October Business Meeting Agenda:

- “This is my story…”
- September Minutes
- August Final & September Financial to date Reports
- Committee Reports

Program:
We will be viewing a short video entitled “Remembering Ruth Bader Ginsburg”

NOTE: We will not partake in the $ For Your Thoughts or 50/50 Raffle at this meeting to keep the meeting and Zoom time down for health and Zoom sanity reasons.

Upcoming Committee Meeting Dates:
Service
Thurs., Oct. 1 @ 8:15 a.m. via Zoom

Ways $ Means
Wed., Oct. 21 @ 6:00 p.m. via Zoom

October Business Meeting
In person at The Red Blazer & ZOOM format
Wed., Oct. 7th 5:30 pm
Invites to Zoom sent out by Janice on Tues., Oct. 6th

October Board Meeting
ZOOM format
NOTE: NEW DAY!
Thurs., Oct. 22nd @ 6:00 pm

November Business Meeting
FORMAT TBD
Wed., Nov. 4th 5:30 pm

Once again, a business Meeting plea from Carolyn and I. Please respond with your affirmation of attendance/non-attendance, in person or via Zoom, when you receive a communication from either of us. It’s so frustrating and time consuming to have to follow up when a response is not received on a timely basis when we are trying to plan. The Red Blazer may not be able to accommodate us if someone attends who was not planned on and we will be billed for any one who said they were coming and didn’t. Thank you for understanding and for your cooperation!

These are the hundreds of Period Project necessities purchased with a donation from Zonta District 1. Just think of how many girls/women we can help feel more confident each month!

Dulcinea Bonilla was installed as our newest member of the Zonta Club of Concord at The Red Blazer on September 2. We welcome you, Dulcinea, and look forward to working with you to empower women locally and globally!

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Congratulation & best wishes to those of you celebrating your birthdays in Oct. & Nov.:

October 2—Joyce Heck
October 25—Mary Jane Wallner
November 6—Sharon St. Onge
November 18—Carol Bagan

Wishing you all a memorable day!
The Zonta Club of Concord received a very generous donation in the amount of **$500** through the Fidelity Charitable Donor-Advised Fund from **Lawrence J. Morgan of Concord**. This grant from Mr. Morgan will be used towards scholarships for education as recommended and stated in the supporting document that accompanied the check. Thanks for letting us know, Lorrie, that Mr. Morgan was on the Board with you at Kimball Jenkins and is a gifted artist. Sue McCoo brought his wife, Cheryl, to one of our Business Meetings a few years ago. So, that’s how he knows about us.

A thank you letter and our Zonta Club pamphlet has been sent to Mr. Morgan thanking him for his generosity and referencing the connections to us above.

Once again, a very grateful “thank you” to Lorrie for cleverly paying The Red Blazer meal bill in September. How very generous of you!

**THANK YOU** to Sue McCoo for allowing us to put books outside her Hilltop Consignment store during the Market Month weekend of Aug. 27-30. Unfortunately, the weather didn’t cooperate on Thursday and Friday. The books were still being displayed outside Hilltop the next few days and sales continued to take place raising over **$200** from the sale of these donated books. They are now housed inside Hilltop upstairs and in the “Book Nook” downstairs.

Thank you to Terry, Donna, Marie, Ellis, Joyce, Susan L., Susan F., & Janice for taking time to “woman” the books, and to spread the word about the mission of our club and let customers know about the “Book Nook” downstairs where they can shop at any time.

Also, thank you to all of you who have been keeping the “Book Nook” organized and looking inviting! Adriane, Marie, Zontor Pat, Donna, Sue and others….thank you!

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**Zonta International remembers Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a champion for gender equality**

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg passed away on Friday, 17 September, at the age of 87. A true trailblazer in the male dominated legal field, Ginsburg was one of only nine women in her Harvard Law School class and the first woman to earn a position on the prestigious Harvard Law Review. When her husband graduated from Harvard, Ginsburg transferred to Columbia Law School where she graduated at the top of her class. Despite these achievements, law firms were still unwilling to hire a woman and Ginsburg received no employment offers from any of the firms she interviewed with after graduation. Still, she persevered, becoming one of America’s first female law professors and later the first woman tenured at Columbia Law School.

Ginsburg devoted her legal career to challenging laws that barred women from jobs or denied them their rights, working to extend equal protection under the law to include gender and strategically using male plaintiffs to challenge laws that discriminated on the basis of sex. She co-founded The ACLU Women’s Rights Project; and, as general counsel for the ACLU, Ginsburg argued six landmark gender discrimination cases before the Supreme Court, successfully winning five. She was appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court in 1993, only the second woman to sit on the court, where she served until her death. In her almost three decades on the Supreme Court, Ginsburg was an unwavering champion for gender equality and equal rights.

“Justice Ginsburg worked tirelessly to ensure women’s equal rights under the law,” said Zonta International President Sharon Langenbeck. “As advocates for gender equality and human rights, our members in the United States and around the world share Justice Ginsburg’s commitment to ensuring equal opportunities for women and girls. We will continue to fight for equal rights for all as we remember Justice Ginsburg and celebrate her legacy.”

September 21, 2020
**WOMAN’S CLUB OF CONCORD MOVIE DISCUSSION, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 AT 5:30 PM.**

The Woman’s Club of Concord has invited all members of the Zonta Club to participate in a Zoom discussion over the movie “Iron Jawed Angels” on the date above.

Katja von Garnier’s "Iron Jawed Angels" tells the remarkable and little-known story of a group of passionate and dynamic young women, led by Alice Paul (Hilary Swank) and her friend Lucy Burns (Frances O’Connor), who put their lives on the line to fight for American women’s right to vote. It is truly an inspiring movie! (ed.)

The Club received a $370 check from Network for Good as a result of Facebook donations made in honor of Donna Raycraft’s birthday (I won’t divulge her age here) which took place in July. These funds have been earmarked for scholarships to help a deserving young woman pursue her dream of an education. Thank you, Donna, for thinking of Zonta on your special day!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Mary Jane Wallner and Lorrie Carey for their Primary Election wins to the NH House of Representatives! Mary Jane and Lorrie will be on the November 3rd General Election ballot. Lorrie is running to once again represent Merrimack 26 and Mary Jane for Merrimack 10. We’re proud to have two of our club members wanting to take on the many challenges of the New Hampshire House of Representatives and we thank you. We wish you both a successful campaign!!

**PENPAL PROJECT!**

Ten Zonta Club members have volunteered to become a pen pal with a women living in an assisted living facility or a woman who is isolated and feeling lonely. Thank you for wanting to bring some cheer to these individuals!

More from our Service Committee as these plans get solidified.

We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust our sails.
(And that is what we are doing right now!)