

# THE ZONTA ROSE - Zonta Club of Washington County Newsletter

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## February Meeting Information Amelia Earhart Awards

Wednesday, February 7, 2007  
Holiday Inn Meadowlands

From - 6:00 – 9:00 PM



### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

*I am happy to report I am back on line, thankfully, and am anxious to connect with all of you.*

This is a very busy time for us Zontian's. The Amelia Earhart Dinner is just around the corner. It is one of the highlights of the year for me. I am always overwhelmed with awe at what many of our candidates have already accomplished in their short lives. and then we roll into Rose Day and WOW another shot of awesome women. The energy just builds and builds as we continue into our program year.

We are about to embark on another Fund Raising CLay Shoot. This is where we can shine and build on the success of our last year Clay Shoot, but I am asking for your assistance. If each member sells 5 sponsorships for carts or posts at \$50 each, we will get closer to this year's goal of \$9000. Please ladies, make a good effort. Ask whomever you can. Talk about this event and see if you can't get a team together. If we all pull together we can make this event another great success!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Amelia Earhart Dinner. Please circulate and introduce yourself. Tell the families and girls about what you do. It helps these young women to see how diverse women in business can be. Take them around and show them the displays. Be hostesses and make them feel at home. Make this a night that they all will remember, and perhaps they will become our future members!

Keep warm.  
Cheryl

### 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

### February 7th Meeting

Our February meeting, the Amelia Earhart Recognition Dinner, is a dinner to honor a junior student from each school district in Washington County. This is a great opportunity to support young women for their community service and involvement and an opportunity to highlight Zonta. We are hoping to have a reporter from the Observer Reporter attend and do a story so please plan to attend if possible.

The dinner, which is our 18th annual, will be held at:  
6:00 P.M., Wednesday, February 7, 2007  
Holiday Inn Meadowlands, Washington, Pa.  
Guest Speaker - Dr. Goldstein

**All Members: If you are coming to this event, please RSVP to Jeanine at [jrainone@families4pacoal..org](mailto:jrainone@families4pacoal..org) or Pat Kline at [pat@wedoredo.com](mailto:pat@wedoredo.com).**

**Also, please mail your check to  
Attn: Ria Papenbrock, Zonta Club, PO Box 1035,  
Washington PA.**

**The cost is 22.00 per member or guest. checks made payable to Zonta. This is also a great time to invite a guest! Please notify Lisa Pendergast, Membership Chair, if you are bringing a prospective member as a guest.**

Any member who is able to come early (4:00 P.M.) to help with set-up would be appreciated.

Also, we are trying to obtain \$25 sponsorships from women owned businesses. This would be for a book sponsorship. A book plate with the business, owner's name and short description of the business would be placed in the front of the book. The books will then be signed by Dr. Goldstein and presented to the student. We would like to have 15 sponsorships. Sponsorship form and letters were emailed, by Lisa, to each member. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Jeanine at [jrainone@families4pacola.org](mailto:jrainone@families4pacola.org).

We look forward to seeing everyone at the dinner!!!



## COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT

### Membership & Hospitality Committee

The Membership & Hospitality Committee is key to the continued and sustained growth of our Club. This committee is responsible for attracting new members, informing prospective members about the workings of the club, and in particular focuses on highlighting the Zonta International and Zonta Club of Washington mission. This committee also hosts new prospective members and stands ready to answer any questions about the club and the mission of Zonta in general.

This committee, currently chaired by Lisa Pendergast, has been working especially hard this year to increase the membership, and we are delighted with the increase we have seen so far. (see New Member section) Lisa has also recently been working on a new membership process that helps to ensure that new members have current club information .

1. The committee provides the password for the Members Only portion of our local website to each new member.
2. The committee encourages each new member to ask questions about membership, committee responsibilities, meeting format, etc
3. The committee establishes a timeline for each new member to access the Zonta international and local website and will do a follow-up with each of them after they have accessed this information to answer any questions.

The main goal of this process is to establish a foundation with the following criteria:

1. Inform the new member about what Zonta means to us on a larger scale, with its focus and programs, etc..
2. Assist the new member in accessing forms from the local website through the Members Only section.
3. Assist the new member in promoting Zonta to prospective new members

Although we have emphasized the responsibilities of the Membership and Hospitality committee, we must remember that we are all ambassadors for Zonta. Each member should do their part in spreading the word about Zonta and in attracting other women in our area to join in our mission. As our club continues to grow, Zonta Club of Washington will be able to serve more of those in need in Washington County, and will be in a position to provide a higher level of support to Zonta International.

Let's keep the growth momentum going!!!



### NEW MEMBERS

Rachel Lozosky  
Lisa Bright  
Leisa Fox

Jana Palko  
Darlene McWreath



## Zonta International News

### Mission: Zonta International Foundation

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.

The Foundation Annual Funds are the primary source of support for the international service programs of Zonta International. These funds support programs that make a difference in the lives of women in more than 75 countries around the world.

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.

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

### 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 care.

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)

As promised, the updated forms and membership directory will soon be out on the site, along with a monthly Treasurer's report. These items will be in the Members Only section.

Remember to send any pictures, articles or ideas to Marcia Hopper for inclusion on the site. A web site needs constant updating to stay current and we need your help to do that. 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 February. Please provide all updates by February 21st.

## COMMITTEE UPDATES



Rose Day - The Rose Day celebration will be on Wednesday, March 7, so please submit your nominations for an outstanding women of Washington County in any of the following categories by January 23.

Government, HealthCare, Business, Education  
Community service and Non-profit sector

You may submit more than one candidate, do not worry if they have been nominated before, not everyone who has been nominated has won in the past. Often we have had more than one nominated for a specific category and had to choose the best candidate at that time. They will tell you if they have ever won before.

These women may have overcome high obstacles to achieve what they have achieved, maybe they have gone above and beyond what has been expected of them in their field, maybe they were the first in that field or profession. So far we only have 2 candidates submitted. That does not make for a very exciting program. HELP, save us!!

Surely you have read about someone of significance or met someone this last year or more. Give them a chance to shine. If your candidate is selected, they may invite any friends or family who would like to attend.

Meals are \$22.00 and we will have a choice of stuffed pork chop or broiled scrod. (vegetarian by request).

Address: Carole J. Babish,  
59 Monarch Ave  
Washington, Pa 15301  
724-225-4616-home  
725-225-5919-fax

This event has been a great place to invite prospective members also, so keep anyone you might like to have attend in mind and let Lisa know so she will make sure they get an invitation.

Dr. Vivian Cody, director of cancer research at the Boston Hospital, NY will be our guest speaker for the evening. She is a Zontian, a past District Governor, and until recently a Zonta International Board member. She will be speaking on Zonta around the World and the organization in general. Thank you Cynthia for providing room and board for Dr Cody's visit, saving the club the expense of a hotel room.

If you have any questions about someone and/or you should pursue their info for this award. please call Carole.

Fund Raising - Our Sporting Clay Shoot is fast approaching on Saturday, April 28th, so we need 'all hands on deck' to help out. Our goal for this year's event is \$9000 so every member will need to do their best in getting sponsors and teams to participate. Cynthia Desch, committee chair, has emailed everyone with the event flyers, so get the word out to all that you know. Let's make this year's event even better than last years! Everyone should've received information from Lisa, who along with Janet Medlen will run the gift basket/donation committee, so notify them as you collect your donations.

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.

## JANUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

January's meeting turned out to be a very productive working session! Members were hard at work with final preparation for the Amelia Earhart Dinner, getting updates on the March Rose Day celebration and discussing plans and committee requirements for our Sporting Clay Shoot in April.

We need all members to join in helping with our programs and encourage anyone who hasn't already volunteered to contact the committee chairperson to assist.

### Our Condolences

With sadness, our condolences go out to member Ria Papenbrock, whose father recently passed away in Germany, with family members at his side. Ria will travel to Germany on February 21st for a memorial service and will return on February 25th. We send our heartfelt sympathy to Ria and her family for their loss.



### MEMBER NEWS

On a happier note, we report some exciting news for Ria Papenbrock and her husband Hans, who will both be taking the United States Citizenship Exam on January 25th. At 12:00 pm, Ria will be questioned about American history/government for about 25 minutes, then it will be Hans turn. We wish them both success and will be glad to have them as fellow citizens!!



### UPCOMING CLUB PROGRAMS

February 7 – Amelia Earhart Dinner

March 7 – Rose Day

April 28 – Sporting Clay Shoot Fund Raiser

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"With ordinary talent and extraordinary perseverance, all things are attainable"

- Thomas Buxton

## Zonta Club of Washington County, Pa. Calendar

### February & March 2007

Date	Event	Time	Place
February 7	Amelia Earhart Dinner	6:00 PM	Holiday Inn Meadowlands
February 19	Board Meeting	5:30 PM	Kaleidoscope, 899 E.Maiden St.
March 7	Rose Day	6:00 PM	Holiday Inn Meadowlands
March 19	Board Meeting	5:30 PM	Kaleidoscope, 899 E.Maiden St.