in soliciting the Amelia Earhart nominees and selecting the Service Award winner and the representative from our Club for the Young Women in Public Affairs award.

BIRTHING KIT UPDATE

We are hoping to have another Birthing Kit assembly session in May. More details to follow.

SPECIAL FEBRUARY 27TH MEETING

A special meeting will be held on February 27th at the Union Grille in Washington, Pa. This meeting is required since the January business meeting was replaced with the Annual Christmas party.

At this special meeting, we will be discussing last minute details for Rose Day, preparing for the May Clay Shoot and selecting next year's officers.

ROSE DAY CELEBRATION UPDATE

The Rose Day dinner will be held on Wednesday, March 5 at Rolling Hills Country Club. Registration will begin at 5:30, dinner at 6:00 PM.

The menu choices and prices for club members and their guests are as follows:

Chicken francaise \$25.00

Roulade of lemon sole w/ crab \$33.00

Dinners include choice of wedding soup or house salad, so please specify which you prefer when you RSVP. Rolls, dessert and iced tea are also included. Soft drinks and alcohol can be purchased separately.

Kindly RSVP your meal choice to Lisa by 2/27/08, and mail the \$\$ to Zonta, PO Box1035, Washington, Pa. 15301

Please consider bringing a guest, as this is a great opportunity to showcase Zonta!

DISTRICT NEWS

Here's an update on the District 4 Zonta Cruise. It sure sounds like everyone had a lot of fun. Maybe members from our club will be interested in going next year!

Donna Ketchum-Colletta writes:

The Zonta Cruise to benefit the Amelia Earhart Fellowship has just ended. 34 sailors, comprised of Zontians, family members, and friends set sail from Miami on January 13. Upon entering their cabins, our Zonta sailors were greeted with chocolate dipped strawberries, champagne, Zonta luggage tags, and a welcome letter from District 4. You can imagine our surprise when we found a large mosaic of Amelia Earhart standing next to her plane at the top of one of the ship's stairwells. We knew it was going to be a great cruise! Our Zonta sailors could be found in various locations of Nassau, St. Thomas, St. John and St. Maarten. Some could be found buying T shirts, jewelry, linens, tasting flavored rums, or relaxing on one of the beautiful beaches. We really knew we had selected the right cruise lines when we heard about a breast cancer walk aboard the ship to raise money for breast cancer research. The Zonta sailors put on their sneakers and walked the mile for "On Deck For The Cure" and donated \$250. Carnival Cruise Lines has raised \$70,000 for breast cancer research. We had a wonderful time. At our private cocktail party, a unanimous vote was given for another future Zonta Cruise... The cruise raised a little over \$2,000 for the Amelia Earhart Fellowship.



NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Focus on Joyce Ellis

Joyce has lived in Pittsburgh and Columbus Ohio prior to moving to Washington PA. Her career choices are that she always wanted to be an entertainer and has fulfilled this dream with being a dancer and a dance instructor for the past 34 years. She also has become a motivational speaker in the community and is a realtor and a minister. Her hobbies include collecting and restoring antiques and collects angels.

Her other affiliations in the community are being a lifetime member of the NAACP, served on the redevelopment board in Washington County and has spent countless hours of work with other charities.

Focus on Annette Ziemba

Annette is originally from Johnstown, Pa. but has been a resident of Washington for 28 yrs. She has a degree in Elementary Education from University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown and a Masters in Education from Duquesne University. Her work experience includes 5 yrs as an elementary school teacher, 30 yrs as a manufacturer's representative and 8 yrs as Youth Ministry Coordinator for the Immaculate Conception Parish in Washington, Pa.

Her Business information is:
Isagenix - Revitalize Health, Lose Weight, and Cleanse
325 McElree Road
Washington PA 15301
724-228-4173

Focus on Vivan Milhollan

Vivian has lived in Washington County for almost 9 years. Her first job out of college was in banking, and after a few years she used her business background to manage doctor's offices for the next 17 years. She has been in sales and marketing now for the last 19 years and loves every minute of it. Her hobbies include travel, interior decorating, reading and community service. Vivian currently sit on the Board of Directors for Washington County Health Partners, is on the Advisory Board of W.C. H.F.H., she is a past board member and long time supporter of the United Way, as well as a member of the Women of Philanthropy in Washington County.

Be sure to introduce yourself to these new members and welcome them to our club!

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE from Lisa Pendergast, Chair

Website Leads: In the past year, we have had six website leads!!

A prospective new member can visit our website and type in their email address and send a note of their interest to us. Marcia forwards the lead to me, and I follow up with them. Please continue to tell everyone you know about the values of Zonta, the compassion of the women in the chapter, and then direct them to the website that Marcia has worked so hard to maintain. This is our lifeline to the community!! This is our brag book and we can create scrapbooks of memories! This is a marketing tool that any successful business or organization MUST HAVE to communicate to the busy lifestyles of women today!! I'm thrilled that we have such a great website and the prospective members rave about how well our website has been designed. Thank you goes out to **Marcia Hopper** for her contribution to the club with the website. The website is such a great tool for not only a membership chairperson, but for the club as well!!



ZONTA INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Women's equality is not yet a reality. Women worldwide face systemized discrimination - they lack opportunities to live healthy lives, free from legal, social, economic and political inequality. Zonta International empowers women to overcome barriers to their equal human rights through its International Service Projects funded by the Zonta International Foundation.

Fast Facts

- In sub-Saharan Africa, 57% of adults with HIV are women and young women 15 to 24 are more than three times as likely to be infected as young men.
- Globally, more than 80% of women do not have sufficient knowledge about HIV/AIDS and many women do not have the power to say no to sex with an infected partner.
- Every year an estimated 4 million women and girls are bought and sold worldwide.
- In Bosnia, more than 10,000 victims of trafficking are in the country at one time.
- More than 59 million school-aged girls are not in school and female illiteracy rates remain higher than men.
- About 530,000 women die annually in pregnancy or during childbirth, mainly due to lack of access to health ...



MEMBER NEWS

Jane Piatt was recently honored and recognized with a Service Award at the Annual Service Day Luncheon.. Jane is a valuable asset to our Zonta club and she is always willing to help and contributes not only with her service but with her many ideas to make our club run smoother. Thank you Jane and congratulations on this well deserved award!

Congratulations also go out to **Monica Merrell** who was recently elected to the Peters Township Council, She will serve Council for a term of 2 years, representing District B (Venetia, Indian Hills, Quail Run, Hackett and those areas north of Thompsonville Road). In addition to her new duties on Council and her time spent on her own business, Monica has been successful in getting Zonta noticed through her fruitful public relations and communication efforts. Thank you Monica!

We unfortunately report that **Cynthia Desch** has decided to leave Zonta. Cynthia was the one who suggested the idea for the Clay Shoot and was instrumental in its great success for the past two years. We thank her for her contributions and wish her well!!

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Place
February 27	Special Meeting	6:00 PM	Union Grille
March 5	Rose Day Celebration	6:00 PM	Rolling Hills Country Club
April	Regular Meeting	6:00 PM	Union Grille
TBD in May	Birthing Kit Assembly	TBD	TBD