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District 3 Governor's Award Silver Bowl
United Nations and Public Relations Certificates

Dear Zontians,

Last month's meeting was special. We had as our honored guest Ellen Karo, District 3 Governor, who once again told us how special we are. She had, of course, already done that when she honored us with the Governor's Award. It will once again be on display at the November meeting. Speaking of which, I do hope to see all of you on November 17th when we have our lively Holiday Auction, spearheaded by the vivacious duo, Alice Massa and Doreen LaBlanc. The bylaws amendments were passed at the October meeting: annual dues will be \$115, the office of recording and corresponding secretary combined and there will be a minimum of two, not four, directors.

As you know *The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence* is an international campaign originating from the first Women's Global Leadership Institute sponsored by the Center for Women's Global Leadership in 1991. Participants chose the dates, November 25, International Day Against Violence Against Women and December 10, International Human Rights Day, in order to symbolically link violence against women and human rights and to emphasize that such violence is a violation of human rights. The 16 Days Campaign has been used as an organizing strategy by individuals and groups around the world to call for the elimination of all forms of violence against women by raising awareness about gender-based violence as a human rights

MONTHLY MEETING
November 17, 2009

J.C. Fogarty's
60 Kraft Avenue
Bronxville, NY

Members & Guests:
\$30.00
Cocktail 6:00
Dinner promptly at 6:45

BOARD MEETING
December 1, 2009
6:00 pm

PROGRAM
Holiday Auction

Call
Doreen LaBlanc
if you are unable to attend
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issue at the local, national, regional and international levels, strengthening local work around violence against women and creating tools to pressure governments to implement promises made to eliminate violence against women.

Last year 5,066,549 people from around the world, civil society organizations and governments signed on to the Say NO to Violence against Women campaign, sending the urgent message to governments everywhere that ending violence against women and girls must be a top priority. This November, UNIFEM will take the initiative one step further and launch a new platform for action, Say NO–UNiTE to End Violence against Women. Say NO–UNiTE will count and showcase actions taken by individuals, organizations and governments worldwide to end violence against women.

Become part of the solution: log onto to website listed to the right and attend the November 16 event. Additional info will be available at the membership meeting.

Committee chairpersons will be contacting you soon to help with upcoming events. Please be generous with your time and talents.

Be well,
Pat Latona



<http://www.unifem.org/campaigns/sayno/>

Organizations: Center for Women’s Global Leadership and UNIFEM’s Metropolitan NY Chapter

Location: Marymount Manhattan College (221 East 71st St. between Second and Third Avenues), New York City

Date: November 16, 2009 from 6:00-8:00pm

Description: “Half the World Deserves a Whole Voice: The Pandemic of Violence Against Women”; For more information, see attached [flyer](#)

Contact: RSVP to Jackie Shapiro at jacci007@aol.com by November 12th

HOLIDAY

November 17



AUCTION

Meeting

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS AND HAVE FUN, FUN, FUN!

November 8th marks ZI’s 90th Anniversary

Opening doors to the Zontians who will carry on



The Mary J. Blige Center For Women

Opened at 489 So. Broadway in Yonkers on October 23rd. The news noted it was a momentous day for the Queen of Hip Hop Soul. Mary J. Blige grew up in the Schlobam Housing Project and attended Roosevelt High School. She became quite emotional describing the many obstacles she had to overcome living in the area. The center is a partnership between Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) and Foundation For the Advancement of Women Now, Inc. (FFAWN).

The MJB Center is committed to providing young women and girls in Yonkers with skills, knowledge, resources and support empowering them to pursue their personal goals and become self-sufficient, confident women .In attendance at the opening was Mayor Phil Amicone and Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins.

PROPOSED CALENDAR – 2009/2010

Zonta Club of Westchester

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION*</u> <i>Membership meetings continue at Fogarty's until further notice</i>	<u>PROGRAM</u>
Nov 17, 2009	General	Fogarty's	<i>Holiday Auction 16 days of Activism</i>
Dec 1, 2009	Board No December General meeting	TBA	
Jan 19, 2010	Board & General	Fogarty's	<i>Homelessness & Housing Coat Drive</i>
Feb 16, 2010	General	Fogarty's	TBA
Mar 2, 2010 Mar 16, 2010	Board General	TBA Fogarty's	<i>Cindy Markus Self Defense (RAD)</i>
Apr 13, 2010 Apr 20, 2010	Board General	TBA Fogarty's	<i>Election & Annual Meeting</i>
May 1, 2010		Davenport Club	Spring Fundraiser
May 11, 2010 May 18, 2010	Board General	TBA Fogarty's	<i>Installation Officers/Directors YWPA & Zonta Scholarship</i>
Jun 1, 2010 Jun 15, 2010	Combined Board General	TBA Fogarty's	<i>New Board Program TBA</i>

COMMITTEE MEMBERS at the SEPTEMBER Meeting
Not on list? Sign in Nov 17. We need your minds, hearts & spirit

SAVE THE DATES

**Zonta International
Convention**
June 25 - 30, 2010
San Antonio, Texas

<i>UN</i>	<i>Legislative</i>	<i>Nominating</i>	<i>Membership</i>	<i>Service</i>
Nora Gorman	Minna Elgart	Peggy Wines	Alice Massa	Karen Carroll
Shirley Carter	Pat Latona Claire Rie		Georgia LaBlanc Vivienne Bartley	Shirley Carter Jamie Hubert Doreen LaBlanc Ije Nduka

Bikers Roar to End On Domestic Violence

On October 10th Motorcycles roared through Yonkers streets . "The sound that you will make when your bikes travel down that street will make people sit up and take notice," Karen Carroll, board member of Westchester's Victims Assistance Services, told the bikers during a send-off by the Hudson River at the JFK Marina.

"In order to stop violence, we have to break the silence." How else to turn heads and draw attention to the problem of domestic violence. This was the second year the ride was held. The event raised money for two groups: My Sisters Place, women's shelter, and Victims Assistance Services.

The 80th Anniversary Of the New Rochelle Club

**A delightful event
Many inspiring speakers
lauded the Club for its
efforts in support of
women's issues.**

A WONDERFUL EVENING!



THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE ZONTA CLUB OF NEW ROCHELLE
Catherine Kocur, Patricia Latona, Roxanne Neilsen (New Rochelle Club President), Ijeoma Nduka-Nwosu, Doreen LaBlanc, Alice Massa



Linda Brown – Nov. 7
Catherine Cotter –Nov 5
Evelyn Garba – Nov 13
Sheila Sievertsen – Nov 26
Vivienne Bartley – Dec 16