

Zonta Club of Harrisburg and Hershey

February 2023 Newsletter



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

Greetings Friends!

Welcome to February.

We had an amazing January meeting! Amy Thurston from Hope. Inspire. Love. joined us and educated us on human trafficking statistics; collaboration of organizations to help victims during the restoration period; the 10 core values of Hope.Inspire.Love and so much more!! Amy also spoke about the Hope Mentorship; Freedom Walk; and prevention education. Amy is so passionate about the restoration of trafficking victims and has so many amazing ideas that she is putting into action!

We also welcomed Farzana Safiullah and Ellen Min from Pennsylvania Immigrant and Refugee Women's Network (PAIRWN) at the January meeting. They shared the work they are doing with Family Advocacy Programs to help refugee immigrant women get adjusted in the U.S. and about the after-school tutoring projects to offer help children (among many things) practice their English.

Please join us as we get together on Thursday, February 9th for our Membership Meeting via Zoom.

February is American Heart Month as well as National Cancer Prevention Month; a month focusing on staying in tip-top shape! Remember to take preventative measures and partake in annual physical exams.

We are looking forward to various service projects this upcoming spring as well as a BINGO event on April 15th. Please plan to join us in all activities.

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 February meeting. ☺

Cheers, Amy

Officers and Board Members

President: Amy Peffley
(2nd term)

Vice Pres: Jemry Small
(2nd term)

Treas: Deb Crum
(3rd term)

Secy: Heather Jackson
(Filling 1st term for other)

Directors:

Carla Russo
(2nd term)

Shannon Hackman
(1st term)

Carol Staz
(Filling 1st term for other)

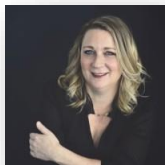


Meetings and Events – Upcoming plans

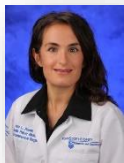
New or changed items.

	Zoom meetings unless otherwise noted
February 2023	
Thur, 2 nd , 6:30pm	Executive Board Meeting
Thur, 9 th , 5:45pm	Monthly Membership Meeting – Women’s Health (see Speakers Info below)
Sat, 18 th , 8:30 am -12:30 pm	Greenlight Operation work day at Restoration Home
Tues, 28 th , 3 pm	Club Game Day and Pizza (see Membership article for details)
March 2023	
Wed, 1 st	YWPA Applications due to Club
Thur, 2 nd , 6:30pm	Executive Board Meeting
Tue, 7 th , 11 am – 2 pm	IFP Event at Carlisle Army War College
April 2023	
Thur, 6 th , 6:30pm	Executive Board Meeting
Thur, 13 th , 5:45pm	Annual Membership Meeting at PSU Harrisburg
Sat, 15 th , afternoon	B-I-N-G-O; Hampden Community Center
Tues, 18 th 7:30 am	TFEC Breakfast recognizing award winners, including Greenlight Operation (see Membership article for details)
May 2023	
Thur, 4 th , 6:30pm	Executive Board Meeting
Thur, 11 th , 5:45pm	Monthly Membership Meeting at PSU Harrisburg
Sat, 20 th 8:00 am	Greenlight Operation Restoration Walk, City Island

February Membership Meeting Speakers



Gillian Byerly is Executive Director, Girls on the Run Mid State PA since 2014. She is an experienced Non Profit Executive Director in the positive youth development, Social Emotional Learning (SEL), health and wellness industry. Passionate about connecting girls to their power and potential.



Anna Leah Posner, FNP-BC is a family nurse practitioner and primary care practitioner Nurse Practitioner, Gynecology for Penn State Health She also has Academic Appointments as an Instructor, Obstetrics and Gynecology.



Sarah S. Boyd, M.D. is a physician at Penn State Health in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Urogynecology. Her **Academic Appointments** include Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology Expertise related to UN Sustainable Development Goals In 2015, UN member states agreed to 17 global [Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#) to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure prosperity for all. Dr. Boyd's work contributes towards the SDG #3 – Good Health and Well Being.



Membership and Social Media Corner

If you know of someone who would like to learn more about the Zonta Club mission and service opportunities, invite them to attend the February 9th meeting. The membership dues for the 2nd half of the year (December-May) are 1/2 price.

The League of Women Voters (LWV) Harrisburg is presenting a Zoom program of 2023 on February 7th at 6:30 pm! The guest speaker is Dr. Terry Nance, Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Chief Diversity Officer and Communications Professor at Villanova University who will talk on the 60th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington. Dr. Nance is an engaging speaker who will capture your attention from the first minute until the last. You must register in advance for this speaking engagement at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7818888888>. Please mark your calendars so you won't miss this exciting program!

Join us for Game Day on Tuesday, February 28th at 3:00 pm. Kathleen O'Malley is hosting at her home at Harmony at West Shore, Apartment #2022, 1910 Technology Parkway, Mechanicsburg. We will plan to have pizza for dinner afterwards. If you cannot attend the games, please consider joining us for pizza around 5:30 pm. It should be fun! For planning purposes, please let Kathy Gates know if you are available for games and/or pizza by February 27th.

Join us for the TFEC 2023 Annual Grantee Recognition Breakfast on Tuesday, April 18th at 7:30 am at the West Shore Country Club. Greenlight Operation is one of the 2022 Fund for Women & Girls grantees, as well as several other agencies we have supported over the years. If you are interested in attending, please let Kathy Gates know so that we can reserve a table in support of Greenlight Operation. The \$75 registration is available now.

It was great to see everyone at our meeting on January 12th. There were 18 members and 3 guests on the call.

Social Media

We are happy to announce that Jocelyn Black, an officer of the Golden Z-Club will be assisting Alice Kirchner and Jim Gates with the updates to the Zonta Club Website.

Nominating Committee

We are in need of someone to serve as Secretary of the club for 2023-2025. According to the By-laws, the Secretary shall keep a record of the official business of the club and of the Board. If you are interested in serving in this leadership capacity of the club, please contact Kathy Gates or the members of the committee, Cathy Paul and Eileen Baylor ASAP.

We will present the slate to the Board at their March 2nd meeting. The official ballot needs to be presented to the membership at least 21 days prior to the annual meeting on April 13th.

Zonta Club Harrisburg-Hershey Club Member Milestones for February

Birthdays

None

Zonta Anniversaries

Amy Peffley – February 9, 2017 (rejoined!)

Kathy Gates, Membership, Social Media and Nominating Committee Chair

Service Update

We've scheduled a workday at the Restoration Home for Greenlight Operation on Saturday, February 18th. Please contact me at (alicek422@me.com) if you can join us; I'll need to share additional information with you about the day.



Greenlight Operation is hosting their 5K 'Restoration Walk' on City Island on Saturday, May 20 – consider walking, sponsoring or volunteering!

The Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarship applications will need to be reviewed in March; please contact me if you are interested in being a reviewer. See the last page of this newsletter for additional details about the Scholarship.

Alice Kirchner, Service Committee Chair

Plan now to be part of our 2023 IFP Program at Carlisle Barracks, Carlisle PA on Tuesday, March 7, 2023



Have you marked March 7 on your calendar for our Club's luncheon meeting at the U S Army War College (USAWC) in Carlisle? On that date we will have an opportunity to meet with women from around the world whose husbands are students in the International Fellows Program (IFP) in the USAWC Class of 2023....and we will be able to share our Zonta story with

them as we celebrate March 8, 2023 International Women's Day by giving them a Zonta yellow rose.

The luncheon is a "pot luck" so plan to bring a typical American food item to share. The IFP ladies bring food that is native to their home countries so we truly enjoy an international buffet. There is always a lot of food so there's no need to bring a huge portion of your "shareable" item.

Following our February monthly meeting we will forward a form which needs to be completed and returned to Karen Shirey if you do not have a government or military ID card for entering the USAWC. Plan to arrive at 520 E. North Street in Carlisle by 11 a.m. on March 7 where you will receive your pass to enter the USAWC. Carpooling is a good idea. We will form a "caravan" to enter the Barracks.

The gathering is scheduled at the USAWC Chapel at Carlisle Barracks from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. We hope you can be part of this unique opportunity to spread the Zonta word.

*Heather Jackson and Karen Shirey
Service Committee Coordinators*



Excerpts from Greenlight Operation's 2022 Annual Report

Priorities for 2023

1. Complete phase II of our capital campaign, which is \$581,700, so we can open our restoration home and begin providing direct care to survivors.
2. Hire a Program Director to finalize our restorative programming and to oversee our restoration home once it is open.
3. Expand our education efforts by hosting 50 seminars.
4. Grow our volunteer base, with a specific focus to develop volunteers that will help us maintain our restoration home and serve future residents.
5. Advance state policy that will prevent future cases of human trafficking, protect victims, penalize buyers and traffickers, and promote healing and recovery for survivors.

How can you/we help?

1. Partner financially with Greenlight Operation through a monthly contribution or onetime gift. Your support allows us to advance freedom and restoration.
2. Volunteer with our team.
3. Schedule a seminar to further education about human trafficking.
4. Attend an upcoming event.
5. Pray for our team and our work.

From: ZI Website > About Us

Commission on the Status of Women

Of the 6,155 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) with consultative status at the United Nations, only 141 have General Consultative Status, the highest status an NGO can have at the UN. Zonta International was granted General Consultative Status in 1969.

As an NGO with General Consultative Status, Zonta International is invited to participate in the annual Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in New York. The Commission on the Status of Women is:

- A functional commission of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).
- The principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women.
- Established by resolution on 21 June 1946 to monitor and promote women's rights and develop global standards on gender equality and the empowerment of women; mandate expanded in 1996 to include monitoring and reviewing progress made in the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.

CSW67: 6 – 17 MARCH 2023

- Priority theme: Innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls.
- Review theme: Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls ([agreed conclusions](#) of the sixty-second session).

What is CSW?

The CSW is the largest annual gathering on women's rights worldwide, and is the principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women. The CSW is instrumental in promoting women's rights, documenting the reality of women's lives throughout the world, and shaping global standards on gender equality and the empowerment of women.

What happens at CSW?

During the Commission's annual two-week session, thousands of representatives of UN Member States, global civil society organizations and UN entities gather at UN headquarters in New York. They discuss progress and gaps in the implementation of the 1995 [Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action](#), the key global policy document on gender equality, and the [23rd special session of the General Assembly](#) held in 2000 (Beijing+5), as well as emerging issues that affect gender equality and the empowerment of women. Member States agree on further actions to accelerate progress and promote women's enjoyment of their rights in political, economic and social fields. The outcomes and recommendations of each session are forwarded to ECOSOC for follow-up.

Official representatives from member states and civil society can attend the formal CSW meetings and the accompanying side events on women's issues which are sponsored by member states. During the two-week session, NGOCSW, the civil society arm of CSW presents the NGOCSW Forum where hundreds of sessions, known as parallel events are open for all interested parties to attend. Where member states and NGOs register official representatives for CSW, registration for the NGOCSW Forum can be found at ngocsw.org.

Why should I attend CSW?

Attendance at CSW is important as it gives participants the opportunity to: have a voice in exploring solutions to myriad problems facing women of the world; receive a phenomenal educational experience regarding critical issues affecting women worldwide by attending side and parallel events; network with like-minded attendees from all over the globe.

[Read Zonta International's Statement to the CSW](#)

January Happenings



from Andrea Timbone on behalf of Greenlight Operation

Dear Zonta,

Thank you so very kindly for having me at your Christmas party. I had a wonderful time with all of you wonderful people! It is encouraging to see your chapter so dedicated to empowering women, let alone willing to stand up against human trafficking. The gift you donated to Greenlight Operation are truly useful for keeping our residents safe in the home and more! Your generosity never ceases to amaze and we here at Greenlight thank you! We are so grateful for your support and partnership! For freedom, Have a blessed holiday season!

The Greenlight
Operation Team

“Meet the Golden Z Club” event at Penn State Harrisburg

The Golden Z Club hosted a ‘Meet the Golden Z Club’ on Thursday, January 26, offering hot chocolate and donuts in the Olmsted Building atrium. On the left are Golden Z members Hannah, Siya, Ana and Ella.

Several members of the Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey joined them in support! Nancy, Heather, Deb, Alice, Karen and Elaine (not pictured) shared some good conversation with the Golden Z members and amongst themselves. We had early discussions about upcoming projects that will include ALL members.



Agency Partners



Greenlight Operation - www.greenlightoperation.org/about

Vision and Mission

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.



Pennsylvania Immigrant and Refugee Women's Network (PAIRWN) - www.pairwn.org/programs

The Pennsylvania Immigrant and Refugee Women's Network, or PAIRWN, was created to honor and enhance the lives of refugee and immigrant women in Pennsylvania. We also strive to educate others about our cultures and our contributions to American society.

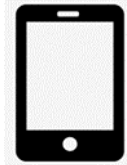
Our mission is to help refer, advocate, network, educate, and empower these women to live to their fullest potential.



Girls on the Run (GOTR) - www.gotrmidstatepa.org/

OUR MISSION

We inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running.



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

Do you recognize the symbol of someone needing help?

Fingers fold over and around the thumb, thereby symbolically “trapping” the thumb inside the fingers, representing someone who is being trafficked, trapped, abused, hurt or confined against his or her will.



The S.O.S. Hand Signal

Source: Used with permission, Traffick Jam Live

2023



YOUNG WOMEN IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS AWARD

Recognizing young women for their commitment to volunteerism, volunteer leadership achievements and dedication to empowering women worldwide



1 APPLICATION, 2 OPPORTUNITIES

Club award
Varies by club

37 district awards
US\$5,000 each

Applications must be received by the applicant's local Zonta club's deadline. To locate a club near you and download an application, please visit: zonta.org/YWPAAward.

CLUB DEADLINE:

March 1, 2023

\$1000.00 Zonta Club of
Harrisburg-Hershey Foundation Award

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

zontclubhbg@gmail.com
OR

Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey Foundation
P.O. Box 590
Hummelstown, PA 17036

The Young Women in Public Affairs Award is a Zonta International program funded by contributions to the Zonta Foundation for Women. Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.