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by the 25th of the month
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*If you have questions about any
facet of Zonta, please send them to
me and I will make every effort to
find answers and report in a future
issue of Zontiara*

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Niagara Falls Zonta Club
www.zontanfny.com

Zonta International District 4
www.zontadistrict4.org

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www.zonta.org

President's Message

Dear Sister Zontians:

It is bittersweet writing what will be my last editorial as your President. I always enjoy sharing my thoughts with you all. I know that Kyle will be picking up this task and will do an amazing job, just like our club membership, Kyle will bring a diversity of thoughts and outlooks that only she can bring.

I have enjoyed, once again, being your President however we all know that our club is not successful because of any one person's efforts. We have a great group of women who never cease to amaze me with their dedication, loyalty and creativity. Our club grew over these last few years, but again it was a collaboration with our stellar membership committee and members who reached out and recruited the new members. As with any club we gain and lose members and I am sorry to see Lois Jericitano and Pat James drop from our ranks, but I know that they will never forget being a Zonta member and will have fond memories of the years that they were part of our membership.

I thank you all for your dedication and support and look forward to supporting our new Board of Directors and Officers to ensure that 2016-2018 will be productive and satisfying years for each and every one of us. Have a healthy and safe summer!

I look forward to seeing you all this week to celebrate together 2016.

President Gretchen



April, May and June 2016 Zonta Club of Niagara Falls, NY

Wednesday, April 13th – Niagara Falls Country Club – 6:00 p.m. Program: Patricia Wrobel, Niagara University's Young Women STEM Camp

Wednesday, May 4th – Niagara Falls Country Club 6:00 p.m. Program: Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers

Wednesday, June , Date, Time and location to be announced – Annual Planning Meeting.

Members are reminded to contact Lindsay Edwards if you ARE attending the monthly meeting and you want to have the dinner. Lindsay will send a reminder of the upcoming meeting and the menu for the day. It is your responsibility to contact her if you need a change in the menu or if you will be having the meal. Lindsay will order meals for those members attending the meeting. Meal cost is will be announced at a later date. Beverage, other than coffee or tea is extra. If you do not contact Lindsay by the date in her email, a meal will NOT be ordered for you.

Remember!

Wear your nametags at meetings or when you volunteer.

Zonta International Facebook Page

Many Zonta clubs and districts are sharing their events and activities on the Zonta International Facebook page. [www.facebook.com/ ZontaInternational](http://www.facebook.com/ZontaInternational)
The Zonta Club of Niagara Falls, NY, Inc., now has a Facebook Page - www.facebook.com/ZontaClubOfNiagaraFallsNewYork

ZONTA VISION STATEMENT

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential. In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL MISSION STATEMENT

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

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Happy Birthday to our April, May June and July Members (Remember your gift for the Raffle)

Apr 2 Bonnie Weidert and Sandra Cobham
Apr. 10 Bonnie Crogran Mazur
Apr 22 Pam Kilmer
Apr 26 Janice Lewis
May 5 Kathy Bunyan-McClendon
Jun 7 Maggie Pollock
Jun 13 Karrie Gebhardt
Jun 21 Polly Redanz
Jun 23 Barbara Williams
Jun 25 Karen Welch
Jul 2 Carolyn Holder
Jul 6 Betty Smith
Jul 11 Lindsay Edwards
Jul 25 Linda Salvatore
Jul 31 Angeline Henderson



2016 Dates to Remember

Apr 13 Topic – Niagara Falls County Club. Patricia Wrobel. Program “NU STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Camp Program”

May 4th – Annual Dinner and Installation of New Officers

May 7th – 50th Anniversary of Zonta Club of Hamburg and Orchard Park-Orchard Park Country Club

May 26th Zonta Club of Kitchener-Waterloo's 24th Betty Thompson Golf Classic.

Jun – Annual Program Planning Meeting – Location TBA

Jul – Annual Picnic – TBA

Jul 2nd – 6th – 63rd Zonta International Convention – Nice, France. Check the International website or the Zontian for more details

Aug – No meeting Scheduled

Sep 14th – Meeting

Oct 9th - Meeting

Nov 9th - Meeting

New Officers for 2016 - 2018

Congratulations to our newly elected Club Officers. Thank you for agreeing to run for office and for your commitment to Zonta. Thank you also to our outgoing Officers. They did a great job!!!

President - Kyle Patterson
Vice President - Dr. Lindsay Edwards
Secretary - Wendy Duignan
Assistant Secretary - Kathy Janik
Treasurer - Frances Engel
Assistant Treasurer - Polly Redanz
Directors - 1 year - Karrie Gebhardt
..... 2 year -Betty Smith
Ex Officio Advisor – Gretchen Leffler

Kat's Quotes

I forgot to contact Kat for some new quotes for our newsletter. Kat's Quotes will return as part of the newsletter in our next edition.

Thank you to Kat Bunyan-McClendon, Past President for providing quotes for our newsletter. Members will remember Kat always ended the meeting with an inspirational quote. Thanks Kat!

Editor's Request

This past year our Club has been involved in many Zonta-related activities and local community service projects. It would be great if we could have pictures from these events that could be included in our newsletter. What a great way to share the Zonta Spirit with members, like me, who are unable to attend. I would like to thank Dr. Lindsay Edward and Jean Walker for taking pictures at the February and April Meeting. Thank you to Jean for also volunteering to pictures in future.

I would also like to have one column dedicated to our new members. This would include a small picture and short bio for each of the new members.

Maybe, we could do a bio of a new member and one for an existing member. It must be hard for our new members to come to a meeting and see our membership and not know much about them. This will probably have to be done by having two existing members and one new member in each column.

What do you think?

Passage House Donations

The Passage House (Shelter for Abused Women) has provided our Club with the following wish list. Items brought to our monthly meeting will be taken to Passage House and our Club will be credited with the donations.

Diapers	Baby Wipes	Baby Monitors	Underwear (all Sizes)	Socks (adult & Children)
Pots and Pans	Dishes	Glassware	Cooking Utensils	Lamps
Silverware	Laundry Detergent	Cleaning Supplies	School Supplies	Towels (Kitchen & Bath)
Coffee Makers	Microwaves	Pillows and Pillowcases	Sheets	Gift Cards for Stores

If you choose to take the items to Family and Children Services Main Office, please let them know you are a member of the Niagara Falls Zonta Club. The telephone number is 285-6984. Personal care items & Gift cards for local dollar stores are always welcome.

Thinking Of You!!

This year has been a very trying time for several of our Members. We have missed them at our meetings and functions, and our thoughts and prayers are with them. Please keep Shirley Carter, Lois Jircitano and Tina Gregory in your thoughts as they have been unable to attend meetings. We miss you and hope all is well with you. Our Club members extend their deepest sympathy to Polly Redanz on the passing of her mother.

Please remember to contact Laura Lee if you know of any members who have been under the weather or have lost a loved one. The Fellowship Committee lets that member know that we are praying for them.

NEW MEMBERS!!



Daisy Waters, Membership Chair., Jean Walker, New member and Fran Engel, Sponsor



Daisy Waters, Membership Chair., Jean Walker, New Member, Fran Engel Sponsor and Gretchen Leffler, President



Bear holding Zonta Banner at January Meeting at the Bakery



Daisy Waters, Membership Chair, Gretchen Leffler, President, Linda Dynel, New Member and Janice Lewis, Sponsor



Daisy Waters, Membership Chair, and New Member Linda Dynel



Gretchen Leffler, Linda Dynel and Janice Lewis, Sponsor

Service Committee "Leaving Dorian" Presentations to Schools

Niagara Falls High School Presentation

Niagara Wheatfield High School Presentation

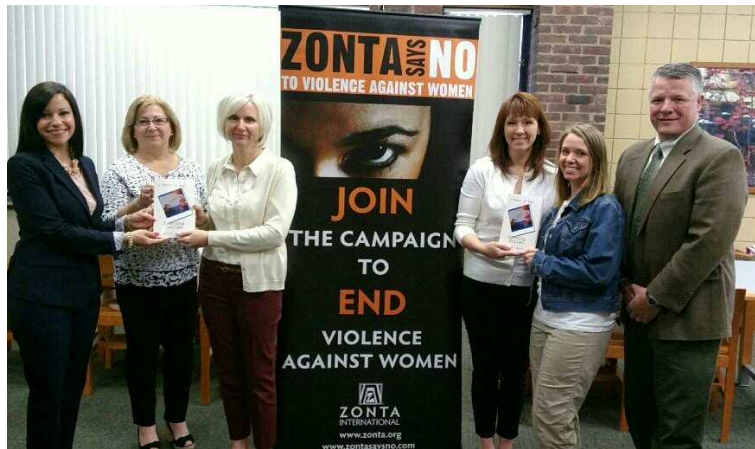


Linda Dynel, Author, Andrea Fortin-Nossavage, History Teacher, Bonnie Crogan Mazur, Service Chair, Ebone Rose Bradberry, Counselor, Linda Dynel, Author and Gretchen Leffler, President



Kyle Patterson, Vice Pres., Lisa Bonniw Lindamer, High School Counselor, Paul Galgovich, Asst. Principal, Tim Carter, Principal, Linda Dynel, Author and Gretchen Leffler, President

Lewport High School Presentation



Trina DiVincenzo, Guidance counselor, Gretchen Leffler, President, Terri Faut, LewPort Librarian. Linda Dynel, Author. Kelly Ulrich, LewPort Health Teacher, and Andrew Auer, LewPort High School Principal

Programs for February and March Meetings



Vanessa Scott, Exec. Director of God's Woman Ministry Efforts to Stem Teen Pregnancy in the City Niagara Falls.



Kyle Patterson, Vice President presents Vanessa with our Club's donation of God's Woman Ministry.

International Women's Day and Zonta Club of Niagara Falls' Woman of Distinction Award



Woman of Distinction Award



Linda receives Award from Pres. Gretchen and Bonnie Crogan Mazur



Pres. Gretchen, Linda and Donna Owens, Niagara Falls City Administrator with Mayor Dyster's Proclamation