



Zonta Club of *Warren*

ADVANCING THE STATUS OF WOMEN WORLDWIDE...

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Membership News

by Mary Ann Zdarko

The next induction ceremony for new member will be at the April Dinner Meeting.

ALL applications **MUST** be submitted to later than February 26, in order for the Board to review and approve at their March Board meeting.

IF you have a perspective member please let me know as soon as possible. I will have Application forms and information packets at the February Dinner meeting.

You may also call me @723-1998, or e-mail @ maz47@atlanticbb.net

At this time we have 2 women who will be joining Zonta in April

Thank you,

Mary Ann Zdarko

Membership

Upcoming Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010 Social
time 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm
Jefferson DeFrees Center

Chris Cheronis from GRO-Warren and our very own Jennifer Rossey or Main Street will update us on the changes of their organizations and economic plans for Warren city and county.

21st Century Girls Career Camp in Review

At our January 14th meeting, Kris Whitaker presented the club with some information about the 21st Century Girls Career Camp, which will be held June 21-25, 2010.

The camp is designed for students to become familiar with the more non-traditional careers for girls in healthcare, law enforcement, environmental science, electrical engineering, lumber inspection and much, much more.



Kris shared a video with the members that captured the fun the girls endured during prior year's camps. The camp is limited to 20-25 students each year and gives the girls some knowledge about the working world.

Reminders:

- Any fellowship items should be brought to the attention of Barb Swanson or Laura Ahl
- If you have any newsletter ideas, please contact Laura Ahl
- Still looking for a co-captain for Relay for Life...see Cheryl or Julu

Coming up...

- Lucky Numbers Luncheon

February Birthdays...

- 3 - Anita Cohan
- 14 - Mary Ann Zdarko
- 18 - Vicki Stec
- 27 - Lynn Snyder



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Founded in 1919, Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. Zonta members volunteer their time, talents and money to local and [international service projects](#), as well as [scholarship and award programs](#) aimed at furthering women's education, leadership and youth development.

**Are you getting your Zonta magazine?
Don't forget to register at www.zonta.org**

To cancel a standing luncheon reservation please call the Jefferson DeFrees Center at 723-6350 on or before noon on Tuesday for a Thursday luncheon.

International Programs

By Phyllis Wright

Zonta's International has three programs focuses. Last month's letter was on prevention of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV. This letter is on "[Safe Cities in Latin America.](#)"

Civil wars, lack of economic and employment opportunities, gang member criminals, drug trafficking, etc. has led to a homicide rate 114% above world average in this region of our world (Mexico, Honduras, Nicaragua, Belize, etc). Guatemala and El Salvador are especially affected. Zonta has given \$600,000 to UNIFEM . This organization is a United Nations women's fund that provides financial assistance to innovative programs and strategies to foster women's empowerment and gender equality.

In this Latin America region it focuses on urban violence's as a gender issue and strengthening women's right to active citizenship. Organizations have been formed in these countries to identify risks and solutions for more effective anti-violence policies. The goal is to make cities safer by educational campaigns on these issues. For more info go to Zonta or UNIFEM web site.

In Haiti some of their UNIFEM staff was killed in the earthquake. UNIFEM has plans to continue the programs.

Lucky Numbers Luncheon...



Tickets will be \$25.00 this year for lunch and five free chances. Each member is to sell a minimum of two tickets. You must purchase a ticket for yourself if you plan to attend. When selling tickets, please inform your guest that they should plan to arrive at 11:00 a.m. to browse and buy additional chances. **This year the tickets have been reformatted and will need to be shown for admission.** To be safe, please keep a list of names and ticket numbers as you sell tickets and turn it in to Linda. Lunch will be served at noon and we will start drawing winners at 1:00 p.m. If you need additional tickets, please contact Linda Falconer, evenings at 726-2087 or email at piper@westpa.net. Linda will distribute the tickets at the January meeting. **Ticket money must be turned in to Linda by Thursday, February 11, 2010.** Your two tickets need to be paid for or turned in by this date. We will continue to sell any unsold tickets until the event.

Each member is required to donate two items valued at \$25 each or one valued at \$50 and one sponsor donation. Or, members can go together and donate at 'big ticket item'. If you find some great buys and would like to donate additional items, we will gladly accept them. If you do not like to shop or you are unable to shop, we will be glad to shop for you. Just give us your money as soon as possible, so we have time to shop. When turning in your prizes, enclose a note with your name and a brief description of the items. Prizes can be dropped off at Jarvis Cleaners or call Anita at 563-4475 and she will be glad to pick up your gifts.

All prizes are to be turned in by Thursday, February 11, 2010!!!!