



Area Director's Activity Report Board Meeting

Date: January 22, 2011

Clubs Visited

Zonta Club of Hamburg-Orchard Park 12/13/11

Zonta Club of Cheektowaga-Lancaster 12/16/11

Meetings Held

December 29, 2010 to serious issues with the Zonta Club of Amherst (request by ZC of Amherst president Niki Tarbell)

Clubs Special Events/Functions Attended

12/13/10 Attended the Zonta Club of Hamburg-Orchard Park Christmas Party held at Romanello's South.

12/16/10 Attended the Zonta Club of Cheektowaga- Lancaster Christmas Party

Club Interaction

Zonta Club of Batavia President Lee Cummings

- *Membership: Increase of 7 new members!! Was 25. Current membership 32.
- *District 4 Amelia Earhart Chairman Mary Yunker and the Batavia Club hosted an Amelia Program January 15, 2012.
- *Fall Money Donations: \$200 25 Neediest Children, \$600 All Babies Cherished, \$600 Crossroads House, \$600 YWCA Domestic Violence Program
- *Fund Raiser: Soup Mix Sale proceeds went to local charities (determined by Services Committee, voted by membership, see above)
- *Fund Raiser: Preparation in progress for Lucky Ladies Luncheon April 9, 2011. Theme "Woodstock"
- *Service: Power-Up Program will start 2/26/11. This is a mentorship program through YWCA
- *Service: Volunteer to work at "My Sister's Closet" Used clothing store on Thursday nights. Proceeds go to YWCA Domestic Violence Unit.
- *Service: MLK Day (Martin Luther King Day) A day of Service. Brought in fleece to make blankets for migrant workers and cards for service men.

Zonta Club of Cheektowaga-Lancaster President Phyllis Dickinson

- *Membership: 26 1 member Inducted. 1 Resignation
- *5 Members attended the AE Program hosted by ZC of Batavia
- *Fund Raising: Preparation in Progress for Lucky Ladies Luncheon April 9, 2011

*Service: A previous donation of \$6,000 was made to the Erie County Family Justice Center. The Justice Center will use the donation as the seed money for the 2011 Bathroom Poster Project (Rip off tabs of who to contact at the Justice Center for Domestic Violence help)

*Service: Host Club for the preparation of Birthing Kits. Goal is 1,000 kits. ZC of Cheek/Lanc will work alone on Jan. 27 and will be joined by ZC of Hamb/OP and Amherst on Feb. 12.

* Kathleen Douglas will be coming April 14 to do a Power Point Presentation on ZI International Project on Acid Burns

Zonta Club of Hamburg-Orchard Park President Judy Powers

*Membership: Increase of 3 new members! Was 25. Now 28

*Service: Food preparation in Jan. for the Ronald McDonald House

*Service: Making of Birthing Kits Feb. 12 with ZC of Cheek/Lanc

*Attended Hamburg Domestic Violence Luncheon. Spring donation of \$500.

* Kathleen Mary House spring recipient of \$500 (shelter for families of Domestic Violence)

*Fund Raising: 10 days of Christmas Wrapping in December at the McKinley Mall. Wrapping Goal was \$5,000+

*Will participate in the dedication of the new Family Justice Center opening in Orchard Park Feb. 12. ZC of Hamb/OP will be volunteers for the Bathroom Poster Project for Domestic Violence victims.

*Fund Raiser: Preparation underway for Spring Lucky Ladies Luncheon April 3, 2011.

Zonta Club of Buffalo President Irene Majchrzak

Membership: 27 Down 2 resignations

*Two members attended the AE program in Batavia

*The club is busy planning the District 4 Conference to be held in September 2011 at the Adam's Mark Hotel in downtown Buffalo.

*Service: Valentines to be given to the women who are residents of Cornerstone Manor. These women are victims of Domestic Violence.

*Service: Christmas gifts were delivered to a needy Buffalo family.

*Service: The ZC of Buffalo continues to be a part of the "TRY" mentorship program working with young Buffalo women.

*Fund Raiser: Basket Raffle of Goods. Value \$2,200. The ZC Club of Buffalo raised \$3,800.

Fund Raiser: Kentucky Derby Party May 21

Special Speaker for Amelia Earhart Month: Lt. Col. Deanna Miller, Public Affairs Officer of the 107th Air Lift Wing at Niagara Falls Air Force Base will speak on her 23 years experience of refueling and piloting over Afghanistan and Iraq.

Zonta Club of Rochester President Lesia Telega

Membership: 30 Down 1 due to loss of a member

Conducted a membership survey of likes and dislikes for the club to use for the upcoming year. The survey will be used by the Board to develop new ideas.

*Service: Knit together for Service. The members are making scarves and hats to donate to women in need.

*Fund Raising: Preparation in progress for "Reach For the Stars" on May 5. The event will be held at the Strasenburg Planetarium.

*A social event will be held for the Grant Recipients and a club panel is reviewing scholarship recipients for the upcoming year.

Zonta Club of Geneva President Mary Brainard

*Membership 11

*The ZC of Geneva has received a letter of disbandment in December from Jill Gehrig, Membership Service Manager of ZI for lack of dues payment. The club is disputing the disbandment and has a cancelled check that was cashed for ZI dues. Currently, the bank is redepositing the money into an account for the cashed check without signature. Mary Brainard will resend the membership dues for the 2010-2011 to ZI. ZC of Geneva is contesting the penalty charge of \$15.00 per member reinstatement fee to ZI. This club does not want to disband and is alive well.

*Fund Raiser: A December Christmas Cookies Sale of 172 cookies netted the club a profit of \$1,100.

*Service: The club provides supplies through the Family Counseling Services of the Finger Lakes for the Domestic Violence Unit.

*A membership Brunch will be held in April or May to encourage new membership into the club.

Zonta Club of Amherst President Niki Tarbell

Membership: 19

A call for help was received from President Niki Tarbell on November 29, 2010. The club was in jeopardy of disbanding due to lack of participation from many of the members. A meeting was held on December 29 in the home of Donna Ketchum-Colletta, Area 4 Director. Present were 3 club members, Niki Tarbell, and Governor Bonnie Crogan-Mazur. Problem areas were discussed. Notes were taken by the Area Director of the concerns and sent back to those present from the club. The members present at the meeting were not in favor of disbanding. The Board will meet and talk about the serious issues and concerns brought to light at the meeting. A discussion will be held with the membership at the meeting end of January to discuss the future of the Zonta Club of Amherst. One of the problems is a lack of officers for the upcoming year for the ZC of Amherst.

*Fund Raiser: Poinsettia Sale \$118.75 and The Wearhouse Accessorized Sale \$195.45. Donations of \$95.00.

*A Rummage Sale is planned for June 4 and June 5 at the home of Marilyn Lippard.

*Discussion will be held in January on the revision of the scholarship.

Zonta Club of Aurora President Pat Spahn

Membership: 19 No Report

Outstanding Issues

ZC of Geneva and ZI dues check
ZC of Amherst Reorganization or disbandment

Positive Notes

Two clubs increased their membership: the Zonta Club of Batavia and the Zonta Club of Hamburg-Orchard Park

Upcoming Area Events

April 2, 2011 Area 3 Workshop Lockport
April 3, 2011 ZC of Hamburg-Orchard Park Lucky Ladies Luncheon
April 9, 2011 ZC of Batavia Lucky Ladies Luncheon
April 9, 2011 ZC of Cheektowaga/Lancaster Lucky Ladies Luncheon
April 16, 2011 Area 5 workshop ZC of Bradford Pennhills CC
April 30, 2011 Area 1 Workshop ZC of Guelph
May 5, 2011 ZC of Rochester Planetarium Fund Raiser
May 21, 2011 ZC of Buffalo Derby Day