

ZONTA CLUB OF BOCA RATON AREA



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THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Boca Bulletin

President's Message

Dear Boca Zontians,

March, 2020 is a significant month for us. We as a club are celebrating our 45th anniversary. We chartered as a club on March 3, 1975, with a Chartering Dinner on March 9, 1975. We chartered with 29 members and the Charter President was Jackie Malone. The Zonta Club of Delray was our SOM club.

During our early years, some of our local service projects were focused on assisting with the needs of unwed mothers, cancer survivors, foster parents, food for the homeless, and literacy for children. Over time, our service activities have evolved to include assisting young women aging out of foster care, aiding victims of domestic violence, working to assist women in learning English as a second language, establishing an endowed scholarship for non-traditional-aged women students, participating in outreach to assist women in learning about breast and heart health, as well as obtaining free mammograms to help combat breast cancer, educating others about human trafficking, and helping to support efforts to assist survivors of sexual assault.

Further we have been active on both the district and international level. We regularly attend Area Meetings and District Conferences, as well as Zonta International Conventions. Our club, over the years, has had two members serve as District Governors, hosted Area meetings and District Conferences, as well as planning and hosting a Zonta International Convention.

Additionally, at the International level, we have had members serve on various Zonta International Committees, including chairing the Zonta International Credentials Committee at convention.

Throughout our history we have had members serve as Area Directors as well as positions on the District Board. Further, we have certificates of recognition and a Governor's Cup to recognize the accomplishments of our club over its history.

We have had a rich and storied history and look forward to continuing as a viable active club. Let us celebrate those successes!! As you can see on page 3, our Zonta International President has sent a letter of recognition and congratulations.

Also, in March, International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8th, which is a global day celebrating the historical, cultural, and political achievements of women. It is also a day of recognition of the support for taking action against gender inequality around the world. The theme for the 2020 International Women's Day is "I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights" and is aligned with the UN Women's new multigenerational campaign, Generation Equality, which marks the 25th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.

The emerging global consensus is that despite progress made, real change has been agonizingly slow for the majority of women and girls in the world. Today, not one single country can claim to have achieved gender equality. There are multiple obstacles that remain unchanged in law and culture. Women and girls continue to be undervalued, work more and earn less, and have fewer choices, as well as experiencing violence at home and in public places.

2020 represents an unmissable opportunity to mobilize global action to achieve gender equality and human rights for all women and girls.

Jane

*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.

MARCH — 2020

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020

- March 3—Board Meeting, Boca West Library, 5:30 pm
- March 3—45th anniversary of our club charter (see Jane's message and letter on page 3)
- March 11—CPK FUNdraiser all day (see page 2 for info & flyer)
- March 18—Business Meeting, Pavilion Grille, 5:30 pm
- March 29—New Florida Follies, Spanish River HS, 2 pm
- April 3—Women's Circle Gala
- April 6—Board Meeting, Boca West Library, 5:30 pm (**note date change**)
- April 7—Field of Hope at PBC Victim Services, 5 to 7 pm
- April 22—Business Meeting, Pavilion Grille, 5:30 pm
- July 4-8—Zonta International Convention (see page 4)

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BOCA HELPING HANDS

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.

Join us at
California Pizza Kitchen
for a flavorful FUNdraising event!

Just bring in this flyer, present it to your server, and **20%** of your check will be donated to our organization. Purchases include dine-in, take-out, catering and all beverages!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11—ALL DAY!

California Pizza Kitchen
Boca Town Center • 6000 Glades Road
(Next to Nordstrom) 561.368.2805
Go to cpk.com to view our pizzas, pastas, salads, appetizers & desserts. You can even order online!

Join the **CPK Adventure Club** at cpk.com and receive \$5 off your next visit!



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



When women support each other, incredible things happen!



Sharon Alfieri—Mar 2nd
Cathy Hoffman—Mar 3rd




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award

At the 10th International Creative Media Awards, the Zonta International Centennial Anniversary icon was recognized as an outstanding design and concept in the New Logo category.

The design of the icon, created by Ulrike Verena Heuter of [artventures_designstudio](http://artventures_designstudio.com), and member of the Zonta Club of Dusseldorf I, was given a Bronze Award.

Nearly 430 entries from 26 countries were submitted to the competition, which aims to exchange creative ideas on an international level.

Zonta International



March 2020

Dear President of the Zonta Club of Boca Raton Area with a copy to Governor of District 11,

I would like to congratulate you and the members of the Zonta Club of Boca Raton Area on your 45th anniversary. Through all the years since your charter ceremony, you have made a difference for many women and girls and you can be proud of this.

An anniversary is a wonderful opportunity to take a moment and reflect on what made your club successful and on why you all are members of our great organization. Zonta was innovative 100 years ago. Today, its core idea is as relevant and timely as before. As Zontians, we share the belief in making the world a better place by empowering women. And we find joy in working together toward gender equality in a supportive community of professionals that extends to other countries and cultures.

For each one of your members, your club has been at the center of their respective Zonta journey. The more you feel supported and empowered by your club life, the better you are positioned to empower other women.

During our Centennial Anniversary Biennium, we will build on our core idea and increase our impact to improve women's lives all over the world and to make women's rights human rights. The time is now, and we can be confident that we will make good progress through local and international service projects, advocacy initiatives and fundraising efforts. Clubs worldwide have the opportunity to work together to end child marriage, and so does your club. Let us develop this important program into a signature project for Zonta.

Once again, congratulations on this milestone anniversary. I wish you continued success and look forward to seeing all that we accomplish together.



Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susanne von Bassewitz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Susanne von Bassewitz
International President 2018-2020





4 – 8 JULY 2020

Don't forget to register—it'll be fun and informative! There are lots of special events and tours, too!

Registration	13 February – 3 May	4 May – 15 June
Zontian - full rate	US\$470	US\$530
Zontian - single day	US\$195	US\$205
Non-Zontian/ Guest	US\$165	US\$175
Golden Z Member	US\$75	

<http://convention.zonta.org/Registration/Convention-Registration>

Convention Registration



Awardee Program – Saturday, 4 July

Past recipients of the Amelia Earhart Fellowship, Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship, and Young Women in Public Affairs Award are invited to come together for a half day event prior to the Opening Ceremony. This is an opportunity for our Zonta awardees, from the district and international level, to connect and extend their professional network.

Opening Ceremony & Reception – Saturday, 4 July

Convention officially opens with our traditional flag procession and colorful native dress. Join us for these festivities plus entertainment and keynote speakers. Your convention committee promises they have special plans in store for you in honor of centennial celebrations – you will not want to miss it.

Friendship Dinners – Saturday, 4 July & Monday, 6 July

Are you looking to experience the diversity of Chicago's restaurants? Relax and enjoy the company of fellow Zontians and we will take care of the reservations. Friendship Dinners are secured restaurant spaces chosen by your preferred fare. Select your choice for these ticketed dinners during registration. [REGISTER](#)

Celebrate on the Lake – Sunday, 5 July

Nothing could be finer than dining on a cruise ship on Lake Michigan on a summer night. Enjoy views of the best skyline in the world while enjoying dinner, a DJ and fireworks on a multi-story luxury ship with an open rooftop deck. Seats are available for 1,200 guests. This event will sell out so register early to reserve your spot.

Meet Chicago Women – Monday, 6 July & Tuesday, 7 July

Meet Chicago Women is your opportunity to visit with women leaders of Chicago in various realms of work. Enjoy an evening of networking while learning about these outstanding organizations. A final list of participating organizations will be issued closer to convention so indicate on your registration if you are interested in reserving a spot. Light food and transportation will be included for all locations. Due to the nature of this event and anticipated interest, this opportunity is only open to Zontians.

Memorial Service – Tuesday, 7 July

This solemn ceremony pays tribute to the Zontians who have passed during the biennium. Governors can learn how to submit the names of all Zontians in good standing who are to be recognized on this website. All members are welcome to attend.

Centennial Anniversary Closing Dinner – Wednesday, 8 July

Celebrate the closing of the Centennial Biennium with a memorable evening at the jewel of Chicago – the Aon Grand Ballroom at Navy Pier. Seen in countless movies and recognized for its impressive dome, this venue offers unique views of Lake Michigan and the city. After dinner, stay for the entertainment and fireworks and make memories. Seating is limited to 1,400 and will be based on first-come, first served.