

2022-2024 District 11 Nominees

Governor Candidate



Name: Nancy Dreher

Zonta Club: Sanibel Captiva

Years in Zonta: 15

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Membership Chair, Fundraising, Member at Large

Area: Area 6 Director

District: Lt. Governor

International: Orlando and Chicago Conventions Registration Committee, Nice Convention Membership Breakout Session

Other Activities: Business Consultant, Book Club, Swimming, Movies, Cooking

Classification/Business or Profession: Fashion Retailer and Management Trainer

Lt. Governor Candidate



Name: Maria Crowley

Zonta Club: Miami Lakes

Years in Zonta: 10

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Vice President, Director

Area: Area Director, Vice Area Director

District: Amelia Earhart Chair

Other Activities: I enjoy Volunteering to improve my community, participating in tennis, running half-marathons and mountain biking. Also love food and attempting to cook.

Classification/Business or Profession: I am a graduate of the University of Miami - School of Architecture and have an MBA in Management and Labor Relations also from UM. I am an Architect and Professor of Architecture, serving as Chief of Community Planning for Miami-Dade County and Director of Planning and Zoning for Miami Lakes.

Comments: I truly love our mission and I want to use my time and energy to uplift the lives of women and girls. It's an honor to serve as your area 3 director and work along your side to implement Zonta's projects and plans! As your Lt. Governor I want to see Zonta have greater recognition and greater impact through our growth! We need to target and implement actions that will improve our brand recognition! I will strive to support ALL our Clubs, small, large and mighty!

Treasurer Candidate



Name: Margo Sheridan

Zonta Club: Myrtle Beach

Years in Zonta: 20

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Vice President, Treasurer

Area: Area Director

District: Governor, Lt. Governor, Treasurer

International: Chairman of the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business scholarship program

Other Activities: Margo volunteers as chaplain at the local hospital and an assisted living center.

Classification/Business or Profession: Margo is a retired accountant, and also spent 30+ years in the U.S. military. Margo has a Masters degree in Business Administration from Syracuse University and a Bachelor's Degree in Financial Management from Troy University.

Area Director, Area 1 Candidate



Name: Constance (Connie) Hickey Scott

Zonta Club: Memphis

Years in Zonta: 27

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Treasurer

Other Activities: Boating, swimming, and attending the endless summer festivals are some of Connie's favorite hobbies.

Classification/Business or Profession: Constance Hickey Scott, PE(Connie) is an electrical engineer, and has operated a consulting business since 1998. Over the years she has completed a plethora of hotel projects throughout the country, and more recently senior living and retail projects. A graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, she went on to obtain a Master's of Engineering Administration from the George Washington University at a time when women were few and far between in the industry. Connie spent a number of years with Mobil Oil Corporation in various Engineering and Management positions.

In 1994, she and her husband moved to Memphis and she joined Zonta to meet professional women with a desire to help others in her new city. As the design industry moved more electronic, Connie discovered that she could work from anywhere. She took her family back home to upstate New York for the summers, and they have spent many summers at a home on Cayuga Lake in the Finger Lakes region of New York. Her son enjoyed rural summers on the lake and busy winters in the city throughout his school years in an industry that still has so few women, Zonta has opened doors to professional and personal friendships that Connie would never had seen. After a hiatus, Connie returned to Zonta in full force, and is the president of the Zonta Club of Memphis for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Area Director, Area 2 Candidate



Name: Regina Adesanya

Zonta Club: Savannah

Years in Zonta: 26

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Treasurer, Scholarship chairperson, fundraising committee, hosted Centennial Women of Excellence brunch.

Other Activities: Regina is committed to Zonta's mission of empowering women and girls, believing strongly that mentoring our future female leaders is essential.

Classification/Business or Profession: Her interest in Zonta aligns with her life's work of serving urban communities by directing early childhood programs, supervising and training early childhood educators and providing school psychological services. In her professional career, Dr. Adesanya served as the Education Director for New Community Corporation where she led the Lady Liberty Academy Charter School, served as the child study team manager and school psychologist, oversaw the operations of 3 early childhood centers and ensured safe, secure, educational afterschool and summer youth programs. She has also served as Development Director and Essex County Director for Catholic Charities in Newark where she oversaw the operations of programs serving homeless women and families, and the provision of transitional shelter for persons with HIV AIDS. Regina has presented at numerous conferences and conducted professional development workshops for early childhood educators on a wide variety of topics including using culturally sensitive approaches to working with diverse families that recognizes and builds on their strengths.

Area Director, Area 3 Candidate



Name: LaToya Johnson

Zonta Club: Nassau

Years in Zonta: 7

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, President Elect, Director, Education Committee Chair, assisted with the Charter of the Aquinas College Z Club.

Area: Vice Area Director

District: United Nations Committee Chair; District 11 USA Caucus Alternate

Other Activities: Director - Bahamas Engineering and Technical Advancement (BETA) Group; Technical Secretary - Bahamas Bureau of Standards & Quality (BBSQ) EE & Electrotechnical Committee.

Classification/Business or Profession: Ms. Johnson is currently the Project Coordinator for the Enhancement Project at the Bahamas Technical and Vocational Institute (BTVI).

Comments: LaToya enjoys the opportunity to serve and support the Zonta Club by advancing the status of women through empowerment, advocacy and service.

Area Director, Area 4 Candidate



Name: Doris B. Larson

Zonta Club: Melbourne, FL

Years in Zonta: 31

Positions in Zonta

Club: Annapolis Club: Service Chair, Membership Chair, Vice President, President
Melbourne Club: PR Chair, Vice President, President, Co-President, Treasurer

Area: None

District: Conference Committee Chair (2001-2002)
District 3, Foundation Ambassador (2008-2016) - District 11

Other Activities: Jigsaw Puzzles, Crossword Puzzles, Cross stitch, Teaching Business Classes

Comments: I am currently retired and somewhat limited in physical capacity as I am oxygen dependent.

Area Director, Area 5 Candidate



Name: Nylda R. González Pagán

Zonta Club: San Juan

Years in Zonta: 15 years

Positions in Zonta

Club: President, Treasurer

Area: Area Director

District: Treasurer 2007 Conference and Registration

Other Activities: President American Mothers PR, President Board of Directors Casa Belen, Member Ponce Señorial Lions Club, Past President Puerto Rican Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs

Classification/Business or Profession: Accountant

Comments: Excellent candidate with a lot of demonstrated potential and leadership to cope with Zonta's International goals.

Area Director, Area 6 Candidate



Name: Linda K. Pearson

Zonta Club: of Naples, FL

Years in Zonta: 8

Positions in Zonta:

Club: Past Treasurer, Past Membership Chair, Past Vice President, Past President

Area: Current Vice Area 6 Director, Scholarship, Sparkle Dinner Fundraising Event, Service, Cookies for Cops, Cookie for Caregivers, Empty Bowles, Website updates

District: Current Public Relations & Communication Chair

Other Activities: Reading, golf, Mah Jongg, travel, Exec. Assistance to my Pastors, teaching Sunday School, and heading various church ministries.

Classification/Business or Profession: Real Estate professional employed with John R. Wood Properties, Bonita Spring, FL listing and selling residential properties.

Comments: If elected, I see this position, Area 6 Director, as a natural progression as a member of Zonta enabling me to continue utilizing my many years of leading groups of dedicated people to a common goal.

Vice Area Director, Area 1 Candidate



Name: Angie McKinney

Zonta Club: Dothan

Years in Zonta: 13

Positions in Zonta

Club: President, President Elect, Treasurer

Area: Area 1 Director

Other Activities: I enjoy being outdoors, shopping for purses and shoes, spending time at my home at Lake Eufaula and absolutely love Alabama Football & Nick Saban! Roll Tide!

Classification/Business or Profession: Non Profit Agency, Chrysalis A Home for Girls. There I am able to be a good role model to girls that have experienced trauma or not given the opportunities that most people take for granted.

Comments: I am a proud Zister of the Dothan Area Club and District 11. I am married to the greatest man in the World (Wesley), a beautiful successful daughter (Brandi) and a handsome grandson (Cameron).

Vice Area Director, Area 2 Candidates



Name: Tina Johnson

Zonta Club: Hilton Head Island

Years in Zonta: 10

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Vice President, Committee Chair, Board member

Other Activities: Have been a member of St. Andrew By-the-Sea United Methodist Church since 1996 and have served in several capacities as a volunteer. Have served on the Advisory BOD of the Island Recreation Center (which is the “entry level” of BOD membership) since 2018.

Classification/Business or Profession: Have worked as an Accountant in several industries for over 30 years. Currently work as the Controller for a Law Firm in downtown Savannah, GA.

Comments: Originally from Indianapolis, IN. Moved to Hilton Head Island, SC in 1993. Have a daughter, son-in-law, two grand dogs and one grand cat, who all live in Bluffton, SC. My Zonta WHY? To make a difference in the lives of women and girls who are not only in my little corner of the world, but nationally and internationally. To contribute to something bigger than myself and to combine efforts with others who are like minded, where together we can make a change for the better.



Name: Melanie Matthews

Zonta Club: Columbia

Years in Zonta: 2

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President

Other Activities: Woman’s Club of the Midlands, General Federation of Woman’s Clubs – SC Leads 2.2 Team, Rotary Club of Columbia, The Therapy Place Board of Directors, Professional Women in Pest Management – National Council, South Carolina affiliate Chair, Associated Pest Services PWIPM chair, Phi Mu Fraternity – Columbia, SC Alumnae Chapter Vice President, National Alumnae Committee member, Cayce West Columbia Lions Club (Past President), Cayce West Columbia Ambassador Co-Chair. I also enjoy reading and traveling.

Classification/Business or Profession: Vice President, Modern Exterminating Company

Comments: I am excited to grow with Zonta through my local club and beyond as we serve and educate on women’s rights.

Vice Area Director, Area 3 Candidate



Name: Marva Titley-Smith

Zonta Club: Tortola

Years in Zonta: 11

Positions in Zonta

Club: President, Secretary, Director, Member

Other Activities: Life coach, contributing writer for various publications, active in women's ministry both online and in my local church, and founder of a Christian women's blog. I'm also a wife and mom to two teens (which means I'm currently learning about the world of TikTok).

Classification/Business or Profession: I am a management & leadership consultant, women's work-life coach, and author. I hold numerous professional designations including Fellow of the Chartered Management Institute and Certified Life Breakthrough Coach.

I began my extraordinary career as a 15-year-old high school graduate, going on to earn my master's degree from Columbia University and becoming my country's first female architect. I retired at 42 after a rewarding and diverse public service career in architecture & urban planning, external affairs and public policy with the Government of the Virgin Islands. Retiring young prompted my second career as an independent management consultant for public and private entities and a management and leadership trainer at a local college. My experience of working in a challenging career while raising a family has inspired me to coach women who are seeking to balance their personal and professional lives so that one doesn't have to suffer for the other.

Comments: From my first days as a charter member of my local club I have been attracted to Zonta's mission and my commitment continues to grow. I look forward to supporting Zonta on a wider scale and furthering its aims so that we can together achieve the aim of improving women's lives at every level.

Vice Area Director, Area 6 Candidate



Name: Judy Langley

Zonta Club: Sanibel Captiva

Years in Zonta: 16

Positions in Zonta:

Club: Past President, President Elect, Recording Secretary, Fundraising Chair

Other Activities: Guardian Ad Litum Volunteer 16 years, Board Member Canterbury School Fort Myers. Book Clubs, Parrots, Country Music, needlework.

Classification/Business or Profession: Media Sales. My career has been spent in broadcast radio, working at local stations in NY (1010 WINS), Boston (WBZ) Denver (KOSI) and Chicago (WMAQ) in sales management. I currently work with country music labels to promote their artists in nationally syndicated shows. My non-profit experience started in Chicago, when Big Brothers decided to add Big Sisters in the mid-70's. I also had the good fortune with work with the Arts & Business Council before I found Zonta. Although I was from Chicago, and worked there, I didn't hear about Zonta until I moved to Florida.

Comments: Most of my efforts in both Clubs has been related to fundraising, a natural extension of my sales career. It was an honor to plan funding for mammograms, child literacy and emergency needs of women and children in the Keys. The partnership efforts of the Sanibel Captiva Club are humbling. We raise money to help 17 local/regional grant partners who truly make a difference in the lives of women and children, by holding an annual tour of homes in the area. Working with both of these Clubs has been a great fit because I was never an envelope stuffer or a phone caller, and our advocacy and fundraising make a real difference in the lives of women and children in SW Florida and the world. Helping Area Clubs to actualize their great ideas would be an honor. I strongly believe in giving back, that was my original reason for joining Zonta. Ready to step up to area level if needed. Thanks for the opportunity to run for the Vice Area Director position.

Nominating Committee Candidates



Name: Susan Sheppard

Zonta Club: Birmingham

Years in Zonta: 16

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Communications and Service Committees, Program Chair

Area: Area Director

Other Activities/Comments: Susan is excited to be able to continue her support of Zonta as a member of District 11, Nominating Committee 2022!

Classification/Business or Profession: Susan graduated from University of Montevallo with a B.S. and M.S. in Speech Pathology. Susan pursued her career in Florida, California, Tennessee and Texas. She returned to Alabama in 2005. Before returning to work, Susan joined the Birmingham Zonta Club. Following that year, she pursued a full-time Speech Pathology career.



Name: Charlene Thomas

Zonta Club: Montgomery

Years in Zonta: 24

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Vice President, Secretary

Area: Vice Area Director, Area Director

District: Secretary, Lt Governor, Governor

International: Membership Committee 2016-2018

Other Activities: I am a member of a book club, a master gardener, and I enjoy sewing.

Classification/Business or Profession: Retired Microbiologist. I am a graduate from Troy State University with a BS in Biology/Chemistry and a Medical Technology Degree. I worked 10 years in clinical laboratories before being hired by the State Health Laboratory as a Microbiologist. I eventually became the Division Manager of the Quality Management Division. I retired 2017 and after 11 months of retirement, was called back to work part-time. I became a Master Gardener in 2018. My garden article, written as a class project, was published in the local *Boom Magazine*.



Name: Christine Tomasetti

Zonta Club: Melbourne

Years in Zonta: 26

Positions in Zonta:

Club: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Chocolate Festival Founder

Area: Area Director, Vice Area Director

District: Women in Technology Scholarship Committee Chair

Other Activities/Comments: As a young teen I heard the screams of a neighbor and her children being abused and as a college student, everyone knew girls that were raped and no one did anything. As an adult I decided to “Stop the Violence” through Zonta.

Classification/Business or Profession: I am a former Contracts Administrator in the field of fiber reinforced plastics manufacturing and former Manager of the Marine Applications of Composites Material Conference and the US Navy Center for Excellence in Marine Composites Manufacturing. Semi-retired now, I buy, repair, refurbish and sell estate jewelry.