



August 2019

28 Years of Community Service - District 11 Area 3 Club Member 1283



**ZONTA**  
CLUB OF  
MARATHON  
MEMBERS OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL  
EMPOWERING WOMEN  
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

**2019-2020**

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- Linda Johnson
- Kris Later / Alternate

**Mission Statement**

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women through service and advocacy.

**Zonta's Vision**

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision-making positions on an equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence

Hello Zonta Sisters!

Summer is winding down and soon we will be feeling a slight relief from the summer heat. This is also the time of year that kids are going back to school, whether it is here in Marathon or away at college. As you probably know (since I talk about it ALL the time), we took our daughter up to UF this week. This time will be an adjustment for my hubby and I since our house will be much quieter. The good news is that I have a lot more free time on my hands so I am ready to dig into all things Zonta!!!

Another good thing about this time of year is that most of our vacations and family get aways are winding down. I want to remind everyone that it is very important to try to attend every monthly general meeting, if possible. I know that work and other engagements come up which can't be helped. We have our meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month, so put a little reminder in your phone and look out for the RSVP emails that come from Pat. We miss you when you are not there!!!

Our Festival of Trees is right around the corner (yikes!!!) and we will begin our preliminary meetings about this very soon. I encourage all of you to get involved in some aspect of this. This event is a lot of work but also a lot of fun and it is our biggest fundraiser!

Speaking of fundraising . . . Debra Wilson has volunteered to be our Fundraising Team Leader! She has lots of great ideas on how to raise money and I can't wait for her to get back into town from her end of summer hiatus to Canada!

At last months meeting and again this month, I will have sign up sheets available for everyone to have an opportunity to sign up for a team or two. We have lots of different teams available to fit everyone's personalities and passions. All of our teams work together for our Zonta mission to promote women and children.

I would like to welcome Cherie Dunford to Zonta, we will be inducting her this month. I have known Cherie for 20 years and I know that she will be a great addition to our Zonta Sisterhood! Please remember that you are welcome to invite your friends that may be interested in joining our club. The Zonta Club of Marathon will pay for their first meeting as we would love everyone to get to know our organization and what we stand for and hopefully become a member!

I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday at Florida Keys Country Club!  
With much love,

Michelle

# Zonta Teams

Scholarship	Katrina Wiatt
Service	Sherry Alana
Status of Women	Tara Morris
Health	Kim Youngblood
Finance	Liz MacDonald
Membership	Charlotte Quinn
Attendance	Pat Biagi
Zonta International	Miriam Hribar
Sunshine	Pat Biagi
Fundraising	Deb Wilson
Fellowship	Shannon Migut & Viviane Stratton
Z Pal	Kris Later
Z Club	Shannon Migut
Newsletter	Erin Arnett
PR	Michelle Franck
Website	Erin Arnett
Grants	Kim Youngblood
Literacy	Deb Wonderlin
Travel Auction	Leslie Valant
Amelia Earhart	
Parliamentarian	Leslie Valant

# Service Team

## \*\* August Service Project\*\*

Please bring in sneakers or a donation for students that are without new shoes for the new year.

The Service Team will match up to \$200 of funds collected at our general meeting.

Every little bit helps.

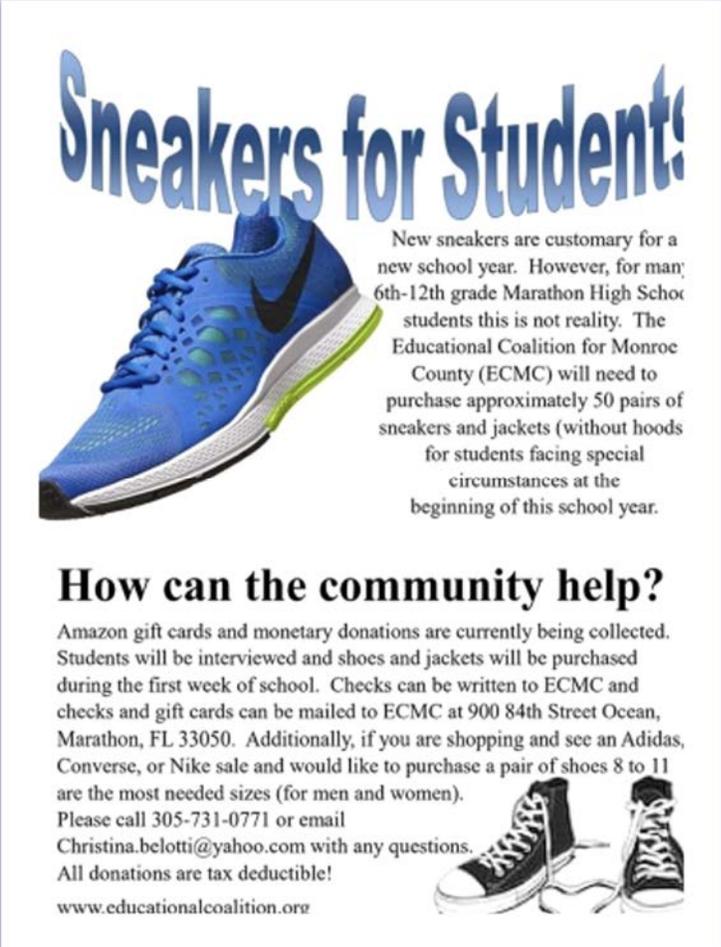
Please give only what you can.

**Service Hours:** Please email/text/write down your hours and give them to Sherry. Email: [la.sherrr@gmail.com](mailto:la.sherrr@gmail.com) or Text: 305-684-0661

**Next Meeting:** September 3, 2019

**Bishop Rosasco and Co. 8050 Overseas Highway, Marathon FL 33055**

– Please RSVP to Sherry



**Sneakers for Students**

New sneakers are customary for a new school year. However, for many 6th-12th grade Marathon High School students this is not reality. The Educational Coalition for Monroe County (ECMC) will need to purchase approximately 50 pairs of sneakers and jackets (without hoods) for students facing special circumstances at the beginning of this school year.

**How can the community help?**

Amazon gift cards and monetary donations are currently being collected. Students will be interviewed and shoes and jackets will be purchased during the first week of school. Checks can be written to ECMC and checks and gift cards can be mailed to ECMC at 900 84th Street Ocean, Marathon, FL 33050. Additionally, if you are shopping and see an Adidas, Converse, or Nike sale and would like to purchase a pair of shoes 8 to 11 are the most needed sizes (for men and women). Please call 305-731-0771 or email [Christina.belotti@yahoo.com](mailto:Christina.belotti@yahoo.com) with any questions. All donations are tax deductible!

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



Are you a member of the  
Greater Marathon Chamber of  
Commerce?



**Our very own Deb Shirley (Keys All Area Roofing) and Charlotte Quinn have been nominated for the Chamber's 2019 Business Awards. If you are a member please for them today!**

To vote click here:

**[CHAMBER 2019 BUSINESS AWARDS VOTING](#)**

or copy and paste into your web browser:

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u=a513abec5d019a8c1be01b19f&id=9e94c66d49&e=963cc06a35](https://floridakeysmarathon.us15.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a513abec5d019a8c1be01b19f&id=9e94c66d49&e=963cc06a35)

**CHAMBER'S 2019 BUSINESS  
AWARDS:  
YOU DECIDE WHO WINS!**

# Zonta Contacts are Now Online!

[www.zontaclubofmarathon.com](http://www.zontaclubofmarathon.com)

Zonta Club of Marathon

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CALENDAR

August 2019						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Online  
Calendar Too!

# TOP SECRET

DEADLINE  
EXTENDED

Hi, Zisters.

It's time to fill out your 2019 Z-Pal questionnaire.

For those of you not familiar with Z-Pals, it is a completely voluntary activity open to all members of the Zonta Club of Marathon. To participate, complete questionnaire and return it to [kristinelater@icloud.com](mailto:kristinelater@icloud.com) by latest **Tuesday August 20th**.

I will take all of the forms received, pair them randomly, and send you an email with your Z-Pal's completed questionnaire attached. Then the fun begins!

Based on the information in the questionnaire, you decide what little surprises you'd like to give your Z-Pal. You can choose to bring a small gift to a general meeting, send something to her home or work, set up a secret email account to send her cheerful emails, etc. You can give a small token every month, or larger things less frequently. It's totally your choice! The hardest part is keeping it a secret until the big reveal at the May Installation, so sometimes you need to be sneakily creative to avoid blowing your cover.

Looking forward to hearing back from as many members as possible. Let me know if you have any questions or difficulties with the form.

Questionnaires have been emailed and can be found here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mkWfzUPkmFVLI54krfKCu3efFWjkSUyY/view?usp=sharing>

Thanks, :-)

Kris



Thank you Kris for Chairing  
the Z-Pal  
Chair for many years.

You are the BEST!!  
Thank you soooo much!!

# Thank you



Hi Sherry - 8/1/19  
I just wanted to say Thank you for delivering the gas card and to thank the Zonta Club for making that possible.  
It's people like you that gives us a warm fuzzy feeling of community in this very difficult time. Thanks again  
Sharon & Mark Ford



Thank you for your donation to Castaways Against Cancer in my name. With your help cancer will come to an end!

I thank your organization for your support. Sadly cancer has affected our community dearly.

Suzy

Suzy Curry  
535 80th St. Ocean  
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P.O. Box 500972  
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Thanks to Kim Youngblood and Kris Later for providing additional (and delicious!) dinners for my family while I was on the mend. Thanks so much to not only Kim and Kris, but to the ladies mentioned in last month's newsletter as well: Tara, Robyn, Sherry, Charlotte, and Erin. Your thoughtful gestures reminded me just how grateful I am for my Zisters! Thank you for being the caring friends that you are. Also, a huge thank you to Erin for organizing these ladies, dates, deliveries, etc. . The love the club showed was truly touching. -- with gratitude, Shannon Migut & Family

To The Generous People Who Helped Me: @

Thank you so very much for the gas and grocery cards you gave me last summer. Your help came just after my retina detached which meant I had to be off work with no income. Because you helped me get back on my feet, I am now helping others. In August I started a new job as a Disaster Case Manager

Where I help others rebuild from Irma.

Sincerely  
Linda McNeil

MADE WITH PAPER FROM WELL-MANAGED FORESTS  
MADE IN CHINA

## Z-Club Corner Back in September

Be Back Soon.....Yah We Have Missed You!

### Zonta Prayer Zonta Prayer

We thank thee Father for this food and for thy gracious loving care. Help us to honor Zonta code, to be in all things fair and square. And grant our prayer for lasting peace, for every nation everywhere.

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**Linda Johnson**  
August 8th

**Alex Davis**  
August 16th

**Cherie Dunford**  
August 17th

**Deb Shirley**  
August 20th

**Michelle Franck**  
August 23rd

**Judy Greenman**  
August 27th

**Kim Youngblood**  
August 31st



### Zonta's Next Scheduled Meetings

**General Meeting 5:30pm**  
**Florida Keys Country Club**  
Tuesday September 17th

Check the calendar on our website for  
future meetings and events:  
[www.zontaclubofmarathon.com](http://www.zontaclubofmarathon.com)

**Service Board Meeting 5:30pm**  
**Bishop and Rosasco**  
Tuesday September 3rd



# WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY

Every day, humanitarian aid workers stand on the front lines of war and disaster, braving tremendous dangers and difficulties to deliver assistance to those who need it most.

World Humanitarian Day, which takes place every year on 19 August, recognizes the aid workers who risk their lives in humanitarian service, and mobilizes people to advocate for humanitarian action. The day was designated by the General Assembly seven years ago to coincide with the anniversary of the 2003 bombing of the United Nations headquarters in Baghdad, Iraq.

**Click here** for more information: <https://www.un.org/en/events/humanitarianday/>



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**Zonta International District 11  
70th Annual Conference**

October 3-5, 2019  
DoubleTree by Hilton  
Entrance to Universal Orlando  
Orlando, Florida  
Call 1(800) 222-8733  
Use special rate code - ZNT

**CONFERENCE HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

**ZONTA 100 YEARS**

**Save the Date!**  
**2019 District 11 Conference**  
**October 3-5, 2019**  
(Delegate and new comers meetings late afternoon  
October 3 — Official start October 4, 8:30 am)  
**DoubleTree by Hilton**  
**Entrance to Universal Orlando**

**Rooms will fill fast - book your room now!**

Dear District 11 Zontians,

The 60<sup>th</sup> annual Zonta District 11 Conference is fast approaching. Join us October 3-5 at the Doubletree by Hilton at the entrance to Universal in Orlando.

Registration will open at 3:00 pm on Thursday, October 3 and the first-timers and delegate sessions will be held later that afternoon. The conference officially opens Saturday, October 4 and will feature a Zonta International guest, and speakers on domestic violence, child marriage, and other topics related to Zonta's mission.

We will also elect our new district board for the coming biennium and celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Zonta International! Expect fun centennial surprises and come prepared to attend the Gala Saturday evening dressed in the clothing of your favorite decade! (1919 to 2019)

The official "Call to Conference" is coming soon. Meanwhile, book your room if you have not already done so. Simply go to the District 11 website at <http://www.zonta-district11.org/> and click the "Conference Hotel Reservations" button or call 1-800-222-8733 and use the special rate code ZNT to get the conference rate of just \$149.00 per night. If you plan to share a room please list your roommate on the reservation so we know who has booked.

We can't wait to see you there!

Judy White and Bernadette Gibson, Conference Co-Chairs