

## ZONTA CLUB OF QUABOAG VALLEY BOG NEWSLETTER

### **JUNE 2019**

Founded in Buffalo, New York in 1919, Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to empower women worldwide through service and advocacy. With more than 29,000 members in 66 countries, Zontians all over the world volunteer their time, talent and support to local and international service projects and educational programs directed to improving the lives of women and girls. Interested in being part of this movement? Contact info@zontaqv.org.

### Important Dates for your Calendar

June 7-9 NAIDC Meeting in Dallas, TX

June 10 Dinner Meeting YWPA Scholarship Award Year-end Committee Reports

June 21—Campfire with Soldier On Women RSVP to Debbie Wood by 6/12.

September 7—25th Annual Zonta Golf Tournament fundraiser Cold Spring Country Club Sponsor and Registration forms at zontaqv.org/golf

September 9—Dinner Meeting

October 14—Dinner Meeting

November 8-10 Zonta District 1 Fall Conference and 100th Common Action in Wakefield MA

November 11 Founder's Day Meeting

### **Collecting for Good Causes:**

Toiletries (Danielle) Magazines (Marge) Gently used adult and children's books, journals, puzzles and yarn (Debbie)

### President's Message

Dear Sister Zontians and Friends,

Sincere thanks to all donors and guests who contributed to another successful Silent "no more!" Auction on May 6th! Everyone's tireless efforts raised \$5,641 towards international projects aimed at stopping violence against women and children, enhancing the quality of life for our women veterans, support of much needed programming for Gándara Esperanza Women's Transitional Support Services, and purchasing books for our Strong Women and



Girl's Read program. I truly hope that everyone feels a sense of pride and accomplishment in creating such a wonderful event. Thanks to our members and the many donor businesses for their generosity. Please show your appreciation by supporting the businesses noted on page 10. Thanks to Kris and Lisa's amazing creativity, we had the most stunning gift baskets that I have ever seen! When we work together, we can and DO make a difference locally and globally!

We have much business to take care of at our June 10th meeting. Committee Chairs will provide us with their year-end reports (included in this newsletter). We will also vote on our 2020 budget. Many thanks to our treasurer, Joanne, for her efforts.

We look forward to meeting our 2019 Young Women in Public Affairs award recipient, McKenna Troy. McKenna truly exemplifies the qualities of a YWPA winner.

Our Centennial Committee has been very busy discussing the many ways that we can continue to celebrate Zonta's 100th birthday throughout the next year. We need your ideas, visions, creativity and action to make our Centennial celebration really memorable. We will discuss the committee's ideas about our Founder's Day celebration in November and we welcome any and all ideas that you may have.

I want to take the opportunity to thank each and every member for your dedication towards promoting the Zonta mission through our various club activities. I am so impressed by the enthusiasm and dedication displayed by so many of our members, towards our activities with the women of Soldier On. Nothing compares to the look of joy on the faces of these women when we spend time with them, engaged in an activity or simply listening to them talk about their experiences. Our annual Period Project has really put us on the map. What a wonderful feeling to know that we make a difference in the lives of so many women and girls.

Lastly, I want to impress upon all of our members, to take advantage of the numerous opportunities for growth, both personal and professional, that Zonta offers. Make the time to attend the workshops, area conferences, conventions...every wonderful activity that Zonta offers us to expand ourselves. Mary has outlined on page 6, the many ways that we can "heighten our Zonta experience". I promise, you won't be disappointed.

Yours in Zonta service, Trish Pupek President



Birthday wishes: Mary Ann Rubis 6/15 Marge Cavanaugh 8/27 Janet DaSilva 8/29

## 2019 Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Awarded to McKenna Troy



McKenna Troy is a senior at Belchertown High School and loves to be involved with her community. At school she is a high honors student, happily serves as cross country captain, and is drum major of the Marching Orioles! She's also created a service theatre group to raise \$1200 for addiction prevention in teens, and frequently volunteers at school events.

Outside of school, McKenna spends time with her family, performs at local nursing homes and in community theater/opera, and works a part time catering job. Next year, she'll be majoring in Voice & Opera at Northwestern University.

### Award description

Though about 40 percent of the world's workforce is women, according to data

from the Inter-Parliamentary Union, only 24 percent of all national parliamentarians were female as of 1 December 2018. Because Zonta International believes that young women are the key to women's advancement in the field of public service, it offers the Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Award, which recognizes young women, ages 16-19, for demonstrating leadership skills and commitment to public service and civic causes, and encourages them to continue their participation in public and political life.



### Inspirations

Positive thinking and optimistic outlook will never produce bad results.

Negative thinking and pessimistic approach will never produce good results.



## **Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley District I. Area II.** Charter 1317 of Zonta International 2018-2020

President:	Patricia Puepk
Vice President:	Dana Burton
Treasurer:	Joanne Turner-Chiacchia
Secretary:	Shanique Spalding
Directors:	Andrea Bordenca Danielle Petrangelo Mary Knight

Website: www.zontaqv.org

### Committee Chairs 2019–2020

Finance & Audit Chair: Pam Albertson Membership Chair: Dana Burton PR /Communication Chair: Mary Knight Advocacy/UN Chair: Pam Albertson Service Chair: Debra Wood Scholarships Chair: Dana Burton Poinsettia Fundraiser Chair: Liz Reeves Golf Fundraiser Chair: Debra Wood Auction Fundraiser Chairs:

Patricia Pupek and Dianne Kidd **Centennial Chairs:** 

Marge Cavanaugh and MaryAnn Rubis Nominating: Pam Albertson, Liz Reeves, Marge Cavanaugh

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# April 8, 2019 Zonta of Quaboag Valley Dinner Meeting

### Ludlow Country Club

Present: Marge Cavanaugh, Patti Matthieu, Danielle Petrangelo, Liz Reeves, Shanique Spalding, Joanne Turner Chiacchia, Debbie Wood, Trish Pupek, Kris Goold, Maria Puppolo, Dana Burton, Mary Knight, MaryAnn Rubis, Andrea Bordenca, Luz Rivera, Dianne Kidd, Pam Albertson

Absent : Janet Da Silva, Sue Williams, Lisa Sedelow , Maria Puppolo

The meeting was called to order at 6:18 pm by President Trish Pupek.

Following dinner the meeting continued:

### **Business Meeting**

<u>Minutes:</u> The March meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> April financial report was sent to membership via email. This report was reviewed and accepted. President Trish asked to discuss monthly activity spending for Soldier On projects. She proposed that the one third of the auction money awarded to Soldier On should be split in half. One half of the funds would go towards the monthly activities the other half sent as a donation. Members collectively agreed with the proposal. It was then brought up in discussion by members that there has not been any feedback from Soldier On about how our donations have been used in the past. Debbie had recommended perhaps asking the members to share some of this information at the Auction along with their usual remarks. Trish made an official motion to make a fifty-fifty split of the one third proceeds for Soldier On at the auction with fifty percent withheld for monthly projects. The motion was accepted and passed.

#### **Committee Reports**

Membership: No new report made.

Advocacy: No new report made.

<u>Service</u>: Dianne Kidd reported that on Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> an Easter/Spring themes activity with Soldier On women. <u>Scholarship</u>: Dana Burton reported that the Young Women in Public Affairs award recipient was chosen from Belchertown. Dana also reported that the Jane M. Klausman Scholarship outreach has begun receiving applications.

<u>Centennial Committee</u>: Mary Ann Rubis reported that attempts at partnering for a grant opportunity were unsuccessful. Further investigation on affixing the Centennial icon to road signs in Belchertown, Ludlow and Palmer continues. Patti will be leading this project. It was also reported that luggage tags and cups were discussed as possible items that our club could sell at various district conferences. Mary Ann reported that several district governors are interested in purchasing luggage tags with Centennial icon and re-selling to their membership. Thus far, with these requested, a total of two hundred and ninety five will be sold. The committee recommends ordering in bulk, to get the best value. Trish made a motion to discuss and vote, via email, the amount of luggage tags to purchase. The motion was accepted and passed. Mary Ann reported that Marge is continuing to compile the club archives.

Silent no more Auction: Trish reported that our club's 11th annual silent auction recipients this year per email vote from members, will be the Gandara TSS program and the Strong Women and Girls Read Program. This is in addition to the usual one thirds split to the Soldier On and Zonta International Foundation. Mary Knight will once again open her home for basket making April 30<sup>th</sup> any time after 5:00pm that folks can arrive. Mary will provide refreshments and pizza. President Trish encourages members to continue to ask for donations and consider donating any items from home that they may have that are in good condition and could be added to a basket. Members were asked to help set up from 1pm to 3pm on Monday, 5/6.. Mary Ann and Liz recommended having centennial themed floral center pieces. President Trish suggested maybe a designed cake with the Centennial icon maybe a nice touch. Kris offered to contact a friend regarding teal ribbons with printed centennial logo for the auction baskets. Secretary Shanique offered to contact MGM for donations.

### **Other Business**

<u>ZIF Presentation</u>: Mary Ann Rubis gave a power point presentation to membership about updates on Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) projects .It was reported that ZIF's goal this biennium is to donate \$500 million to women empowerment programs . Thus far nine hundred thousand has been raised and we are at nineteen percent of this goal. Our district goal number to raise for ZIF is sixty five thousand for the biennium and we have thus far raised \$14,811 but we are three less clubs and are still the smallest North American club district. Our district goal for membership this biennium is three hundred and we are now at two hundred and eighty seven members.

### **Project Reports:**

Ending Child Marriage: This is a ground breaking ZIF project with two million dollars dedicated to programs in twelve countries. ZIF intends this to continue to be the signature project of Zonta International for many years to come. This project is supported by funding from the Zonta International Foundation, the Zonta International Strategies to End Violence Against Women (ZISVAW) Program has provided more than \$9.5 million to support projects to prevent and end violence against women and girls in 46 countries. Zonta International has committed to part-

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Women's Advocacy Day @ Massachusetts State House 300 community activists met up at the State House to rally behind legisla-

tion that increases women's access to opportunities and equality. We learned about the priority legislation for 2019-2020, got some tips on how to lobby effectively, then went on to visit our local legislators. **Priorities Acts identified by MCSW:** 

Supporting Working Parents Who Choose to Run for Public Office (S.408/H.639) Lead Sponsors: Sen. Patricia Jehlen and Reps. Mike Connolly and Joan Meschino Requiring One Fair Wage (S.1082/H.1617) Lead Sponsors: Sen. Patricia Jehlen and Rep. Tricia Farley-Bouvier To Require Sexual Harassment Training (S.1057/H.1345) Lead Sponsors: Sen. Cynthia Creem and Rep. Christine Barber <u>As Zontians, we also advocated for</u>: An Act to End Child Marriage in Massachusetts (S.24/H.1478) Lead Sponsors: Sen. Harriette Chandler and Rep. Kay Khan



Mary Knight, Governor Liz Hart, President Trish Pupek at the State House. 5/21/19 Missing, Commissioner Shanique Spalding.

Dinner meeting minutes continued from page 3

ner with UNICEF USA to support the UNICEF/UNFPA Global Programmed to Accelerate Action to End Child Marriage. Programming helps those in child marriages as well as help stop child marriages from happening.

Let Us Learn Madagascar: An Integrated Program for Adolescent Girls : Is supported by the International Service Fund partnered with UNICEF the Let Us Learn program is a move to gender equality by integrating education programs and opportunities to for vulnerable and excluded children, particularly girls, in Madagascar.

<u>Eid bi Eid (Hand in Hand): Support to the resilience and empowerment of Syrian refugee and vulnerable Jordanian women</u>: Also supported by International Service Funds. Eid bi Eid is a multi-year initiative that started in 2010 to support the government of Jordan to address issues of employment and gender inequality, exacerbated by the impact of the Syrian refugee crisis. In 2017 the project moved to achieving gender equality and women's empowerment goal through unique programs to provide provisions of livelihood. For example, a transfer of funds of three dollars every two months to families with the agreement that girls and also boys were sent to school. Because of this twenty nine percent more girls are educated.

### Scholarships:

<u>The Amelia Earhart Fellowship</u> was established in 1938 in honor of famed pilot and Zontian, Amelia Earhart. The US\$10,000 Fellowship is awarded annually to up to 30 women pursuing Ph.D./doctoral degrees in aerospace-applied sciences or aerospace-applied engineering.

Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship program helps women pursue undergraduate and master's degrees in business management and overcome gender barriers from the classroom to the boardroom. The Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship was established in 1998. There will be six international winners this biennium.

Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Award, which recognizes young women, ages 16-19, for demonstrating leadership skills and commitment to public service and civic causes, and encourages them to continue their participation in public and political life. There was a five hundred dollar increase to the project this biennium. There will be ten four thousand dollar awards given internationally with thirty two district/regional scholarships given out in U.S.

<u>Zonta International Women in Technology Scholarship</u> is to encourage women to pursue education, career opportunities and leadership roles in technology. This award will be given once this biennium.

### Planned Giving:

<u>The Mary E. Jenkins 1919 Society</u> is for those who wish to add Zonta to their estate planning. There are now one hundred and fifty new members.

### Announcements:

Our next meeting will be May 6th at the Ludlow Country Club for Silent No More Auction. Meeting adjourned 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Shanique Spalding, Secretary



Local beneficiaries this year: Gándara Esperanza Women's Transitional Support Services (TSS), Strong Women and Girls Read, and Soldier On Women Veterans.

# Three things that might heighten your Zonta experience.

### Take Advantage of Personal and Professional Development Zonta has to offer

-<u>Volunteer for a leadership position at the club, district or international level</u> <u>https://youtu.be/6gCfVS9NVbA</u> Raising your hand may take you out of your comfort zone, and that is ok. It's how we learn and grow. Plus you will have lots of mentors who will have your back.

-<u>Expand your knowledge with Zonta's online learning program</u> <u>https://membership.zonta.org/Dashboard/e-Learning</u> It is especially helpful for new members to get a handle on how this organization operates, and it includes courses on goalinspired leadership and people leadership skill development, as well.

- Get Out and See the Zonta World whether it's going to an Area meeting, a District event, the North American Inter-District meeting, a Zonta International Convention, or the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations you will be inspired by being part of a movement that is focused on ensuring the rights of women and girls are respected and empowered; you will get a better appreciation for ZIF projects and of being part of something much bigger than our clubs; and you will meet and learn from like-minded strong women from all walks of life who will expand your perspective of what's possible.
  Upcoming:
- @ June 7 9, 2019 ~ North American Inter-District Meeting in Dallas TX. Three days of workshops on empowering women past, present and future. <u>zontadistrict10.org/2017/north-american-interdistrict-meeting/</u>
- @ November 8 10, 2019 ~ District 1 Fall conference in Wakefield MA. Our Zonta International liaison will be meeting with club members to let them know we are in jeopardy of losing our "District status" because of a reduction of membership and what that means. 11/8 is also our official Centennial anniversary, so please mark your calendar and plan to attend this important conference. And, bring a Purse Donation to be auctioned off. <u>zontadistrict1.org</u>;
- @ March 9 20, 2020 ~ CSW 64 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. Representatives of Member States, UN entities, and ECOSOC-accredited non-governmental organizations (NGOs) from all regions of the world are invited to attend the session. Summary of 2019 report at <u>zontadistrict1.org/resource-center/230-united-nations.html</u>
- @ April/May 2020 Area 2 Spring Workshop date, location and theme to be announced.
- @ July 4 8, 2020 ~ The 65<sup>th</sup> Zonta International Convention at the Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL, USA. Chicago is the ZI headquarters and this Convention promises to be an amazing experience starting our next 100 years. <u>convention.zonta.org/</u>
- Get Clear on Your WHY ~ You and the rest of the Zonta world are accomplishing vital work and making a significant difference in the lives of women and children globally and locally. Yet, we remain a best-kept secret. If we are to achieve leverage, we need to grow our base of club members, International Members, and e-club members.

I invite you to think about why you initially joined Zonta and why you continue to support this organization.

Past International President Lynn McKenzie suggests: "As others see our passion and commitment, they will want to support us and maybe even join us. Take some time and reflect on your WHY, recharge your Zonta battery, and reignite the light."



The Golden Circle

**WHY** do we do **WHAT** we do: We believe in making the world a better place by working toward gender equality in a supportive community of like-minded people.

**HOW** do we do **WHAT** we do? Through service and advocacy in our communities and internationally.

WHAT do we do? We empower women.

If you want to hear and read more about the power of the WHY, please watch Simon Sinek's TED talk https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=IPYeCltXpxw or read his book, "Start With Why."

#### **JUNE 2019**



Governor's Summit Saturday, May 4, 2019 Burlington, MA Was Action Packed!

### Honor & Empower – Internationally

<u>CSW63 Update</u>—Mary Knight, Area II Director & Donna Sroka, President ZC of Northampton Summary available at ZontaDistrict1.org—click on Resources, select United Nations

<u>Foundation Moments</u>—Dr. Mary Ann Rubis (PDG) Centennial Anniversary Committee and Foundation Ambassador District 1 Summary available at ZontaDistrict1.org—click on Resources, select Foundation

<u>Centennial Presentation</u>—Joanne Puopolo (PDG) District Leadership Development and Centennial Coordinator Sandy Carroll, President ZC of Berkshire County Watch for upcoming information at ZontaDistrict1.org—click on Resources, select Centennial



### Message from ZI Liaison Margaret Bateman

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Zonta Brag & Steal—Barbara Anderson, Area IV Director Many ideas were shared!

### Keynote Speaker: Giovana Ortiz-Barrera, UNICEF USA

UNICEF USA and Zonta International - Partnering to build a more equitable world for women and girls since 1982

See flyer at ZontaDistrict1.org—click on Resources, select United Nations



Amelia Earhart Wing Awarding & Presentation

-2018 Amelia Earhart Fellows:

Carla Grobler, PhD Candidate Proposed Program: Aeronautics and Astronautics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Jacqueline Leah Thomas, PhD Candidate Proposed Program: Aerospace Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Honor & Empower Locally <u>Stepping Up to Leadership</u>—Lt. Governor Beatrice Schori Video available at ZontaDistrict1.org—click on Resources, select Nomination

Thank you Governor Liz for a dynamic program, filled with worthwhile information to share with our clubs! And for a beautiful day and delicious luncheon.



# ZQV Committee Reports for 2018-2019

### Nominating Committee—Marjorie Cavanaugh, Pam Albertson, Liz Reeves

Current officers will continue through 2020:

Pat Pupek, President ~ Dana Burton, Vice President ~ Shanique Spalding, Secretary ~ Joanne Turner-Chiacchi, Treasurer Board Members: Andrea Bordenca, Danielle Petrangelo.

### Membership—Dana Burton, Chairman

We have seen great interest in our club this past year, as a result of our wonderful programming, active outreach by club members and publicity of our special events. We have also enhanced membership materials to better educate guests about our mission and are exploring joint ventures with other Zonta clubs and like-minded organizations.

### Service Committee—Debbie Wood, Chairman

The club has been very generous this past year disbursing over \$5,000 to our Educational Awards winners, Zonta International Foundation, Ware Domestic Violence Task Force (Founder's Day), food pantries, Top Floor Learning program and Soldier On activities. Additionally we collected items for the Period Project which were disbursed to local agencies serving women. We collected over 60 jigsaw puzzles to share with Soldier On and the Women's Correctional Center (WCC). The WCC received books for adults and children, coloring books and pencils and yarn. Toiletries were shared with the YWCA and magazines with Wing Memorial Hospital. Members have generously donated many hours to share time and activities with the Soldier On ladies. Please bring books, yarn, puzzles, coloring books and pencils, toiletries and magazines to the June meeting.

### Educational Awards—Dana Burton, Chairman

\$1000 awards were given out to two deserving applicants:

2018 Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Awarded to Laura Davis of Palmer High School

2018 Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship winner: Lauren Gamache of Ludlow, senior at WNEC

### Golf Tournament Committee—Debbie Wood, Chairman

Thanks to the generosity of members who donated pastries, snacks, desserts, prizes and gift certificates and our sponsors, we realized a profit of \$4304 for the Golf tournament held on September 2018 at the Cold Spring Country Club. Our 25th tournament will be held on September 7, 2019 at the same location, so mark your calendars!

We have received several checks from sponsors but some are outstanding and we can always use more. Sponsor forms will be available at our June meeting and are posted at <u>www.zontaqv.org/golf</u> as well. Please bring any prize items big or small to our June meeting and continue to collect them over the summer. We also need gift cards (\$25 value) for the prize table. I will bring a list of possible gift cards to the June meeting, along with a task list sign-up sheet for the day of the tournament.

Lastly we need players to make our tournament successful so please encourage players of all levels to sign up. Player registration forms are available at <u>www.zontaqv.org/golf</u>.

BRING SPONSOR FORMS, PRIZES, GIFT CARDS TO THE JUNE MEETING.

### Poinsettia Fundraiser—Liz Reeves, Chairman

We had another successful fundraiser this year seeing an increase over 2016 (\$1831) and 2017 (1803.75). Our profits are \$1889 for 2018! Hurrah!! Thanks to all members efforts everything went smoothly. We look forward to another successful fundraiser in 2019.

### Silent "no more!" Auction—Dianne Kidd, Trish Pupek, Co-chairmen

Our Silent Auction resulted in a profit of \$5641. Isn't it amazing what our Club can accomplish ! We will be presenting checks to the following - Zonta International Foundation, Soldier On, Women's Programs, Gándara Esperanza Women's Transitional Support Services (TSS) and libraries in Belchertown, Ludlow, Monson and Palmer for the Strong Women and Girls Read project.

### Advocacy – Dana Burton, Mary Knight

We kept members and the public abreast of issues around gender inequality and violence against women (Zonta Says No); we expanded the Period Project throughout Western MA; we sponsored a play about **Christa McAuliffe**; and we highlighted International Service, ZISVAW projects, and women-centered current events in our newsletter and on Facebook.

### ZQV Committee Reports for 2018-2019 continued

Centennial Committee—Mary Ann Rubis, Marjorie Cavanaugh, Patti Matthieu, Pam Albertson, Liz Reeves, Mary Knight, Trish Pupek—Ad hoc committee charged with celebrating Zonta International's 100th anniversary during this biennium (2018-2020) ~ Worked with Committee chairs during the year to incorporate Centennial icon and message in newly created materials, events.

~ With member approval, ordered 500 luggage tags with Centennial icon for \$795.96. Thus far, we have received checks for the tags totaling \$750, with an additional \$380 guaranteed. We should be able to sell the remaining tags at the NAIDM, leaving some seed money for other centennial activities.

Strong Women and Girls Read – \$250 for each of 4 local libraries raised at the Silent "no more!" Auction. Books featuring strong women will be purchased and bookplate added to recognize Zonta's Centennial. We discussed considering a book display, book club, or some other idea to promote the centennial connection to this project. Book names/authors at zontaqv.org/books

~ Zonta Road Signs were erected in Belchertown, Ludlow and Palmer several years ago. To refresh the signs and highlight our centennial, we received a quote to affix a Centennial icon to each of the signs for a total cost of \$180. VOTE PENDING

~ Founder's Day in November - District needs recipient name by July 31 for either a Centennial Community Award given to an individual, business or organization with a proven record of empowering women (higher profile recipient) or Centennial Champion Award given to an individual in the community who is a hidden champion for women's empowerment. Once we select a recipient, we can determine which award to present and plan the event.

REQUESTING PROPOSALS DURING JUNE; EMAIL VOTE EARLY JULY.

~ Fashion Show—famous Zontians in period clothes through the ages—has been suggested as a add-on to November 11 meeting. REQUESTING LEVEL OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND A VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR THE EFFORT

~ Archive of club records—Currently we have lots of materials in boxes in member homes—we would like to formalize archives. Need to clarify what will be included (list – e.g., newsletters, lists of members; event programs, etc), what formats to use – electronic files, photobooks (like Shutterfly), thumb drives, or all hard copies in special containers to withstand aging; and where these records will be stored.

~ QV Common Action—We would love to work on a collaborative project with Girl Scouts, Kiwanis youth or MCSW (Shanique connection), YWCA (Danielle), etc. REQUEST SUGGESTIONS AND VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR THE EFFORT.

~ Young Girls Rocket! - In January, we would like to recognize high school seniors who, like Amelia Earhart, are following their dreams and have the courage and will to never give up. If we wanted to proceed with this idea, we could work with guidance counselors at local high schools in Quaboag Valley area in September to identify recipients by mid-December. Certificates would be awarded. REQUESTING LEVEL OF INTERERST FROM MEMBERS AND A VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR THE EFFORT.

Note: 2018 AEF Shristi Kasyrap is studying at UMASS Amherst and told Governor Liz that she would be interested in speaking at a future event. Could consider inviting her to our January event.

Display Table/Board - Liz and Mary Ann are exploring ideas for upgrading how we show Zontians in action. Trish suggested that a photo collage could be created. We agreed that the board should be updated every year or so, rather than monthly.



11<sup>th</sup> Annual Silent "no more!"

Auction

Because victims need to be heard



# SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR AUCTION SPONSORS

Chris Bordenca Sincere appreciation to all of our members and friends; special thanks to the following heroes: Elizabeth Dineen, E.D. Marnie Henneman Len Hooten Kerry Jackson Virginia Kellner Ron Kidd Pam Lewis Deb Marden Pat Marsh Karen Oldenburg Margaret Petrangelo Kathy & Gary Picard Bill Ploran Cecile Ploran Donna Slovak Dorothy Witaszek Baila Comigo Dance Fitness Studio Bonnie Lafayette, LMT Caselle Italian Imports Cold Spring Country Club **DK Jewelry Design** Journey Massage, Jean Fischer, LMT Mohegan Sun Mountain to Seas Knits Pop's Biscotti & Chocolates

Quabbin Valley Acupuncture Renew Calm Day Spa, Salt & Pepper Banquets @ LCC Sedelow Electric—Dave & Lisa Sir Barks-A-Lot—Suzanne Shaw Sixteen Acres Garden Center Stephen R. Chiacchia, CPA Tree House Brewing Co. Total Body Yoga & Pilates—Heidi MacEwen

## Interested in Zonta?

If you want to help make the world a better place by working toward gender equity, Zonta offers two types of membership: **Club Membership**—where we work together on service and advocacy, and fund local and global projects. Individual Membership—where

you can be part of Zonta International directly—and do as little or as much as you choose.

Contact Dana Burton, Membership Chair at deburton4212@gmail.com