

# ZONTAGRAM



ZONTA CLUB OF WESTCHESTER  
CONSTITUENT OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 3 AREA 1 ORGANIZED 1931

December 2008

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**DECEMBER 16, 2008**

J.C.FOGARTY'S  
60 KRAFT AVENUE  
BRONXVILLE, NY

**MEMBERS & GUESTS**

\$30.00

Cocktails 6:00pm  
Dinner promptly at 6:45 pm

**BOARD MEETING**  
**December 11, 2008**

**NEW MEMBERS**  
**INDUCTION**

Call Doreen LaBlanc if you  
are unable to attend

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Dear Fellow Zontians,

As we enter what can be a most frenetic time of year, let us pause and reflect on the message this season can offer each of us. Peace. The lyrics in the following hymn capture its essence, the deep peace which is our true nature. As you dash and dart, scurry and bustle during this holiday season, take a moment every once in a while to rest, simply close your eyes and bask in the peace within in you.

Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me  
Let there be peace on Earth  
The peace that was meant to be

With God as our Father  
Brothers all are we  
Let me walk with my brother  
In perfect harmony

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Let peace begin with me  
Let this be the moment now  
With every step I take  
Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live each moment  
In peace eternally  
Let the be Peace on Earth  
And let it begin with me

Words and Music by Jill Jackson and Sy Miller, Circa 1955



On behalf of the board of directors I wish to extend a most blessed, joyful and peaceful Holiday to you and your loved ones!

Be well,

Pat Latona

## US TRUST FUND

If you are interested in learning more about women whose lives have been changed through the UN TRUST FUND, please join the Women's Global Roundtable - a series of weekly conference calls with women from around the world.

**Every Tuesday** evening at 8PM, UNIFEM/USA and PeaceXPeace connect with one woman who has received funding from UNIFEM to engage in dialogue and connect across cultures.

To learn more about the Woman's Global Roundtable and sign up for this unique opportunity, please visit [www.unifemusa.org](http://www.unifemusa.org).



## Bring a Friend and Join Us

**Tuesday,  
December 16**

## General Membership Meeting

Roxanne Neilson  
from the Zonta Club  
of New Rochelle will be the  
guest speaker.

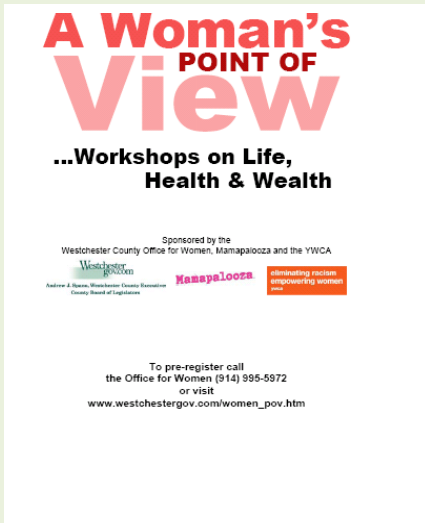
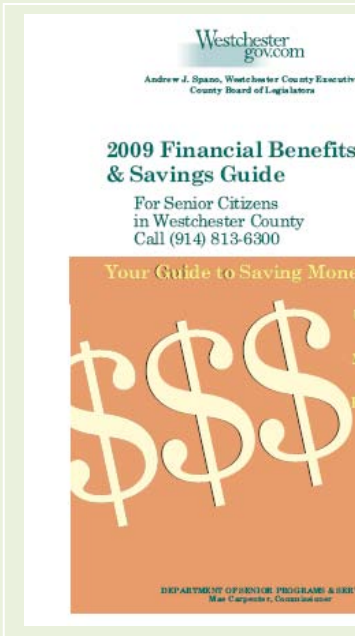
She will tell us about their  
community radio project  
and how we can become  
involved

[www.wvox.com](http://www.wvox.com)



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INFORMATION



*Thank  
You ... Again!!*

**Top Contributors**

**Day of Walk:**

**M. Balascio \$325**

**V. Bartley \$200**

**C. Van Bomel \$165**

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**As of this publication**

**P. Latona \$565**

**HURRY!!!!**

Donations are still be accepted  
till December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Make checks payable to  
Zonta Club of Westchester.

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**Thank You**

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**CHRISTMAS FUN  
AT THE DECEMBER MEETING**

**Holiday Trivia Game  
With  
PRIZES  
Join us!**

**NEW MEMBERS TO BE INDUCTED AT THE DECEMBER MEETING  
(PLEASE ADD TO MEMBER BOOK)**

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## CALENDAR

### Zonta Club of Westchester

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
Nov 1, 2008	R.A.V.E. Walk	SUNY Purchase	Fundraiser
Nov 13, 2008	Board		
Nov 18, 2008	Monthly	Fogarty's	R.A.V.E. REPORT Victim's Assistance Services & Holiday Auction
Dec 11, 2008	Board		
Dec 16, 2008	Monthly	Fogarty's	Roxanne Neilson Pres, New Rochelle Club Surprise Holiday Games/Prizes
Jan 15, 2009	Board		
Jan 20, 2009	Monthly	Fogarty's	Z.I.N.G. Amelia Earhart Speaker
Feb 12, 2009	Board		
Feb 17, 2009	Monthly	Fogarty's	Black History Month Speaker
Mar 12, 2009	Board		
Mar 17, 2009	Monthly	Fogarty's	U.N. Speaker
Apr 4, 2009	Fundraiser Spring Luncheon	Davenport Club	
Apr 12, 2009	Board		
Apr 21, 2009	Monthly	Fogarty's	Annual Meeting Reports & Election of Officers
May 14, 2009	Board		
May 19, 2009	Monthly	Fogarty's	Women's Health Speaker, YWPA Award & Club Scholarship
Jun 18, 2009	Board		
Jun 23, 2009	Monthly	Fogarty's	<b>FUN!!</b>



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Vivienne Bartley  
December 16

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December 7



It was the UDHR, almost 60 years ago, that first recognized what have become nowadays universal values: human rights are inherent to all and the concern of the whole of the international community. Drafted by representatives of all regions and legal traditions, the UDHR has stood the test of time and resisted attacks based on “relativism”. The Declaration and its core values, including non-discrimination, equality, fairness and universality, apply to everyone, everywhere and always. The UDHR belongs to all of us.

More than ever, in a world threatened by racial, economic and religious divides, we must defend and proclaim the universal principles --first enshrined in the UDHR-- of justice, fairness and equality that people across all boundaries hold so deeply.

Human rights are not only a common inheritance of universal values that transcend cultures and traditions, but are quintessentially local values and nationally-owned commitments grounded in international treaties and national constitutions and laws.

The Declaration represents a contract between governments and their peoples, who have a right to demand that this document be respected. Not all governments have become parties to all human rights treaties. All countries, however, have accepted the UDHR. The Declaration continues to affirm the inherent human dignity and worth of every person in the world, without distinction of any kind.

## Domestic Violence Legislation

### 2008 Bills That Became Law - New York State

**Preventing Emergency Call**  
The Governor signed A.614 Paulin / S.2452 Saland on 5/7/08 – Chapter 69 of the Laws of 2008. This law combats domestic violence and elder abuse by protecting the lives and safety of crime victims through the establishment of a criminal penalty for those who prevent telephone calls or electronic requests for emergency assistance.

**Fair Access to Family Court**  
Governor signed A11707 Weinstein/S8665 Winner on 7/21/08 – Chapter 326 of the Laws of 2008. The law updates the jurisdiction provisions of the family court act and criminal procedure law to include unrelated persons who are or have been in an intimate relationship regardless of whether the relationship is sexual in nature or whether such persons have lived together.

**No penalty in child custody hearings for efforts to protect a child against abuse**  
The Governor signed A7089A Bing/S6201A Duane on 9/4/08 – Chapter 538 of the Laws of 2008. A person shall not be penalized in child custody or visitation for making good faith allegation on a reasonable belief supported by facts that the child is the victim of abuse.

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