



February 2020

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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Mission Statement

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women and children 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!

Greetings!

Thank you all for the time and effort put into our big fundraiser, the Festival of Trees. We all worked hard, and it was a complete success! The trees were festive and beautiful and our community came out to support by purchasing well over 1,000 raffle tickets!!

I also want to thank everyone that donated to the family that our club adopted for Christmas. I don't know much about them, but I do know that they would not have had many, if any, gifts for Christmas had it not been for the generosity of our Zonta Club. So, thank you from the bottom of my heart to those that helped out.

February and March are busy months for our Zonta Club! After sufficiently recovering from the holidays and the Festival of Trees, I trust we are ready to jump into and support our Annual Rubber Ducky Race on March 8th! I hope that all Zontians will be able to help out on race day, but the success comes in the pre sale of tickets. Everyone has been assigned 25 race tickets to sell to make this race a success. Please try your best to sell them all and do not turn them back in. Local people are very familiar with this race as we have been doing it for many years, and \$5 per ticket is not a hard sale ☐ Thank you in advance for selling all of your tickets!

The Fundraising Team has been at work planning a super fun fundraiser . . we are going to be hosting a Zonta Prom on March 28!!! So, mark your calendars! Details will be discussed at our general meeting . . .

Our speaker this month is Leslie Calero from VOICES for Florida Keys Children, Inc. This organization supports Guardian Ad Litem and fights for the neglected children of Monroe County.

Please also mark your calendars for March 9 as we will all be meeting at Sombro Beach for sunset to celebrate our Zisterhood and International Women's Day! I look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday!!

With much love,
Michelle

This Month's general meeting will be held at

FL Keys Country Club

Tuesday, February 18th 5:30pm

The [FL Keys Country Club](#) is located at [4000 Sombro Blvd](#)

Wear RED on Tuesday at the General Meeting



February 7th was **National Wear Red Day**. This day is set aside to raise awareness about heart disease.

Wear red to this month's general meeting and pledge to protect your heart this American Heart Month!

Add a pop of **red** to your outfit to show support for heart health

<https://www.goredforwomen.org/en/get-involved/give/wear-red-and-give>

Pat is at it again!

If you have not already gotten your tickets, see Pat and she will be happy to get them to you.

Ticket Pre-Sales are the most important part of this fundraiser.

Be sure to look out for the sign-up sheet at the general meeting for the day of the race.



— Status of Women —



Bring a Bra and a \$1

DO YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

YES

DO YOU OWN A BRA OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES?

YES

PICK THE BRA YOU WOULD BUY:



- *new or gently used
- *nice quality
- *all styles
- *good condition



- *worn out
- *stretched out
- *very old or stained
- *poor quality



DID YOU PICK THESE ONES?

YES

GREAT!

THESE ARE THE KINDS OF BRAS THAT MAKE US HAPPY!

These are the kinds of bras that make more money for our brave women across the world, and they are the kinds of bras that we'd love for you to donate!. We take all kinds of bras in good condition. We do not accept panties, slips, bodysuits, prostheses, or hosiery.

CAN YOU DO EVEN MORE?

YES

If you can do more, we'd love for you to help get these bras across the globe to our women! Just a \$1 donation along with each bra helps us ship them - making even more of an impact. Thank you for being an Everyday Abolitionist!

Read more about this organization and what happens after you donate here:

<https://freethegirls.org/>

Service Team

February's Service Project: **Habitat for Humainty**

This month the club pitched in to clean up the Habitat site on 51st St.



Please remember to email or text your monthly service hours to Sherry La.sherrr@gmail.com/ 305-684-0661

If you have any service requests, please forward them to Sherry Alana

Travel Auction

The travel auction has been revamped into a 50/50 raffle.



Last month \$421 was raised toward travel. These funds aid in the travel expenses for member to attend conferences, out of town meetings, etc.

Travel auction rules:

One ticket is \$1. Six tickets are \$5.

The winning ticket gets to draw a playing card from a deck. If a face card is drawn the winner chooses an item from the table. Items include scarves, a candle, and other misc items.

If one of the jokers is drawn the winner splits the pot with travel.



International Women's Day



In honor of International Women's Day each year on 8 March, the Zonta International Foundation celebrates Rose Day. Last year, the Zonta Club of Marathon gathered at Sombrero Beach at sunset to celebrate women and cheer to our Zisterhood and we are going to do that again!

Because the Rubber Ducky Race is on March 8 this year, we will gather on **Monday, March 9** to celebrate. Sunset is at 7:30, so we will gather around 6:30pm on the very west end of Sombrero beach. Bring a beach chair, something to drink and a snack if you like.



From the Zonta.org website . . .

In honor of International Women's Day each year on 8 March, the Zonta International Foundation celebrates Rose Day. To show your appreciation to the women you admire, who will stand beside you in your endeavors, make a donation to the Rose Fund in their honor.

Your donation to the Rose Fund enables Zonta to continue supporting projects and programs that help women achieve a life free of violence and empower them to overcome gender barriers that hinder their access to health, education, and professional resources.

With each donation to the Zonta Rose Fund, the Foundation will email your honoree a virtual yellow rose and your special message to let them know that they have made a difference in your life. The campaign runs through **3 March**. All emails will be sent by 7 March.

To make your donation to the Rose Fund, follow these easy steps:

Go to zonta.org/donate.

Designate a gift amount and choose the Rose Fund in the dropdown menu.

Select "This gift is in honor, memory, or support of someone," choose "In honor of" and enter their name. Then **check** "Please notify the following person of my gift" and enter in their contact details.

Enter payment details.

Click "Donate Now" at the bottom of the page.

If you prefer to mail in your donation, download the [mail-in contribution form](#).

For assistance, or if you have any questions, please contact the Zonta International Foundation at ZontaInternationalFoundation@zonta.org or call +1 630-928-1400, ext. 212.



Shout Outs...

Thank
you



Thank you to Linda J, Judy G, Liz, Michelle, Erin, Miriam, Linda M, Tara, Linda D, Melissa & Salon Blanco Crew, Robin, and Pat.

There were 4 kids and a mom that had a great Christmas. We were able to get everything on their wish list and more.

Thank you from my Heart!

Charlotte

Thank you Z-pal for all of the lovely gifts and treats. You sure have brightened my days!

Tara

Rubber Ducky

Race 2020

Key Colony Beach Days

Sunday, March 8, 2020

Race begins at 4:30pm

\$5 per Duck or

\$20 for 5 Ducks



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"Thank you to my amazing Z Pal!!!! I love love love the plants and other yard goodies I have received!!! Thank you so much xoxo"

Michelle Franck

Z-Pal,

You're the best!

Thank you sooooo much.

Loved everything!

Charlotte

Rubber Ducky tickets are available!

Contact Pat at 727-487-3842

This Month's Speaker—Leslie from VOICES for Florida Keys Children

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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Miriam Hribar
March 21st

Robyn Still
March 20th

Deb Wonderlin
March 10th

