

SHORT HISTORY OF THE ZONTA CLUB of OWEN SOUND

AREA 1 DISTRICT 4

April 16, 2014

The Zonta Club of Owen Sound was chartered Nov. 23, 1986 at the Holiday Inn in Owen Sound. Donelda Stewart was the first President. There were 25 charter members. Five of the charter members are members of the club today. Betty Thompson of the KW Zonta Club was instrumental in starting Owen Sound's Zonta.

Meetings are held on the 3rd Wed. of each month. Currently the dinner meeting is held at Stone Tree Golf Club. Often a speaker is invited. Our April meeting's speaker is Ann Robertson, Director of Diagnostic Imaging-Grey Bruce Health Services

Two workshops have been held in OS.

1. April 1997
2. April 2013

Yearly Fundraisers –

Annual Golf Tournament

Cancer initiatives -Bridge Marathon -projects for local women

Occasional Fundraisers

- Rose Sales for IWD

-Victorian Tea and Garden Party for local projects

-Yard Sale for YWPA

-Women in the Arts for IWD

-Comedian, Sandra Shamus–live show at Roxy Theatre

Local Community Service Projects

1. Women's Centre
2. Comfort Closet (GBHS Crisis Centre)
3. Gowns and furniture for GBHS Mammography Unit
4. Gamma Probe for GBHS
5. Library – literacy – magazine + Scrabble Tournament
6. Grade 8 Science Awards
7. YWP-Our 3rd candidate went on to win District
8. Walk for Memories (Alzheimer's)
9. Tuitions (eg. Angela Goetz -member)

10. Support for local women artists
11. Support for local speed skater
12. Closing the Gap (CCAC)
13. Day Away program
14. Coats for Kids
15. Big Sisters
16. Breast Screening Program (bus and day out Wiarnton to OS).
17. Women in Poverty – book by Colleen Purdon
18. Breakfast program in schools
19. Memorial Wreath for women war vets.
20. Billy Bishop Tea (support for historical home)
21. Billy Bishop Airport– original portrait of Amelia E by James Culligan

International Projects -annually

Amelia Earhart
Rose Fund
International Service

Members attending International conference:

Helsinki – Eleanor Pauling
Hong Kong – Karen Levenick
Detroit – Karen Levenick
Torino – Arlene Wright

Members to Workshop

Arlene Wright
Shirley Byers

Have a great day and an inspiring workshop.

Helen McQuitty – Zonta Club of Owen Sound