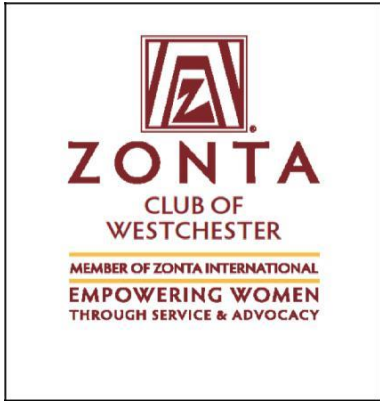


# ZONTAGRAM



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

October  
2023

Dear Zontians,

*“October, tuck tiny candy bars in my pockets and carve my smile into 100 pumpkins. Merry October!”*

-Rainbow Rowell.

In addition to the joys and excitement of Halloween we have a lot of things going on in the world of Zonta this month.

Our governor, Lisa Burton, will be hosting the “Call to Conference” event in Baltimore, MD from October 5<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup>. Area Director Joan Mallory will be attending as well as President Dianne Job. We will have much to report when we return and share it with you at our October meeting later in the month.

Gigi and Joan attended the Long Island Zonta Club meeting on September 21st. It was a vibrant meeting. We learned many things and came away with some new ideas for our club. Joan re-presented the PowerPoint on climate justice which she shared at our last meeting. Both Joan and Gigi will be returning to this club on October 3<sup>rd</sup> to take part in a poverty simulation event where we will assume the identities of people assigned to us so that we can have further insight into their struggles. It should prove interesting, and they are looking forward to sharing it with you.

Thank you to the Zontian members who have been responding to **Fast Action Friday**. This past Friday we were asked to support a bill called **The Enhancing Detention of Human Trafficking Act**. The bill is designed to strengthen the federal government's ability to recognize and crack down on human trafficking in order to better protect the most vulnerable members of our society. Sad to report that trafficking is still a significant problem around the world and in our own country.

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**MEETING**  
**Tuesday**

**October 17, 2023**

**Angelina's**  
**Restaurant**

**97 Lake St**  
**Tuckahoe, NY**

**6:30pm**

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Our member Peggy Borgstede has been working tirelessly on her mission to help women transition from prison life to civilian life. She reported at our last meeting that the inmate that she had been working with was released in July and has successfully transitioned to a halfway house. She has also gotten an important speaker for our next meeting. Sharon Griest Ballen is the epitome of a person who has devoted her time to helping people in prison, specifically people in the Bedford and Taconic prisons in the Hudson Valley. She is the coordinator of the Interfaith Prison Partnership known as IPP and also chair of the Prison Relations Advisory Committee known as PRAC. She will describe these programs to us and what they have done to advance the welfare of women. We hope to have a good attendance as usual at this meeting so please invite anyone of your friends that you think might be interested in this program.

Many of our members have been contributing to support Donna Medley's thrift shop program. At our last meeting she reported that she is expanding her program to also include a food pantry. We commend her for her work, and we will try to support her however we can.

Our member Ruth Walter is working hard on her campaign to be reelected as county legislator, while many of us do not live in her district we appreciate and applaud the work that women can accomplish when they share power with the men in our society. Ruth has taken a stand on many of the issues that are important to women, and we wish her success in her campaign and reelection.

We will be having another opera experience fundraiser on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The opera will be the famous *Madama Butterfly* by Puccini. Please review the flyer that was created and sent out by our treasurer Gigi Palmieri. Thank you, Gigi, for your creative work. Also please make a reservation as soon as possible. If any other of our members would like to do a fundraiser for our group, please advise us as we would be happy to have you.

Our Area Director recently attended a seminar given by the MM I W which stands for Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women. This is an epidemic in this country, and we will be reporting on this important issue on a future meeting.

**Please let Nora Gorman know if you are unable to attend.**

Dianne Job  
President



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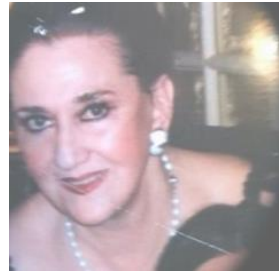
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**At Angelina Ristorante**

*97 Lake Ave. Tuckahoe, NY 10707 Monday,  
October 23, 2023*

*Dinner at 5:45 PM, Presentation at 7:00-9:00 PM*

*Cost: **\$70.00** for interactive presentation with Dinner.*



\$25 via Zoom

*To Register Please contact Joan @ 914-552-2769 or send check payable to*

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## Birthdays

No October Birthdays

