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THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Message from the President



Dear Zontians & Friends,

As the saying goes "April showers bring May flowers," but as of this writing it still feels like winter! Imagine how happy we will be when Spring actually arrives! The winter has been way too long and cold. Fortunately, we have several events to look forward to this month including:

- The D4 workshop in Batavia on 4/21
- Our monthly leadership themed meeting on 4/24 with our special guest speaker Lori Robinson, Zonta District 4 Governor from Canada,
- And the annual Swing into Spring Fundraiser on 4/29!

Many of us are busy preparing for our big fundraiser. It is always so impressive to see our group of smart, multi-talented women working together to make this event happen! In addition to the funds raised to support important services in the community and projects in the World, it is also a wonderful way to spread the word about Zonta! As we each get donations, sell raffle tickets and invite our friends; people continue to hear about us and learn about the good we are doing throughout the world.

We can each be so proud of being Zonta members and supporting Zonta's missions. Every little bit helps to make the world a better place. Thank you for being a part of Zonta International!

Peace Always,

Cheri

**Experience Yokohama
with Zonta International**

Convention registration is now live



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And

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April 24th Leadership Meeting



Join us to welcome our District 4 Governor, Lori Robinson, as she shares her experiences of Zonta. You will learn more about the ZI website and initiatives like the HeForShe campaign. Lori is no stranger to us – not only is she our current Governor, but she has been Lt. Governor, Area Director, member on the D4 Board as Amelia Earhart Fellowship Committee co-chairwoman, and International Committee

Chairwoman for the Z and Golden Z Clubs.

Lori is now semi-retired from a career in Human Resources as a Health and Safety Manager. She has been a member of the Zonta Club of Brampton-Caledon, ON, Canada since 1998. We're fortunate that Lori will be our speaker this month!

This month's meeting will be at the **Lamplighter Restaurant, 831 Fetzner Road** (off W. Ridge Road), Rochester. Cost: \$28.00 for members and guests. Dinner choices: Chicken French, battered dipped and sautéed in wine, butter and lemon; Walnut Crusted Salmon, fresh Atlantic salmon, glazed with honey and walnuts with potatoes and vegetables; and Pasta with Roasted Red Peppers and Mushrooms in a brown sauce. All dinners include tossed salad with house balsamic vinaigrette, rolls and butter, coffee/ tea. Dessert will be donated by Laurie Findlay. A cash bar is available.

As usual the meeting will be 5:30 - 8:00 pm with dinner being served at 6:00 pm. Guests are always welcome and encouraged!

Your reservation is a financial commitment even if you cannot attend; payment for cancellation after 4/17/18 is expected due to the cost for the meal reservation. To reserve your seat and dinner choice, please contact **Isabella Foltyniak** - RSVP's by phone call or text: 585-363-3068 and by email: Isabella.Foltyniak@gmail.com by **4/17/18**.

March Meeting Review

submitted by Pat

Katherine Smith from the League of Women Voters Rochester Metropolitan Area was our guest speaker at March's Advocacy Meeting. Katherine had so much to tell us about how to take our advocacy to the next level. Drawing on 50 years' experience of advocacy and lobbying for non-profits and unions, Katherine told us how to approach our legislators, what we need to know about our legislators and their staff, to how follow up with them, and much more. Katherine was a font of information, and we so appreciate her sharing her wisdom with us.

The Nominating Committee presented the slate for the Board and accepted a nomination from the floor (see article next column). We will be voting on this slate at April's meeting.

Thanks to Nancy McCulloch for providing dessert – and Louise Warner for providing a birthday cake for Nancy!

Be sure to see the pictures from our meeting on page 6.

General Meeting Schedule

April 24 th	4 th Tuesday	Leadership
May 22 nd	4 th Tuesday	Annual Meeting
June 26 th	4 th Tuesday	President's Choice (1 st meeting of 2018-19 Zonta year)

Board Meeting Schedule

Open to all ZCR members!

St. John's Home, Hastings Conference Room,
150 Highland Avenue, 5:45 – 7:00 PM
May 7th
June 4th



	Birthday	Anniversary
Lisa Fluman	05/03	01/18

Donations Needed

We are still collecting the following items at our monthly meetings:

- ♦ Toiletries for Mercy Community Services
- ♦ Printer cartridges for Mt. Hope Family Center

Nominating Committee

We will be voting on the nominations for our Board at April's meeting. The following slate was presented to the members by the Nominating Committee and a floor nomination.

President (continuing her term): Cheri Magin

Vice-President: Edna Silvernail

Club Treasurer: Nancy McCulloch

Foundation Treasurer: Alyce Van Patten

Secretary: Laurie Findlay

Director 2017-2019: Dot McDowell

Director 2018-2020: Joanne Chase

Director 2018-2020: Isabella Foltyniak

Nominating Committee: Pat Deane

Nominating Committee: Dot McDowell

Nominating Committee: Lesia Telega



Fellowship

submitted by Andrea

Blackfriar's "When We Were Young and Unafraid"

A number of our members attended the Blackfriars' production of "When We Were Young and Unafraid." "In this powerfully poignant and moving new play, we find ourselves in 1972, before Roe v. Wade and the Violence Against Women Act. Agnes has turned her quiet bed and breakfast into one of the few spots where victims of domestic violence can seek refuge." This play guided us through different perspectives of domestic violence, what has changed and what is still the same. We were also lucky to catch a performance that had a post-performance "salon conversation" with the cast, crew, and members from Willow, Stand Up Guys, and NOW.

Habitat for Humanity, Women Build

Anyone who was interested in the **Habitat for Humanity, Women Build**, we were disappointed that it looks like we won't be able to participate in the May event, but we are looking into helping during their July event. Please watch for emails with details later in June.

Upcoming Fellowship

Now that the weather is nice, please be on the lookout for fellowship events! We have some new ideas that will be really fun as well as going to a couple of the Casa Larga "Patio Parties." We love having the chance to get to know our fellow Zontians in a more relaxed, casual setting! There will be something for everyone! We look forward to seeing you there!!

Collection/Donation Service Project

submitted by Andrea

March:

Our March Collection was feminine hygiene products were donated to Sojourner House and Jennifer House in our continued support of local programs who help support women previously incarcerated. As usual, our members as well as friends and family were generous with over 50 boxes of product donations, as well as monetary donations! This is such an important gift to those who are in need of our support. Thank you to all who were able to help with this ongoing project!

April/May:

The next two dinner meetings we will not have a designated donation, but we will resume in June at the president's meeting.



Donations from March's Meeting!

Swing Into Spring 2018!

As you know our **Big Fundraiser is Swing into Spring**, April 29th, 2-5 at Nashville's! The committee and I are looking forward to, and our excited by this event; I am sure you are also! I am expecting a lot of FUN by ALL! The event will be a HUGE success with 100% participation by our members. Your contribution to Swing into Spring is greatly appreciated however it is you want to contribute: Time, Contributions / Donations, or, Good Luck, w/Hugs!

Just a reminder: **Please sell your \$500.00 Grand Prize drawing tickets!** *The Grand Prize ticket sales are important for the Fundraiser!* I want to be the winner!

*Thank you for all that you do,
Love you,
Lynn*

Save the Dates!

April 21, 2018: Areas 3 & 4 Spring Workshop
hosted by the Zonta Club of Batavia

April 22, 2018: Angels of Mercy 11th Annual Pasta Dinner (see pg.)

April 29, 2018: ZCR Swing into Spring Fundraiser!

May 5, 2018: Zonta Club of Cheektowaga-Lancaster Yellow Rose Brunch (see info pg.

May 6, 2018: Zonta Club of Buffalo's Not Your Grandmother's Tea (see flyer pg. 5)

May 11, 2018: Crisis Nursery Owen's House Open House (see info pg. 6)

June 29-July 3, 2018: Zonta International Convention in Yokohama, Japan.

August 7th: ZCR ZING! Being held at the Dolomite Lodge at Veterans' Memorial Park in Penfield.

September 27-29, 2019: "2019 District Conference and Centennial Celebration"

Zonta History

Nancy has submitted some Zonta History – we'll review some years in each newsletter as we get ready for Zonta's 100th Birthday!

- 1952 - "Friendship Project" started to promote international friendships and understanding between Zontians
- 1954 - Resolutions Committee was established at Zonta's "thinking department". The committee was empowered to investigate public issues and prepare position statements in the form of resolutions.
- 1956 - First international service project, "Zonta Fund for Hungarian Patriots" to aid immigrating youth
- 1956 - Resolution adopted for Zonta clubs to "support the efforts of their governments toward peaceful uses of atomic energy, especially as these efforts may be made through the framework of the United Nations"

Ways & Means

submitted by Lynn

Thank you my Zonta sisters for helping to make our February Drawings a success! We brought in **\$1,054.00** to be used towards our service grants. There were 5 winners that our club paid out. Congratulations to the winners!

Thank You



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March 2018

Dear Zonta Members,

On behalf of Angels of Mercy, I would like to thank you for your generous grant in the amount of \$1000.00. This gift will be used to support our ongoing commitment to enhancing the lives of women facing life threatening issues. As you know, our Agency supports women in the Rochester area who are challenged by difficult circumstances in all areas of life. Our mission is to transform lives, bring hope to the hurting, and help each individual move forward. We are blessed as we continue to support women and offer the opportunity to become independent through an array of programs and services which include: The Butterfly Boutique, Hearts in Motion, Women Moving Forward and Beauty from Ashes.

Angels of Mercy is also the New York State Rep for *The Dress A Girl Around The World Program*, which makes dresses for young girls in impoverished countries, helping to protect them from sexual abuse and trafficking and helps to transform lives. Women are blessed here in Rochester daily by visiting and receiving clothing from our *Butterfly Boutique* "FREE of charge" to help them go forward in life enabling them to spread their wings and fly!

Please accept our deep appreciation for your donation to our organization. Your generosity will enable us to continue helping women and girls in need.

Sincerely,

Mary Jo Grogan-Colligan
President/Founder

Donor Name: Zonta
Federal Tax Id #26-3259332

Donation Amount: \$1000.00

Swing into Spring!



Pictures from March's Meeting



Katherine Smith on Advocacy.



What you get when your birthday is on meeting day! Nancy's birthday cake.



Thank You Continued

submitted by Edna



Angels of Mercy

submitted by Edna

11th Annual Pasta Dinner

Sunday, April 22nd, 2018

1:00 – 5:00 pm

Sharon Rivaldo & Annunciation Seniors
Cooking by: Phil Rivaldo & Crew

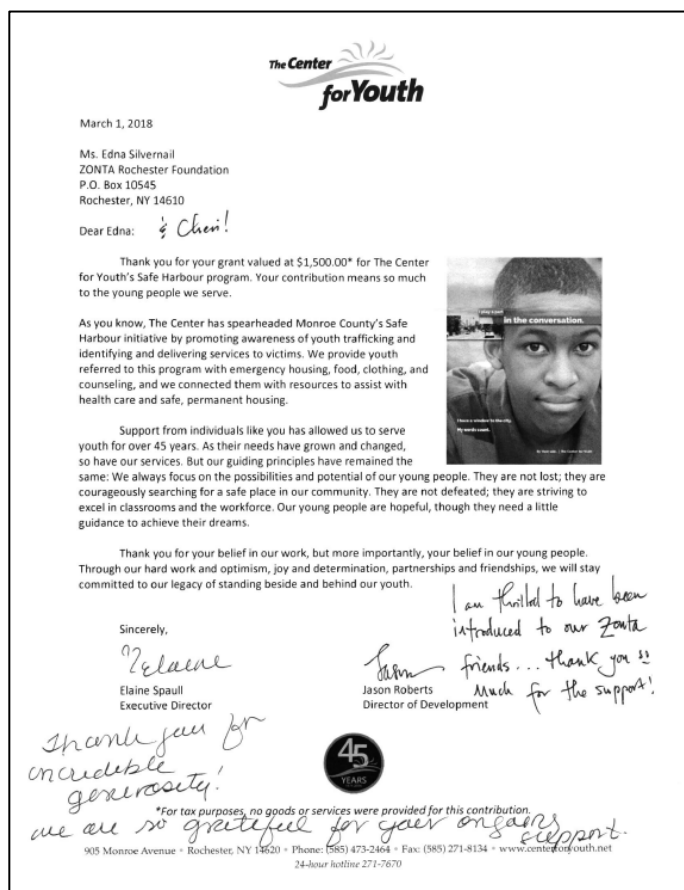
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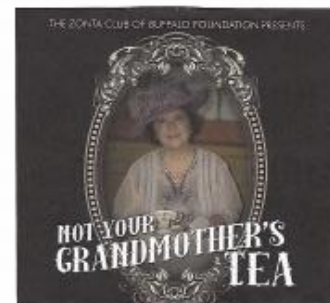
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Thank you in advance for your support!

From Zonta Club of Buffalo



SAVE the DATE



Sun, May 6 (1:00 pm-4:00 pm)

Twentieth Century Club
595 Delaware Ave, Buffalo NY

Site of the oldest women's club in America
Delicious teas, sandwiches, desserts
Unique entertainment
Door prizes, basket raffles, silent auction items

Registration materials to follow at a later date. For more information contact
Caren Shapiro at: cdkshapiro@gmail.com or 716-436-3217

Thank You Continued and Flyer



Kimberly A. Brunker
President & CEO
Jacqueline B. Lee, CPA
Board Chairperson

March 2, 2018

Our Programs
Supportive Housing
Emergency Shelter
Permanent Supportive Housing
Transitional Housing for Veterans
Cobblestone Place Senior Living
Brightening Horizons
Residential Recovery Programs
Project ReDirect
Alternatives to Incarceration
Life Skills Training
Employment Assistance
Children's Services
Early Childhood Program
Head Start Programs
Universal Pre-K
Expanded Pre-K
After School Programs
Children's Literacy Program
Summer Camp
Camp HEROES
Community Outreach
Step by Step
Working Wardrobe Program
Emergency Food Pantry
Volunteer Opportunities

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Ms. Edna Silvermail, Chair
Zonta Club of Rochester
Service Committee
P.O. Box 10545
Rochester, NY 14610

Dear Ms. Silvermail:

On behalf of everyone at Volunteers of America Upstate New York (VOA), I would like to thank you and the other members of the Zonta Club of Rochester for selecting VOA as a grant recipient. We appreciate the grant of \$750 in support of our Working Wardrobe and Working Wardrobe on Wheels program. I would also like to thank you for inviting me to the Grants Reception at Tony D's on February 27. I enjoyed meeting many of your members and appreciate the opportunity to share more information about the critical programs that our agency provides to the Rochester community.

I was very impressed with how the Zonta Club raises funds for so many wonderful programs throughout the area and we are proud to be among those selected for funding this year. With your partnership and investment, VOA will continue to expand our Working Wardrobe program and make it possible for women seeking employment to have appropriate clothes for interviews and the coaching they need to make a confident impression in job interviews and at work. Thank you for caring about women and giving them the boost they need as they work toward self-sufficiency. It is very much appreciated.

If anyone in your club has business attire they wish to donate to the Working Wardrobe, please have them reach out to Program Director Gail Berkes at 585-402-7250. Working Wardrobe is open Monday through Friday from 10 am. To 3 p.m. Thanks again for your generous support of this program

Sincerely,

Valerie Hoak
Valerie Hoak
Director of Development

Thank you all so much!

Our Mission: We empower people in our community to rise out of poverty, move toward self-reliance, and reach their full potential. Success is demonstrated through measurable, positive change in the lives of the individuals, families, and communities we serve.
www.voaupstate.org

March 19, 2018

Andrea Somerville
Zonta Club of Rochester
PO Box 10545
Rochester, NY, 14610



Dear Ms. Somerville,

Thank you so much for the large box of new personal-hygiene products you delivered today! We truly appreciate your support for women and children struggling with homelessness and domestic violence. It plays an essential role in helping our residents transition successfully to permanent housing.

For over 35 years, Sojourner House has provided shelter, education programs, youth development services, career counselling and case management for thousands of low-income single-parent families. Our purpose is to help them achieve their goals of health, safety and economic independence. Your support for this cause is a wonderful asset.

On behalf of all our residents, I thank you again for your compassionate generosity. If you would ever like to stop by and see what we do in person, I will be happy to give you a tour.

Sincerely yours,

Seanne

Dr. Seanne Hawkins
Executive Director
(585) 315-2762
shawkins@pathstone.org

This acknowledgement serves as a receipt for tax purposes and confirms that no goods or services were provided in return for your donation. The Sojourner House tax identification number is 16-1170113.

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March 1, 2018

Ms. Edna Silvermail
Zonta Club of Rochester NY
PO Box 10545
Rochester, NY 14610-0545

Dear Ms. Silvermail,

Thank you for supporting Veterans Outreach Center! We have received your generous donation of \$2,000.00 grant for the Female Veteran Self Sufficiency Project.

Your gift will help us provide supportive services to veterans, service members, and their families from our community. Because of your support, we help nearly 1,000 veterans each year.

We provided emergency shelter and transitional housing for more than 130 veterans

In addition, our staff helped hundreds of unemployed veterans by providing training and sought-after career fields, job coaching, and placement assistance. We also offered peer mentoring, wellness and arts therapy, legal resources, substance abuse services, and much more!

We appreciate your willingness to help us succeed and hope you'll stop in to visit the Center and see the difference your gift is making.

Sincerely,

Laura A. Stradley

Laura A. Stradley
Executive Director

PS- Did you know that the VOC Support Force is a special unit of donors that have committed to ensure that VOC has the logistical support needed to complete our daily mission all year long? For more information on making a monthly donation and joining the Support Force, call Kevin Gross at 295-7833.

Please consider this letter a receipt for your 100% tax-deductible gift. To comply with Internal Revenue Service regulations, this letter also confirms that you are receiving no goods or services in exchange for your contribution.

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Owen's House

Crisis Nursery of Greater Rochester

open house

Friday, May 11, 2018
3 – 6 pm

Owen's House is named after Owen Thomas, the son of Chris Thomas and Catherine Cerulli, co-founders of the Crisis Nursery. Owen's House will be a **safe place**, a place of incredible love and security for hundreds of babies and young children.



The Crisis Nursery of Greater Rochester is expanding to meet the needs of families in crisis. Join us at our newest location and learn about Owen's House, increasing care that benefits caregivers and so much more!

For more information about the Open House contact jroberts@centerforyouth.net

Our Mission, Vision, and Theme

Zonta International Mission Statement

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

Vision

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men.

In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence

Theme

Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy

Newsletter Schedule

The next newsletter will be distributed in May. Submissions must be in by May 8th.

Your comments, suggestions, and submissions are welcome! Please contact Pat Deane, Newsletter Editor, 585.292.9850x22 or pthosdeane@yahoo.com

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