



**Zonta Club of Essex County
President's Report
2008-2009**

Z is the last letter in dictionary as you know. If you look between zonked and zonule you will note a word is missing: **Zonta**. In fact many words are missing: Zontoid, Zontiful, Zontians, Zontified, Zonting, Zontier, Zontiest, and well, you get the idea. In fact if I were going to rewrite the dictionary, I would begin the alphabet with Z, not just end there. Z would look more like A...not just 5 paltry pages, but more than 100 pages. And while I was at it, I wouldn't stop at the dictionary, I would go on to the atlas. After Zambia, Zaire, and Zimbabwe there could be a new country: Zonta. Wouldn't that be a wonderful place to live?

And so you have in brief form what the Zonta club of Essex County is attempting to do:

- Rewrite the dictionary to make Zonta first in all of our lives
- Make believe there is a land such as Zonta where all inhabitants live and work equally! We have done this through our scholarships for college bound high school seniors, walks for breast cancer and sickle cell, valentines for vets, adopting families at Christmas who are less fortunate than ourselves, donating to the Once A Month Campaign and over all believing in the mission of Zonta to make our club work at optimum levels.

As with all new countries, we have much work to do. We are busy recruiting new residents so that all will see Zonta land (especially the Essex County area) is a fine place to live and work. We pay our taxes to the government: Zonta International. We even send our elected leaders to conferences such as these to become re-energized and bring information back to our residents.

We extend heartfelt thanks to all of our leaders both on the district and area level for their dedication, and we look forward to making the Zonta Club of Essex County better and better!

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District 3 Fall Conference
October 2-4, 2009, Alexandria, Virginia