

ZONTAGRAM

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October 2009



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Pat Latona & Governor Ellen Karo
District 3 Conference, October 2-4, 2009 Alexandria, VA.

Dear Zontians,
Complete surprise, sheer delight, utter astonishment only partially describes how I felt when Gov. Ellen Karo announced "...and the District 3 Governor's Award goes to the Zonta Club of Westchester". In explaining her reasons for choosing us Gov. Karo described our significant progress in advancing Zonta's mission highlighting specific achievements: creative, informative newsletter; production of "Zing" DVD; aligning monthly presentations to specific themes; redesigned membership brochure; successful fundraising efforts; consistently informing members about important legislative, UN and Zonta information, and the list goes on. Of course none of this would have happened without YOUR dedication, commitment and hard work. The Governor's Award is the first for Westchester and I hope its conferment will continue to energize us to advance the status of women. We also won the First Place United Nations Award and Second Place Public Relations Award. Congratulations Nora and Catherine! The Governor's Silver Bowl and other awards will be on display at the October 20th meeting.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. To highlight the importance of early detection and talk about her professional experiences Board Certified Dr. Nella Shapiro will speak at the October 20th General Membership meeting. Named "Doctor of the Year" by the Bronx Region of the American Cancer Society



*Congratulations to the
Zonta Club of
Westchester for
receiving the coveted
Governor's Award
PLUS*

*1st Place UN Award
&
2nd Place Public
Relations &
Communication Award*

**MONTHLY
MEETING
October 20, 2009**

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

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

**BOARD MEETING
October 20, 2009
5:30 pm**

**PROGRAM
Dr. Nella Shapiro
Breast Awareness
Month**

**Call
Doreen LaBlanc
if you are unable to
attend
(914) 779-3475**

last year, Dr. Shapiro is director of breast surgery at the Eastchester Center for Cancer Care. She is assistant clinical professor in the combined departments of surgery at the Jack D. Weiler Hospital of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and the Montefiore Hospital and Medical Center. Dr. Shapiro says about her practice, "I like to deal with patients. I like to deal with women. I like to talk to people. I feel that I can help them get through this." Plan to attend and bring a guest to hear this outstanding physician.

At the September meeting we discussed the rationale for increasing membership dues from \$105 to \$115. A final vote will be taken at the October meeting. Also additional bylaw's changes regarding the number of directors will also be voted on. See the last page of this newsletter for rationale for both changes.

Two major fundraising events are gathering steam and will be here before we know it. The RAVE Walk takes place on November 7th and our Holiday Auction occurs at the November 17 General Membership Meeting. Both are Fun happenings while bringing in much needed funds for our worthwhile Service projects. Keep up the good work and I will see you on October 20th.
Pat Latona

HOLIDAY AUCTION

*Before you know it the Holiday Gift Giving Season will be upon us.
Be prepared!*

Bring your Auction Items to the October 20th meeting.

Bring your generosity to the November 17th meeting and bid on the many beautiful items which make wonderful holiday gifts.

RAVE WALK - November 7th

Your participation - Walking and/or Pledges are **Vital** to ensure the success of this important Fundraising Event. Ask your Family, Friends, and Colleagues to make a Donation. Let's beat last year's total \$1875! Let's Do It!!!



CELEBRATING 80 YEARS OF SERVICE IN WESTCHESTER

**ZONTA CLUB OF NEW ROCHELLE
OCTOBER 24, 2009 at 7PM
JULIANO'S RESTAURANT
NEW ROCHELLE, NY**

Email President Roxanne Neilson
(bigtreesmallax@juno.com) if wish to attend

**November 8th marks ZI's
90th Anniversary**

*Opening doors to the Zontians
who will carry on*



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The New Fall Booklet Is Available From The Westchester Office For Women. It Features Information On Workshops & Other Resources For Women

"PERCEPTION OF RAPE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FROM "IDO" TO "I DID." College New Rochelle, October 27th, 7 - 9 PM

Our own Karen Carroll will be one of the presenters. Karen would love to have us join her.

**"R.A.V.E. Walk," November 7th, 10 AM
SUNY Purchase Campus**

The Westchester booklet describes this as a walk to benefit Victims Assistance Services to help fund special programs to service victims of interpersonal violence. Sponsored by the **Zonta Club of Westchester & Advisory Board of the Victims Assistance Services.**

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>
Oct 20, 2009	Board & General	Fogarty's	Dr. Nella Shapiro <i>Breast Cancer Awareness</i>
Nov 7, 2009 Nov 17, 2009	RAVE Walk General	SUNY Purchase Fogarty's	Fundraiser <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	Committees No February general meeting	Discretionary	Follow-up on plans & reports
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 & Committee Reports</i>
May 1, 2010 May 11, 2010 May 18, 2010	Board General	Davenport Club TBA Fogarty's	Spring Fundraiser <i>Installation Officers/Directors YMPA & Zonta Scholarship</i>
Jun 1, 2010 Jun 15, 2010	Combined Board General	TBA Fogarty's	<i>New Board Program TBA</i>

SAVE THE DATES

R.A.V.E. WALK Convention

November 7, 2009 - 10 AM
At S.U.N.Y. Purchase

Zonta International

June 25 - 30, 2010
San Antonio, Texas

*Don't Forget
General Membership Meeting
October 20th*

Dr. Nella Shapiro - SPEAKER
ByLaws Changes - Vote

BYLAWS REVISIONS

**Proposed Amendment to Zonta of Westchester Bylaws (2003 edition),
Article VI, Dues, (p.3).**

Change the following in Section 2. Annual dues.

The annual dues of a club member shall be **\$115** and shall include Zonta International, district and club requirements. Dues shall be payable on or before 1 April. Any member in arrears for dues for 60 days shall forfeit membership.

Rationale: Zonta International raised their dues by \$15. Largest percentage of club expenses is towards ZI and District dues totaling \$81 per person. The balance of \$24 per person is not sufficient to cover club expenses and to continue to provide services. The club has not raised dues for several years and with the increase in ZI dues and increase in cost of doing business an increase in dues by \$10 per person is necessary.

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**Proposed Amendment to Zonta of Westchester Bylaws (2003 edition),  
Article VII, Officers and Directors.**

Change the following in Section 1. Officers.

The officers of the club shall be at least a president, vice president, **recording secretary and/or corresponding secretary** and treasurer. There shall be **a minimum of (2)** directors.

Rationale: The club at times is unable to fill both secretary positions and (4) positions on the Board of Directors.



*District 3 Gala Ball, October 3, Alexandria, VA  
Catherine Kocur, Kate Kocur, Georgia LaBlanc, Heddie Steffensen (Int'l Dir), Pat Latona, Alice Massa  
Photographer – Doreen LaBlanc*



Doreen LaBlanc – Oct 7  
Shirley Carter – Oct 22  
Linda Brown – Nov. 7  
Catherine Cotter – Nov 5  
Evelyn Garba – Nov 13  
Sheila Sievertsen – Nov 26

**Special Knitting Forces  
Children's Project  
&  
Comfort Kit Project**

**Please Be Generous  
Bring Items  
October 20<sup>th</sup>**