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ZONTA CLUB OF AMHERST
DISTRICT #4
DECEMBER 2011

A Message from the President:

Hello Amherst Zontians,

Dec. 7, 2011

We have been busy since our last meeting in November when we were fortunate to have Governor Bonnie induct our **3 new members**. We are very happy to have Kathy Reynolds, Donna Cicero and Sherry Baiocco become Zontians of Amherst. We look forward to working with you on projects and fundraising events in the future.

The **Behind Closed Doors Posters** have been delivered to Bank of America and the two Wegman's Stores in Amherst. Other posters have also been set up in various locations. Be sure to let Deb Glieco know where these posters are so we can keep track of them.

A special thanks to Mickey Hice. She spent the full day at **Wearhouse Accessorized** on November 27, 2011 representing Zonta of Amherst. To the members who visited or made purchases please know it was appreciated. Supporting our events helps to make them successful. As we told you, a percentage of the sales that day was given to our club. Try to shop there during the year and let them know who you are.

Finally, this week the **Poinsettia orders** came in. The ones I received were beautiful and I was happy to make my deliveries to friends and family. Niki helped organize this sale for our fundraising event. Those who placed orders, thanks!

Our club did volunteer this month at the **Gilda House** for the Gingerbread event. Niki, Mickey and I were there on Saturday. There was a great crowd there supporting Gilda House and our volunteering was great appreciated by the chairman of the event.

Please remember our **Christmas Party** is December 13, 2011. Please call Shirley to let her know you are attending. Also, we decided we would **bring gift cards** for the women in Gerard Place. Suggestions for gift cards could be TOPS, Wegmans, Walmart or Target. Any amount for the gift cards would be appreciated by the women. If someone wants to buy an item, diapers or baby products or paper products are suggestions. I can pick up gift cards if anyone brings cash.

In case some of the members are not going to be at the party, I want to wish you Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and A Happy Holiday Season.

Sincerely,
Anita

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL MISSION STATEMENT

Zonta International is a global service organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women through service and advocacy



ZONTA CLUB OF AMHERST MISSION STATEMENT

Create renewed enthusiasm in each member to enable the Zonta Club of Amherst to take on the cause of women's health, participate in District and support International endeavors.

**This Month's Dinner Meeting
at Westwood Country Club
is December 13, 2011**

6:00 Socializing
6:30 Dinner



You may choose your meal AT the meeting this time!

NO SUBSTITUTIONS from the set menu
\$22 due at dinner (exact payment helpful!)
Please call Shirley at 634-4484 or 908-5928
by December 10th to hold a place for you!

**This meeting will be our Holiday Party!
Please consider bringing a GIFT CARD to give to Gerald's Place!**

Next meeting is January 24th 2012!

President
Anita Sandecki

Vice President
Deb Glieco

Treasurer
Mary-Diana
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Secretary
Peggy Naples

**Board of
Directors**
Shirley Havice
Mickey Hice
Kay Marciano

Mark your Calendars!
**2011-2012 Dinner Dates for all
members:**

December 13, 2011 (Holiday Party)
January 24, 2012
February 28, 2012
March 27, 2012
April 24, 2012
May 22, 2012 (Installation)

**2011-2012
Amherst Zonta Board Meetings
NORTHTOWN CENTER (upstairs)**

January 13, 2012
February 21, 2012
March 13, 2012
April 10, 2012
May 8, 2012
June 12, 2012 Old Board/New Board

AMELIA EARHART COMMITTEE MESSAGE

December 2011

Dear Club Presidents and Amelia Earhart Chairs,

It has been such an interesting time in the field of aviation these past few weeks and months. Just this week the famous “Jet Man” was flying alongside two jet planes while wearing his specially designed suit, two jet packs, and wings attached to his body. It is doubtful that either of the Wright Brothers or the early aviators ever thought this type of flight would be possible. Another Mars Rover, the Curiosity, has been sent up into space – NASA has high hopes for a successful mission to explore the planet and it will be a long time in the future before the scientists know if it lands safely. In addition, satellites have fallen back to earth and more astronauts have been sent up to the International Space Station.

January and our Amelia Earhart programs are just a few short weeks away – we certainly hope you are planning programs with interesting topics. A March 1979 Zontian Magazine article surfaced while Mary was working on the ZI Service Project Display Boards for the District Conference – it was about Neta Snook Southerland – flight instructor of Amelia. Neta wrote a book about her own years in aviation and her short few years with Amelia. It is simply titled *I Taught Amelia To Fly*, published by Vantage Press in 1974. It’s a great read – Neta had such a strong desire to be a flyer and to build airplanes that she illegally jumped aboard freight trains (think hobo) to get from Iowa to Virginia to be part of the Curtiss Flying School. She even has ties to western New York, where she worked in Elmira, NY at the Willys Morrow plant in 1918. She had a very interesting and unusual life for a female at that time. Mary has the book should anyone want to read it – otherwise, try to find a used one for a relatively reasonable price on the internet.

If you want to create a quiz – search out the locations of monuments, buildings, airports, flowers, dams, streets, and football stadiums named for Amelia or other female aviators. Past Area 4 Director, Bonnie Clesse, and her husband went to the Ninety-nines Museum by the Oklahoma City Airport a few weeks ago and took some great photos while there. If anyone wants copies of these photos, let us know and we’ll try to get them sent to you via the internet.

Perhaps some of you would like to do research on Louise Blanchard Bethune, the first American Woman professional architect. In the 1880s she had her own company and designed many buildings around western New York. Lockport may still have a few buildings standing that she designed.

As we must always remind you – be sure your club has the Amelia Earhart Fellowship fund in your budget so we can fulfill our goal of paying for a \$10,000 fellowship each year.

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Thank you...

**To all who volunteered at the
Gilda's House Gingerbread Event!**

Thank you as well to those who were ready to volunteer at the **Teddy Roosevelt Victorian Christmas event, even though our shift there was canceled.**

Thank you for selling **poinsettia's! By now you should have picked up your plants at Lowe's!**

Finally, thank you to all who shopped and referred your friends to shop on Nov. 27th at **The Wearhouse Accessorized!**

Welcome to our newest Zonta Members!

At our November meeting, we were delighted to bring three new members to our growing Zonta Club of Amherst family!

Governor Bonnie Crogan-Mazur and our own President Anita Sandeck welcomed and inducted Donna Cicero, Kathy Reynolds and Sharon Baiocco.

Please be sure to introduce yourself and help them get fully involved in our Zonta mission!

Amherst Zonta - Now available ONLINE!

We have our own website at www.amherstzonta.org
You can find our current and older newsletters there, our meeting blessings, information about what Zonta is for interested friends and much more!

Find us on Facebook! Look for "Amherst Zonta"!

If you have articles, photos, information or anything that you would like to see put into the newsletter or put online at the website, please email Donna C. at Cicero@roadrunner.com