



**Zonta Club of Hampton Roads
President's Report
2008-2009**

The Zonta Club of Hampton Roads focused on two events last Club year:
Our continuing service to our local battered women's and homeless shelter – Samaritan House - and our annual Women's Celebration dinner.

- 1) For Samaritan House, we spruced up one of the townhomes they use to house families that have fled domestic violence. There were two women and their children staying in the home at the time, but since it is only a temporary situation for each woman, many more families will benefit from the cleaning and brightening we did. Eight of our members pitched in with either donations (of money or new linens, rugs, curtains, etc.) or work time or both. Even just a thorough cleaning by itself does wonders to brighten up a home!
- 2) Our 8th annual Women's Celebration was held at Old Dominion University in March to commemorate International Women's month. We honored three women in our community who had been nominated by friends or co-workers for their contributions to advancing the status of women in our community and/or internationally. This event also serves to educate attendees about Zonta and our mission worldwide. We raised funds with many donated raffle items and program ads. One raffle winner gave his item (a lovely photo by one of our honorees) back to the club to auction that evening – a great gesture that added an unexpected bit of additional fun and revenue.

We are also working on forming a new club in the Newport News/Williamsburg area now and have a strong list of prospective members – several are former Zontians.

We are looking forward to celebrating our 25th anniversary in 2010 and hope that many of you will make a trip to Hampton Roads to help us celebrate – more to follow on our special event.

Margaret Little
President, Zonta Club of Hampton Roads

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