

Zonta Club of Harrisburg and Hershey

Mid Summer 2022 Newsletter



ZONTA
CLUB OF
HARRISBURG AND HERSHEY
MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Greetings!

Hoping you are enjoying the summer sunshine and hot weather! Many of you are traveling and enjoying life to its fullest! Kudos to you and safe travels.

An email recently was sent with a listing of committee members. I'm very excited as to what is in the works for each committee this upcoming year. I would like to meet with each committee chair by the end of July to discuss the upcoming events for the year.

As a reminder, we will be working closely with Greenlight Operation over the course of the next two years. There will be many service opportunities available for us to partake. Some will be very short notice and others will be planned. Thank you to all that were able to donate yard supplies on a moment's notice. One successful service project and many more to go.

Zozan K (Advocacy Chair) and I were able to tour the new restoration home recently acquired by Greenlight Operation. The home is an historic gem!! Built in 1766 in the outskirts of Harrisburg, and is nestled on a little over three acres of tranquil and peaceful property. A newly erected garage also stands on the property. The charm of the home is amazing. The home was remodeled twice since 1766; with the last renovation nearly 100 years ago in 1929. An art studio once was housed in the building circa 1929 which is evident by the stain glass windows, the tiled bathroom, the sunroom, and the painting of a beaver in the one large gathering room! Please see some of the attached photos from the inside of the home!

Thank you to Karen and Wil Shirey for hosting a summer picnic for our Club on Sunday, August 21. Please be sure to see the details in the newsletter and add this into your plans for a lovely time.

Please remember that we will be meeting in person on September 8, 2022. An email will be sent in August with the details!! Looking forward to seeing you all.

Please feel free to Voxer or email me with any ideas you may have for the upcoming year or future.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our September meeting. 😊

Cheers, Amy

Officers and Board Members – 2022-2023 Program Year

Amy Peffley, President
Heather Jackson, Secretary

Jemry Small, Vice President
Carla Russo, Director
Open, Director

Deb Crum, Treasurer
Shannon Hackman, Director



Meetings and Events – Upcoming plans

New or changed items.

	<i>Zoom meetings unless otherwise noted</i>
August 2022	
Sat, August 6 th ; 8am - noon	Workday at Greenlight Operation restoration home. You must submit an application in advance to be approved and receive instructions and location information. See page 4 for details.
Sun, August 21 st ; rsvp Aug 15	Summer Picnic – Shirey’s. See page 3 for details.
September 2022	
Thur, Sept 1 st ; 7:30pm	Executive Board Meeting
Thur, Sept 8 th ; 5:30pm	Monthly Membership Meeting – Penn State Harrisburg campus
	Boscov’s ‘Friends Helping Friends’ (10/19/22) coupons on sale
Sat, Sept 24 th 8:30am–2:30pm	Apple Festival Parking Project – contact Diana to sign up!



Membership and Social Media Corner

The Membership Committee will start off the new membership year by meeting on Wednesday, July 27th to discuss plans for our membership in 2022-2023. The total membership is 26. Deb Crum will send out a new Membership listing in mid-July. If you have any changes to your personal information, please contact Deb ASAP.

Remember growing the membership is something each member can do. If you have someone you would like me to contact over the summer to invite them to a meeting or just to explain Zonta, please send me their name and contact information. We may plan to hold a social gathering in early Fall and invite interested and potential members to it. Watch for more information later. Please plan to invite your friends and colleagues who have an interest in Zonta to attend the September meeting.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Miller and Alice Kirchner on their retirement in June and to Deb Crum for joining the District 3 Finance Committee.

Zonta Club Harrisburg-Hershey Club Member Milestones for June-August

Birthdays

Kathy Gates – June 11
 Maria Todaro – June 11
 Jemry Small – June 14
 Cathy Paul – June 21
 Zozan Kucukaydin – July 1
 Heather Jackson – July 13
 Amy Peffley – July 17
 Elizabeth Miller – August 15

Zonta Anniversaries

Kathleen O’Malley – June 1, 1997
 Elaine Weinert – June 1, 2010 (reinstated)
 Nancy Fodor – June 1, 2011
 Carla Russo – June 9, 2015
 Eileen Baylor – June 10, 2015
 Debra Hughes – July 1, 1983
 Heather Jackson – August 6, 2019 (reinstated)
 Shannon Hackman – August 14, 2021
 Wanda Marshall – August 23, 2021
 (reinstated)

Kathy Gates, Membership and Social Media Chair



**Zonta Club of
Harrisburg and Hershey
Family Summer Picnic
(Rain or Shine)**

**Sunday, August 21, 2022, 2 p.m. - ?,
Dinner at 4 p.m.**

**Hosts: Karen and Wilbur
5 Hill Street
Mount Holly Springs PA 17065**

**Plan now to enjoy an afternoon with Zonta members, spouses,
significant others, and friends**

**Bring a dish to share with the group; meat and beverages will
be provided**

*If anyone would like to swim,
let us know and we'll heat the pool.*

RSVP by August 15 to Muffin1@pa.net



The Zonta Club of Harrisburg and Hershey has selected Greenlight Operation as our special partner agency for the upcoming biennium. This partnership allows us to provide valuable support in fulfilling their vision and mission which is perfectly aligned with Zonta's goals locally and globally.

Greenlight Operation is focused on a dual-pronged strategy of education and restoration in fulfilling their purpose:

Vision: We desire to see a world where human trafficking is disrupted and survivors are restored.

Mission: Our mission is to strategically combat human trafficking through educational initiatives and serve sex trafficked women through a continuum of restorative care.

They recently made a huge step forward by acquiring a home to provide a safe haven to survivors through a long-term residential program in the greater Harrisburg area. Their home will house 6 women for 12+ months, and upon arrival, survivors will be enrolled in a restoration program, which will provide individualized, comprehensive care. This will include trauma therapy, counseling, and courses that equip each woman to live an independent and sustainable life.

Our partnership will provide multiple opportunities to participate in the preparation of their restoration home, scheduled to begin providing support to survivors in the summer of 2023. There are a number of volunteer needs they have listed on their website as well as the upcoming workday on Saturday, August 6. Here's the link to be approved just for the workday: <http://greenlightoperation.org/events>.

Volunteers *must* submit an application and be approved prior to participating. You can complete the volunteer application at this link: <https://www.greenlightoperation.org/volunteer/> if you are interested in supporting Greenlight Operation in ways beyond the scheduled workday.

The images below are just a small sample of the home-like environment that will be in place to support the women, and represent some the opportunities for us to provide hands' on and financial support as the restoration home is prepared.

Take a look at the charm of the stained-glass windows throughout, the range of retro and modern bathroom finishes, the soaring ceilings and the grounds that will provide peace and tranquility to both residents and staff as the women are encircled in a caring environment. Our Zontian Shannon Hackman helped during a recent work day to clean up some outside areas; the photos are from a tour that Amy and Zozan participated in, which is also mentioned in Amy's greetings at the beginning of the newsletter.

You can sign up for updates directly from Greenlight Operations at: <https://www.greenlightoperation.org/>



SERVICE UPDATE

As we begin a new year with Zonta, some of us thought that it would be a nice reminder to share a few things and define some service objectives. As you know, there are many ways to serve and to give to our fine organization. Here, we provide various service projects throughout the year to our pre-determined partners and select scholarship recipients given by our local club. One of our partners this year is "Greenlight Operation" and 2 more partners will be determined by a Selection Committee which will be spear-headed by Jemry. It is the hope of the club that each member participates with the service projects. In addition, I wanted to explain that the Scholarship awards come under the service committee; however, one does not need to be a service member to help evaluate the applications for our scholarships.

Every year our club offers 2 scholarships, the Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA), and the Jane Klausman (JMK) Scholarship for College Women in Business. These scholarships begin at the local level than advance to the District and then to the International level. Committee members of Zonta read and individually score each applicant and determine a winner. For more information, please visit our website: <http://zontaharrisburghershey.org> and/or visit www.zonta.org

1. The Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) recognizes pre-college/university young women between of the ages of 16 thru 19 at the time of the application who demonstrate leadership skills and a commitment to public service, civic causes and who show evidence of volunteer leadership achievement. Applicants are asked to reflect on their lives and their commitment to the community in which they reside.

The YWPA applications are sent to local high schools for distribution via the Guidance Offices as well as promoted on social media. Applications are due back to us in early spring. This scholarship begins at the local Zonta level and the winner advances to the District level and that winner advances to the International level. The final award is funded by the Zonta Foundation for Women. Our local club usually awards \$1000 to the recipient to further their education, with increasing awards through District and ZI.

2. The Jane M. Klausman (JMK) Women in Business Scholarship Award helps women pursue undergraduate and master's degrees in business management. Here again the award begins at the local Zonta level and moves onto the District level and then to the International level whereas the awardee wins dollars amounts. Our club usually awards \$1000 to the winner. The student must be in, at least, her 2nd year of an accredited institution studying business management or technology, accounting, economics, finance, marketing, human resources management, entrepreneurship or international business and must demonstrate outstanding potential in that particular field. Applicants must still be in school when scholarship funds are awarded. Golden Z club members are eligible to apply. Zonta International has awarded more than 1.6 million to 522 women representing 66 countries since the Klausman award was established in 1998.

While we know the meaning of service, I decided to look up 2 dictionary versions of what it means:

"Service is an act of assistance or benefits to another or others" (from the American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language)

And, online, here is what was found when I asked about service:

service

['sɜrvəs]

NOUN

1. the action of helping or doing work for someone:

"millions are involved in voluntary service"

synonyms:

act of assistance · good turn · [favor](#) · [kindness](#) · helping

hand · [assistance](#) · [help](#) · [aid](#) · [offices](#) · [ministrations](#)

We hope to see you participate in our service projects whenever possible.

Suzanne Gale, Member, Service Committee

From: UN Women Website

About UN Women

Work and priorities

UN Women is the United Nations entity dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women. A global champion for women and girls, UN Women was established to accelerate progress on meeting their needs worldwide.

UN Women supports UN Member States as they set global standards for achieving gender equality, and works with governments and civil society to design laws, policies, programmes and services needed to ensure that the standards are effectively implemented and truly benefit women and girls worldwide. It works globally to make the vision of the Sustainable Development Goals a reality for women and girls and stands behind women's equal participation in all aspects of life, focusing on four strategic priorities:

- Women lead, participate in and benefit equally from governance systems
- Women have income security, decent work and economic autonomy
- All women and girls live a life free from all forms of violence
- Women and girls contribute to and have greater influence in building sustainable peace and resilience, and benefit equally from the prevention of natural disasters and conflicts and humanitarian action

UN Women also coordinates and promotes the UN system's work in advancing gender equality, and in all deliberations and agreements linked to the 2030 Agenda. The entity works to position gender equality as fundamental to the Sustainable Development Goals, and a more inclusive world.

Status of women

Gender equality is not only a basic human right, but its achievement has enormous socio-economic ramifications. Empowering women fuels thriving economies, spurring productivity and growth. Yet gender inequalities remain deeply entrenched in every society. Women lack access to decent work and face occupational segregation and gender wage gaps. They are too often denied access to basic education and health care. Women in all parts of the world suffer violence and discrimination. They are under-represented in political and economic decision-making processes.

Over many decades, the United Nations has made significant progress in advancing gender equality, including through landmark agreements such as the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).

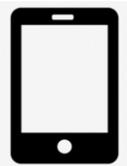
Working for the empowerment and rights of women and girls globally, UN Women’s main roles are:

- To support inter-governmental bodies, such as the Commission on the Status of Women, in their formulation of policies, global standards and norms.
- To help Member States implement these standards, standing ready to provide suitable technical and financial support to those countries that request it, and to forge effective partnerships with civil society.
- To lead and coordinate the UN system’s work on gender equality, as well as promote accountability, including through regular monitoring of system-wide progress.

Historical perspective

For many years, the United Nations faced serious challenges in its efforts to promote gender equality globally, including inadequate funding and no single recognized driver to direct UN activities on gender equality issues. In July 2010, the United Nations General Assembly created UN Women, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, to address such challenges. In doing so, UN Member States took an historic step in accelerating the Organization’s goals on gender equality and the empowerment of women. The creation of UN Women came about as part of the UN reform agenda, bringing together resources and mandates for greater impact. It merges and builds on the important work of four previously distinct parts of the UN system, which focused exclusively on gender equality and women’s empowerment:

- Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW)
- International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)
- Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (OSAGI)
- United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)



Do you have the Human Trafficking Hotline number in your phone?

1-888-373-7888

Mark the Date! Tuesday, November 15, 2022 – Rally at Harrisburg Capitol



One never knows what you may find out -- watching TV (shared by Suzanne)

In late June, I was watching the Antiques Roadshow and really got very excited when a gentleman showed this gorgeous white beaded vest and mentioned that it was hand-made by a Sioux Indian almost 150 years ago. Needless to say, I listened intently and re-played that little segment and immediately went to get my phone to take a picture of this vest showing its estimated current value because I wanted to share it with all of you! Just imagine its value; amazing---isn't it, and how well it is preserved.



And, to think that our very own word "ZONTA" is derived from a Sioux word meaning "Honest and Trustworthy" We Zontians, from day one, have been told the meaning of the word Zonta - probably even before we became a member!

Of course, the information given by the show's expert intrigued me to look up more things regarding the Sioux tribe and its history. Hopefully, you all will do the same as its truly quite unique and interesting reading about these Indians. Here is a little example that I found when doing the research. Enjoy reading about the Sioux Indians

“Today, seven tribes of Sioux Indians remain, mostly occupying their traditional homeland on Sioux reservations. Each tribe typically lives on its own reservation, and governs itself. Sioux reservations are generally considered sovereign nations, meaning that they aren't under the control of the United States or Canadian governments. The residents of Sioux reservations are generally considered citizens of the United States or Canada, as well as members of the Sioux Nation. Sioux government typically consists of a tribal council, often overseen by a council chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary.”



ZI Convention 2022 - Election Results

Please join us in congratulating the newly elected 2022-2024 Zonta International and Zonta Foundation for Women Boards and International Nominating Committee. We thank all candidates who accepted a nomination for one of these leadership roles.

Zonta International & Zonta Foundation for Women Boards

The officers and directors will serve alongside **2022-2024 Zonta International President Ute Scholz** who was elected in 2020 as president-elect and will assume the role of president at the installation ceremony on Tuesday, 28 June

Salla Tuominen
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Teresa Lin
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Africa
Ansmarie Van Erp
Australia and New Zealand
Akiko Kinoshita
Asia

Mari McKenzie
At-Large
Ann Naets
At-Large
Olivia Sarah-Le Lacheur
At-Large
Ina Waesserling
At-Large

Zonta International Statement on the U.S. Supreme Court's overturning of Roe v. Wade

News of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade this week reached Zonta International as its members gathered from around the globe in Hamburg, Germany, to discuss the continued fight for the rights of women and girls globally.

As an organization that has been working towards gender equality for more than 100 years, Zonta International is committed to upholding and improving the legal and health status of women at the global and local levels through service and advocacy. This decision by the U.S. Supreme Court takes away the rights of women in the United States to legally access critical reproductive healthcare, including safe abortion services, even as the U.S. has the highest maternal mortality rate among industrialized countries. The impact of this action will be severe, especially for poor, rural, Black, Indigenous and LGBTQIA+ women.

In accordance with the [Zonta International Statement on Women's Sexual and Reproductive Health](#), we urge our members in 62 countries around the world to advocate at the national level to ensure that all women and girls have access to the full range of reproductive health services. We cannot achieve gender equality for all women and girls if they do not have the basic rights to bodily autonomy.

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