



ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 3
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Zonta Club President Year Summary June 2017- May 2018

Zonta Club of Westchester

SERVICE

Supported African (Nigerian Hospital) with funds and supplies chaired by our member DR.Nduka-Nwosu

Puerto Rican Hurricane relief work Chaired by Shirley Carter. We collected and sent over 15 grates of supplies for women and children including household supplies, medical kits and non-perishable foods.

We collected bras for "Free the Girls" now expanded from Africa to Central America to assist formerly trafficked women to become self- sufficient. To date we have sent over 1000 bras. Georgia LeBlanc heads this project.

Joan Mallory and Laura Dunckley have delivered monthly donations to the shelter,"My Sister/s Place." The average amount of the delivery is between 40-to 60 pounds!

Several of our members on behalf of the Zonta Club of Westchester assist in driving the elderly to medical appointments. This gives them an opportunity to inform them regarding Zonta's work.

We have worked in collaboration with the United Methodist Women's Group of Asbury in purchasing and delivering holiday gifts to five homeless families through "Hope's Door."

We have had three members who worked consistently (some on a regular basis each weekly) with women who have been trafficked.

Corealie Joseph works with women who have been incarcerated. Other members have joined her from time to time.

We also assisted incarcerated women in a bonding program with their new born children.

We gave our annual gift of \$1000.00 to YWPA (Young Women in Public Affairs) to deserving young women.

Total reported service hours performed by our club 719 ½ hours. Some hours of service were not reported although we encourage our members to report their hours of service monthly.

Total contributions for 2017-2018:

YWPA \$1000.00

E-J ayes Charities \$200

My Sister's Place \$100

District #3 \$25.00

Free the Girls \$50.00

MEMBERSHIP/MENTORING

We assign a club member to follow up with a prospective new member. We assist them with any questions and act as a support.

In terms of a membership recruitment we have formulated a process of connecting with other like-minded organizations. As a result we have some potential new members for 2019.

19 members in 2017 paid their dues.

One member transferred her membership due to relocation in NYC and has joined a club there.

We have a planning session annually. This year it was on June 16, 2018.

Mentoring -we have a plan since 2012 and includes an orientation booklet.

We invite guests" to our fundraisers as a way of introducing them to Zonta

We try to retain our members by encouraging them to sponsor service projects that they are excited about.

We have a monthly ZONTAGRAM newsletter to keep our members informed

Georgia Le Blanc has initiated training for club officers.

Six of our members attended the District #3 Conference; One was a first time attendee
We will provide \$200 for a delegate if needed

ADVOCACY

We have looked into the voting records of politicians who have voted favorably on women's issues and have dispensed this information to others in our club and beyond.

Three of our members visited the office of then Senator Latimer to encourage his support around issues involving women and children.

Joan Mallory and other members displayed the works of Zonta at a Mitzvah Fair. Literature (specific and general) regarding our work were dispensed. Membership applications were also available to those who were interested.

Several of our members have participated in local and state demonstrations which support the rights of women ie Health Care, Gun Violence.

We have all received personal Zonta Business Cards which we can readily hand out for information and recruitment.

A lecture on "Domestic Violence Against Women" was given and connected to Zonta's mission

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

All Day Tag Sale at Saxon Woods Park

Auction at Wartburg

Two events of "An Opera Experience"