



ZONTA

CLUB OF
NORTHAMPTON
AREA

MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Northampton Area News Update March 2022

IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES

March 8 Zonta Rose Day &
International Women's Day

March 17 Business Meeting

March 13 - 25 CSW66 FREE
Virtual from NYC
Register for Event at
<https://ngocsw.org/ngo-csw-66/>

April 21 Business Meeting

April 23 District Spring Workshop -
Save the Date!

Northampton Area 2022

President – Judith Luddy
Vice President- Seren Derin
Secretary – Verna Frasca
Treasurer – Audrey Millgate
Past Pres – Donna Sroka
Member –
Jayma Hall
Lynn Goodhue
Joyce Twarog

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The local Zonta Club of Northampton Area is part of District 1 (New England), Area II (western Massachusetts), Charter # 0128, and was founded in April 1934. We pay \$150 annual dues locally, to the district, and to Zonta International. We also commit to supporting all service projects and fundraising events with both time and money. All club members give generously of their time throughout the year to advancing the status of women.

Our Zonta club is managed by a volunteer board of directors, and many, many volunteer committees staffed by our dedicated members. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month (Virtually due to COVID) from 6:30 - 8:30.

We welcome interested community members to join in our meetings, service, and advocacy projects. Email us at Northampton@ZontaDistrict1.org



Announcements

The guests of the Craigs Door homeless shelter were thrilled to be remembered with our donation of 35 small-denomination gift cards and a box of cookies just before Christmas. Thanks, Seren for the personal delivery.

Lynn Goodhue would love to hear from us. Her address: Rockridge Gardens #164, 25-37 Coles Meadow Rd., Northampton MA 01060.

Member Highlights: Donna Sroka

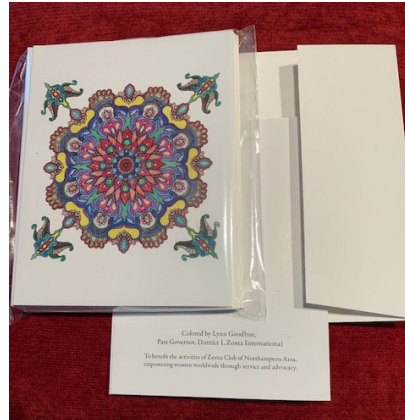


Donna Sroka, District Lt. Governor has been a member of the Northampton Club since 2008. She is a past president and has been a ready volunteer on numerous club activities. Donna's passion is enabling technology to serve human needs. She enjoys networking to bringing people together who can utilize each other's talents. Her own skills in building relationships have always been critical in developing and actualizing a shared vision for technology goals. Currently, she works to build a team that strives to provide the technological infrastructure and tools along with the data analysis and professional development that are needed to support the diverse and complex educational goals of our students. She enjoys sharing these skills with nonprofit agencies that can benefit from social media support.

**"Women belong in all places where decisions are being made. It shouldn't be that women are the exception."
- Ruth Bader Ginsburg**

Upcoming Event

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Some of our recent activities include selling mandalla note cards colored by Lynn Goodhue, the Period Project - benefitting women and girls in need and hosting guest speakers from area non-profits to learn about their challenges and needs.



Welcome



to Zonta



Visit ZontaDistrict1.org

Click on Resource tab and find Membership.

Open this PDF brochure to learn all the basics about Zonta, our service initiatives around the world, advocacy opportunities, education and youth development, Zonta Says No campaign and the Zonta Foundation for Women.

Reach out to be connected!

Info@ZontaDistrict1.org

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

Zonta's first club was chartered in Buffalo, NY in 1919. Today, there are more than 1,100 Zonta clubs in 63 countries.

Zonta International Headquarters is located in Oak Brook, Illinois, USA. The clubs are arranged in 32 Districts. Our club is in District 1 – covering the New England states in the USA and Nova Scotia CA

MISSION

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

VISION

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision-making positions on an equal basis with men.

In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

Visit Zonta.org to learn about our causes, our programs, the Foundation for Women, position papers on today's critical issues, and so much more.

Today more than ever before women and men need to work together to ensure gender equity and eliminate gender-based violence.

Membership In Zonta Means...

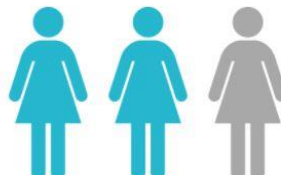
- making a difference in the lives of women and girls in your local community and around the world
- opening doors to friendships and associations with an international network of executives and professionals representing diverse occupations.
- sharing a commitment to enhance the status of women worldwide.
- improving the legal, political, economic, educational, health, and professional status of women through meaningful service projects.
- promoting justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms through advocacy.
- fundraising to support important service projects on local and international levels.
- enriching your own life as you learn new skills and realize greater achievements.

Global Initiatives



WE WILL END CHILD MARRIAGE

Almost 650 million women alive today were married before turning 18.



WE SAY NO TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

About 2 in 3 women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence from an intimate partner.



WE WILL CLOSE THE GENDER GAP IN EDUCATION

Every additional year of primary school increases girls' eventual wages by 10-20 percent.