



**Zonta Club of Peconic Bay
President's Report
2008-2009**

Pumpkins are on the vine, apples are ripe for picking, and the ocean is still warm enough for a quick dip. Greetings from eastern Long Island, home to Peconic Bay Zonta.

Peconic Bay has just celebrated its fourth birthday. That's enough time for the club to have established some traditions.

We have become fond of a service project for Maureen's Haven, which helps the homeless out east. When we gathered at Liz Freher's home last November to prepare a harvest meal, we were joined by Diane Petersen, who had read about Peconic Bay Zonta in a local newspaper and wanted to learn more about the group's activities. She pitched right in, peeling, cutting, mixing and baking. Diane became a Zontian two months later.

Peconic Bay also repeated a service project for the Parent Leadership Initiative, held in April 2009 at the Riverhead Library. Mary Ann Miller and Mary Pat Takacs (*pronounced "Takas"*), a former club member, guided 10 participants through a session about resources available at the public library, using computers to access the library's online catalog and databases. We think it's important to help young women build computer skills for today's increasingly high-tech job market.

Looking ahead, we're working to boost the visibility of both Peconic Bay and of Zonta International. Two weeks from now, many of us in Area 1 Long Island clubs will join hands in a 5-mile walk sponsored by the American Cancer Society to raise awareness and dollars to fight breast cancer. We'll all be wearing Zonta T-shirts.

Finally, here's a 10-second plug. Peconic Bay put together a lovely fall basket, including two bottles of Long Island wine. Your raffle tickets, please!

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