



ZONTA

CLUB OF  
JOLIET AREA

BUILD A BETTER WORLD  
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

OCTOBER 2023

# NEWSLETTER



## President's Message



**BONNIE WINFREY**

Hello, Zontians~

Well, it's finally here! The month when it all started 50 years ago! Grab your dancing shoes and let's celebrate a half century of success!

I know we will all have a great time as we feature our charter members, Dr. Patricia Miller and Carmela Castagna. The evening will also feature Brandy Phillips, who will entertain us with the "Tina Turner Experience."

At our September board meeting, it was suggested that we change our member photo on our website. We have opted to have a more recent photo taken at our October 10th meeting.

Note: this won't be our only group photo. If you can't make this sitting, there will be other updates. A photographer will be on site to take this photo. So, please bring your best smile!

We also discussed how we're going to thank Kim Brinkman from The Shepherd 's Place for the first donation to our foundation. Several options were presented. There is more to come regarding gratitude in reference to this kind donation.



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*"If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring in a folding chair."*

SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

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Also on October 10th, we will have an exciting meeting. There is a lot to talk about. Our special guest is Cheri Johnson from the Will County State's Attorney Office who will be discussing how she overcame breast cancer and what she does in the community. Cheri is really awesome!

I look forward to seeing you all on October 10th!

Bonnie Winfrey



## *Events Calendar*

### **OCTOBER 10 MEMBER MEETING**

Location: Al's Steak House

Time: 5:30 pm

Meal: \$29/baked pork chop, mashed potatoes, green beans, rice pudding

### **OCTOBER 16 UN PROCLAMATION DAY**

Location: Plainfield Village Hall

Time: 7 pm

### **OCTOBER 17 UN PROCLAMATION DAY**

Location: Joliet City Hall

Time: 6:30 pm

### **OCTOBER 19 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

Location: Illinois Rock n Roll Museum

Time: 5:00 pm

Tickets: \$65 Ticket sales limited--  
Sale ends 10.13.23

<http://bit.ly/jolietzonta50>

### **OCTOBER 21 ANGELS AGAINST ABUSE 5K/ WALK**

Location: Shorewood Towne Center

Time: 8:30 am

### **NOVEMBER 24 LIGHT UP THE HOLIDAY PARADE**

Location: Joliet City Center

Time: 5:15 pm

# Member Meeting RSVP

## ATTENDANCE RULES

- Notice for the October 10 meeting must be made by 5 pm on Friday, October 6.
- For each monthly member meeting, you are required to notify the Attendance Committee if you will not be attending. You will be charged for the cost of your meal if you fail to notify Attendance that you will not be attending.
- If you are a standing no but plan to attend, you must notify Attendance.

OCTOBER MEAL  
Baked Pork Chop with Mashed Potatoes, Three Beans w/almonds and Rice Pudding  
Meal Price: \$29 Cash or Check Only

- Vegetarian and fish meal requests must be made in advance following the above procedures. Fish substitutions will not be honored at meetings

Contact Attendance:  
Preferred method: Email  
Barb Leiber: balive20@gmail.com  
or call/text Barb: 630-696-0453

Back-up option: call Reni Tracy:  
815-370-0838



## Service Events

**October 21** – Angels Against Abuse 5K Run/Walk, Shorewood Towne Center Park 8:30am registration – 9:30am Walk/Run; Zonta will have an informational table too. Please join Zonta at this event – we need 10 participants & you must register online:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Shorewood/AngelsAgainstAbuse5k?raceRefCode=tCmZV9UD>

Members will need to enter their information and then select "yes" at the bottom to join a group. When prompted, they must enter Zonta2023 as a code. Once 10 members sign up, the registration fee will be refunded so don't worry about the payment.

**November 24** – Light Up the Holidays Parade, Joliet City Center ~ Tree lighting 5:15pm Parade 5:30pm - contact Mary Baudino to join the Zonta on the Move Team for the parade!!

Let's show our Zonta Spirit to our community! Join in on these service & advocacy community events. We will have volunteer sign up at our Oct. 10th membership meeting and/or you can contact us!

Co-Chairs:

Mary Baudino, call/text 815-955-4066; [mfbaudino59@aol.com](mailto:mfbaudino59@aol.com)

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Katy Leclair  
October 16

Lora McGuire  
October 23

## Zonta T-shirts

Zonta Says No ~ Orange T-Shirts  
– Short Sleeve

Sizes ~ Small – Medium – Large –  
X Large = \$12/each

Size 2XLarge = \$14/each

Contact Mary Baudino –  
[mfbaudino59@aol.com](mailto:mfbaudino59@aol.com) or

815-955-4066

# Committee Updates

## Z Club

Around 20 members of the Joliet Central Fearless Females Z Club attended a Meet and Greet with Zontians on September 18. Z Club members learned about Zonta, upcoming events, and participated in conversation while enjoying pizza.

*For more pictures from this event, visit our website or social media.*

## Archives Committee

The Archives Committee will have a month long display in the Joliet Public Library Black Road Branch celebrating Zonta's 50th Anniversary starting early October. The large glass case is located in the lobby and highly visible to all that enter.

We will highlight awards, accomplishments, and local and international activities. It's a great opportunity to showcase the wonderful work Zonta does in our community and around the world. It is also another way to educate the public on who we are and what we do.

## International Committee

United Nations Day is on October 24, 2023. This is the day that the UN was created in 1945. This year the theme is Equality, Freedom, and Justice for all.

Join us at the sessions of the Joliet City Council and the Plainfield Village Board where our Zonta Club members will receive the formal United Nations Day proclamations from the Mayors. The work that Zonta International does throughout the world building better lives for women and girls will also be recognized. Mark your calendars for the following:

Joliet City Council Meeting/City Hall  
150 W. Jefferson Street  
Council Chambers/2nd Floor  
Tuesday, October 17, 2023  
6:30PM

Plainfield Village Hall  
24401 Lockport Street  
Monday, October 16, 2023  
7:00PM

In addition, the International Day of the Girl is on Wednesday, October 11, 2023. This day recognizes and promotes girls' rights throughout the world. The theme for this year is Digital Generation: Our Generation, which emphasizes the disadvantages that girls face online.



## JEWELRY COLLECTION

We will be collecting any of your jewelry that you no longer need or want. As before, we plan to partner with some area schools and/or programs to give young children the opportunity to choose a beautiful piece of jewelry for their mother, grandmother, aunt for Mother's Day. Let your family & friends know they can donate too!

Beth Colvin will be collecting your donations at our membership meetings.



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