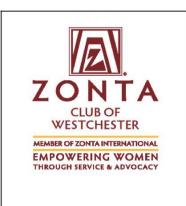
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Dear Westchester Zontians,

"We roamed the fields and river sides, when we are young and gay.

We chased the bees and plucked the flowers, in the merry, merry month of May."

May is the happy month when flowers bloom, the weather is mild, we celebrate mothers, and if we have the energy, we feel like dancing. I hope all of you are feeling the joy and relaxation of this month.

At our last meeting, I showed a power point presentation I developed for the planning meeting in Princeton, NJ on April 23^{rd.} The presentation summarized what we had achieved during the season of COVID. I was asked to highlight our club's achievements and discuss how we obtain members. My presentation was graciously received by the attendees. I emphasized that in obtaining members, the most important thing is to find people who have a spirit of service. Member, Peggy Borgstede and our next president, Dianne Job went with me to the meeting. We learned a great deal about Zonta International's efforts in the area of global warming and extensively about their work through the UN to help women in underserved areas of the globe.

In keeping with that idea, we had eight members of our club meet on Saturday April 30th to assemble 100 birthing kits. Our treasurer Gigi organized the materials. We set up four tables with the supplies so that we could work as an assembly line, each with a particular chore until the final bags were sealed. I have contacted the mission department of the United Methodist Church, and they will direct me as to where to deliver these kits so they can be shipped out the beginning of June.

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MEETING Tuesday

May 17, 2022

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

6:30pm

As you know we've been trying to get the mayor of Mount Vernon to come be our speaker. Unfortunately, due to emergencies, Shawyn Patterson Howard has cancelled the last two meetings, but she is scheduled to be our speaker this month.

As you know, Zonta's biennium meeting will be in Hamburg Germany this year, in June. I'm sorry to say that I do not believe anyone from our club will be attending. I am organizing the reports and getting our credentialing in order for a proxy vote by a Zontian in attendance. It is my intention to have the main issues available to present to you before the proxy leaves with our vote.

The Sex Trade Survivors Justice and Equality Act known as Senate bill 6040/Assembly bill 7069 are still in committee. These bills decriminalize prostitution for women who do not profit from the sex trade but are unwillingly exploited by it. If you are so inclined to lend your support, you can email or call the sponsors who are Senator Luz Krueger or Assemblymember Pamela Hunter.

It is once again time to pay our annual dues of \$165. If you cannot pay the entire amount at one time, please feel welcome to make partial payment and inform Gigi of your intentions. These are difficult financial times and we do not want to lose any members because they are having difficulty paying the dues.

I have received another bag of donations of bras for **Free the Girls**, that I will deliver to Georgia. I believe that she has a shipment that will be going out soon.

Our next meeting will be on May 17 at 6:30 at Fogarty's restaurant. See you there.

Sincerely,

Joan





Birthdays

May

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Dianne Job} & 23^{\text{rd}} \\ \text{Ruth Walter} & 30^{\text{th}} \end{array}$

