

Boca Bulletin

President's Message

MARCH— 2012

Zontian Sisters,

Here we are in March.....and what a busy time it has been!

The new year (January) brought us Emilia Solano, from the Women's Breast Health Initiative telling us about that foundation, how they want to expand into Palm Beach County and how they are helping women in South Florida in getting free mammograms. Our fellowship gathering (10 of us) at the Boca Green Market was an interesting day. We learned to make better arrangements when it came to dining, but it was a beautiful day and fun to laugh and be casual. February was off and running with our Board and Business meetings back-to-back, the International Dinner (2 members attended) sponsored by the Greater Palm Beaches Club and the Intercity Meeting (14 members attended) on Human Trafficking at Atlantis CC.

Service projects included a fun filled day at Habitat for Humanity in Boca. I believe there were 5 or 6 attendees arranged by Kathe Koch. I was told it was a day of hard work but well worth it! Diane's Boca Helping Hands (10 attendees) had us in the

warehouse bagging food,
serving families during the

ST. PATRICKS DAY



MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mar 6 - Board Meeting, 5:30 PM
- Mar 14 - Business Meeting, 6:00 PM
- Apr 3—Board Meeting, 5:30 PM
- Apr 11—Business Meeting, 6:00 PM

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About Boca Helping Hands.....

The volunteers serve seven hot meals six days a week—Monday –Saturday from 11:30 to 12:30 to families and individuals that include the working poor, single parents, children, the elderly and homeless. A Family Night Dinner is served every Thursday evening from 4:30 to 6:00. Only families are admitted to the Thursday night dinners. The families also get to take home grocery bags of food staples to help meet their food needs. There is also entertainment (e.g., movies) for the children.

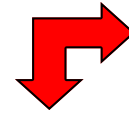
Another programs is:

Blessings in a Backpack

For 40 weeks during the school year Boca Helping Hands partners with local congregations, organizations and Boca Raton Elementary Schools to help provide over 1,200 backpacks filled with **six** healthful non-perishable meals for a student. Volunteers pack backpacks and low-income children at five local elementary schools take them home on the weekends and return the empty backpacks on Monday. For many, this is their only food for the weekend.

Boca Helping Hands also has a Pantry Program, a Resource Center, Job Mentoring program, Children’s Assistance programs and they provide Homeless Kits containing a meal, soap, shampoo, etc.

REMEMBER OUTSTANDING



Wherever you keep your appointments, be sure to post **IN BIG LETTERS.... May 4 & 5.** Our Club is *hosting* the Area 3 Meeting this year. Everyone in the club should plan to attend the 5th for sure, but also try to join the fun at Lips on the 4th. It is a chance to show Boca hospitality to all the other Clubs in our Area as well as any guests. It would be **GREAT** if we could have 100% club participation. The Registration form and information is available on our website.



Happy Belated
Birthday

- Feb 8 — Shelly Olkey
- Feb 15 — Lynne Holden
- Feb 23 — Jackie Bender
- Feb 27 — Jane Adams