



Boca Bulletin

JULY — 2020

President's Message

Dear Boca Zontians,

June 1 began our 2020-2021 Zonta Year and what a month it was! On June 17th, we were able to share our Zonta Grace with each other after 3 months of social distancing.

Our business meeting was truly full of blessing and festivities. We celebrated our 45th Anniversary and those members who have given years of service to Zonta, bestowed our YWPA scholarship to Shannon McEachern, and our Brag Box was full to the rim with shared celebrations of family milestones, birthdays, and just gratitude for being together.

As we start July with high hopes for a successful year of reaching our mission goals and contributing to our community, I ask you all to keep positive and support each other.

Stay safe and be well,

Shirin

MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020

- July 1—Board Meeting via Zoom at 5:30 pm—see email from Shirin and NOTE DATE CHANGE
- July 15—Business Meeting, Pavilion Grille, 5:30 pm
- Aug 4—Board Meeting, Boca West Library, 5:30 pm, based on availability of location
- Aug 19—Business Meeting, Pavilion Grille, 5:30 pm

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*Zonta Club of Boca Raton Area — Boca Raton, Florida
District XI - Club No. 765 - Chartered - March 3, 1975*

*A Member of Zonta International: 30,000 members in 66 countries working together to improve
the lives of women and girls.*

YWPA Winner SHANNON McEACHERN



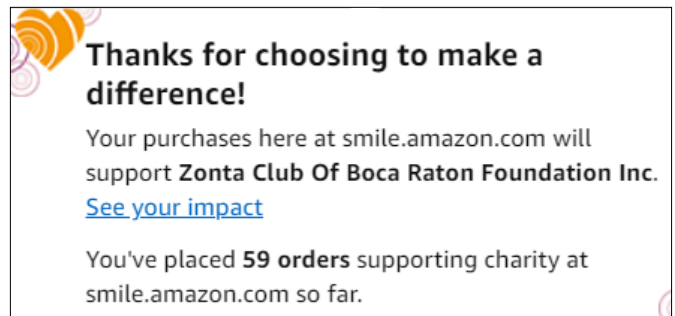
Our YWPA Chair, Shelly Olkey, presented a certificate and a check to our smart, talented, well-traveled and very knowledgeable winner, Shannon at our June 17 dinner meeting.



Amazon Smile can benefit OUR Zonta Club

Did you know if you register our club on your Amazon Smile account (exactly the same as Amazon but a special web location to benefit non-profit organizations), we get a donation every time you order anything! That includes regular, Prime, small and large orders.

1. Go to smile.amazon.com and login to your Amazon account.
2. Use the Account & Lists drop down.
3. Go to Your Amazon Smile.
4. Use the table to select Zonta Club of Boca Raton Foundation Inc. as your charity of choice.
5. Start buying.
6. After you do this, if you go to a page on the Amazon site, it will automatically ask if you want to go to the same page on Amazon Smile where you'll see the message above



Check out the new Zonta International website

Visit our [new Zonta International website](#) to find the latest tools, including our [COVID-19 resources page](#), and other information about our work to empower women and girls.

We wish great success to our new President Shirin Weisman and we support her in all things Zonta and elsewhere.

Behind every successful woman is a tribe of other successful women who have her back.

A successful woman is one who can build a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at her.

When women support each other, incredible things happen.



Shirin Weisman—July 6th



Boca Helping Hands is always in need of pantry items. Please bring your food donations to any of our meetings. Diane Sawchuk will be happy to collect them and take them to the center. She is always happy to answer your questions about our work at BHH.

Contact Diane at 561-477-0852, dianesawchuk@comcast.net.

Palm Beach Victim Services

Donations of children's books (ages 0-18), coloring books, games, toys, etc., will be collected by Jane at all meetings.

Happy 45th Anniversary Boca Club

Although our actual 45th anniversary was in March, due to the pandemic, we were unable to celebrate until June. Thanks to Past President Jane Adams for providing a delicious cake!



Two New ZI proposed projects for 2020-2022 Biennium

In addition to Let Us Live Madagascar and Ending Child Marriage

Get more information from the June 27th ZI email with links to all projects

Adolescent Girls' Health and Protection in Peru



2020-2022 Funding:
US\$1,000,000 to UNICEF USA

Goal:

Improve the capacity of services to respond to the health needs of adolescents—especially girls—in a timely manner and prevent violence in schools in the regions of Huancavelica and Ucayali.

Specific objectives:

- Improve the response of the health sector in the provision of quality, comprehensive and differentiated adolescent care, with an emphasis on mental health care and violence prevention for girls.

- Improve the capacity of the protection and education sectors to promote health and prevent and address all types of violence in schools, especially gender-based violence, in a timely manner.

The **Adolescent Girls' Health and Protection** project will contribute to guaranteeing the rights of indigenous and rural adolescents, especially girls, and respond to their needs by preventing pregnancy, addressing mental health concerns and providing a protective environment from violence by providing quality, gender-sensitive, and culturally adapted health, education and protection services.

Defined by the Peruvian government as the ages of 12 to 17, adolescents constitute 11.2% of the population, or 3.5 million people. Until recently, UNICEF's program interventions for children focused on younger age groups, while services for adults are not designed to cater for the distinct needs of adolescents.

The project will benefit:

- 31,082 adolescents (approximately 15,230 girls)
- 100 health personnel from 10 health care establishments
- 72 principals and teachers in 24 schools
- 14,000 families of adolescent beneficiaries

Delivering Survivor-Centered Response to Gender-Based Violence Survivors in Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste



2020-2022 Funding:
US\$1,000,000 to UNFPA

Goal:

All women and girls in Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Timor-Leste live life free from violence.

Objective:

Women and girls who experience violence use quality essential services for long-term recovery from violence in Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste.

Background:

Gender-based violence (GBV) is an umbrella term for any harmful act

that is perpetrated against a person's will and that is based on socially ascribed differences between males and females. It includes acts that inflict physical, sexual and mental harm or suffering, threats of such acts, coercion, and other deprivation of liberty.

Despite growing awareness of GBV as a life-threatening violation of human rights, poor quality of services and lack of coordination among multiple response sectors have been a major impediment for effective response to GBV in Asia and the Pacific region.

Strengthening National Capacities of Health Sector in Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste to Deliver Survivor-Centered Response to Gender-Based Violence Survivors

will focus on two countries in the region with the highest level of lifetime prevalence of intimate partner violence—PNG (68%) and Timor-Leste (59%). This initiative will build on the strong global and regional evidence base on what works for effective response to GBV.

The project will serve approximately 418,067 beneficiaries in PNG and 100,350 beneficiaries in Timor-Leste.