

CREDIBILITY AND VISIBILITY

FEBRUARY –MARCH 2013



A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT 3 GOVERNOR PAULETTE CHATMAN

Dear District 3 Zonta Members,

It is both an honor and privilege to be your Governor this biennium. I look forward to the challenges ahead and the opportunity to work with all of you to further Zonta International Goals and District 3 Goals. Of course goals cannot be accomplished without everyone pitching in and doing their part. Let me know what your club is doing to help us reach our Zonta International and Zonta District 3 goals. I'll provide updates with each newsletter on how we're doing.

2012-2014 BIENNIUM GOALS

- Raise awareness in the community at the local level about the contributions made within District 3 and Zonta International to advance the status of women.
- Update: We will be working towards a PSA on District 3 which you will hear more about at our Area Workshops.
- Refocus on Zonta's mission and strategic plan and align our local service projects accordingly.
- Achieve a 3% increase in individual and club contributions to the Zonta International Foundation.
- Focus on membership retention first while continuing to grow new members and new clubs.

Zonta International has announced two major initiatives aimed at improving Zonta's ***Credibility and Visibility***. One is a PR Campaign—Zonta Says NO—which will run until January 2014. See the Zonta International website to learn more about this. Also, there will be an International Service competition with recognition awards to be presented at Convention 2014 in Orlando. Other ways to make Zonta visible at the local level is through promoting Zonta scholarships and submitting nominations for awards for Young Women in Public Affairs, and the Jane M. Klausman women in Business award.

In the rest of this newsletter you will read more about our District 3 Service Project, Area Workshops and the District 3 Conference as well as advocacy opportunities.

I would like to thank each of you for your dedicated work at all levels of Zonta and the support I am being given as Governor. I'm looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the workshops as we learn, grow and contribute together to Zonta.

Yours in Zonta,
Paulette Chatman

Inside this issue:

Page 2

*District Service
Project
Area Workshops
D3 conference
Annual United
Nations Event*

Page 3

*Advocacy
Opportunities
Meet 2 D3
Board Members*

***"KNOWING THAT WE CAN
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN
THIS WORLD IS A GREAT
MOTIVATOR. HOW CAN
WE KNOW THIS AND NOT
BE INVOLVED":***

SUSAN JEFFERS

**Editor- and
designer
Mary Ann Tarantula**



THE DISTRICT 3 BOARD

At left are pictured your District 3 Board for the 2012-2014 Biennium. See if you know “who is who.”

Credibility and Visibility is the key to success and they are willing to work with you to achieve that success.



DISTRICT 3 SERVICE PROJECT

Roxanne Nielson and the Zonta club of New Rochelle has done a wonderful job in making it easy for our clubs to mentor girls in science through a simple project like the ice cream project. After all, without education it is very difficult to advance the status of women and girls. Step by step directions on how your club can complete the ice cream project can be found on the District 3 website.

AREA WORKSHOPS

The Area 1 and 2 Workshop is scheduled for April 20th and will be held in New Rochelle. The Area 2 and 3 Workshop is scheduled for April 27th and will be held in Fairfax. Additional information will be provided soon.

DISTRICT 3 CONFERENCE

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for the District 3 conference to be held in Annapolis the weekend of September 27-29, 2013.

ANNUAL UNITED NATIONS EVENT

The annual UN Event—a President’s Reception—will take place at the Beekman Hotel’s Top of the Tower on Saturday, March 2nd from 4-6pm. Contact Mary Ann Tarantula (cell 201-906-2461) if you want to attend. There is still room.

ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITIES

LET'S MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES AWARE OF ZONTA AND OUR MISSION



CEDAW: The United States is one of only seven countries which have not ratified the Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women,. Zontians can help make a difference by writing your Senators or by signing the petition to encourage the Senate to ratify CEDAW in the 113th congress. GlobalSolutions.org has put together a petition that can be signed on line to show your support. Visit our face book page at www.facebook.com/zontadistrict3

CSW57: the Commission on the Status of Women will hold its 57th session on March 3rd through the 15th. Zonta International is currently the only women's international non-governmental organization (NGO) which focuses solely on Articles 1-16 of CEDAW and it is heavily involved with this year's session which ties in so well with Zonta's objectives. Zontians are encouraged to attend the NGO aspect of the CSW57.

Zonta International will run two "parallel events" on Wednesday, March 6th in the Drew Room at the United Nations Church Center across from the UN. The first one is at 12:30 pm and concentrates on our Rwanda project. The second is at 2:30 pm and is about preventing the Trafficking of women and girls. Both events are free and anyone can come.

MEET TWO BOARD MEMBERS

Area 3 Director Cathy Paul moved to the Harrisburg, PA area 22 years ago due to her husband's job change. She was introduced to Zonta by a co-worker, Florence Clifford. She is originally from a very small town in north-central PA and did not know anyone in Harrisburg. She found Zonta to be a wonderful opportunity to do service and meet other people in the community. She has been a member of the Harrisburg-Hershey Club for 20 years and has made many friends and served in many positions on its board. She is currently a board member and the YWPA and Jane Kluasman Chairs. She has served as treasurer on the District 3 Board and finds serving on the board very rewarding. It has given her the opportunity to meet many dynamic Zontians. She is now semi-retired but has worked extensively in the financial area as a Certified Financial Planner and has also worked in the Securities field. Being semi-retired gives her more time with her husband and four grandchildren.

Area 4 Director Donna Clark has been a member of Zonta since 2000. She has held the positions of Board Director, 2nd Vice President in charge of Service, 2nd vice President in charge of Membership, and Club President in both 2007 and 2010. She has served as co-chair of the first Rave Walk that her club, Charles County, had and as chair of their Fashion Show which is their major fundraiser. She has chaired it twice. Donna is originally from North Carolina and moved to Maryland in 1990. She managed a private health club from 1991-2000. From 2000-2006 she managed the Wellness and Fitness Center at the College of Southern Maryland where she also taught classes. She is now "retired." She enjoys spending her time serving Zonta. She has been married to her best friend for 36 years and has a daughter, a son and a lovely granddaughter.

OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL FEATURE TWO MORE BOARD MEMBERS