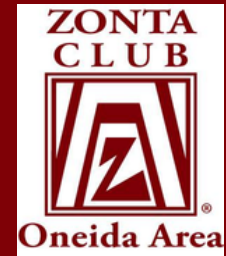


ONEIDA AREA ZONTA CLUB NEWSLETTER



Chartered June 1st, 1924

November 2024

President's Pen

November is such an important month for Zontians! November 8th marks 105 years of striving to make the world a better place for women and girls. We also mark the beginning of 16 Days of Activism against gender-based violence. This begins on November 25th (International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women) and ends on December 10th, Human Rights Day. We will mark this again with orange ribbons at Oneida City Hall.

The last few years, we've celebrated a local Status of Women award recipient but this year, we're postponing to March 2025. We NEED nominations – as soon as possible!

It's also time for Every Member, Every November, when we contribute to the Zonta Foundation for Women. We'll be holding another club business meeting this month; several people have mentioned it was nice getting out earlier than when we have a speaker. See you on the 20th .

-Fay Eastwood

Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women

116 Days of Activism for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

November 25th – December 10th.

The Oneida Zonta Club was honored with a proclamation from Oneida City Mayor Rick Rossi, acknowledging the club's commitment to combating violence against women. The "Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women" proclamation was received by Fay Eastwood during the Common Council meeting on November 6th. A heartfelt thank you to the local Zonta chapter for their dedicated efforts in advancing the organization's mission.



Calendar of Events

Say No to Violence - November 25th
Christmas Party - December 11th
Salvation Army Bell Ringing- Price Chopper- December 14th
Dana Parker, NORAD Retiree - January 15th
Circus- February 8th
Fun Night - February 19th
Erie Canal - March 19th
Gala Planning, Club Business - April 15th
Awards - June 18th
Annual Gala - June 13th
District Conference - October 2025



Monthly business meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month from September to June at Theodore's Restaurant, Route 5, Canastota.

Board Meeting Report

- The Status of Women Awards Dinner event has been postponed at this time. New information will be made available when nominations are received.
- Z-Club induction will be held at the Oneida High School Auditorium on November 13th at 6pm. Fay and Shelly will be speaking on Zonta's behalf.
- The Circus will be held on February 8th with two shows (2pm and 5pm). Tickets are only sold at the door. It is suggested to have a basket raffle at the event and Z-Club members to assist.
- Eight members attended the 30th Annual Zonta Club of Utica "Fabulous Fundraising Brunch Buffet" on October 27th.
- \$625 has been awarded to women in 19 different countries through KIVA
- Additional help is needed to fill the volunteer spots for the bottle and can drive on November 30th. Please see Fay for the list of available times.
- A meeting was held on November 12th at the Library to discuss the upcoming Gala. We welcome more members who are interested in helping with future plans!
- Fay is making arrangements for the February Fun meeting to be held at The Blend
- Members attending the Christmas Party in December should bring a gift

Hygiene Product Drive

We are collecting feminine hygiene products and women's sweatshirts and sweatpants (sizes L to XXXL) for victims of domestic violence. Donations will go to local hospitals and food banks. Collection continues during November and December meetings. For questions, contact Barb Johnson.



Zonta Club of Oneida Area Current Club Information

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