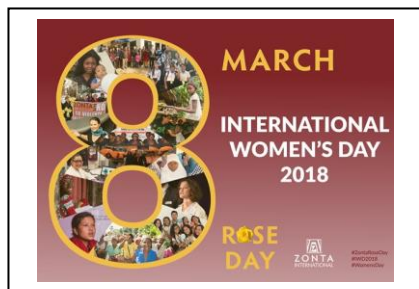




International Women’s Day

January 11th



On March 8th, Zonta celebrated International Women’s Day. It’s a day to take a moment to reflect on progress women have made, while continuing to strive for change and also celebrate the women who have made a difference in their countries and communities. This year’s theme was “Press for Progress”.

Zonta has identified the yellow rose as a symbol of International Women’s Day. The yellow rose is symbolic of friendship and optimism and in many Eastern cultures, the color represents joy, wisdom and power. The Cheektowaga Lancaster Club members were asked on that day to identify and recognize a special woman or girl in their life who is making a difference and moving us toward achieving gender equality by virtually sending them a yellow rose.

During the upcoming Awards Nite on April 19th in addition to providing scholarships and grant awards, the Club will also be honoring Cheektowaga Town Supervisor Diane Benczkowski and Lancaster Town Supervisor Johanna Coleman for their service and contributions to their communities and inducting them into our Club’s Yellow Rose Circle.

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Dates to Remember

April 12	Board Meeting
April 19	Zonta Awards & Recognition Nite
May 5	Yellow Rose Brunch
May 10	Board Meeting
May 12	Birthing Kit Assembly
May 17	Business Meeting
	Installation of Officers
June 8-9	Garage Sale
June 21	Business Meeting

"Never interrupt someone doing something you said couldn't be done."

Amelia Earhart

Zonta is AWESOME

Greetings

We recently welcomed in spring. Although the weather may still be brisk, spring is the season of new beginnings, awakenings and celebration.

In April, we will be celebrating and supporting the accomplishments of individuals and organizations at our Awards Nite by the awarding of scholarships, grants and recognition of women in our community.

In May we are taking on a new venture. The Yellow Rose Brunch will provide a forum for fundraising but also the opportunity for women to come together, share friendship and for potential members to learn about Zonta. At the same time, this event supports a collaborative environment, allowing all club members to participate and making the most of their talents and available time.

Collaboration is also going beyond the club level by partnering with other clubs for a common purpose of providing a safe and sanitary birth environment in underdeveloped countries.

So let's celebrate this spring season by not only looking back on what we have accomplished so far, but what is to come!

Nancy

Educational Opportunity

Jane M Klausman Scholarship

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
2018
Jane M. Klausman
Women in Business Scholarship

Expanding opportunities for women in business

1 application • 3 opportunities

Club scholarship Varies by club 32 district scholarships US\$2,000 each 6 international scholarships US\$8,000 each

Education is essential and key to addressing gender equality. Zonta International supports three programs for women and girls pursuing education and careers in the traditionally male-dominated fields of aerospace sciences and engineering, business and business management and public affairs.

Applications are now being accepted for the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship. The scholarships are awarded to women undertaking business studies who have demonstrated outstanding potential in the field. Zonta International offers up to 32 scholarships of \$2,000 each at the district/region level and six international scholarships in the amount of \$8,000 each. Any woman undertaking a business and/or business-related program at an accredited university, college or institute, including online students, in at least the second year of an undergraduate program through the final year of a Master's program at the time the application is submitted, is eligible to apply. For an application click here:

<https://www.zonta.org/Portals/0/Membership/Tools/AwardScholarshipFellowshipTools/JMKApplication.pdf>



Have you checked out the Zonta International Advocacy Action Center? It is a tool for Zonta members in the United States and other individuals who share Zonta’s commitment to gender equality to take action to improve the lives of women and girls. Click on the following to learn the latest.

<https://www.zonta.org/Global-Impact/Advocacy/-USA-Advocacy-Action-Center>

The Center provides current information on issues that Zonta is advocating for. Two issues which are currently highlighted and where you can take action include; protecting survivors who have been victims of sexual assaults on campus and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.

The site also provides a complete list of your elected representatives to contact.

 “You can add your voice to empower women.”

Leadership Program



<https://membership.zonta.org/Login?returnurl=%2fDashboard%2fe-Learning>

Would you like to increase your knowledge of the Zonta organization or take the opportunity to enhance your professional development and leadership skills?

If so, check out Zonta’s Leadership Program which was recently developed by Zonta International to do just that. ZI is inviting all Zontians to learn more about your role in Zonta through self-paced e-learning tutorials on how to best use key resources and tips for bettering your clubs meetings.

Every club member has the ability to influence others serving as a leader to effect change and contribute to the success of the Club. Through the further leadership development of all members we become a more cohesive organization which contributes to the Zonta mission and impacts the local community.



Congratulations to Officers-Elect

At the March meeting elections of officers and directors was held for the 2018-2020 year. The new officers and board directors term will begin on June 1, 2018. The following members were elected:

Linda DeGain – President
Kerry Peek – Vice President
Heidi Salva – Secretary
Barb Krockenberger – Treasurer
Kathi Nichter – Board Director – 2 yr. term
Teresa Melonson – Board Director – 2 yr. term
Celeste Korzeniewski – Board Director - 1 yr. term
Mary Lou Ardino – Board Director - 1 yr. term
Nancy Peacock – Nominating Committee Chair
Ann Detzler – Nominating Committee
Gina Orsini – Nominating Committee

Zonta Club Committees

To ensure continuity, continue momentum and reduce down time, the President and President-elect are working together to allow for any changes in committee chairs or members placement for the start of the Zonta fiscal year which is June 1. Shortly you will be receiving an email from the President which outlines descriptions of all committees along with instructions for identifying where you would like to serve for the upcoming 2018-2020 term. Your responses will be forwarded to the President-elect.

Club Dues

Just a reminder! You should have received an email from Judy Labiak, Treasurer for submission of club dues. Dues for members are \$150. Portions of the dues are allocated to Zonta International, District 4 and the Cheektowaga-Lancaster Club. All dues should be submitted to Judy no later than May 1. There is a deadline date for the clubs's submission to Zonta International, so timely submission is greatly appreciated. Thanks in advance!

Birthing Kit Assembly May 12



Assembly of birthing kits has been expanded to include Zontians who are located in Area 4. At the present, the Cheektowaga-Lancaster, Hamburg-Orchard Park and Buffalo Clubs will come together on May 12th from 9 to noon at the Cheektowaga Senior Center. Clubs are planning to assemble 1000 kits on that day. Donations of items for inclusion in the kits are still being sought. Trish Turnabone is leading this project for our club. Please contact Trish if you or any contacts who are able to donate any supplies that are needed or if you have any questions.

Zonta Foundation Cheektowaga-Lancaster Awards Nite April 19

Join us for the Annual Awards Nite on April 19 at the Millennium Hotel at 6 p.m.

The results of fundraising throughout the year culminate in the awarding of scholarships to graduating high school students as well as a woman returning to school. Grant awards are also provided to local organizations who mission align with Zonta and offer the potential for future partnering.

This year we will also be recognizing two women elected officials who serve in leadership positions in our local communities. We will also be joined by Zonta Governor Lori Robinson and Area Director Kathleen Scanlon

ZONTA FOUNDATION OF CHEEKTOWAGA- LANCASTER



YELLOW ROSE BRUNCH

MAY 5, 2018

10 A.M.

COST: \$30

THE COLUMNS BANQUETS
2221 TRANSIT ROAD, ELMA, NY 14059

Advancing the status of women through service and advocacy is the mission of Zonta. Please join us for this brunch and fundraiser while sharing friendship and learning more about our organization. The funds earned will be used for local service projects, educational scholarships and hands on service projects that will benefit and support women and girls of all ages and generations.

Tickets can be purchased by: contacting Kathi Nichter @ 716-913-6344 or email: zontafoundation.chtg.lancaster@gmail.com

Zonta Cheektowaga-Lancaster Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization under the US IRS Code. ID No. 31-118647

Yellow Rose Brunch Reminders

The Yellow Rose Brunch is a collaborative club effort and we are looking forward to the participation of all our members. There are a number of ways you can be involved, even if you are unable to attend. Here are just a few reminders about the luncheon or ways you can be involved.

- Tickets can be purchased for yourself or friends by contacting Kathi Nichter.
- Donations of two raffle baskets per member are being sought that are a minimum of \$25 each. Basket items can be secured from local vendors or businesses and donation letters were made available to members.
- Donations of one or two bottle are also being sought from members.
- Gift cards/certificates are being sought from local businesses. Help is needed in contacting vendors, please contact Kathy Sicherman.
- Tiffany Pavone from the Family Justice Center will be the Guest Speaker at the Brunch
- This is a great opportunity for prospective members to attend and learn more about Zonta.



District 4 Workshops

Area 1 & 2, April 28 – Burlington, ON
 Area 3 & 4 – April 21 – Batavia-Genesee
 Area 5 & 6 – April 7 – Washington County

For a copy of the agenda and registration form, click here:

<https://zontadistrict4.org/district-events/area-workshops/>

Other District 4 Club Events

May 6 – ZC of Buffalo
 Not Your Grandmother's Tea

For more information on these events, click here: <https://zontadistrict4.org/>

Around Town

Take a look at some of the opportunities around town that you may be interested in participating. Enhance your skills, join others in supporting women in our community, network with others or maybe just get together for a social outing and the proceeds are used to benefit women and girls.



Family Justice Center
 Friday, June 8, 2018

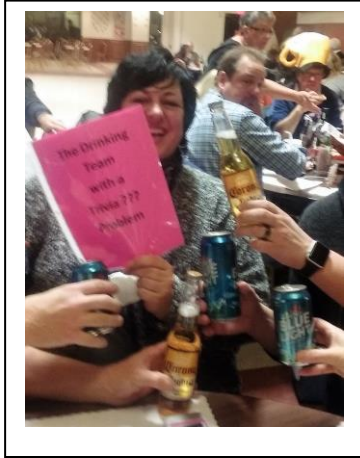
Voices ending Violence
 Annual Fundraising Breakfast

If interested in attended contact Phyllis Dickinson to reserve a seat. In the meantime, take a moment take a moment and watch this short video. "Don't Confuse Love with Abuser." Click here:

<https://youtu.be/1L6HB97lbrQ>

Photo Gallery







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