

# THE ZONTA ROSE - Zonta Club of Washington County Newsletter



## March Meeting Information Rose Day

Wednesday, March 7, 2007  
Holiday Inn Meadowlands

From - 6:00 – 9:00 PM



### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hope all of you are keeping warm. It has been an interesting winter. I am still glowing from the wonderful evening that we had at the Amelia Earhart Dinner. We need to take off our hats for the Amelia Earhart Committee for a job well done. It was a wonderful evening and as usual I am blown away with the candidates. I had a lot of great feedback from the parents. They thanked me for the \$200 bond. It was impressive to be able to give them this form of recognition. The family of the winner wanted me to thank all of the members for the generous award. They were overwhelmed to tears and so very proud. The people at my table were so impressed with what we do. They want to spread the word about us. We sure could use good word of mouth support. Again the committee made it look easy.

Monica thank you for putting those Amelia quotes on the tables. At my table the young lady took them home for her scrapbook, only after three people wrote them down. How about putting one in each of the newsletters. I think we all can benefit from them. Did you hear a lot of feed back? It would be nice to use the newsletter as feed back to the rest of us, so please pass it along to the Newsletter committee.

Our next event is Rose Day. Be ready to spread some more Zontian good will. It will be a wonderful night to show off. Please introduce yourself to each of our awardees. Its important to make them feel very special that night. Thank them for what they do for the community. It will be another great night for Zonta. The women we are honoring are each an incredible asset to our community.

I hope all of you have been working on the Clay Shoot. It is our one big fund raiser and we need all of your help. I did a lot of fund raising in my past. I helped to build an orphanage in Korea and a group of families 11 total sent letters out to family and friends. I told them to send them to their families, friends, doctors, dentist, insurance salesmen etc. All you have to do is take the letter I will email all of you and add the stamps. This is an alternative for those of you who say you feel too uncomfortable to go out and ask people to sponsor us at the Clay Shoot. Well, those 11 families did what I asked. Most of them sent out 40 letters. GUESS WHAT WE RAISED...\$44,000!! So when you get the letter copy it and mail it. We can see just how good it can be. Working together we can make a great difference in the world around us. Our April meeting will be a working meeting for the Clay Shoot. See you at Rose Day.

Cheryl

### March 7th Meeting

Our March meeting is our Rose Day recognition event, when we will honor four outstanding women in our community. This year's honorees are:

Miss Joyce Ellis - Art  
Mrs. Pier M. Lee - Non-profit  
Mrs. Vivian Davis Milhollan – Community Service  
Mrs. Rebecca Papson - Education

Please call your meal selections to Lisa Pendergast by Thursday, March 1st. as the final count is needed to the Holiday Inn by the 2nd.

The meal choices are Baked Stuffed Pork chop or Broiled Scrod and the cost is \$22.00

Send check to Ria Pappenbrock  
144 Paul St.  
Washington, PA 15301

Ria will also be collecting at the door that evening.

If you know any of these women call and congratulate them. If you nominated any one of these ladies, be sure to call and congratulate them and encourage them to invite guests to attend with them. The honorees meals are paid by the club. Everyone else \$22.00.

This is a good meeting to invite potential members, just let Lisa know if you have someone planning to attend.

We are planning to have Dr. Vivian Cody, former Gov of our District and International Board member to be our speaker. (the weather is the only concern for her, she is coming from Buffalo, NY.)

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the 7th of March.

### REMINDER

#### Board Meetings

Date - Third Monday of each month at 5:30 PM.  
Place – KALEIDISCOPE, 899 East Maiden Street  
NO Reminders will be sent

#### Committee Reports

Committee Chairs must email their committee report to one of the Executive Officers prior to the Board Meeting, and to Marcia Hopper for the newsletter/ website updates  
No Reminders will be sent, so please note on your calendars



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

**This month's spotlight focus is on Cheryl Hopper**

**How long a Zonta Member:** *Five Years*

**Position in Zonta:** *President (One year)*

**What is your next favorite charitable mission (after Zonta):** *Immaculate Conception Church and Children's Hospital.*

**What Zonta Event is your favorite:** *Amelia Earhart, because of the kids and seeing how motivated they are*

**What do you think is the most critical Women's Issue in Washington County:** *Depends on which economic status, though I would say housing because most single moms can't afford their own homes.*

**What is the most critical global issue:** *Abuse*

**Who is the woman you most admire:** *Not one particular woman, but rather a type – someone brave - a woman willing to take a chance to be what they want to be and not let anyone stop them*

**Who is your favorite female author:** *Janet Evanovich for her crazy and funny books*

**What do you do when you aren't engaged in Zonta work:** *In my career, I have a new consignment store called Kaleidoscope where I carry clothes, accessories, toys, infant items and decorative things to sell for others. For relaxation, I make jewelry and crochet and read and I have three grandchildren.*

**Describe what volunteerism means to you:** *It is a part of my life that started when I was 15 years old and a candy striper and has continued in various forms up to now. We all need to give back and help others and volunteerism should be a part of everyone's life.*

**What are your goals for Zonta this year:** *First – Growth. Increase our numbers and build a diverse group who will become very strong. Second – Complete a Strategic Plan. Set a direction for Zonta and get us heading that way.*

### Zonta Club of Washington County, Pa. Calendar

#### March & April 2007

Date	Event	Time	Place
March 7	Rose Day	6:00 PM	Holiday Inn Meadowlands
March 19	Board Meeting	5:30 PM	Kaleidiscscope, 899 E.Maiden St.
April	Regular Meeting	6:00 PM	Holiday Inn Meadowlands
April 28th	Sporting Clay Shoot	9:00 AM	Hunting Hills Sooting Preserve

## Zonta International News



### Zonta International – Issues and Programs

If poverty, HIV/AIDs, illiteracy, violence and human trafficking had a face **it would be female**. The world's plagues are rooted in gender inequality, and the only common solution is the empowerment of women.

Zonta International is on the front lines of global and local efforts to help women overcome barriers to equal education, health care, legal rights, credit and employment through education, service and advocacy programs funded by the Zonta International Foundation.

#### Fast Facts

- 70 percent of the 1.3 billion poor are women.
- Two-thirds of illiterate adults are women and two-thirds of children not in school are girls.
- 60 million women are "missing" because of gender-based violence.
- Each year an estimated 4 million women and girls are bought and sold worldwide.
- Today, 7,000 women and girls will contract HIV.

The mission of the Zonta International Foundation is to support the charitable and educational programs of Zonta International through effective fundraising, investment of funds, and the distribution of proceeds. Through its financial support of Zonta International programs, the Foundation becomes the catalyst for greater service to women throughout the world.

Since 1923, Zonta has provided ... more than US\$6 million to projects benefiting over 2 million women representing 25 countries.

For more information about Zonta International's programs and work at the U.N., please visit the website at [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org).

### WEBSITE UPDATE

Please be sure to visit our web site for current information, and direct any prospective members to the site to learn more about Zonta and our club. [www.zontaclubofwashingtopa.org](http://www.zontaclubofwashingtopa.org)

Updated forms are now out on the site, along with a monthly Treasurer's report. Additionally, flyers and forms for the Sporting Clay Shoot are also on the site. These items are in the Members Only section.

Remember – we continue to need your help to keep the website current. The more information we can provide on the site will help attract new members and community support. Thanks in advance for your help on this!!!

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The next Newsletter will be published in March. Please provide all updates by March 21st.

## COMMITTEE UPDATES



### Fund Raising

Cynthia Desch, Chair of the Clay Shoot reports:

I am encouraging all active Zontians to sell at least 5 of the \$50 donation sponsorships to raise the minimum of \$6,000 toward the Clay Shoot. This is OUR club and the service projects are OUR service projects and therefore WE are the ones responsible for raising the money to enrich the lives of women in Washington County. We are 2 months away from the event and to date only a small handful of donations have come in. We are mailing out 706 flyers for our event, so the attendance is expected to be much larger than last year. The club is paying for the mailings this year, so your dedicated efforts in raising the \$6,000 is essential to provide the funds for our projects and to pay for the expenses involved in our major fund raiser. Without a general meeting in March, I am using this forum to ask each of you to step up to the plate in this event. I know several Zontians are putting shooting teams together, which is GREAT! I have procured donations from the local sporting goods stores for the raffle and need everyone to let me know what you have collected for the raffle.

I just am not getting an enthused feeling about our shoot this year. I realize that we have a lot of events in a row with AE and Rose Day but I may not be able to move the shoot date next year as Hunting Hills has a solid booking calendar - so we may have to live with all this activity in close succession. You are all professional women and I know we can do all these events with excellence, but I do need some feedback. Thanks - Cyn

**International Programs** – The board and membership decided to form a new committee to focus on international service projects. Our first project will be the International Birthing Kits. Polly Musar, committee chair, will be providing more information in the near future.

### UPCOMING CLUB PROGRAMS

March 7 – Rose Day

April 28 – Sporting Clay Shoot Fund Raiser



### MEMBER NEWS

#### **Mary Helen Jones**

Get Well Wishes go out to Mary Helen Jones, who is now home from the hospital. Please remember her with cards and prayers. Her address and phone number is:

1284 Banetown Road  
Washington, PA 15301  
724-225-3169

If anyone can prepare some home-cooked meals, please contact Carole Babish who will coordinate.

#### **Ria Papenbrock**

Congratulations go out to Ria Papenbrock for passing the United States Citizenship Exam. Yeah Ria! Great Job!

## FEBRUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Our February meeting was of course our Amelia Earhart Dinner, where we recognized 15 young women, one from each High School in Washington County. Each young lady was selected based on their volunteer hours and community service, and was nominated by their school. All of the Amelia Earhart nominees received a \$200.00 savings bond, and a book about Amelia Earhart.

Additionally, the club selected one of the young women for the 2007 Amelia Earhart Award and Zonta Club of Washington Service Award.

The winner of the 2007 Amelia Earhart Award and the 2007 Zonta Club of Washington Service award is  
Beth Johnson  
736 Old National Pike  
Brownsville, PA 15417.

As the winner of the Zonta Club of Washington County Service Award, Beth received a check in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Beth's school activities include: President, student leader and secretary for the Future is Mine Career and Exploration group, Student Ambassador for the Mon-Valley Education Consortium. High honors, National Society of High School Seniors, Achievement Award from the People to People Ambassador Program, Achievement Award from the United States Achievement Academy in 2004.

Community Activities: Compassion Children International, one month of missionary work in the country of Romania, zoo walk to raise funds and awareness for Alzheimer's disease, yearly nursing home visitation, Observer of See You At The Pole National Day of Prayer, Donation of school supplies for students affected by Hurricane Katrina, monthly penny sales to raise money for the local soup kitchens, Project Linus, Samaritan's Purse, Annual Calendar Parties, Clothing Donation to Salvation Army, fundraisers to take the youth to Teen Mania events, such as Acquire the Fire and Battle Cry. Fundraisers for cancer patients within our school, Fun Run, Visitations of women at Mt. St. Macrina, donations both monetary and materially to Another Way Women's Shelter, Christmas Women of Faith and the Celebrate Jesus March.

Member of Allison Church Board, Joyful Bells for Christ Choir, Music Festival, 2004 Director's Award Recipient, Leo Club, Make A Wish, Angle Food Ministries, World-Schools and Athletics Games, Seton Hill Career and College Counseling, Invited to France, Italy and Greece by the People to People Student Ambassador Probe, and X-treme Camp.

Special Interests include reading, interior decorating, white water rafting, and caving.

As you will agree, Beth is a special young woman that has the values and strengths that represent what Zonta is all about! We congratulate Beth and wish her much success in her future.

