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Hello Zonta Sisters!

As we finish up January and move into February, I thought it would be a great time for a recap and look ahead – as well as – throw down a bit of HERstory!

As we all know, Zonta celebrates Amelia Earhart Month in January. There's another wonderful female aviator who was born in January, too, that I would like to point out. Her name was (Elizabeth) Bessie Coleman and she was born on January 26<sup>th</sup> 1892. She was the first African American, First Native American, and first female in the world to earn an international pilot's license. Her nickname was "Queen Bess". Unfortunately, her life was cut short in 1926 at the age of 34.

Looking ahead to February – did you know that February is National Women's Role in History Month – as well as – National Women Inventors Month?

With all of this in mind – it made me think of a Sheryl Sandberg quote. "We need women at all levels, including the top, to change the dynamic, reshape the conversation, to make sure women's voices are heard and heeded, not overlooked and ignored."

Incase her name doesn't ring a bell – Sheryl Sandberg is a Business Executive, Philanthropist, and Billionaire. She was the COO at Facebook (making her the company's 2<sup>nd</sup> highest ranking official), she was elected to their Board of Directors (becoming the 1<sup>st</sup> woman to serve on their board), and is the Founder of Lean-In.org (a 501 ©3 dedicated "to offering women the ongoing inspiration and support to help them achieve their goals.")

As we continue to move forward – lets see what else we can do to lift each other up and SHINE!

And speaking of SHINING – our Lucky Numbers Luncheon will take place the first Saturday of March! It's always a LOT of fun but also a LOT of work! Thank you to ALL who are busy planning and organizing.

Hope to see you all very soon!

Jennifer

**JANUARY MEETING**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9      5:30 PM AT JDF**

**(dinner meetings are \$20.00)**

**34 DAYS TILL THE BIG DAY!!!**



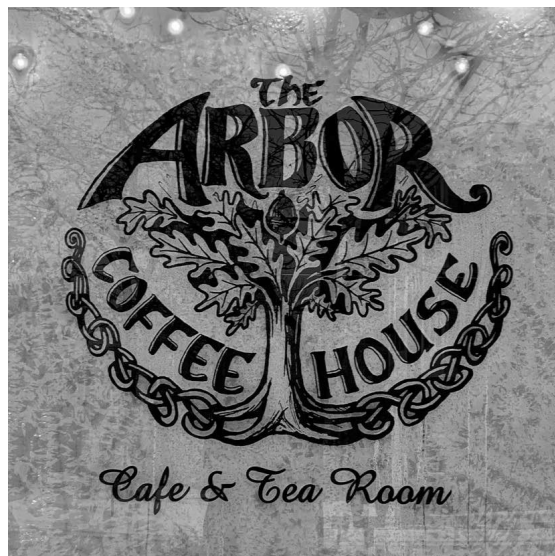
We are halfway there. I have about 50% of our LNL items. A reminder that **every member is responsible to provide a gift valued at \$65.00.** This is the only fundraiser that we have where we ALL need to pull together and make it a success.

- ♦ I will need all items by our FEBRUARY 9TH meeting. If you are stumped or don't have time to shop, a monetary donation is requested. You can also mail a check or drop items off directly to Marina Smith, 208 Connecticut Ave, Warren PA 16365. I am home most evening by 5 pm. Call or text me 814-706-2505
- ♦ ***ALL UNSOLD TICKETS NEED TO BE RETURNED TO TERRY BORGER BY OUR FEBRUARY 9TH DINNER MEETING. THERE IS A WAITING LIST FOR TICKETS.***
- ♦ Money for tickets are due by February 9th.

We are still working on collecting lottery tickets and money for our Zonta sister Sally Ulrich's memorial tree, that will be at LNL



**ZONTA LATTE  
SATURDAY,  
FEBRUARY 25 AT  
10 A.M.**



## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF EDUCATION 24 JANUARY 2023



Worldwide, **129 million** girls are out of school, including **32 million** of primary school age, **30 million** of lower-secondary school age, and **67 million** of upper-secondary school age.

Source: UNICEF



The education of girls helps to break intergenerational cycles of poverty and disadvantage. When a girl stays in school, she increases her income-earning potential and her future is immediately brighter.

Source: World Vision Canada



A woman with formal education is more likely than an uneducated woman to use contraception, marry later, have fewer children, and be better informed on the nutritional needs of her children.

Source: World Vision Canada



In many parts of the developing world, the nearest primary school could be a four- or five-hour-long walk away. Girls are particularly vulnerable, risking danger, violence and abuse to get into a classroom.

Source: World Vision Canada



War and violence often bring an abrupt end to education opportunities, but girls are particularly vulnerable. A quarter of all out-of-school children live in crises-affected countries.

Source: World Vision Canada



#EducationDay | #SDG4 | #EducationForAll

### **ELEVATOR SPEECH**

***The Zonta Club of Warren honors, empowers and advocates for women, both locally and globally, seeking to end domestic and gender-based violence, human trafficking and poverty through service and education programs.***

# Firsts for Women: December 2022

Zonta International celebrates "firsts for women" in all different sectors in countries and communities around the world.

Looking back on last month, we acknowledge the following women:

- Dina Boluarte – first woman president of Peru.
- Mariah Carey – first woman to have three songs on the Hot 100 for more than 11 weeks.
- Jo Davies – first woman artistic director of Opera Australia.
- Dana Douglas – first Black woman to serve on the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Rachel Evangelisto – first Indigenous woman to represent Minnesota in the Miss America competition.
- Claudine Gay – first Black person and second woman to be named president of Harvard University, USA.
- Elif Güveyler – first woman captain pilot for Kuwait.
- Rachel Jones – first woman to record 1,000 laps in a year on the Manitou Incline, a popular hiking trail in Colorado that gains more than 2,000 feet of elevation in less than one mile.
- Borjana Krišto – first woman nominated Bosnia's prime minister-designate.
- Katie Ledecky – first woman swimmer to win The Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year twice.
- Maj. Gen. Lorna Mahlock – first Black woman two-star general in the Marines.
- Tristaca McCray – first Black woman secretary-general of the World Kindness Movement.
- Chantelle Porter – first Black woman to be selected to serve the Illinois Supreme Court as a judge in the 18th judicial circuit.
- Heba Saadia – first Palestinian woman referee selected to officiate soccer matches in the Women's World Cup.
- Rachna Singh – first South Asian woman to become education and childcare minister of British Columbia province in Canada.
- Julianne Sitch – first woman coach to win men's soccer NCAA championship.
- Annika Sorenstam – first woman vice president of the Association of Golf Writers.
- Emma Tucker – first woman named editor-in-chief of *The Wall Street Journal*.
- Sheena Wright – first Black woman appointed New York City's first deputy mayor.
- Janet Yellen – first woman treasury secretary to sign U.S. currency.
- Second Lt. Anna Zaccaria – first woman Army reservist to begin her career as an infantry officer.

As an organization that has fought for gender equality for more than 100 years, Zonta International believes it is important to celebrate and honor women who are making history. Each month, we will recognize women who have broken the glass ceiling and set an example for future generations to come.

Do you know of a first for women moment that should be recognized? Share with us at [pr@zonta.org](mailto:pr@zonta.org).