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JOIN THE ZONTA CLUB OF CINCINNATI IN CELEBRATING
THEIR INTERNATIONAL CENTENNIAL ON 4/23/19

Cincinnati, Ohio – Join the Zonta Club of Cincinnati’s Centennial Celebration fundraiser on Saturday, April 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Clovernook Country Club (2035 Galbraith Road, Cincinnati, OH 45239-4364). The reservation deadline is April 2 – don’t miss out on an evening of great food and fun for a very worthy cause! All proceeds will benefit the Zonta Club of Cincinnati’s Ann Rasche and Zonta International Scholarship programs as well as club-approved service projects Visit <https://www.zonta-cinti.org/centennial-celebration> for more details. Tickets can be purchased online via PayPal or Eventbrite, or by contacting Gretchen Webb (513.616.5696; e-mail gtwebb@cinci.rr.com).

Zonta Club of Cincinnati President Verna Tuttle (North Bend) said, “The evening’s festivities will include fabulous silent auction items, cash and spirits raffles, Fund-A-Scholarship opportunities, and other fun activities. We will honor Clever Crazes for Kids Founder and CEO Dianne Dunkelmann with the third Zonta Club of Cincinnati Marian de Forest Award and hear from the Ann Rasche and other Zonta scholarship recipients. Susan Johnson from Susan’s Auction Service will serve as auctioneer for the live auction and keep things moving throughout the evening. The Midnight Rose Trio will provide musical entertainment. This year’s event sponsors include: Centennial Sponsor Clever Crazes for Kids; Platinum Sponsor Zonta member Norma Clark; Silver Sponsors Maremar Family Foundation, Kahny Inc., Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, and Zonta members Donna Seitz and Melinda Hepfner; and numerous Friends of Zonta. We are extremely fortunate to have such excellent community partners along with generous sponsors and donors. We hope the Greater Cincinnati community will continue to support the Zonta Club of Cincinnati in our efforts to support service and advocacy efforts for our service partners’ clients and educational opportunities to the public to improve the lives of women in the Tri-State area.”

The Zonta Club of Cincinnati, through the Zonta Service Fund of Cincinnati, Inc. (the club’s non-profit 501 (c) 3 arm), has been providing Ann Rasche Scholarships to non-traditional female students in the Greater Cincinnati community for many years. Ann Rasche was a member of the Zonta Club of Cincinnati for 26 years and worked for Cincinnati State Technical and Community College for 24 years. The Ann Rasche Scholarship was established in her honor upon her death in 1998. Recipients are selected by Cincinnati State according to the

following criteria established by the Zonta Club of Cincinnati: Tri-State women 25 years of age or older with limited financial resources just entering or returning to school after a significant break in her formal education, currently enrolled in a degree program at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College and seeking her first degree. Ann Rasche Scholarships are awarded each year to deserving women striving to improve their lives and that of their families.

Other educational and scholarship programs available through the Zonta Club of Cincinnati in conjunction with Zonta International include the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarships, Young Women in Public Affairs Awards, Amelia Earhart Fellowships, and the Women in Technology Scholarships. The Zonta Club of Cincinnati's scholarship and service programs are funded through donations and fundraisers. Direct scholarship donations can also be made via the Zonta Club of Cincinnati's website.

In addition to their scholarship programs, the Zonta Club of Cincinnati has also raised and provided funding to support service projects with Bethany House Women's Shelter, Tender Mercies, First Step Home, Women Helping Women, and FamiliesFORWARD. The Zonta Club of Cincinnati, along with other District 5 clubs in Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia, also annually assemble birthing kits for third world countries.

Advocacy efforts include co-sponsoring Women Helping Women's Purple Light Walks to raise awareness about domestic violence and their *She Screams Without Sound* Candlelight Vigils honoring victims of domestic violence, human trafficking awareness efforts, and Cincinnati for CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women),

The Zonta Club of Cincinnati was chartered in 1935 and is a member of Zonta International. Founded in 1919, Zonta International is a global organization of professionals working together to empower women worldwide through service, education, and advocacy. Zonta International has consultative status with the United Nations as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO). The Zonta Club of Cincinnati utilizes those ideals at the local level to make a positive difference in the lives of women and children who are most vulnerable in Greater Cincinnati.

If you would like more information about the Zonta Club of Cincinnati's Centennial Celebration fundraiser, please contact Gretchen Webb (513.616.5696 or e-mail gtwebb@cinci.rr.com) or visit the Zonta Club of Cincinnati's website <https://www.zonta-cinti.org/centennial-celebration>.