



# ZONTA AM

ZONTA CLUB OF AMHERST \*DISTRICT #4

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Anita Sandecki

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## A Message from the President:

Dear Zonta Sisters,

We had our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in September with a great speaker, David Zapfel, Executive Director from the Gerard Place in Buffalo. Members were generous bringing plenty of diapers and baby items and I thank each of you for your support. We learned so much about Gerard Place and its role as a 14 unit transitional shelter for homeless, single parent families. Members who still want to donate diapers or baby items can bring them to the meeting October 25<sup>th</sup> and we can be sure they will get to Gerard Place. In my September message, one of my goals was for our club to increase its membership. Thanks to Mary Diana we had 4 guests who attended and wish to join our club. We enjoyed meeting each of these women and look forward to them becoming members of Zonta of Amherst.

My second goal for our club was to increase our fundraising. Our chance to start this is October 20, 2011 when we have a 12 course dinner at the Golden Duck. We still have seating available, so please pay ahead for a seat at this delicious meal. District 4 conference Amelia Earhart gift baskets raised over \$3000 for the Scholarship fund. We were able to donate a wine basket from Connie Smith's friend. Please do consider supporting Passport Wine and Spirits on Main Street in Clarence. They gave us most of the items in the wine basket, which raised \$75.00 for the fund. We are hoping to do a Spring Wine Tasting event at this establishment after the holidays.

Best news- Zonta of Amherst now has its own web page. Check it out- [www.amherstzonta.org](http://www.amherstzonta.org)- Thanks to Donna Cicero. She designed this for us and we thank you so much for your hard work. We appreciate it! Looking forward to another great month. 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.*



**2011-2012 Dinner Dates:**

**October 25, 2011**

**November 15, 2011**

**December 13, 2011  
(Holiday Party)**

**January 24, 2012**

**February 28, 2012**

**March 27, 2012**

**April 24, 2012**

**May 22, 2012 (Installation)**

**DINNER MEETING  
WESTWOOD COUNTRY CLUB  
October 25, 2011**

6:00 Socializing

6:30 Dinner Choice of:

Grilled Chicken w/ Cranberry Salsa

Baked Italian Haddock

Shepherds Pie

**NO SUBSTITUTIONS!     \$22.00**

Call Shirley by 10/22/11

634-4484 or 908-5928



**OCTOBER SPEAKERS**

Mrs. Beverly Shipe ,NP

The Womanfocus

Sweet Home Supper Club

For 12-15 year old girls

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**DONNA KETCHUM-COLLETTA**

**AREA 4 DIRECTOR**

**(POSTER PROJECT)**

**2011-2012  
Amherst Zonta Board  
Meetings**

**NORTHTOWN CENTER (upstairs)**

**November 15, 2011  
(5:30 before dinner meeting  
@WESTWOOD)**

**January 13, 2012**

**February 21, 2012**

**March 13, 2012**

**April 10, 2012**

**May 8, 2012**

**June 12, 2012 Old Board/New  
Board**

**NEW MEMBER APPLICATE**

*Donna Cicero*

**66 Mahogany Dr Williamsville**

**Amherst Youth Foundation - Manager**

**Sponsored by Mary-Diana Pouli**



**Zonta International**  
*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

***Join the Zonta Club of Amherst***

**For a Fundraising Event at:**

***Golden Duck Chinese Restaurant***

1840 Maple Road, corner of Ayer Road,  
Williamsville, NY 14221

**Date: Thursday October 20, 2011**

**Time: 6:00 PM**

Join us for a 12 COURSE Chinese Banquet

Cost: \$40.00 Tickets available thru Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>

Cash bar for wine, beer, and cocktails

Contact Anita Sandeck 837-6301 or mail check to Anita Sandeck  
312 Coronation Drive, Amherst, NY 14221

Make checks payable to Zonta of Amherst

Proceeds of event to benefit Fundraising drive including Family Justice  
Center and Women Focus department of Prevention Focus, Inc.

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**FUNDRAISING EVENT**

**GOLDEN DUCK  
CHINESE DINNER**

**12 COURSE - CASH BAR**

**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 20, 2011**

**6PM \$40.00**

**CALL Anita 837-6301**

**THE WAREHOUSE ACCESSORIZED**

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2011**

**11:00AM-5:00PM**

*A portion of all sales will benefit  
Zonta's work on behalf of women*

**COME SHOP !!!!!!!!!**



**Zonta Club of Lockport**

*Presents the*

**Annual Fall Fundraising Event**

**Dinner & Wine Pairing**

**Featuring Wineries from the Niagara Wine Trail**

**Cash Bar & Hors d'oeuvres**

*Live Auction • Cash Raffle • Dancing*

**Saturday, November 12, 2011**

**Lockport Town &**

**Country Club**

**717 East Ave, Lockport**

**Cash Bar 5 pm • Dinner 6 pm**

*Donation: \$45.00 per person*

**Benefit Scholarship Fund**

**For Ticket Information Call Dianne Cross: 254-0530**

## **District Conference: A first-timers view**

Attending our recent conference in Buffalo at the Adams Mark hotel on 9/23/11-9/25/11 opened this *first timers* eyes to what a remarkable organization Zonta can be. It was thrilling to see members file in from locations ranging from Toronto to Pittsburgh. The conference attendees busy schedule included golf outings, Buffalo area tours, workshops and business meetings. I heard that our local founder Marian De Forest even made a brief appearance at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Members sharing their personal successes stories with the events their clubs sponsored proved one of the most beneficial elements of the weekend. We learned about members preparing meals at local Women's centers, sponsoring specialty camisoles for mastectomy victims and collecting jogging suits for hospitals to distribute to rape victims.

When bagpipers led the council directors into the first business meeting, followed by a Color Guard from a local city high school, Zontian pride filled the room. Our County Executive, Chris Collins and Council Member, David Franczyk welcomed members to the area. Friday night's Italian dinner provided all the members with a taste of Buffalo's heritage. On Saturday night attendees enjoyed watching O'Connell and Company's long running all female play, *Diva by Diva*.

The Saturday luncheon address from the International Institute's director, Eva Hassett, who is a daughter of a Zontian, helped enlighten members about that organization's wonderful work. We learned about the wide number of people from different country's immigrating into the Buffalo area.

Prior to the business meeting on Sunday, members participated in a touching memorial honoring beloved Zontians who had passed away. All in all, everyone left the convention instilled with a wealth of new ideas and filled with the personal pride Zontian membership brings.

- Peggy Naples

Zonta Meeting Minutes  
September 27, 2011  
Westwood Country Club

The first general meeting for the 2011/2012 season, of the Amherst Zonta Club was called to order at 6:30 pm by Anita Sandecki, its new president. Anita welcomed the four prospective members present and after brief introductions gave a brief explanation of the history and purpose of Zonta.

Anita gave a brief report on the previous weekend district convention (9/23/11-9/25/11). She stated that the district prepared 23,375 birthing kits last year and hopes to continue that project. The Amelia Earhart gift baskets raised over \$3000. Over 180 members attended the convention. Everyone who attended left with many ideas for new projects.

Our treasurer reported about \$3500 in the treasury and made a motion to transfer the account to HSBC bank from Key Bank. Members approved this motion. The treasurer also mentioned that we send 1/3 of our service funds to International to fund their special women's projects.

Shirley Havice agreed to run the scholarship committee this year, if members agreed to help. Peggy Naples and Mary Diana Pouli agreed to assist Shirley. Kay Marciano asked members to have submissions for Zonta AM by the board meeting date of each month. Anita reminded members about our Chinese Dinner banquet 10/20/11, the Warehouse Sale 11/27/11 and the Christmas Poinsetta Sale. We also hope to continue service work with the Theodore Roosevelt Inauguration Victorian Dinner and the Gilda's Club Christmas events in December. The club also expects to be involved with a Family Justice Center project entitled *Behind Closed Doors*. Anita also delivered reminders regarding the 10/11/11 board meeting and our next general meeting 10/25/11.

At 7:25, David Zapfel delivered an emotional message about Gerard Place in Buffalo. This facility provides 14, two bedroom apartments for single parents with children. In addition to job readiness skills the program helps families with literacy and health care problems. Some of their clients initially test at second or third grade reading level. Last year Gerard Place received funding from the Junior League Showhouse event. Mr. Zapfel mentioned that at least 2100 people in the Buffalo area are homeless. Members brought in infant supplies for this deserving outreach program.

*Respectfully Submitted,*

Peggy Naples  
10/3/2011



**Zonta International**  
*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

*Join the Zonta Club of Amherst*

For a Fundraising Event at :

**The WearHouse Accessorized**

**2395 Maple Road (at Transit Road in the  
Tops Plaza)**

**Williamsville, NY 14221**

Date: **Sunday November 27, 2011**

Time: **11:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

A portion of all sales will benefit **Zonta of Amherst** work on behalf of women.

Come shop for fabulous costume jewelry, Purses, shawls, watches, sunglasses, jackets, sweaters and dresses.

We look forward to seeing you there and supporting us.