



ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 3
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Zonta Club President Year Summary June 2017- May 2018 **Zonta Club of Long Island**

Service

At almost every club meeting our members donate items that will help an organization that helps advance the status of women and girls. Our birthing kit service resulted in 605 kits being prepared by our members and over 25 “friends” – kits that will be used by midwives in Haiti and Africa.

Membership/Mentoring

While we added 3 new members, some members did not renew. Our plan is to have each new member assigned a “buddy” who will stay in contact with them and help them over the next 2 years. We now have 18 members.

Advocacy

For the 16 days we again prepared bookmarks that were distributed by members to reach the public. We also viewed the video “ The Hunting Ground” and are still in the discussion stage of how we might promote this message.

Other: (ie: Fundraising, Special Events, Club Sales)

- Our contact with Vaughn College has enriched our Amelia Earhart focus- and we hope to expand this effort. We had a wonderful luncheon with their women students and former students and were in awe of the work that these women are involved in- and how they will help shape the future in aviation!!!!
- Our Women of the Year dinner honored 2 local women and 1 organization that each help to advance the status of women. We raised about \$500 at this event
- For the first time our club was selected by the Knights of Columbus as the recipient for their “Night at the Races” that was held in honor of a former Zonta member who passed away suddenly last year. We promoted the event and a number of our members and friends attended. Our club received \$4,000 donation designated for our Birthing Kit program!!!! We will set this up as a restricted account and now will begin discussion on how we might have more birthing kit assembly days!!! This was a first for us.
- We named Elsie Warren Oliner, a long term club member, as our first club member honorary member. In the snow we made the presentation where she is now living in a nursing facility.
- We have an email data base that we keep updated for “Friends/potential members” and we let them know of our events and welcome them to attend.