

AMELIA EARHART COMMITTEE REPORT  
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The AE Committee continues to do research on Amelia, aeronautics, and women of inspiration (both past and present), and shares information with a monthly article.

As January is ZI Amelia Earhart month, clubs were encouraged to do creative programs for members. The District 4 AE Program, hosted by the ZC of Batavia-Genesee County, took place on the 15<sup>th</sup> – raised \$310.00 to be sent on to ZI AE Fellowship Fund. Clubs from Aurora, Buffalo, Cheektowaga-Lancaster, Hamburg-Orchard Park, and Niagara Falls, NY registered to attend. It was wonderful to have Gov. Bonnie in attendance. The presentation topics were: Wings Over LeRoy – story of the Donald Woodward Airport and the Friendship airplane connection – and the First Women’s National Air Race of 1929 (generally known as the Powder Puff Derby). An informative display of materials relating to Amelia was also set out for the attendees to review. A fun quiz about Amelia was created by Kathleen Douglass and shared with the District clubs.

Past District AE Chair, Donna Ketchum Colletta, was sailing around the Hawaiian Islands with Zontians and friends – this cruise was arranged by Donna and raised \$2550. for the ZI AE Fund. All in all, it has been a great January.

Lori has created a PowerPoint Presentation and also presented Wings and certificate to AE Fellowship Winner, Lana Osusky, at the Toronto Club meeting.

Ideas for further fund raising are still being considered. We know there are Air Shows in the state each summer and perhaps a group visit to one would be a fun activity.

A separate photo file is sent with photos of Lori presenting the AE award and the District AE Program.

Respectfully Submitted,

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