

ADVOCACY REPORT D4 - CANADA

In Canada I have continued to file the monthly infomercials for distribution in our District. As well, these infomercials go to all Zonta Clubs across Canada.

I monitor Womensenews daily for new stories about women's issues around the globe. I also receive a monthly newsletter from the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives. This publication contains in-depth articles about various issues here in Canada.

I have received the email addresses of the Advocacy Chairs in Area 1 and Area 2. I also need to get the ones in Area 3 so I will chat with the Area Director at our Board meeting and let her know. I have done emails to the Chairs and have a list of the projects the Clubs are involved in. Advocacy is alive and well in Areas 1 and 2.

Plans are underway to have an Advocacy page on our D4 website. Guelph currently has an excellent page and that may be our model going forward.

I was part of a panel at the Area 1 and 2 Spring Workshops in Owen Sound giving an overview of Advocacy while my cohorts spoke on individual projects.

I will be part of another panel at the Summit in Niagara Falls. My topic will be 'Advocacy and PR'.

Respectfully,

Connie Deckert

D4 Advocacy Chair-Canada