

Area 1 is comprised of five clubs in south western Ontario. They include Guelph, Kitchener-Waterloo, Owen Sound, Stratford and Woodstock. We had an amazing first year of the biennium with lots of great events happening. We were excited to be the first area to receive the Travelling Flag in March 2019 and held celebrations of ZI's centennial in each club. As an area, we fundraised \$125,027...a great accomplishment! We created 2,582 birthing kits over the year, held four golf tournaments, and were strong advocates for Zonta. Three of our clubs submitted Centennial Grant applications, and Kitchener Waterloo was awarded \$5000.00 for Waterloo Sexual Assault Centre and funding of the bathroom project. Here is a brief breakdown club by club.

Zonta Club of Guelph – held an IWD breakfast, followed by a golf tournament in June, fundraising a total of \$18,000.00 overall. They did a superb Moccasin Making event in March, which tied in the Travelling Flag, inviting the community for a combination service/advocacy event. As a smaller club, they have been partnering with organizations for greater impact like Soup Sisters, CFUW and Guelph Wellington Women in Crisis for a Bridge event as well as others. They find the more they are out in the community, the more they can raise Zonta's profile. They inducted four new members to their club over the year and collected 300+ bras plus shipping costs for Free The Girls. They are utilizing technology like the square and their website to help fundraising. Looking forward to November to celebrate Guelph's 40th anniversary.

Zonta Club of Kitchener-Waterloo – won the Oktoberfest Award for Women's group, celebrated their 40th anniversary in November with a grand party, held the Zonta Film Festival in November, followed by an IWD event in March which included celebrating the Travelling Flag, and the Betty Thompson Golf Classic in May, fundraising a total of \$70,000.00 overall. They turned Waterloo orange for 16 Days of Activism, marched in the Women's Global March, created 2300 birthing kits and had a garden in Rockway Gardens created for ZI's centennial. KW inducted four new members this year. Looking forward to their Women of Influence event October 3rd, celebrating 10 local women who have influenced their community, and the Zonta Film Festival scheduled for November 6th to 9th in Waterloo.

Zonta Club of Owen Sound – participated in the 16 Days of Activism by raising the Zonta flag at City Hall and attending speeches, sold roses for International Women's Day, and had the Travelling Flag out to their March 20th meeting where the mayor of Owen Sound was a guest. The local online paper wrote a wonderful article about Zonta and our Centennial. They collected 238 bras for Free The Girls, funded a YWPA scholarship, and their Comfort Closet Service Project is being highlighted in the Zontian as a "hands-on service project of over 10 years". They held their popular golf tournament and raised \$5992 this year. Owen Sound inducted one new member this year.

Zonta Club of Stratford – held their successful Lunafest event in October, partnered with Just Ride – Mountain bike ride Wildwood Conservation for fundraising, held a successful IWD breakfast celebrating the Travelling Flag with speakers from The Change Within Her, and fundraised a total of \$9735.00. They created 282 birthing kits and inducted one new member. Mark down October 3rd for their next upcoming Lunafest, and looking forward to their 20th anniversary in 2020.

Zonta Club of Woodstock – Hosted the Travelling Flag at a GrowGirls Woodstock event where they had a booth and promoted student Z Clubs, sold 800+ roses for International Women’s Day, had their annual mint smoothie fundraiser and hosted their ever-popular golf tournament, fundraising a total of \$21,100 this year. They participated in an event for 16 Days of Activism with D.A.R.T. Oxford, and they had a number of initiatives including chemo patient bags and psychiatry and chronic care patient kits. They inducted one new member to their club, had 15+ applications for their YWPA scholarship and made a large donation to (Toronto) Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) Possibility Fund. Looking forward to their 60th anniversary in 2020.