

Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey

February 2022 Newsletter



Greetings dear friends,

Hoping you all are staying healthy and enjoying January. What a cold month!! Speaking of month, one month of 2022 down already!

And, again, COVID seems to be going strong entering 2022. We need to stay focused on our health so that we can make a positive difference in 2022! We are going to do amazing things this year. In order for us to do amazing things, we must take good care of ourselves; our mental, physical, and spiritual health.

February is National American Heart Month. This campaign is aimed at having folks adopt a healthier lifestyle to prevent heart disease as heart disease can lead to many other health problems/issues. The healthier we are, the more we will accomplish.

Looking forward to seeing you at our February meeting as we have an amazing speaker (see bio later in newsletter) to keep us focused on our health.

Cheers,
Amy



Meetings and Events – Upcoming plans

New or changed items.

	<i>Zoom meetings unless otherwise noted</i>
February 2022	
Thursday, 3 rd , 7:30 pm	Executive Board Meeting
Thursday, 10 th 5:45pm Social, 6pm Meeting	Monthly Membership Meeting – Dr. Lorraine Bock, Immediate Past President of PA State Nurse Practitioners in honor of women’s health month
March 2022	
Tuesday 8 th , 11am – 2pm	International Fellows Program – Carlisle War College
	NO Monthly meeting – hoping you are able to join us for the IFP Program on Tuesday, March 8
April 2022	
Thursday, 7 th , 7:30 pm	Executive Board Meeting
Thursday, 14 th 5:45pm Social, 6pm Meeting	Annual Business Meeting – elections, budget, decisions about distribution of service funds

February 2022 Membership Meeting Speaker



Dr. Lorraine Bock, Nurse Practitioner is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, completed her DNP at Robert Morris University, and is dually boarded as both a Family and Emergency Nurse Practitioner. She has been recognized by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners with their Excellence in Clinical Practice Award and in 2021 she received their Excellence in NP Advocacy Award. In 2014 she was inducted as a fellow of

the Association. She is a co-founder of the National Nurse Practitioner Entrepreneur Network and member of the Board of Directors of the American Advanced Practice Network, the largest network of NP-owned practices in the United States. She has served as President of the PA Coalition of Nurse Practitioners and continues to work tirelessly advocating for the NP profession in PA. Dr. Bock currently owns 2 primary care practices, Peaceful Balance Health and Wellness Services, in Carlisle PA, and BrightStar Health and Wellness Services in North Brookfield, MA. Dr. Bock is a community volunteer and life-member at Silver Spring Ambulance and Rescue Association and Silver Spring Community Fire Company. She lives at home with her husband, adult daughter, and German Shepherd Zeus.



Membership and Social Media Corner

The new member Orientation was held on Saturday, January 22nd. We had 12 members attend. Thanks to Alice Kirchner for conducting the training via Zoom. Everyone received a copy of the presentation and a “Cup of Cocoa” mix to enjoy.

Membership offers many opportunities to make a difference in the lives of women to improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health, and professional status of women at the global and local level through service and advocacy. Here are some examples of our focus:

- Empowerment of Women through Service & Advocacy
 - Club supported the passing of numerous bills intending to support survivors, promote fair prosecutions, and enhance rehabilitation to decrease repeat Human Trafficking crimes.
 - Club supported the Protecting Children from Abuse Act that will help stop child abuse by simply improving communications among agencies charged with investigating the crime.
 - Support annual “Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women & Children” rally
 - Build relationships with other like-minded organizations
- Two Scholarship programs – Young Women in Public Affairs & Jane Klausman
- Raise funds to support service projects to partners fulfilling the club’s local mission
- Learn and support the Zonta International (ZI) mission & goals
- Personal fulfillment of making a difference to women & children in need locally
- Network with other Professional Women
- Share the Zonta message with women from around the world through the International Fellow Program
- Collaborate with a global network of professionals who are committed to our campaign to end violence against women and children.

If you know of someone who would like to learn more about the Zonta Club mission, invite them to attend the February 10th meeting.

Congratulations to Eileen Baylor who retired from working at Central Penn College on January 14th.

It was great to see everyone at the meeting on January 13th where we had 21 members and two guests.

In the January newsletter, did you **Guess Who** said.... “I love to zip-line! I’ve had the opportunity to zip line in the Smokie Mountains and Belize”.



It was Carla Russo. “During a Girls’ Trip to the Smokey Mountains, I had the opportunity to zip-line for the first time. It was so empowering to not let fear (or maybe “panic” is a better word?) stand in the way of a great experience. I had so much fun that during a vacation to Belize, we made a point to zip-line in the rain forest. It was a beautiful way to see a beautiful country”.



Guess Who? For February! You might be surprised to learn that “I was once held up at gunpoint, tied up and put in a closet”.

We hope that you are enjoying these bits of information from our members. If you have not yet submitted something for this column, please contact Kathy Gates at kgates808@comcast.net.

Social Media

Did you know that the last two Zonta Club Harrisburg-Hershey Facebook posts appear on the front page of the Zonta Club website?

Information about the Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarship has been updated on the website. Applicants can print an application from there. Deadline date to file is March 1st.

Zonta Club Harrisburg-Hershey Club Member Milestones for February

No Birthdays

Zonta Anniversary Dates

Amy Peffley, February 9, 2017 (re-instated)

Kathy Gates, Membership and Social Media Chair



International Fellows Program Luncheon

Please save the date and mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 8, 2022 to attend the Zonta Program at the Carlisle War College. We will be meeting women from around the world and sharing with them about International Women's Day and Zonta International.

We plan to begin setting up around 10AM. If you are able to attend and help to set up, please arrive at 10AM. If you are working and can stop by for the program, please plan to arrive by 11:30AM.

We ask that you bring a dish to share. The IFP spouses will also bring dishes from their native countries.

Please contact Jemry Small or Karen Shirey to confirm your RSVP. A form will be emailed to you that you'll need to complete to allow you to get on the barracks. This will need to be completed and returned asap.

Thank you to all that are putting this program together and helping to make it a success.

Service Committee



Advocacy Committee Update

Do you have the Human Trafficking Hotline number in your phone?
1-888-373-7888

Federal Legislation:

Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2021 (H.R. 1620)

On March 17, 2021, the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 1620, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2021 with a bipartisan vote of 244-172. The National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNED) applauds the bill's lead sponsors, Representatives Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX), Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA), and Jerry Nadler (D-NY), and all those who voted for VAWA's passage.

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) creates and supports comprehensive, cost-effective responses to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. Since its enactment, VAWA programs, administered by the U.S. Departments of Justice (DOJ) and Health and Human Services (HHS), have dramatically improved federal, tribal, state, and local responses to these crimes.

Almost one year has passed since HR 1620 passed in the House of Representatives. On March 18 2021, the Bill moved to the Senate Judiciary Committee. On October 5, 2021 – a Senate Judiciary

Committee meeting was held to discuss this bill. Records show that no additional actions have been taken on this bill!!

We urge the Senate to introduce and pass a robust, bipartisan VAWA this year that builds on the House-passed bill, H.R. 1620, with survivor-centered enhancements to meet the urgent needs of our communities.

Zonta members - Please call Senator Toomey at 202-224-4254 and Senator Casey at 202-224-6324 and ask them to cosponsor the Reauthorization Act that Senators Durbin and Feinstein are introducing soon and to vote for it when it comes to the Floor. See the sample message for your call:

"My name is _____, and I am a constituent calling from _____.

I am calling to urge Senator _____ to cosponsor the **Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act** that Senators Durbin and Feinstein are introducing soon and to vote for it when it comes to the Floor.

This bipartisan consensus bill will prevent and reduce domestic violence and sexual assault, protect victims and survivors, increase access to services, and save lives."



State Legislation:

SR 216 – A Resolution recognizing the month of January 2022 as "National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania.

This is a unanimous consent resolution which means it is something that gets reintroduced each year. It does not need to go through both chambers of the General Assembly and does not require the Governor's signature.

Both Senators Bartolotta and Phillips-Hill introduced this together. Here is a

link to Senator Bartolotta's remarks: <https://pasen.wistia.com/medias/0kok5rbmw3>.

The following three bills are being followed in the State House and Senate by the Advocacy Committee and the Pennsylvania Anti-Human Trafficking Advocacy Work Group (PAHTAWG). These bills as well as others will be discussed at the Pennsylvania Anti-Human Trafficking Advocacy Work Group meeting on February 3, 2022.

The Advocacy Committee will reach out to members by email when we are planning a phone call or email campaign to reach out to the appropriate Representatives, Senators and Committee Chairs to encourage a vote on a specific bill.

HB 1835 – Representative McClinton. Eliminating recidivism penalties for non-violent crimes of prostitution. (Judiciary since 9/2/21)

SB 1009 – Senator Muth. Expanding post-conviction relief for victims of human trafficking. (Introduced 1/11/22)

HB 1096 – Representative Kauffman. A bill that will reform the venue in which human trafficking lawsuits may be brought – making it easier for human trafficking victims to bring lawsuits against their offenders. (First consideration 1/9/22)

Members can access the PA Assembly site at [Bills and Amendments - PA General Assembly \(state.pa.us\)](https://www.state.pa.us).

Webinar:

The Pennsylvania Commission for Women is hosting a Financial Security for Crime Survivors webinar on February 25. Nancy Fodor is registered for this webinar and we hope others in the Club might find the information presented in this webinar to be helpful. It will be livestreamed on Facebook (PA Commission for Women page) and on PACast (pacast.com).

FINANCIAL SECURITY FOR CRIME SURVIVORS

Friday, February 25 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Facebook Event

Financial abuse occurs in 98% of abusive relationships and is the number one reason victims stay in or return to abusive relationships. We can reduce this abuse by normalizing discussion around this topic, which is why the Pennsylvania Commission for Women is hosting the Financial Security for Crime Survivors webinar.

It is important for survivors, advocates, and policy makers to understand the complexities of financial abuse and how it impacts Pennsylvanians.

Join us to learn about

- the impact of financial abuse on survivors
- financial security for survivors and families
- access to victims' compensation
- the importance of pay equity
- resources available to help survivors recover from financial abuse

Have questions? We have answers! Submit questions in advance to women@pa.gov.

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PA Commission for Women

PARTNERS:

- FreeFrom
- PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency
- PA Department of Banking and Securities
- PA Office of Victim Advocate

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Information on the NGO CSW66 Forum in March 2022

(Information found on ZI Website>My Zonta>Tools>UN>NGO NY Guide Link))

Join us for the NGO CSW66 Forum in March 2022!

Registration for the Forum is now open! The NGO CSW66 Forum will take place from 14-25 March, kicking off with Consultation Day on the 13th.

What is the NGO CSW Forum?

The NGO CSW Forum is the civil society side of the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW). The Forum runs parallel to the official CSW session taking place at the UN Headquarters. This provides civil society the opportunity to engage in the processes and CSW sessions without ECOSOC-accreditation or a UN grounds pass (both of which are needed to attend the CSW).

Over the two weeks of the UN CSW, NGO CSW/NY organizes hundreds of events that inform, engage and inspire grassroots efforts and advocacy needed to empower women and girls. Some of the events that we host are Consultation Day, Orientation & Advocacy Training, Regional Caucuses, Conversation Circles, and Parallel Events organized by CSOs around the globe.

What is the UN CSW?

The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is the principle global intergovernmental body dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women.

During the two-week session, UN entities, Member States, and civil society discuss issues pertaining to women, girls, and gender equality. The Commission assesses progress and gaps in the implementation of global women's rights documents like the Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA), as well as issues happening on the regional, national, and local levels.

Each year, the Commission focuses on specific themes related to gender equality, known as the 'priority' and 'review' themes. The CSW66 themes are:

Priority theme: Achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes;

Review theme: Women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work ([agreed conclusions](#) of the sixty-first session)

For more information about the CSW, visit UN Women's [website](#).

[What's the difference between the two?](#)

The NGO CSW Forum is totally separate from the official UN Commission on the Status of Women session. Below are some important distinctions between the two events.

NGO CSW Forum:

- Organized by NGO CSW/NY (a civil society organization)
- Civil society forum (not part of the formal UN system)
- Do not need to be ECOSOC-accredited to attend
- Has Parallel Events hosted by civil society

UN CSW:

- Organized by UN Women (a UN agency)
- Official United Nations Commission
- Must be ECOSOC-accredited to attend
- Has Side Events hosted by Member States, UN agencies, and ECOSOC-accredited NGOs

[How do I register for the NGO CSW66 Forum?](#)

[Registration](#) is open for the NGO CSW66 Forum! Follow the below steps to register for the Forum and access our Virtual Portal!

1. Go to [this link](#) and click "Register for an account."
2. Continue to fill out the form.
3. You'll receive an email with a link to create your account on our Virtual Portal.
4. Create your profile on the Virtual Portal. Please note that you will need to create a new login. Your login information from the registration page will not work on the Virtual Portal.

