ZONTA CLUB OF SYRACUSE DISTRICT 2 AREA 2 CLUB 5

A MESSAGE FRROM OUR CO-PRESIDENTS

Dear Zontians. As we closeout this 24-25 membership year, Kristin and I want to thank all of you for your support in the many endeavors we initiated (first time fundraisers...) and those we continued from previous years. It takes the fortitude of some to keep things going especially in light of some of our members personal and family challenges this year. Our appreciation to all who assisted in keeping the balls in the air, stepping up to fill in the gaps and still bringing new ideas and creativity to our club. We are forever thankful. Best wishes as always. Kristin Thompson and **Maureen Fogarty**

ZONTA VISION



BUILD A BETTER WORLD FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

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.



2024-2025 OFFICERS

Co-Presidents: Kristin Greeley & Maureen Fogarty 1st VP - Debbie Vecchio Secretary - Julie March Treasurer - Barbara Barnell

DIRECTORS

Amy DeJohn Jeannine Noll Elaine Skibitski Susan Waterschoot

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5/17/25 - District 2 Spring Workshop

BIRTHDAYS

NONE THIS MONTH

5/22/25 - Dinner Meeting/Scholarship Awards Ceremony @The Retreat ANNIVERSARIES 6pm

> Teresa LaValle - 2 years

ZONTA CLUB OF SYRACUSE 2nd Annual Cheers for Beers Fundraiser to benefit Syracuse Zonta Foundation Scholarhip Fund

JUNE 2ND, 2025

Harvey's Beer Garden Syracuse, NY

5PM - 8PM

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Dues Are Due!!!

The 2025-2026 Zonta year begins June 1st Therefore annual dues are due before or at May 22nd meeting. You should have received an invoice from Treasurer Barbara Barnell. If not, feel free to email her at bbarnell@twcny.rr.com. Please print a copy of the invoice and bring with your payment! Thank you!!

> S KEEP CALM AND PAY YOUR DUES

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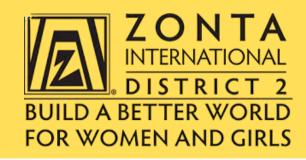
DISTRICT 2 WORKSHOP

May 17th, 2025:

Comfort Inn & Suites in Castleton, NY (just south of Albany) Cost: \$65.00 includes breakfast and lunch

District 2 Workshop Agenda

7:30 - 8:30 Registration and Breakfast/Fundraising 8:30 - 9:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Recognitions 9:00 - 11:30 Poverty Simulation 11:30 - 12:00 Room Reset for Lunch and Afternoon Program 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch/Fundraising 1:00 - 1:10 Zonta Foundation 1:10 - 1:30 Core Value Presentation 1:30 - 1:40 Break/Fundraising 1:30 - 3:00 Demystifying Zonta Advocacy 3:00 - 3:30 Wrap Up and Farewell



WE NEED BASKETS AND GIFT CARDS!!

Please bring any donated baskets to our meeting on Thursday, May 22nd, 2025. The fundraising committee will be getting together on Wednesday, May 28th to assemble all baskets. Our event at Harvey's Beer Garden is just over 2 months

2ND ANNUAL CHEERS FOR BEERS ZONTA CLUB OF SYRACUSE MONDAY, JUNE 2ND, 2025

Join us for a night of beer and cheers! All proceeds benefit: Syracuse Zonta Scholarship Foundation

Monday, June 2nd, 2025 5pm-8pm *Harvey's Garden*

Syracuse, NY Food available for purchase from

Jillie Dogs & Hometown Pub Basket Raffles and 50/50 tickets will be available for purchase



Must be 21+ to attend.





ADD YOUR VOICE MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

RECRUIT NEW ZONTIANS TO YOUR CLUB

Register and pay for new members online between 1 April - 31 May 2024 and their membership will extend to 31 May 2025. Clubs will be recognized based on current membership in three tiers:



TOP 30 CLUBS IN EACH TIER WILL RECEIVE

- A letter of recognition from the Zonta International President.
- A graphic badge for 'Member Recruitment, Club of Excellence' to use in club communications.
- Recognition and listing on the Zonta International website.

TOP THREE CLUBS IN EACH TIER WILL RECEIVE

All awards of the top 30 clubs plus:

• A US\$200 gift card to the Zonta store.

TOP CLUB IN EACH TIER WILL RECEIVE

All awards of the top 30 and top 3 clubs plus:

- A custom tabletop pop-up banner.
- Recognition at the 2024 convention.
- A choice of the following:
 - o A private Zoom meeting with the Zonta International
 - o President.
 - A live presentation from UNICEF USA.
 An interview with HQ for a podcast episode and/or video promoting their efforts.







COMPLETE DETAILS ON ZONTA.ORG UNDER CLUB TOOLS

May 2025

Dinner Meetings

Syracuse Zonta Club hosted our April meeting on Thursday, April 24th. Our guest speaker, Caitlyn Comfer, Director of Development of YWCA/Girls Inc. in Syracuse spoke to us about the many programs they are providing for girls in the Syracuse area. We presented her with the plaque that will be displayed on the bench we had made.



Our dinner meeting on Thursday, May 22nd, 2025 will be our Scholarship Awards Ceremony! We hope to see you all there to support our amazing scholarship recipents!

> Thursday, May 22nd, 2025 @ The Retreat 5:30pm Social Hour, 6pm Dinner

May Dinner Meeting

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\$27 per person (includes dinner, coffee, tea, soda or water

Tommy O'Brien's Strawberry Blue Salad

Mixed spring greens with fresh sliced strawberries, mandarin oranges, dried cranberries and a sweet balsamic vinaigrette, finished with crumbles of Maytag blue cheese and candied walnuts, served with a slice of grilled garlic bread

Sesame Ginger Salmon

Fresh mixed spring greens with a grilled fresh Atlantic salmon, diced tomatoes, red onion, sliced almonds, fresh goat cheese, golden raisins, broccoli florets, and mandarin oranges. Served with Asian Sesame Ginger dressing and a slice of garlic bread

Summer Shrimp Cobb Salad

Fresh iceberg lettuce, layered with diced cucumbers and tomatoes, eggs, blue cheese crumbles, chic peas, and cool bay shrimp. Served with garlic bread and your choice of dressing

Roast Beef Pretzelwich

Tender, warm roast beef served on soft pretzel sandwich bread with Swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, red onion, horseradish mayo and whole grain mustard

Open Face Steak

A real "man-sized" steak on garlic bread, topped with onion rings and served with french fries

Chicken Quesadilla

Flour tortilla stuffed with marinated chicken, cheese, bacon, peppers and mushrooms, served with salsa and sour cream The Char Burger

Better known as the half-pounder with something extra! They're 8 ounces of our butcher's best ground beef, with or without cheese

PAYMENT is REQUIRED ONCE YOU MAKE A RESERVATION!!!

<u>Please email/text or call y</u>our reservations to Elaine Skibitski at <u>elaine.skibitski@gmail.com</u> or 315-657-4075 by Friday, May 16th, 2025