

MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday to:

- > Catherine Way—3/7
- > Shauna Anderson—3/14
- > Mary Ann Spanos—3/17
- > Mary Riolo—3/21
- > Ellen Kaye—3/25
- > Barb Slumsky—3/27

CALENDAR

March 7—Business Meeting

March 14—Bike Rally Meeting

March 21—Women in Leadership Awards

March 26—Interclub Council Woman of the Year Dinner

SAVE THESE DATES:

April 14—Spring Workshop, Pittsburgh

April 22—Birthing Kit Assembly

July 7—Tour de Zonta Bike Rally

THANK YOU TO THIS MONTH'S CONTRIBUTORS

Shauna Anderson

Karen Dolce

Cheryl Evan

Roz Newton

Rosie Papalia

Gale Svenson-Campbell

Catherine Way

INTERNATIONAL SPOTLIGHT: THE SAFE CITIES PROGRAM

by Catherine Way

Zonta International is partnering with various organizations including the United Nations to assist with The Safe Cities project in El Salvador and Guatemala. This project is to build the capacity of local women's organizations to form coalitions, identify risks in their communities, advocate for the right to lives and neighborhoods free from violence and fear, and participate in the planning for safe neighborhoods with local authorities.

The goal of the Safe Cities program is to make communities in Guatemala City and San Salvador safer through innovative approaches as part of the regional "Safe Cities for Women" program. The main development objective of the regional program and current efforts in Guatemala and El Salvador is to strengthen

women's right to active citizenship in order to reduce violence against them. The program component funded by Zonta International through donations to the Zonta International Foundation works to:

- Document the connections between reduced gender-based violence (GBV) and improved urban planning;
- Launch campaigns to inform the public of the issues surrounding violence against women (VAW) in urban areas;
- Empower local women, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other stakeholders to develop and promote public policies with a

gender focus that help ensure women's safety;

- Build specific opportunities for collaboration between decision-makers, municipal planners and local women's NGOs to adapt policies and urban planning; and
- Disseminate information on lessons learned and successful practices.

This is a project we Jamestown Zontians should be proud of recognizing that our sisters throughout the world deserve to live in safety in order to improve their lives and the lives of their children. Peace leads to prosperity and better lives for all.

THIS AND THAT

From the Service Committee:

- Lily's Hope - 7 wigs given out since beginning of year, 6 more ordered - and 6 taken to BOCES to be cleaned
- School supplies were

collected and donated to Striders.

- Bike Rally committee has held its first organizational meeting - event to be held July 7th
- The next Bike Rally Committee meeting is

Wednesday, March 14th at 5:30 at E K Ward. Anyone is welcome to attend.

- A Birthing Kit Assembly is scheduled for April 22nd at 2 p.m. at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in Bemus Point.

MEET ELLEN MUNELLA

by Karen Dolce



I would like to introduce Ellen Munella. Ellen is one of our newest members, joining our club in 2011.

She is originally from Syracuse, NY and moved to the Jamestown area to attend Jamestown Community College and then further her education at SUNY at Fredonia. Her teaching career, I believe, may be something of a record. She graduated from Fredonia on a Friday

and literally started teaching on the following Monday at C.C. Ring School in Jamestown. But wait....that's not the record, she stayed at Ring School teaching 2nd through 6th grades for the next 35 years! While there, she held the positions of President and Vice President for the Jamestown Teachers Association. Ellen retired from teaching in 2006.

She and her husband

Robert have been married for 40 years, another great accomplishment. They have one son, Ben, who resides in Denver.

Ellen has been enjoying her time by reading and playing cards with her lady friends. Asked what she thought of Zonta, she replied, "I admire the women, projects, and services that we are doing".

Welcome Ellen.

A NOTE FROM PRESIDENT SHAUNA

Spring workshop will be April 14th in Pittsburgh and it will be an interesting day. Sign-up will be available at the March meeting and we can arrange car pooling to keep the gas costs down. Put it on your calendar today!

Thank you for all the input on our strategic planning process. This is an important part of keeping the club healthy and on track. We expect to have a new plan in place before the annual meeting.

Please forward your committee annual report by May 1st. If you have any questions regarding content please let me know.

Thanks in advance.

Shauna

ROBIN LIM—CNN HERO FOR 2011

by Gale Svenson-Campbell



INTERNATIONAL

The CNN Hero for 2011 was Robin Lim. She was one of the several people nominated who created an actual and inspirational difference in the world. Robin is a midwife and is the founder of Yayasan Bumi Sehat health clinics, which offer free pre natal care, birthing services and medical aid to anyone who needs it. She and her team have been

working since 2003 to combat Indonesia's high maternal and infant mortality rates.

Lim is a US citizen, a mother of 8 and author of books related to infant and maternal health. She and her husband sold their home in Hawaii and moved to Bali, and eventually opened her first women's health clinic. (info from Wikipedia)

"I imagine a world in

which all humans are born with an intact capacity to love, and I am willing to devote my life to making it happen." Robin Lim

Several places to find out more about Robin and her work in Bali include:

- RobinLimSupport.org
- BumiSehatBali.org
- The CNN heroes program which aired in January 2012.

MEMBERSHIP MOMENT

By Rosie Papalia

What is it that you really value when you're part of an International Service Organization on a local level? The local impact, yes - to know that while you are meeting and talking and apportioning funds and talents toward projects and programs, that it's going to benefit someone locally. The International aspect - certainly! Knowing you are helping someone in another country, again with our funds and, locally, our talents (ie. birthing kits and missions). What about self-satisfaction? Yes, let's get selfish! How do you feel after our meetings, or a committee meeting where

you've enjoyed that great fellowship with like-minded, talented and smart women such as yourself? We feel great! The value of being a "member" is so compounded when we enjoy each other's company. Then multiply it at our club meeting, and then multiply that times the 1,000s of us who are all passionate about our mission to advance the status of women and it gives you that "Ah-ha" that makes you see how your personal contribution really impacts SO many women. You, as a member of the Zonta Club in Jamestown, impact

women in our town, in our district and across the world. It's your involvement, it's your time and your money and your talent, but most of all - Your Connection with each other that is at a higher value than anyone can imagine. You're not "just a member", you are part of a great network of value and worth. Get selfish - enjoy time with your Zonta Sisters and committee and club meetings. And invite someone to a meeting who you'd like to spend more quality time with; Someone like yourself, who is worth far more than she thinks!

**NEWS FROM THE AMELIA EARHART COMMITTEE**

District 4 is fortunate to have dedicated woman who chair the Amelia Earhart Committee. Each month they provide us with interesting information about Amelia and other courageous women. This month, from your District 4 Amelia Earhart Committee Chairs...

A new book has been released - by Alec Wilkinson. He details the Arctic explorations in the last part of the 19th century, specifically the first attempted trip to the North Pole by use of a hydrogen balloon, [The Ice Balloon](#), by Swedish explorer S. A. Andree. The book, [Amelia Earhart's Radio - Why She Disappeared](#), will be released sometime this year and it has inter-

views with men who did maintenance on her Lockheed Electra.

While those books cover the past, do a couple Google searches and you can learn about two very recent noteworthy accomplishments:

Laura Dekker, a 16 year old Dutch girl has just completed a solo trip around the world by boat. This trip has many arguing as to the appropriate age for children to attempt such arduous adventures. And there is the terrific accomplishment of British adventurer, Felicity Aston, who has completed a 59 day trip of skiing and pulling a sled filled with supplies across Antarctica.

PBS just ran an excellent documentary titled "Bombing Hitler's Dams." Using old WWII films and a recent recreation in western Canada, they show the viewer how a "bouncing bomb" was developed to skip across the top of the water and then settle against a dam's wall before sinking and exploding. The test pilots and those who finally flew the bombing runs in the dark of night were certainly brave individuals. How wonderful it was to see the women who were assisting on the recreation project as they calculated the required speed and altitude of the planes and the speed of the bomb rotation drop device.

2nd Annual
Tour de
Zonta Bike
Rally

July 7,
2012

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

By Roz Newton



March 21 is the **Women In Leadership Program**. Everything starts at 5pm with our Welcome Party where we will meet and greet the recipients of the Women In Leadership awards and their families. Please come early and give them a warm Zontian welcome.

This year we have three wonderful women to celebrate: **Pat Carr**, **Deb Eck**, and **Jill Scott**.

Not to give away all their secrets (I want you to come

to the program and learn more about these amazing women), I will share a tidbit about each of these brilliant women. **Pat Carr**, a former Zontian, has been dedicated to women who have had breast cancer, helping the fight to eliminate the disease. She is a breast cancer survivor who has become a counselor and a source of support for many women.

Deb Eck is an artist who, through her work, inspires and supports women. She is currently involved in a two

month celebration of the contributions made by local women artists in the exhibit entitled *Women Create* here in Jamestown.

Jill Scott is a nurse whose career has spanned many areas from teaching to music therapy to grief counseling and hospice work. She has developed "weaving circles" which she is currently using to help geriatric residents adjust to their new home and lives in assisted living.

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September through June
First and third Wednesdays
6 p.m.
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Zonta International is a worldwide service organization of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women. Nearly 33,000 members belong to more than 1200 clubs in 67 countries and geographic areas.

The Zonta Club of Jamestown, formed in 1921, was the twelfth club to be created. We support international activities as well as local projects that are within the mission of Zonta. Service projects include support of missions to Honduras and Haiti to assist women, the local domestic violence prevention program and the awarding of four scholarships of \$1000 each to deserving women every year.

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