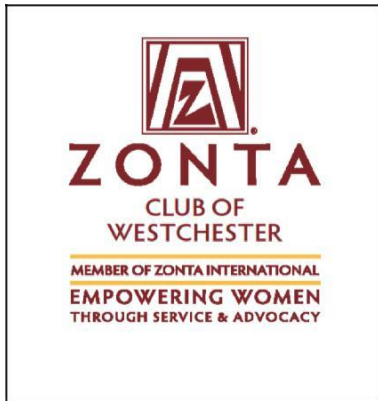


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ZONTA CLUB OF WESTCHESTER
CONSTITUENT OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 3 AREA 1 ORGANIZED 1931

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Dear Westchester Zontians,

Happy Easter and Passover greetings to all! As usual we have had a very busy month. On March 14, 2019 members of our local club (Gigi and Laura) attended an all-day conference at the United Nations concerning the well-being of the women of the world. They will prepare a follow up report for us.

On March 25, Laura and Nora distributed fliers at various locations in Bronxville to advertise our fundraiser on April 16. They highlighted the fact that we will have a special speaker on trafficking as well as a raffle. The winner of the raffle will receive a brand new I-pad!

On March 30, 2019 several of our members (Laura, Nancy, Georgia and Gigi) will travel to Long Island to collaborate with the Zonta Club of Long Island in assembling birthing kits. These kits will assist midwives in Haiti and selected countries in Africa. While there, our club member will collect data to see if this might be a good service project for our group.

On April 2, the New York Civil Liberties group will hold (held) a demonstration on the steps of the New York City Hall at noon. The focus is on income equality for women. If you are planning to come notify Laura and wear red!

Our **Opera Experience Fundraiser** is on May 13, 2019. It will be a presentation of Puccini's *Madama Butterfly*. Please plan to come and bring a friend. You will share a fine dinner and beautiful music, while helping a worthy cause.

Laura, Gigi and Joan met to complete the Zonta Club of Westchester Annual Report to send to our district.

Sheila and Nora have completed reviewing the applications of young women who were applying for the **Young Woman in Public Service Award**. A winner has been selected. There will be more information to follow on this at our next meeting.

Please advise Nora if you will be absent or bringing a guest to our meetings. Hope to see you all at our next Meeting/Fundraiser event April 16th.

Sincerely,

Laura Dunckley, President

MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday
April 16, 2019

J.C. Fogarty's
60 Kraft Avenue
Bronxville, NY

Networking
6:30

Dinner & Meeting
7:00 to 9:00

Speaker:
Natalie Charo
Director of
Human
Trafficking for
My Sister's
Place

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March Speaker: Carline Gentilesco, United Way

Ms. Gentilesco discussed the findings of the Updated ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) Report by United Way of New York State. While broad indicators of economic recovery are seen across the country, many people in Westchester and Putnam counties are falling behind.

According to the report, about 40 percent of the Westchester and Putnam population are in a daily struggle for stability. This number includes both those below the poverty level and working families whose incomes cannot keep up with the cost of living. “When taken as a region, **Westchester and Putnam, one of the most affluent areas in the country, have nearly 4 in 10 households that are in a state of daily struggle.**”

Key findings of the updated ALICE report include:

Westchester

22 percent of all married households with children earn below the ALICE survival budget
74 percent of all single female households with children earn below the ALICE survival budget
62 percent of all single male households with children earn below the ALICE survival budget

In **Putnam** the numbers for the same above listed groups are: 19%, 77% and 50%.

For more details including graphs and community by community breakdowns visit <https://www.unitedwayalice.org/new-york>.

The United Way of Westchester and Putnam (UWWP) has created a 2-1-1 helpline that takes nearly 80,000 calls a year, providing resources to resolve everything from basic to critical to urgent needs. UWWP is located at 336 Central Park Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606
914-997-6700
Website: www.uwwp.org

April Birthdays

Nora Gorman – 23rd

