



ZONTA

CLUB OF
QUABOAG VALLEY

**BUILD A BETTER WORLD
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**

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Amelia Earhart Program to Feature Grace Gerhardt: “Moving Through Adversity with Focus.”

Western MA ~ Every January, Zonta clubs throughout the world celebrate Amelia Earhart. Zonta International was the only non-flying organization that Amelia Earhart joined in her short, intense life. The Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley invites the public – especially young women interested in a STEM career – to join us on Monday, January 15th at 6pm at the Ludlow Country Club, where we will celebrate Amelia Earhart’s trailblazing spirit and meet **Grace Gerhardt** who – like Amelia – chose to enter a traditionally male-dominated field and is making significant contributions and inspiring other women through hard work and tenacity.

Grace Gerhardt, a supervisor at Pratt & Whitney, leads a team of over thirty mechanics in quality engine production by combining strong communication skills with integrity and compassion for others. Grace’s presence on the assembly floor has driven a significant reduction in engine build time while the team ramps up production. Grace believes as long as you take care of your people, the product will build itself. Grace completed her bachelor’s degree in aerospace engineering with a minor in English from Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) in 2019 and is expected to graduate with her master’s degree in systems engineering in May 2024.

Ludlow Country Club in Ludlow MA on Monday, **January 15, 2024**. 5:30 Socialize, 6 pm Buffet Dinner, followed by the Program. **Dinner \$28 is payable by cash, check, or credit card the night of the event, but RSVP to info@zontaqv.org by 1/8/24 for the Caterers.** Online payment and more information: ZontaQV.org/special-event/

*For more information on the Amelia Earhart Fellowship and Zonta’s STEM scholarship, visit Zonta.org or contact info@zonta.org. Zonta International and its members work at the international, national and local levels to realize our vision of a world in which women’s rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential, where women have access to all resources and are represented in decision-making positions on an equal basis with men, and where no woman lives in fear of violence. **Join us in building a better world for women and girls.***

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Celebrating Amelia Earhart month

LUDLOW COUNTRY CLUB

TENACITY AS A SUPERPOWER

An Aerospace Engineer graduate who works as a manager at Pratt & Whitney in a mostly male-dominated department shares traits of Amelia Earhart when it comes to overcoming adversity.



SPEAKER Grace Gerhardt



DATE

JANUARY 15, 2024



DINNER AND PRESENTATION

6:00 - 8PM

Info & Registration: ZontaQV.org/special-event



"Women should do for themselves what men have already done - occasionally what men have not done - thereby establishing themselves as persons, and perhaps encouraging other women toward greater independence of thought and action."

- Amelia Earhart



The Zonta International
Amelia Earhart Fellowship

Giving women their wings



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