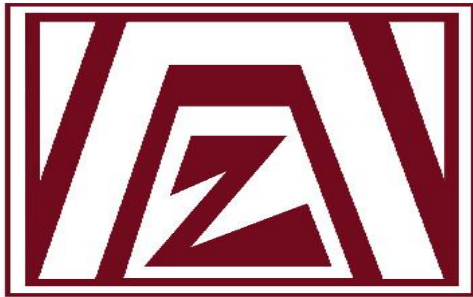


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**ZONTA**  
CLUB OF  
ROSEBURG AREA  
MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL  
**EMPOWERING WOMEN**  
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

## ZONTA CELEBRATES AMEILA EARHART

Every January, Zonta celebrates the life of Zontian and famed aviator Amelia Earhart. While we promote the program for the whole month, we have selected the 11<sup>th</sup> of January as Amelia Earhart Day in recognition of the day Amelia began her trip from Honolulu, Hawaii, to Oakland, California, United States, which made her the first person to fly solo across any part of the Pacific Ocean.

We know many of your clubs already organize club events throughout the month of January to honor the life of Amelia and promote the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund. If your club is looking for ideas for an Amelia Earhart Month celebration, below are some additional ideas for how you can promote the Amelia Earhart Fellowship and encourage contributions to Zonta International's Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund during the month of January. Please share these opportunities and ideas with your club members.



1. Share the [paper airplane template](#) ([click here](#) for A4) and use on social media with hashtags: #AmeliaEarhart, #AEFellowship
2. **Social media engagement:**
  1. To connect our clubs as they engage in Amelia Earhart Month activities, ask your club members to share their photos and stories on social media using the hashtag #AmeliaEarhart. Additionally, Headquarters will be sharing Fellows' stories and testimonials throughout the month.
  2. Share an image of Amelia Earhart, on 11 January, Amelia Earhart Day, to raise awareness of Zonta's Amelia Earhart Fellowship.
3. Select "Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund" on your [online donation form](#) or [download the PDF donation form](#) to make a gift in support of the Fellowship.
4. Set up a recurring gift to the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund using the [Direct Debit Form](#) or [Direct Credit Form](#) to make a greater impact.
5. Invite a former or current Amelia Earhart Fellow to speak at your club meeting on how her Amelia Earhart Fellowship helped her continue her studies in aerospace-related sciences and technology.

As always, we appreciate your enthusiasm and count on you to help make Amelia Earhart Month a success and allow us to continue offering the Fellowship to amazing women who excel in aerospace-related sciences and engineering.

## ROSEBURG ZONTA 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL SANTA RUN

Despite multiple days of downpours and a dismal forecast, race day for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Zonta Santa Run was crisp and DRY! About 90 people had registered and 73 participants completed the runs. Most of the runners donned their Santa suites, but the runners were also joined by elves! No reindeer were spotted, but the mood was merry and nobody was naughty. Adding a space age dimension to the run, Star Trek volunteers helped operate an aid station.

While it is admittedly hard to be overly competitive when you must tug up your Santa pants or remove the beard to breath, our runners still had some good times. Female Janelle Ralph was the overall winner in the 10K (41:36), edging out male Shawn Erickson by one second. In the 5K, male Mark Hamel (23:58), edged out Alicia Finger by 6 seconds. The 5K also attracted two runners over 70 years old.

Our THANKS to Architrave Family of Companies, Umpqua Oats, Waddell and Reed, Brooke Communications, FSC CrossFit, Parkway Animal Hospital, State Farm, Dutch Brothers and the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe of Indians for sponsoring this event. We'd also like to thank the Star Trek Club and Safe-Haven for providing volunteers and Eclectic Edge for timing the event. The event raised nearly \$3000 for Zonta projects.

The top 3-finishers are noted below. Complete results can be found at: [www.eclecticedgeracing.com](http://www.eclecticedgeracing.com)

### 10K Female:

1. Janelle Ralph—41:36
2. Macrina Lesniak—51:36
3. Jennifer Wood—52:44

### 10K Male:

1. Shawn Erickson—41:37
2. Benjamin Ralph—42:22
3. Sam Friedman—47:23

### 5K Female:

1. Alicia Finger—24:04
2. Sophia Tate—28:00
3. Nina Willhoft—28:01

### 5K Male:

1. Mark Hamel—23:58
2. Terry Osborn—25:52
3. Hayden Wier—27:58





## CLUB'S CHRISTMAS AUCTION

### Holiday Auction!

Being a talented group of professionals, the annual Christmas Auction featured a treasure trove of goodies for members to bid on. The table was laden with homemade jams, treats, crafts, wines and other holiday items. Karen and Rena served as the auctioneers, ensuring that the value of each item was recognized.

After spirited bidding, the happy owners claimed possession of their items. The bidding raised over \$511 for the group's general fund! Thanks to all the members for your generous bids!



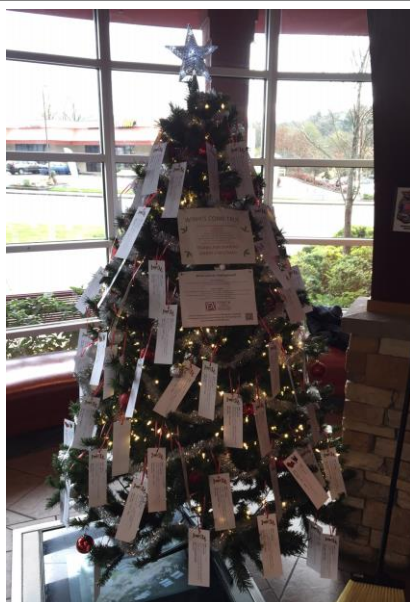
## CLUB'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECT

### . Wishes Come True

For decades, the Roseburg Area Zonta Club has been ensuring that the holiday cheer also includes those living in various retirement centers. With the help of the News Review, Prints Charming and Red Robin, Christmas trees with tags for the elderly were on display. All the 150 tags were claimed and 145 tags were returned with gifts. Zonta purchased gifts for unfilled tags.

On Wednesday, Jason headed up the delivery. Smiles, hugs, and calls of Merry Christmas came from the "Zonta Santa" deliverers and the recipients.

Thanks to the many people who contributed gifts to the Wishes Come True program to help bring a smile and share love with the older members of our community.



### CALENDAR OF PAST EVENTS

#### January Women's History Tidbits

- January 5, 1925—**  
 Nellie Tayloe Ross is installed as the governor of Wyoming and the FIRST female governor in U.S. history.
- January 7, 1896—**  
 Fanny Farmer publishes her first cookbook which also standardizes cooking measurements.
- January 7, 1955—**  
 Marian Anderson is the first African American woman to sing at the Metropolitan Opera.
- January 11, 1935—**  
 Amelia Earhart makes the first solo flight from Hawaii to North America.
- January 12, 1932—**  
 Hattie Wyatt Caraway (Arkansas) is the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate AND the first to chair a Senate committee AND serve as the Senate's presiding officer.
- January 25, 1980—**  
 Mary Decker runs a mile in 4:17:55—the first woman to break 4:30.
- January 29, 1926—**  
 Violette Neatly Anderson is the first African American woman to practice law before the U.S. Supreme Court. See more at the National Women's History Project website at: [www.nwhp.org](http://www.nwhp.org)

## CLUB FELLOWSHIP

### Ornament Exchange Party

To get in the holiday spirit, Roseburg Zonta Club enjoyed a potluck and ornament exchange at Connie's house. The food was great, with special accolades to the "Rice Stuff" that was highly sought after. Conversation varied at the two tables, but safe sex for cows (artificial insemination) kept one table totally engaged and laughing. We were also able to celebrate Roxanne and her husband's 39th anniversary.

The holiday cheer spread over to the white elephant ornament exchange. Knowing Karen's child-like fondness for opening gifts, most of the trades miraculously managed to make Karen select and open a gift. This created a joyful, wonder-of-the-season awe that just radiated from Karen with each trip to the Christmas tree! She appreciated the happiness she could share with others as they took the gifts she opened. She was especially proud of the tractor ornament she could graciously "give" her husband. Her smile as she gracefully proclaimed, "Merry Christmas," with each exchange said it all.... BEWARE at the next white elephant event!



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS-

**Jan 21- Women's March on Washington DC with state & possibly local events**

**Feb 4 -Everette Zonta Gala event**

**Feb 22- Women of Achievement recognition celebration.**

**March – Women's History Month**

**March 8- International Women's Day & Zonta Rose Day**

**May 5-6-District 4 Clubs Workshop in Wilsonville**

**June 2-4-No American Inter-District Mtg in Wash D.C.**

[www.northamericanmeeting2017.com](http://www.northamericanmeeting2017.com)

## ADVOCATE OR NOT - EDUCATE YOURSELF

Advocacy Committee: Laura Jackson & Sandy Hendy

What is the Women's March on Washington all about? The mission statement is quoted below. Of interest are the words highlighted in red—intersecting identities. Two of the Guiding Principles of the March further emphasize this:

- Women's rights are human rights, regardless of a woman's race, ethnicity, religion, immigration status, sexual identity, gender expression, economic status, age or disability.
- We **practice empathy with the intent to learn about the intersecting identities of each other. We will suspend our first judgement and do our best to lead without ego.**

The March is a grassroots effort. To date, there are 129 groups that are partners with the March. This includes groups that represent various races, religions, genders, sexual orientation, civil, equal, and human rights. The National Organization for Women (NOW) is one of the groups—so is the American Association of University Women, National Women's History Project, Human Rights Watch and even the Sierra Club. The organizers note, the March is Pro Women, not Anti Trump. "It is a display of solidarity affirming our shared humanity and fundamental human rights." Negative press about the March focuses on calling it Anti Trump or Pro Abortion. Yes, several of the groups are Pro-Choice. Additionally, on December 27, Gloria Steinem (Women's Rights), Harry Belafonte (Civil Rights) and Planned Parenthood (Women's Health) joined as featured partners. While the National Organizing committee hasn't published any additional mission statements (Jan. 4), it is noted that in addition to environmental, LGBT, women's and racial rights, that the March will also demonstrate that people are willing to stand up for, "reproductive health care, abortion services, and access to Planned Parenthood as they **intersect** with the rights of young people, people of color, immigrants, and people of all faiths, backgrounds and incomes." Again, the word **intersect**--looking for common ground. So maybe you don't believe in Pro Choice, do you believe in maternity leave rights, deductions for child care expenses, non-gender segregated education, the Equal Rights Amendment and equal training opportunities for women? These are some of the issues groups such as NOW have fought for since the 1960s. Currently NOW is also fighting to help states adopt the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA) to protect women's right to choose what works best for them given their individual circumstances: age, race, employment, education, living conditions, economic status, health, and circumstance of pregnancy. So far, California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Maryland, Nevada, Wisconsin, Maine, and Washington have enacted the FOCA as state law. Likewise, Planned Parenthood is Pro Choice. However, in addition to abortion services, it also offers women affordable health care and education on birth control, sexually transmitted diseases, breast health care, parenting skills and adoption. Find any common ground?

Since our December 14th vote on the March; Ashland, Astoria, Bend, Eugene, Newport, and Salem are now offering "Sister" Marches to the National March and Oregon's Portland March. The National and Oregon Organizing Committee members are a blend of colors, religions, and education. Cumulatively they cover low income, racial, gender, health care, equal rights, violence prevention, civil rights, equality, prevention of gun violence, religious rights, plus volunteer for food banks, park boards, and CASA. Do any of us agree with every aspect of every group involved with the March—unlikely. However, instead of focusing on the differences of 129+ groups they seek common ground among the groups to send the basic message that "women's rights are human rights."

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS-

- **Jan 21-** March for Women's Rights -SEE WEBSITES AND CHECK THINGS OUT FOR YOURSELF
- <https://www.womensmarch.com>
- <http://www.bing.com/news/search?q=Human+Rights+March+On+Washington%2c+January+21%2c+2017&qvpt=Human+Rights+March+on+Washington%2c+January+21%2c+2017&FORM=EWRE>

## Newsletter Ideas or Comments?

Contact: Editors: Laura Jackson, Sandy Hendy or Shon Garrison with your thoughts.

## Besure to visit our website:

## Zonta Club Website

<http://www.zontaroseburg.org>

Or check us out on Facebook

## COMPARISON OF MISSION AND VISION

### Women's March on Washington DC: Mission & Vision

On January 21, 2017, some will unite in Washington, DC for the Women's March on Washington. We stand together in solidarity with our partners and children for the protection of our rights, our safety, our health, and our families -- recognizing that our vibrant and diverse communities are the strength of our country.

The rhetoric of the past election cycle has insulted, demonized, and threatened many of us--women, immigrants of all statuses, those with diverse religious faiths particularly Muslim, people who identify as LGBTQIA, Native and Indigenous people, Black and Brown people, people with disabilities, the economically impoverished and survivors of sexual assault. We are confronted with the question of how to move forward in the face of national and international concern and fear.

In the spirit of democracy and honoring the champions of human rights, dignity, and justice who have come before us, we join in diversity to show our presence in numbers too great to ignore. The Women's March on Washington will send a bold message to our new administration on their first day in office, and to the world that women's rights are human rights. We stand together, recognizing that defending the most marginalized among us is defending all of us.

**We support the advocacy and resistance movements that reflect our multiple and intersecting identities.** We call on all defenders of human rights to join us. This March is the first step towards unifying our communities, grounded in new relationships, to create change from the grassroots level up. We will not rest until women have parity and equity at all levels of leadership in society. We work peacefully while recognizing there is no true peace without justice and equity for all. HEAR OUR VOICE

### Zonta's International Vision

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman can achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men.

In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.