

ONEIDA AREA ZONTA CLUB NEWSLETTER



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President's Pen

What a beautiful autumn this is shaping up to be in Central NY. However, we must remember the thousands of people affected by the recent Hurricane Helene.

Zonta International now has a program entitled Zonta Says Now, similar to their Zonta Says No. The new program is focused on climate change and its affects worldwide on women. International urges us to embed climate actions into our service projects, stressing how behavior in one part of the world impacts another and raising or voices about gender-equal climate action. I challenge all of you to think of ways we can address this situation. A good start will be our bottle and can drive on Nov. 30. Everyone who isn't already recycling household waste needs to think of ways to do this.

What is your next step? October's business meeting can be a great opportunity for sharing ideas as we don't have a guest speaker scheduled. Also, a huge thank you to Stephanie Neff, our new newsletter editor. Let her know if you have any suggestions.

-Faye Eastwood

October Birthdays

October 2nd - Sue Pulverenti

October 6th- Mary Jo Newberry

October 10th- Barbara Johnson



Bottle & Can Drive

We will be hosting a bottle and can drive on November 30th! Bottles and cans can be collected and dropped off at Cash for Cans bottle redemption center in the North Side Shopping Center, 1035 N. Main St. Oneida. This collection event will feature a trailer outside the store where our volunteer will be there to help! All proceeds will benefit Zonta Club scholarships throughout the year.

Calendar of Events

Monthly Meeting - October 16th
Status of Women Event- November 20th
Say No to Violence - November 25th
Christmas Party - December 11th
Dana Parker, NORAD Retiree - January 15th
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.

Business Meeting Report

September 18th Meeting

- The Oneida Health Auxiliary has supplied the Cancer Center with chemo bags. Zonta Club will be providing the net supply.
- Club members will be signing up for two committees each- please watch for committee signup opportunities. We will also be forming new committees this year.
- District 2 has announced Lorraine Abbott as the new Governor during a Zoom Meeting.

Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women



Join us for International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
November 25th - December 10th.

Take Our Pledge & Speak Up!

I WILL:

- Say NO to violence against women and girls.
- Say NO to violence in any form, whether physical, psychological or via the Internet!
- Support or host a program on gender-based violence.
- Learn more about gender-based violence found at the Zonta Says No website.
- Reflect on what I learned during the 16 Days and speak up via social media, with family and friends throughout the year!
- Invite the men and boys in my family and community to take the pledge, speak up and take action to prevent gender-based violence.

Zonta Club of Oneida Area Current Club Information

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