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Message from the President



Dear Zonta Sisters & Friends,

We are in a beautiful season of blossoms, color and new life! After a long, cold winter we can finally enjoy all that Spring provides. Let's enjoy every moment as we prepare for summer.

I'm so proud of all the members and friends that contributed to our 3rd Annual Spring into Swing Fundraiser last month. It was a great success between working hard, having fun and raising awareness and funds for our causes. And what a surprise to me when a local TV station arrived to interview us for some great advertisement. Thank you Cindy Semrau for making that happen!! A huge thank you to the committee lead by Lynn Nulton and all members that attended and brought friends and family. Nashville's did a great job for us as did Sandy Waters, the dance instructor and DJ.

As we prepare for our May meeting to review the busy year, install new officers and hear from our very special guest speaker, fellow Zontian, Leslie Wright (traveling from NYC); I continue to be thankful for all Zonta does in the world and in my life. You are all very special to me and give me so many great experiences and memories. It is truly an honor to lead such a committed, like-minded group of women.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for all the support you give for making our club great!

Enjoy the sweet smell of Spring.

Fondly,

Cheri

Zonta International

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May 22nd Annual Meeting



Our guest speaker will be Zonta member Leslie Wright who has been the International UN Committee Chair for Zonta International for the past 4 years. In that position she has responsibility for coordinating, monitoring and reporting on the work of teams operating at the UN in New York, Geneva and Vienna, at UNESCO in Paris, and at the Economic and Social

Council for Asia and Pacific in Bangkok. Prior to that time, she represented the National Council of Women, the Virginia Gilder sleeve International Fund, and the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. She has been working with the UN for over 20 years, concentrating on issues affecting women and girls. Main accomplishments include the Commission on the Status of Women, the Sustainable Development Goals, and Special Session for the review of the Beijing 4th World Conference on Women and the Special Session on Children.

Besides hearing this fabulous speaker, we will be installing our new Board. This will be a wonderful meeting highlighting the important work that Zonta accomplishes around the world!

This month's meeting will be at the Penfield Country Club, 1784 Jackson Road, Penfield. Cost: \$28.00 for members and guests. Dinner choices: Chicken French with pasta, London broil with wild rice, Potato Crusted Tilapia with wild rice, Lentil Stew (vegetarian option). A cash bar is available – please **remember the bar is cash only – they do not accept credit cards.**

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 5/15/18 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 **5/15/18**.

April Meeting Review

submitted by Cheri

Our April Leadership meeting was led by Cheri with all members contributing. Due to a last-minute cancelation of our speaker, Lori Robinson, we choose to use the time to review what each committee is doing with extra discussion on the upcoming annual fundraiser. We have rescheduled Lori for our September Status of Women meeting. All were encouraged to check out the Zonta International website and view the newly launched leadership training modules. Thanks to Laurie Findlay for providing the lovely dessert!

Be sure to see the pictures from our meeting on page 4.



General Meeting Schedule

May 22nd 4th Tuesday Annual Meeting
June 26th 4th Tuesday President's Choice
(1st 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
June 4th



	Birthday	Anniversary
Pat Deane	05/31	10/05
Louise Woerner	06/02	12/95
Lynda Richards	06/03	10/01
Cheri Magin	06//04	03/04
Lynn Nulton	06/05	05/83

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

ZING – Zonta Around the World!

This summer our "ZING" will be on Tuesday, Aug. 7 at the Dolomite Lodge in Penfield. We will start the fun at 5:30 and the picnic dinner will be served at 6:15. Members will be asked to bring an item from a list that will be emailed to the club (veggies & dip, wine, paper products, etc.), the cost for members will be \$15.00.

We are hoping that everyone will bring a friend or two, hopefully potential members! They will attend free of charge.

There will be a committee that will decide the details of our "Zonta Around the World" theme and activities. Please watch for details in the next few months and mark the date on your calendar!

Leadership Training

As a refresher, or for those who missed the meeting, access the Leadership Training by going to Zonta.org, "My Zonta", "E-Learning" (on the gold Dashboard bar), and then chose the leadership module you would like to take. It is suggested that you watch the video tutorial and read the FAQ's prior to starting the e-learning.

Fellowship

submitted by Andrea

We will be holding a number of different ZCR Fellowship activities over the summer months! This is a great way to get together with fellow Zontians in a more casual way. We will be returning to Casa Larga for their "Party on the Patio," like we did last year, and we will add a few new activities, like a tour of the Genesee Light house (with a walk down the pier), A trip to Pittsford Dairy, a get-together at a microbrewery or cider house (and more). We have many ideas and hope that you can join us in the summer fun!

Swing Into Spring 2018!

submitted by Lynn

Thank you to all the Zonta sisters that participated in our amazing Swing into Spring Fundraiser! Everyone had an awesome time. Silent Auction, Lucky Draw and Grand Prize drawing were a huge success! By the way we sold more Grand Prize tickets this year than last! The approximate net income was \$9,500 - \$10,000 (all the numbers are not yet in). We had the same number of participants as last year, 90 people.

This year there were 3 sponsors: Thank you to Louise Woerner of HCR, Gretchen M. Plamer, D.D.S, and Michael Quinn from Re/Max Plus for your sponsorships! Everyone's donations were key to making this event so successful. A heartfelt "thank you" for all the donations you provided to the event! I also would like to thank my amazing committee who were dedicated to this large fundraiser, Edna Silvernail, Melissa Quinn, Sheri Statton, Nancy McCulloch, Cheri Magin, Alyce Van Patten, Pat Deane and Cindy Semeru. Don't forget to see the pictures of the event on page 6 - A Good Time was had by all!

Advocacy

submitted by Bonnie Crogan-Mazur

This is Bonnie Crogan-Mazur from the Niagara Falls, NY Club

One of our club's Advocacy projects has been to contact our elected officials to get **Sex Trafficking** Legislation passed in NYS to help & to protect victims. **The NYS Assembly just passed bill A06834 yesterday:**

This bill requires hotels/lodging facilities to provide sex trafficking awareness training to its staff to help identify victims of sex trafficking. Now it goes to the NYS Senate and the companion bill # in the NYS Senate is **S05955A**.

The story was our local WIVB Channel 4 TV News station and can be accessed with the link below.

<http://www.wivb.com/news/local-news/local-police-discuss-new-bill-aimed-at-stopping-human-trafficking/1138450087>

Please have your members contact (email/write/call) their NYS SENATE REPRESENTATIVE. See an example of an email/letter you can use for this purpose (page 7). DO NOT WORRY that everyone sends the same message content.

In most politician's offices they COUNT the number of emails/letters/phone calls in FAVOR of something or AGAINST something not the actual blah blah blah.

It's a very easy advocacy project to do, all you need is email or pen and paper or a phone

In Memoriam: Mary Jane Wajmer

From Zonta Club of Buffalo

The Zonta Club of Buffalo remembers our past President (2012 – 2014) and Area Director (2014 – 2016) Mary Jane Wajmer who passed away on March 23, 2018, at age 77. Memorials may be made in Mary Jane's memory to Hospice Buffalo Inc., 225 Como Park Blvd, Cheektowaga, NY 14227 or a charity of one's choice.

Mary Jane was the wife of the late Walter Wajmer. She retired from *Business First* Newspaper after 22 years as Circulation/Marketing Director. While employed, she was a member of the Public Relations Society of America, Buffalo/Niagara Event Planners, and chaired the Postal Customer Council.

She had been a member of the Villa Maria College President's Council since 1986 and served as chairperson for 17 years. In 2009 she was honored by the "Circle of Friends" for dedicated service to Villa Maria College. She was a member of the "Woman to Woman" program sponsored by the Buffalo Niagara Partnership. She received the Am-Pol Eagle Citizen of the Year Award. She served as Vice-President of the Professional Business Women of Polonia, Treasurer of Buffalo-Rzeszow Sister Cities and was on the committee for the "Farewell to Summer" fundraiser for Orchard Lake Seminary.

Save the Dates!

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!

- 1957 - Zonta was publicized for the first time via the television airwaves by the Zonta Club of Buffalo, NY
- 1959 - International service project, "Anne Frank Resettlement Village"- over US \$56,000 raised or 1/3 of the total cost
- 1963 - Zonta International granted consultative status with the United Nations through the Economic and Social Council
- 1965 - United Nations Year of Cooperation
- 1968 - Service contributions reach US \$1 million
- 1968 - International Year for Human Rights
- 1969 - Zonta's 50th Anniversary. 20,000 members, 560 clubs, 33 countries
- 1972 - Supported and promoted UN Second Development Decade - which promoted the status of women

Area 3 & 4 Spring Workshop

From Batavia-Genesee County Zonta Club

AREAS 3 & 4 SPRING WORKSHOP on April 21 was hosted by our club at Batavia Downs. The theme for this year's three Workshops was - **Changing Times – Learn from your Past, Live in the Present, Look forward to the Future.**

WHAT A FANTASTIC DAY WE HAD – thanks to everyone on the committee and all those who worked so hard on Friday night and early Saturday to ensure the room was ready for the guests. Thanks to all the members who were able to attend and learn more about Zonta and set the seeds of friendship in Zonta throughout the district. There were several opportunities to participate in Round Table Discussions – sharing ideas and asking questions. [Click here to see the workshop presentations.](#)

It was a nice celebration of our 60th anniversary along with the Zonta Club of Grand Island – their club was sponsored by the Kenmore club and **Rochester** club was our sponsor (all clubs have sponsor clubs when they are being formed). The Grand Island club brought us a lovely bouquet of yellow roses.

Lt. Governor, Bonnie Clesse could not attend that day as she was at her son's wedding, but she sent us her congratulations and good wishes. It was a rare gathering of 5 past District 4 Governors, plus our current Governor.

During the Workshop we heard from the District Ambassadors: AnnMarie and Kathy Smith, updating us on International Projects and donation opportunities – it is the donations, not membership dues that enable Zonta International to fund the many projects of service and advocacy around the world - donations that day were excellent - \$1,570. It is never too late to make your own individual donation - use the following link: **[Make secure donation here.](#)**



Pres. Gail Fenton of Batavia-Genesee and Cheri Celebrating Batavia-Genesee's 60th Anniversary at the Workshop



Past and Current Governors

Pictures from April's Meeting



Cheri talking about the Spring Workshop.



Discussion on Leadership Training



Thanks for the cookies, Laurie!

More Workshop Pictures



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- AzAmazing Evening events (on most voyages of seven nights or longer)
- Gratuities
- Select standard spirits, international beers and wines
- Bottle Water, soft drinks, specialty coffees and teas
- Self-service laundry
- Shuttle service to and from port communities, where available
- Concierge service for personal guidance and reservations

▶ \$500 per person USD savings if deposit by May 31, 2018 on a Club Oceanview Stateroom

▶ \$1000 per person USD savings if deposit by May 31, 2018 on a Club Veranda Stateroom

- Based on the number of cabins booked there is a bonus \$100 USD onboard credit per stateroom
- All applicable taxes and fees

(All rates are subject to current promotions and based on availability)

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 AAA Orchard Park • 3475 Amelia Drive • Orchard Park, NY 14127 (Quaker Crossing)

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Save Our Women - Stop The Trafficking
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 566 East Ave • Rochester, New York
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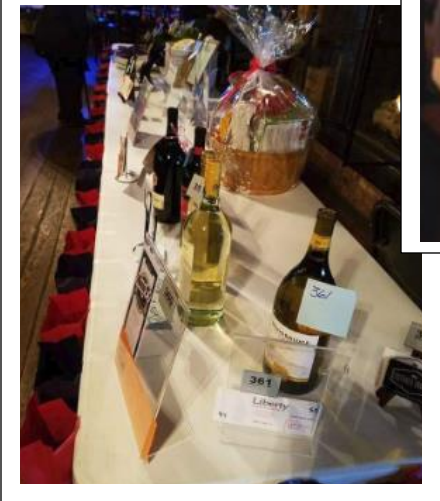
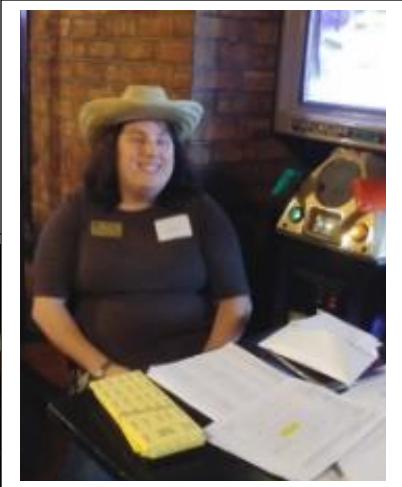
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EXAMPLE OF EMAIL/LETTER TO NYS SENATE REPRESENTATIVE REGARDING PENDING LEGISLATION

Subject line: S05955A- Sex Trafficking Awareness Training
Dear Senator Ortt:

I am a registered voter and I vote regularly in your district. I vote for people who share my views on important social issues. I belong to an international women's service organization called Zonta International and we have professionals and business women members in Zonta Clubs across New York State. We are very pro-active on Sex Trafficking Issues .

I was pleased to learn that the NYS Assembly passed A06834 on April 24th . This bill requires lodging facilities to provide employee training to identify and report sex trafficking activities. The companion bill (listed above)comes before you in the NYS Senate for a vote soon.

As you know this is a critical piece of legislation for the victims of sex trafficking and for our local police departments who need the eyes and ears of hotel/motel staff to help them identify sex trafficking activities.

I would appreciate your support in getting this bill passed into law. I will be tracking the voting on this piece of legislation and I hope that you value my concern and support on these important social issues.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Crogan-Mazur
Member-Zonta Club of Niagara Falls, NY
684 Sara Court
Lewiston, NY 14092

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[For more information click here.](#)



Achieving global impact through local action

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 June. Submissions must be in by June 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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