ZONTAGRAM



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

May 2023

Dear Zontians,

Hello May!! I read this lovely comment,

"May, do to our hearts what you do to the May flowers." It sounded so hopeful to me and of course the ongoing efforts of our work need to be full of hope. On the subject of hope, we are always interested in great change so thank you to those of you who signed the ERA petition which was sent to you by our Zonta e-mail in support of the ERA vote, which was expected in the Senate this past Thursday, April 27th. (Editor's update - Subsequent to this writing the ERA amendment fell short of the votes needed to enshrine this equality with a vote of 51 to 47 votes in favor. They were nine votes shy as they needed sixty votes to carry this legislation.... A big disappointment <u>NOT ONE REPUBLICIAN MAN VOTED FOR</u> <u>THIS BILL</u> - the two Republican women who voted for the bill were Lisa Murkowski from Alaska and Sue Collins from Maine.

Our Sister Nancy has informed us of a NPRM (Notice of Proposed Rulemaking) by United States Department of Health and Human Services on the issue of protecting reproductive privacy rights. There is a document that she sent to us which she is going to plow through and has asked us to do so as well if we can make the time. We have 60 days to comment and forward it with our opinions. Please look in your e-mail under-HHS proposed rule to protect reproductive privacy. Thank you.

By the time you receive this Zontagram the workshop scheduled on April 29th will have been completed. Thank you to those who signed up to attend and, also, to Dianne and Joan who will be moderators. The three main topics will be gender equality, climate justice and STEM – (science, technology, engineering, and math). It is hoped that we can bring new information and ideas back to our local club to further our work.

Congratulations to our sister. Ruth Walter, who is once again a candidate for the county legislature. GO RUTH!!

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MEETING Tuesday

May 16, 2023

The Wicked Wolf North 2 Scarsdale Rd. Tuckahoe, NY

Club 6:30pm

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Two members of the Brooklyn Zonta club traveled to the Ukraine this past March 2023 primarily entering the war zone and visiting the city of LVIV. This was a five-day excursion where they visited hospitals and worked in collaboration with Zonta clubs in the Ukraine. Our member, Nora, suggested that we contribute to them in their endeavors to help the Ukrainian people particularly the women and children. We have reached out to the president of the Brooklyn club. They advised us that donations can be sent to the Zonta Club of Brooklyn. In the memo section record "donation for Ukraine work." The address would be:

Leslie Wright 135 Eastern Parkway Apt 6F Brooklyn, NY 11238.

If any of our members wish to contribute, we would ask that you give the donations to Gigi. She will collect them and forward them to the above address.

On the topic of finance, if you are able, please send in your annual dues to the Zonta club of Westchester for \$165.

PLEASE NOTE A ONE TIME CHANGE IN OUR VENUE – OUR MAY 16TH MEETING WILL BE HELD IN TUCKAHOE AT THE WICKED WOLF NORTH RESTAURANT. Located at: The Wicked Wolf North Restaurant

2 Scarsdale Road, Tuckahoe, NY Free parking in the back. Time 6:30

Please bring any ideas you may have for new service projects and ways to increase our membership. Thank you,

Dianne Job President

<u>Birthdays</u>

May

Dianne Job	29 th
Ruth Walter	30 th

