



# Boca Bulletin

JUNE — 2021

## President’s Message

Dear Boca Zontians and Friends,

Summer is here and as for so many of us it means getting our family ready for “real” graduations, vacations and preparing for a new school year of “in-person” classes in the fall.

But for some, this is a start to relief from oppressive living situations over the last 16 months. As life starts again in our communities, our local service organizations are gearing up to care for those that have had to endure and are suffering from abuse.

Please consider donating supplies, food, and clothing to our list of local service organizations. We are looking for sponsors and partners for our January luncheon as well as your attendance. Donations and Tickets can be purchased through our website using PayPal or your credit card of choice.

I wish you all a safe summer.

Sincerely,

*Shirin*

## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June 1—Zoom Board Meeting, 6:15 pm, email instructions will follow
- June 2—Fundraiser to support Human Trafficking Coalition PBC (see pg 5)
- June 16—Business Meeting, 5:30 social, 6 pm dinner
- June 25-27—North American Inter-District Meeting (see Pg 6)
- July 6—Zoom Board Meeting, 6:15 pm—possibly cancelled
- July 21—Business Meeting, 5:30 social, 6 pm dinner
- Aug 3—Zoom Board Meeting, 6:15 pm, email instruction will follow
- Aug 18—Business Meeting, 5:30 social, 6 pm dinner
- Oct 21-23—District 11 Conf, Orlando, FL (details to follow)

## 2022

- Jan 29, 2022—Annual Luncheon and Fundraiser (see page 3)

**Women’s Circle Call for Volunteers—See Page 5**

**VIEW OUR CHARITIES’ MISSION STATEMENTS—PAGE 2**

ZONTA CLUB OF BOCA RATON AREA  
P.O. Box 3974  
BOCA RATON, FL 33427  
[HTTP://WWW.ZONTABOCARATON.ORG](http://www.zontabocaraton.org)

*President—Shirin Weisman*  
*Vice President—Shelly Olkey*  
*Treasurer—Amy Robbins*  
*Board of Directors*  
**Cindy Felsten (1 yr), Loretta Fink (1 yr) and Nancy Thompson (2 yr)**  
*Recording Sec’y, Bus.—Pat Cox*  
*Recording Sec’y, Bd—Jo Kuczenski*  
*Corresponding Sec’y—Cooky Duboff*

*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.*



# The Women's Circle

912 SE 4th Street  
Boynton Beach, FL 33435

Email: [info@womenscircle.org](mailto:info@womenscircle.org)

**Our Mission:**

Improving the lives of women in Palm Beach County since 2000! We provide the tools women need to realize their full potential and become better educated, employed, and leadership in the community. We meet women at their point of need and guide them towards self sufficiency, economic stability, job security, and leadership roles.

**Our Vision:**

All women have the ability to develop their potential and be all they can be, while effectively assimilating into culturally diverse communities.

**Our Values:**

- Respect for human dignity.
- Justice for all.
- Appreciation for different cultures.
- Awareness of the special importance of women in the family and in the community.
- Active development of each woman's potential for employment and leadership in her community.
- Believe in democracy and participation of persons in all areas that impact their lives.
- Appreciation for the spirituality of each person which nourishes their aspirations.

## Not Just Me Foundation

[julie@notjustmefoundation.org](mailto:julie@notjustmefoundation.org)




**Butterfly House—  
Not Just Me Foundation**

Unused small toiletries, grooming tools, blankets, and socks—for men and women.

## Our Mission

To prevent sexual assault through awareness and education and to help survivors reclaim their lives by giving them access to appropriately trained advocacy networks.



**MISSION**

Palm Beach State College provides accessible, student-centered teaching and learning experiences in academic, technical and lifelong learning to transform lives and strengthen our community.

**VISION**

Palm Beach State College is nationally recognized as an innovative academic leader advancing student success through its unparalleled commitment to excellence, engagement, and dynamic partnerships.

<b>VALUES</b>	
<p><b>CONSCIENTIOUS</b></p> <p>We serve the College community and global society as we aspire to do what is right, ethical, and fair.</p>	<p><b>PERSEVERANCE</b></p> <p>We inspire hope and encourage our constituents to achieve their goals and pursue lifelong learning.</p>
<p><b>BELONGING</b></p> <p>We value all persons and backgrounds, and cultivate an inclusive community that nurtures diverse, equitable and civil perspectives.</p>	<p><b>TRANSFORMATIONAL</b></p> <p>We positively and profoundly change the lives of our constituents by adopting programs and services that meet their needs.</p>

**Support our Charities!**

With our major fundraiser fast approaching, we have to make a huge effort to raise money to support our charities. During COVID, we all suffered, but not as much as many of the women in difficult situations.

The Zonta Club of Boca Raton area is currently accepting donations to directly support these charities.

**Zonta Club of Boca Raton Foundation, Inc.  
Invites You To A Luncheon  
Featuring Entertainment by  
IT Takes Two**

**Benefitting The Women's Circle, Inc.,  
Not Just Me Foundation (Butterfly House),  
Zonta Club of Boca Raton Foundation  
Scholarship, & other Service Projects**

**Honoring Pilot, Yogini Modi,  
Chairman of the Florida  
Goldcoast Chapter of 99's**



**January 29, 2022  
11:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Pavilion Grille  
301 Yamato Road, Boca Raton, FL**

**Ticket Price \$60.00**

## Community Friends

**We are looking for donations of gift cards and items listed below for our raffle baskets. If you can donate or are interested in sponsoring a basket, please contact Shirin Weisman to arrange your donation recognition.**

- ◇ Sign up for a basket theme and work on donations
- ◇ We're considering doing a swag bag for each guest which will include a spray hand sanitizer
- ◇ Table settings will include our memorabilia—like “Zonta Says No” bookmarks and our tri-fold Zonta flyer
- ◇ Forms are available on the web site—Save the Date, Donation Letter, Invitations, RSVP cards
- ◇ Don't forget our wine, liquor and scratch off lottery ticket baskets!
- ◇ Lots of gift certificates for spas, salons and restaurants
- ◇ **Other items needed for theme baskets**—beach, chocolate, car care, coffee, dog grooming and hurricane supplies!

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<https://www.facebook.com/>



**amazon**smile  
You Shop. Amazon Gives.

Use this link every time you shop  
<https://smile.amazon.com/>

On your first visit, you'll select your charity—Zonta Club of Boca Raton Foundation. Then Amazon Smile will remember and our club will get a donation every time you shop! It's that easy!



# May Annual Meeting



As usual, May was a busy meeting for the Zonta Club of Boca Raton Area. We inducted our two newest members, Julen Blankenship and Kelly Grim; and we installed two Directors to our board—Loretta Fink for one year and Nancy Thompson for two years (seen below with President Shirin Weisman and installing officer Jane Adams).

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**ZONTA**  
INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 11  
EMPOWERING WOMEN  
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY



[www.freethegirls.org](http://www.freethegirls.org)

DONATE A BRA

COLLECT BRAS

Women once enslaved to sex trafficking are now living free and victoriously.

*Discover how something simple (bras!) is being made extraordinary.*

What if you could help bring freedom to survivors of sex trafficking with something surprisingly simple?

When you donate **4** bras...you're providing a living wage for a woman in our El Salvador program.

When your company, church, or group of friends donate **200** bras...that's half a month's inventory for a woman in Mozambique.

**WE EXIST TO HELP GIRLS RESCUED FROM SEX TRAFFICKING LIVE A LIFE OF TRUE FREEDOM.**

YOU CAN HELP EMPOWER THEM



## THE WOMEN'S CIRCLE

The Women's Circle needs volunteers –

Volunteers are essential to the program, serving as tutors, teachers, job preparation aides, receptionists, and fundraisers. Typical Volunteer Opportunities are:

- Teachers- Occasionally we need teachers for our classes. Usually, these instructors have worked with classes or have some experience in this area.
- Tutors- to help teach students English on an individual basis. The students are enrolled in the ESOL classes and need or want individual help.
- Receptionists- to greet visitors, answer phones, do data entry, and help staff with various projects.
- Computer teacher assistants- to help individual students in computer classes.
- Job preparation assistants- to help job coordinators search for jobs, do data entry, and help with special projects.
- Fund raising- New members for our fundraising committee are always welcome.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR GENERAL INQUIRIES, VOLUNTEER INTEREST, EVENTS, OR PROGRAM QUESTIONS

## PALM BEACH COUNTY VICTIM SERVICES CERTIFIED RAPE CRISIS CENTER



**Serving Victims  
of Violent Crime** Toll Free Hotline  
**1-866-891-7273**  
TTY  
**561-355-1772**

**Vision**  
*Justice for all crime victims*

**Mission Statement**  
*With compassion and respect, we assist victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, homicide, and other violent crimes through crisis response, advocacy, therapy, and community awareness.*

### Palm Beach Victim Services

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



## BOCA HELPING HANDS

Boca Helping Hands is always in need of pantry items. Please bring 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. If you can't get to a meeting, contact President Shirin Weisman for pick-up.

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

# HTCPB

THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING COALITION OF THE  
PALM BEACHES

Join us at our restaurant for a fundraiser to support Human Trafficking Coalition Of The Palm Beaches. Just come in to the Chipotle at **6714 Forest Hill Blvd** in Greenacres on **Wednesday, June 2nd** from **4:00pm to 8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Human Trafficking Coalition Of The Palm Beaches.

More details and flyer:

<https://www.htcpb.org/event-calendar>





## Add Your Voice Global Membership Campaign

The goal of the 2021 membership campaign is to recruit new members to help achieve our mission.

The intent is to offer a friendly competition amongst clubs based on club size divided into three tiers: large clubs, mid-size clubs, and small-scale clubs.

The campaign will run from 1 April –31 May 2021. More details will be shared this month.

## Applications now open for Women in Technology Scholarships

Zonta International will award up to 20 scholarships of US\$8,000 each to women pursuing a degree in information technology. While applicants will apply directly to Zonta International, we encourage Zonta clubs to download the scholarship poster and social media images to promote the Women in Technology Scholarship in your local community and within your members' personal and professional networks.

Find more information and a link to the online application at  <http://www.zonta.org/womenintech>.

Application deadline is 15 October 2021.

North American Inter-District Meeting  
June 25 – 27, 2021

*Challenges and Opportunities for Zonta's  
Second Century*

Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza  
Cincinnati, Ohio



This is a superb opportunity for you to talk with Zonta International's leadership; become more familiar with our biennial goal to end child marriage; learn new information on service and advocacy, leadership and innovation, membership and outreach; spend time with Zontians from all over the United States and Canada - and perhaps spend a little time visiting, shopping and

touring the Cincinnati area.

Late registration fee (after May 15th) is \$265. The registration fee includes the program as well as the Friday night "Cincinnati Favorites", Saturday lunch and dinner, and Sunday breakfast. Hotel rooms need to be reserved separately at <https://www.zonta-cinti.org/hotel-registration> and will cost \$145 a night plus fees from June 24 to June 28.

There is now a **Virtual Option** so you can join via Zoom without going to Cincinnati. Follow this link <https://www.zonta-cinti.org/registration> and click the box for the Virtual Option.