



District 2 Area 2 Club 5

March 2017 Newsletter

A Message from our President

Hello Sister Zontians,

We are less than two months from our Crystal Award Celebration! The crystal event is a lot different than years past, and we want to make this a successful event. We do need help from the members before and during the event. Please plan on attending the Crystal committee meeting or this month's dinner meeting to get the details.

In last month's newsletter, the list of committee descriptions were listed. I would like to ask all members to think about what committee(s) you would like to be on. If any member is interested in chairing a committee, please let your president know ASAP.

The dinner meeting this month will be our business meeting. Many club members filled out the survey, and the results will be presented at the dinner meeting. This is a members only dinner, so please do not invite any guests. Your voice matters in "our" club, so if you still want to submit your survey, please do so by sending me an email or mailing it to my home address. In order to have your answers included in the PowerPoint, please send them to me no later than Saturday, March 18th. There will be an open discussion during the presentation, and I do ask that comments and suggestions are done in a respectful manner.

Lastly, I know a lot of club members have so much going on, and believe me I understand that. The one thing I do not want is for anyone to leave our club without talking to me first. I am really trying to get a better understanding on what you all want from Zonta, but it is hard to do when I am not getting your feedback. The survey results are a start, but I still feel that some members are not expressing how they feel. If anyone has any concerns, please speak to me because I do not want to lose you as a club member.

All the best,

Nariman

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"A strong woman is one who feels deeply and loves fiercely. Her tears flow as abundantly as her laughter. A strong woman is both soft and powerful, she is both practical and spiritual. A strong woman in her essence is a gift to the world."

~Native American Saying

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A Word on Zonta Club Committees

Members please think about what committee(s) you would like to serve on for the next Zonta year. The description of committees were listed in your February newsletter. Your club president is responsible for appointing all committee chairs, and present it to the club board for approval. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please reach out to Nariman (Club President).

Scholarship, Awards & Grants Committee

Schedules are so busy these days... how do we find the time for all we do?? Want to join a committee that meets only one time a year? Work smarter, not harder! The Syracuse Zonta Foundation, Inc supports the Scholarship, Awards, and Grants Committee that meets one time a year to review the applications we receive and determine the winners of each of our scholarships, awards, and grants we give out.

The meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 12, 2017 from 1:00pm - 4:00pm at Candace Edwards' home. The address is: 7233 Van Buren Road Baldwinsville, New York 13027 315-243-1750
Hope you will consider joining us for this fun working session!

MPH Z Club News

The Manlius Pebble Hill Z Club is organizing a collaboration service project with the Cortland Z Club (Cortland represents high school students from Cortland, LaFayette and Tully High Schools.) The service project will make collaboratively 500 birthing kits to be shipped to developing countries.

Two MPH Z Club members, Co-Presidents Julia Walsh and Elizabeth Mafri, took part in District 2's bus trip to the UN for the CSW60 last year. This year, Zonta International President Sonja Honig Schough has asked them to present on the floor of the UN on Tuesday, March 14. Zonta Club of Syracuse Z Club Mentors Candace Edwards and Nichole Moles will be escorting the girls. International President Sonja has then asked the girls to be her guest at a dinner with her after the event. They are very excited to have this unique opportunity!!

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Crystal Awards Celebration

The Crystal award recipient this year is Melissa Spicer, Clear Path for Veterans and as you may already know Grupo Pagan is the entertainment.

Members, we need your help:

- A photographer for the event.
- A program designer.
- Solicit for prizes. Choose one business, have a great prize in mind, take the letter that Nariman has emailed with you updating with the vendor's information. THINK LARGE TICKET ITEMS. I can go with you to make the pitch but need you to suggest the vendor.
- Solicit for monetary donations from places such as Target, Walmart, Wegmans, Price Chopper, Tops, Sam's Club, Costco, BJ's, etc. You would need to complete the application for the donation, which is not a long application. If you need help with this let me know.
- SELL, SELL, and SELL tickets. Can each person sell 4 tickets? Our goal is 300.
- Post a public event on your Facebook if you are comfortable with this. I can email the flyer and the verbiage.

*Please consider doing just one thing for this event for those that are not on the committee.
Thank you!*

United Nations - International Women's Day

According to the [official United Nations website on International Women's Day](#), which was celebrated on March 8, 2017, the UN is calling for us to accelerate the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The article states that some key targets of that agenda are: ensuring that all children complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education with relevant and effective learning outcomes; have access to quality early childhood development, care, and pre-school education; an end to all forms of discrimination and violence against girls and women everywhere (including sexual trafficking and exploitation); and an elimination of physically harmful practices such as child and/or forced marriages, and female genital mutilation.

Although International Women's Day is a special time to reflect on all of the progress we have made, it is also a time for us to come together with a unified voice that continues to call for change. As we celebrate the acts of courage and commitment of women throughout the ages who have made so many contributions to their communities and to the world, we also recognize all the work that is still to be done. We cannot be complacent to what is happening around us and around the world. As members of Zonta, we know that we need to continue to 'step it up'. We must contribute our time, energy, commitment, money, voices, and talents wherever we can in order to keep the 2030 Agenda and its goals alive and vibrant on a daily basis.

Remember, actions speak louder than intentions. Set your own personal goal and keep track of what you do over the course of this coming year. On International Women's Day 2018, let's be able to sit back and reflect on this year and be proud of all we have done to promote the 2030 Agenda through Zonta and in our own personal lives.

- Siobhan O'Hora

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Zonta Trip to UN Headquarters - You're Invited!



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UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS TRIP March 16, 2017

LOCATION	PICK UP TIME	DROP OFF
Oswego	4:30 AM	2:30 AM
Syracuse	5:30 AM	1:30 AM
Albany	7:30 AM	11:30 PM
UN Building	-	11:00 AM
National Arts Club	9:15 PM	-

Required: NGO CSW 61 Forum Registration (Free)

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ngo-csw-61-forum-registration-registration-30995921636#tickets>

OPTIONS (USD)

ROUND TRIP BUS www.ZontaDistrict2.org (Under Events Tab)	\$65
Special Lunch at the UN Headquarters: http://visit.un.org/content/delegates-dining-room	\$40++
Tour the UN - A 'must do' for 1st timers! http://visit.un.org/content/guided-tours	\$15 - \$22
NATIONAL ARTS CLUB DINNER/discussion with global Zonta members ZI President, Sonja Hönig Schough. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-future-of-womens-work-a-dialogue-with-zonta-internationals-president-tickets-31278252094?aff=ehomesaved	\$70 (inclusive) <i>While supplies last</i>

Members & Friends of Zonta can **register and pay for bus:**
www.ZontaDistrict2.org. Seats limited...Book today!

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March Dinner Meeting - Business Meeting

The March dinner meeting is our business meeting, and we will be going over the results of the survey. ***This is a member's only meeting, so please do not invite any guests.*** The survey results will be an open discussion to all members in attendance. Member's please present your comments and suggestions in a respectful manner.

The following are the dinner choices for the March 23rd dinner meeting at Nick & Angelo's:

Black and Blue Flat Iron Steak
Macaroni and Meatballs
Chicken Marsala
Vegetarian-Pasta Primavera

Networking @ 5:30pm
 Dinner and Meeting @ 6:00pm
 Cost \$25 for dinner (includes salad, coffee/tea and dessert)

Deadline to RSVP is end of the day, Monday, March 20th.

RSVP to Robin Bridson at RLB8963@gmail.com or text or phone (315) 793-3003. If you text, please include your name.

Please remember a reservation made is a reservation paid.

Reminder to members: Please wear your name tag to all Dinner meetings and events!

Annual Dues Reminder

It is time to start the renewal process for our membership in Zonta for the 2017-2018 year.

The dues (\$123) is due to me no later than the May dinner meeting (May 25th). You can mail your check to me or bring it to any dinner meeting between now and May.

This year we will no longer be accepting credit cards for dues. The impact of fees to the Club is more than we are willing to accept and we are unable to forward those fees on. I will accept cash and checks (made out to Zonta). Dues is due to Zonta International by June 1st.

Please don't make me hunt you down for your dues! ;)

Thanks,
 Amy Akin

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Zonta In Action

Below are photos of the recent Girl Scout Event that Zonta participated in.

Nariman Jiries, Sue Ohlsen and Siobhan O’Hora were in attendance.



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Goodsearch.com

Go to www.goodsearch.com and enroll Zonta Club of Syracuse as your charity. There are many stores that take part in this fundraising. 1.5% of your purchase will go toward our club. Invite your friends and family, so they can do this also!



Zonta & You

Where do you fit in? How can you help Zonta, help women?

- 1) Go to Goodsearch.com or Goodshop.com.
- 2) Sign up. It's free. It's easy.
- 3) List "Zonta Club-Syracuse" as your charity.
- 4) Search, Shop & Save

Good shop gives to Zonta, at no additional cost to you!

Upcoming Events



March 6th	Board Meeting @ Liverpool Public Library
March 13-24	Zonta D2 UN Commission on Status of Women Trip
March 23rd	Dinner Meeting @ Nick & Angelo's Ristorante
April 3rd	Board Meeting @ Wells Fargo
April 27th	Crystal Celebration @ Drumlin's
May 1st	Board Meeting @ Wells Fargo
May 25th	Dinner Meeting @ Nick & Angelo's Ristorante

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Happy Birthday, Zontians!



March

Zulma Blitz	March 2
Shelly Thompson-Liedka	March 5
Siobhan Ann O’Hora	March 26
Fern Butler	March 27
Maureen Fogarty	March 31

April

Candace Edwards	April 11
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Zonta Anniversaries



March:

Amy Akin	5 years
Leslie Camaione	1 year
Anne Tindal	30 years

April:

Jean Haley	41 years
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