

Service Committee Report to the Zonta District 4 Board (US clubs)

September 2011

1. The Service Committee co-chairs sent a letter to all clubs in May introducing the new information on the District 4 web site in the Birthing Kit section.
 - a. The new documents include:
 - i. Approved Logo
 - ii. Sample Sponsor or Fundraising Letter
 - iii. Distribution Partner Requirements & Sample Liability Release Form
 - iv. Supplier Information
 - v. Suggested room arrangement & tasks
 - b. My letter to the Uline company president to ask for donated supplies or a discount unfortunately went unnoticed but I plan to contact the company again to see if we can get a discount each time we place an order as long as we all use the Zonta District 4 name as customer.

2. The Service Committee co-chairs sent an invitation to all clubs for the Birthing Kit Share & Learn event at the District Conference. We plan for an interactive session where clubs can share & learn about experiences including successes, issues they overcame and ideas for fund raising/supply donations. We also will solicit ideas for how the District can assist. We will also take this opportunity to gather information about the Birthing Kit distributions to provide to the Birthing Kit Foundation in Australia.

AREA 3	
Tonawanda, NY	They partnered with the Kenmore Club to assemble 1,000 kits in March of 2010 with 500 going to Haiti and 500 going to Tanzania. They assembled another 1,000 kit assembly in March 2011.
Kenmore, NY	See above
Niagara Falls, NY	Postponed their Birthing Kit assembly until later in year
Area 4	
Buffalo, NY	They did their first assembly of 1000 kits in April 2010 which were distributed to Africa. Their distributor recently gave a presentation about how well the kits were received.
Batavia-Genesee County, NY	Although no assemblies are currently planned, they are interested in sharing their assembly knowledge with other clubs
Cheektowaga-Lancaster, NY	They hosted a joint assembly with Hamburg-Orchard Park and Aurora and assembled 1,000 kits for Cost Rica, Bagishu, Uganda, Peru and Ghana.
Hamburg-Orchard Park, NY	See above
Aurora, NY	See above
Amherst, NY	Participated in assembly with Buffalo Club
Geneva, NY	They included a presentation about the District Birthing Kit program at their August "For Women, By Women" Event and are busy planning their upcoming assembly.
AREA 5	
Jamestown, NY	They recently completed an assembly of kits to be sent to Nepal.
Warren, PA.	Their first assembly was held in January 2011.
Bradford, PA	They completed their first assembly with 495 kits & plan 500 more.
Corry, PA	They have begun planning their program and have visited the Jamestown Club for information on a successful assembly.
Erie, PA	They did their first assembly of 800 kits in November 2010 which were combined with the Pittsburgh Club's kits for distribution to Africa.
Area 6	
Oil City-Franklin, PA	Held their first kit assembly on May 21, 2011 creating 200 kits which will be distributed by the Pittsburgh club
Pittsburgh, PA	They assembled 1000 kits with assistance from ALCOA and the Three Rivers North club and also assisted Erie and Oil City-Franklin in kit distribution
Three Rivers-Pittsburgh North, PA.	They assisted the Pittsburgh club with their assembly.
Washington County, PA	They have partnered with the University of California, Pa. School of Nursing to do an assembly on October 1 st and 4 th , targeting 1000 kits.

