



Boca Bulletin

NOVEMBER — 2020

President's Message

Fall Greetings to Boca Zontians,

This November starts with the voting process which includes issues of awareness about fairness to women in the work force. International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, and the beginning of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence and the Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women Campaign.

On November 8th Zontians celebrate 101 years of work, knowledge, activism, and collective support of women worldwide. Lead by Marion de Forest, she and other like-minded female executives organized the Confederation of Zonta Clubs. Their vision was of an organization that would bring women in executive positions together and assist others in reaching their rightful places in professions that rarely had women leaders.

November 25th is International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and the start of ZONTA's 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence campaign. During this time Zonta clubs and districts are encouraged to participate in the "Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women" campaign and take actions to influence making and implementing laws, as well as changing gender-based attitudes and behaviors to end violence against women.

The International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women designation was made by a resolution of the United Nations General Assembly in 1999. The premise of the day is to raise awareness that women around the world are subject to rape, domestic violence, and other forms of violence, as well as to highlight that the scale and true nature of the issue is often hidden. The date is based on the 1960 brutal assassination of the three Mirabal sisters, political activists, in the Dominican Republic. Governments, international organizations, and NGO's are invited and encouraged to organize activities to raise public awareness of the issue on that day.

In our great U.S.A., we end the month with a celebration and welcome a future that holds thankfulness of our blessings and new alliances. Please help us support our local food bank, Boca Helping Hands, in its efforts to supply every family experiencing food insecurity with a nutritious Thanksgiving dinner. I wish you all a wonderful Thanksgiving day enjoying family, friends, and great food.

Stay safe and enjoy the start of our holiday seasons!

Shirin

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020

- Nov 3—Zoom Board Meeting, 6:15 pm, email instructions will follow
- Nov 15—final date to donate for BHH Thanksgiving Box Brigade (see page 2 for list)
- Nov 18—Business Meeting, Pavilion Grille, 5:30 social, 6 pm dinner
- Dec 2—Toys for Tots, Millers Ale House, Glades Rd, 6-8 pm, bring 1 unwrapped toy (see page 3 for more details)
- Dec 3—Women's Breast and Heart Health Initiative Zoom Benefit, 7-8 pm (flyer page 5)

2021

- Jan 23—Great Gatsby Fund-raiser and luncheon, Pavilion Grille, 11 am to 3 pm (see page 3 for details)
- March—Area 3 meeting, date TBD

ZONTA CLUB OF BOCA RATON AREA
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[HTTP://WWW.ZONTABOCARATON.ORG](http://www.zontabocaraton.org)

President—**Shirin Weisman**
 Vice President—**Shelly Olkey**
 Treasurer—**Amy Robbins**
 Board of Directors

Cindy Felsten (2 yrs), Loretta Fink and Nancy Thompson (1 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.*

2020 THANKSGIVING BOX BRIGADE

We are proud to help local families celebrate a happy Thanksgiving. We encourage our supporters to fill a single box with Thanksgiving dinner essentials and gladly welcome Fall Food Drives hosted in our honor to fill more Thanksgiving boxes.

ALL BOXES MUST BE RECEIVED AT BOCA HELPING HANDS BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

Each box (we prefer 10" x 10" x 10" sized boxes) must contain:

- 6oz Stove Top Stuffing Mix (1)
- 10.5oz Canned Gravy (1, no glass)
- 1.56oz Powdered Drink Mix (1)
- 15oz Canned Vegetables (4)
- 15oz Canned Fruit or Fruit Cocktail (2)
- 4oz Instant Mashed Potatoes Mix (2)
- 29oz Canned Yams (1)
- 14oz Cranberry Sauce (1)
- 15oz Canned Pie Filling (1)
- 9" Ready-made Graham Cracker Pie Crust (1, non-perishable)

**Deadline is November 16
for food to be at BHH,
so please contact President
Shirin Weisman for pick-up
and other options.
Please purchase the exact
amounts as stated on this list.**



If you'd prefer to donate the cost of a box, go to BocaHelpingHands.org/Thanksgiving

TOYS FOR TOTS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

THE ZONTA CLUB OF BOCA RATON
AND
MILLER'S ALE HOUSE
9244 GLADES ROAD, BOCA RATON
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AT THE ALE HOUSE
ON

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2020
from 6:00-8:00 pm



ADMISSION FEE: ONE NEW UNWRAPPED TOY
CASH BAR
APPETIZERS PROVIDED

Cindy Felsten and husband Gary have already made a donation of 12 Thanksgiving Boxes in support of our BHH commitment. Thank you so much!!!



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

**HERE'S TO
STRONG WOMEN.
MAY WE KNOW THEM.
MAY WE BE THEM.
MAY WE RAISE THEM.**

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 23, 2021
11:00 am to 3:00 pm**

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

Ticket Price \$60.00

Zonta Members

Here’s what we need!

- ◇ Invitations and RSVP cards are available through Jane
- ◇ Sign up for a basket theme and work on donations
- ◇ We’re considering doing a swag bag for each guest
- ◇ 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
- ◇ Shelly has planned another wonderful centerpiece
- ◇ Carol is working on a money tree—donations gladly accepted
- ◇ 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, hurricane and Jan’s looking for a book (new) about Florida light houses!

**Butterfly House
Not Just Me Foundation**

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

Contact info for **Susan Ander**

Banyan Place
2950 NW 5th Ave
Boca Raton, FL 33431
Cell phone 956-454-4647

She can even have visitors for short periods of time!

**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.

Every Member Every November District Challenge

1 November - 1 December 2020

As we experience uncertainty in these unprecedented times, kindness unites us as a global community. Everyone has the power to make a positive difference in the lives of others by giving to those in need. Through the collective efforts of Zonta's members, we can make a measurable impact in the lives of women and girls across the world.



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We encourage each member to make a personal gift through their district's team, or the individual member team, page in support of Zonta's international service projects. With each gift, your district has the opportunity to be promoted within the Zonta community. Members can find more information and materials on the [Foundation Tools](#) page under My Zonta.

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16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

25 November - 10 December 2020

During the 16 Days of Activism, all Zonta clubs and districts are encouraged to take part in the [Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women](#) campaign.



Remember to get your "Gatsby attire" ready for our Annual Fundraiser taking place on January 23, 2021. We invite you to visit our webpage www.zontabocaraton.org to discover ways to make an annual donation, subscribe for a monthly donation, and RSVP to our event online.

We remain optimistic, and will still be practicing social distancing and appropriate PPE standards will be in place during the event.

Thank you all for your support of our local Zonta club and those deserving service projects and organizations we support.



WINE TALKS

BENEFITING THE WOMEN'S BREAST & HEART INITIATIVE

SAVE THE DATE



THURSDAY DEC 3RD | 7-8PM

ON ZOOM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS VIRTUAL FUN-RAISER AND AUCTION TO KICK-OFF THE HOLIDAYS!

WE DESERVE A REASON TO CELEBRATE!

More exciting details to come...



Cookie Duboff—Nov 24th

Another way our club can benefit with donations!

We need your support. Contributions to **Zonta Club of Boca Raton Foundation** can be given through **Network for Good**, an online giving platform for donors.

Go to www.networkforgood.com, or use [Facebook](#) or [Google](#), to make a contribution to our organization. Please consider starting an online contribution drive of your own to benefit our community service projects.

Network For Good does all the hard work!