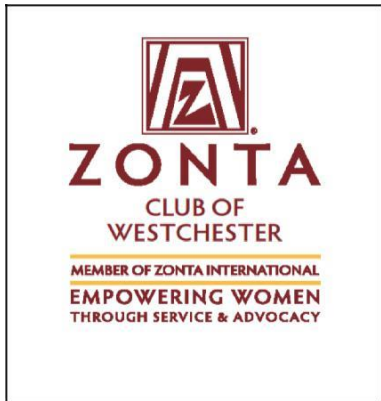


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DISTRICT 3 AREA 1 ORGANIZED 1931

March
2021

Dear Westchester Zontians,

Greetings in the month of Zonta's Rose Day. Did you know that each year on March 8, Zonta recognized International Woman's Day and Zonta Rose Day as a way to recognize our extraordinary women and also to reflect on "past successes and future actions"? Congratulations to all of you.

Our treasurer is still receiving donations from our fundraiser "Resilience." At the moment we are reaching the \$700.00 dollar mark and counting. Thank you all for gathering guests and for your donations.

I have heard from our sister Dianne Job who was very appreciative of the memorial flowers our club sent after the passing of her beloved mom. She is discussing with her siblings as to the designation of our charitable gift in her mother's memory. I will advise you of their decision.

Please let me know if any of you are interested in the "Women 2 Women" pen pal program which attempts to offer support to incarcerated women.

A special "thank you" to Jamie Hubert and Felix Sanchez-Caro for their help with our drama on Amelia Earhart!!

I am very excited that Pam Gumns, the Director of Strategic Partnership for **Free the Girls**, will be our speaker. I am also pleased that Georgia, who has been the force behind this project, will introduce her as well as tell her about our work in supporting that organization.

Save the date, April 24, 2021 for our district workshop hosted by our area director, Lois Rowman. More info to follow. She is interested to learn if any of our members want to advance into more significant leadership roles. Please advise if you are so inclined.

Send your service hours to Nancy Sanchez-Caro. Submit any ideas you might have for future project,

See you on Zoom for our next scheduled meeting - **March 16, 2021 6:30pm**. Nancy will forward the invite.

Sincerely,

Joan

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Joan Mallory

Vice President

Nancy Sanchez-Caro

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MEETING
Tuesday
Mar. 16, 2021

Zoom
6:30pm

Speaker:
Pam Gumns
Free the Girls

Women's History Month

Every year March is designated Women's History Month by Presidential proclamation. The month is set aside to honor women's contribution in American history.

Women's History Month began as a local celebration in Santa Rosa, California. The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women planned and executed a "Women's History Week" celebration in 1978. The week of March 8th was selected to correspond with International Women's Day. This week of celebration spread across the country in the following year.

Led by the National Women's History Project (now the National Women's History Alliance) it was successfully lobbied to be recognized nationally. In February 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th 1980 as National Women's History Week. Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March as Women's History Month in 1987.

The theme for Women's History Month in 2021 is "**Valent Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced.**"

March Speaker

Pam Gumns is **Free The Girls** Director of Strategic Partnerships. **Free The Girls** provides economic empowerment to survivors of sex trafficking. In her current role she works with brands, retailers, and lingerie companies as well as clubs, civic groups, church and faith-based partners and all official FTG drop-off locations. Through the donation of new and returned inventory from businesses and gently used bras from individuals **Free The Girls** is able to provide inventory for a trafficking survivor's micro enterprise. To date over 1.5 million+ bras have been collected! Pam is a native Hoosier recently transplanted to northern California.

Pam will be sharing about FTG and their model, plans for expansion, and ways to be involved.

March Birthdays

Jamie Hubert

9th

