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ZONTA CLUB OF QUABOAG VALLEY BOG NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2022

2022-23 Dates—Mark your Calendar

September 10 Golf Tournament Fundraiser

**September 12 @ 5:30 Social, 6pm Dinner
Business Meeting in person—Ludlow Country
Club** RSVP to Dana

October

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

10/1 Take a Stance Against D.V. at AlianzaDV Services—details on page 4

10/16 Sheriff's Shuffle at Ashley Reservoir to benefit YWCA of W Mass—details on page 9

10/22 DV Awareness Walk in Ware—details on page 8

October 10 Business Meeting

November 14 Business Meeting

**16 Days of Activism against Gender Based
Violence 11/25—12/10 & Zonta Says NO**

December 12 Business Meeting

January 9 Business Meeting

February 13 Business Meeting

March 5—17 CSW 67 UNWomen.org

The 2023 Commission on the Status of Women in NYC will be hybrid so all can attend.

June 30—July 2 2023 NAIDM Indianapolis

North American Inter-District Meeting includes US and Canadian clubs—all welcome!

Stay in the Know about all things Zonta

Go to [Zonta.org](https://www.zonta.org) and click on **News & Events** to see current events, videos, newsletters and more!

Download [Zonta Connect](#) – a new phone app tied to our Zonta membership username and password. Check out this great tool!

Hello fellow Zontians and Friends,

I hope everyone had an awesome summer. I am so excited to be kicking off another Zonta year! We will be starting with a bang at our 28th Annual Golf Tournament on September 10 at the Cold Spring Country Club. We need a few more players so please spread the word.



Our September business meeting will be held at the Ludlow Country Club on the 12th at 5:30pm and dinner at 6:00. I am very grateful to be back to meeting in person this year. The fee for dinner will be \$20 and guests are encouraged as always. At the September meeting we are going to get back in the Zonta spirit, catch up with one another and learn more about some of our newer members that were inducted during the Covid years. We will also get some highlights from the convention, go over updates from Zonta International and make plans for the year ahead.

The October meeting will also be at the Ludlow Country Club on the 10th at 5:30pm. We will highlight Domestic Violence Awareness month and have a speaker on the topic. November will be our annual Founder's Day event and we have a couple candidates in mind but more options are always great if you have a woman in mind.

Lets do some great things this year and really get back in action. If you're out attending events, wear a Zonta t-shirt or better yet set up a table or booth for Zonta at an event. We need to spread the word about all the wonderful things we do!

In Zonta Friendship,
President Dana Burton



Birthday wishes:

Marge Cavanaugh 8/27

Maria Maloney 9/9

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Goal Setting for the Biennium



CONNECT | INSPIRE | SHARE | LEARN | GROW | LAUGH

Building a Better World for Women and Girls

Zonta International is needed now more than ever. Our vision for gender equality is not yet a reality. Around the world, women and girls are facing increased challenges as a result of COVID-19, climate change and threats to their human rights. To respond to these challenges, we need a strong, committed community of individuals working together at the local and global levels to fight for gender equity. **The 2022-2024 biennial goals remain aligned with ZONTA’s mission and vision and centered under five pillars:**

- 1. Stand Out for Gender Equity**—Select one cause and focus on awareness building: Violence Against Women, Women in Leadership or Climate Change Impact on Women .
- 2. Represent Global Citizenship**—Focus local and global awareness during the months of November (16 Days/Zonta Says NO) and March (International Women’s Day) and submit one action to ZI’s Share Your Story.
- 3. Develop Future Leaders**—We will elevate the energy of JMK and YWPA programs and engage awardees, spotlight Amelia Earhart Fellows, encourage Golden Z club members to continue in Zonta clubs, embrace the views and voices of young professionals, and launch the Great Girls & Great Women Cross-Mentoring Program.
- 4. Celebrate Ourselves**—We will promote the “Spirit of ZONTA” - a positive club environment and membership experience, honor our legacy Zontians (25 years+) who have paved the way for us, and value diversity—respecting people of all backgrounds and ensuring everyone feels empowered to be their full authentic selves!
- 5. Position ZONTA for the Future**—A strategic plan will be developed and shared in 2023 to ensure ZI’s long-range sustainability, while continuing the evaluation of our organizational structure and operations at all levels; a business plan with timeline and recommended changes will be identified; and we will place a priority on chartering new clubs with the help of dedicated teams

Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley District I, Area II, Charter 1317 of Zonta International Club Officers 2022—2024

President: Dana Burton
Vice President: Cynthia Melcher
Treasurer: Susan Seaver
 Joanne Turner-Chiacchia
Secretary: Mary Knight
Directors: Kerry Chenausky
 Gloria Cabellero-Roca
 Karen Keough-Huff
Website: www.zontaqv.org

Committee Chairs/ Members 2022—2024

Finance/Audit: Chair Pam Albertson
Membership: Chair Cynthia Melcher
Visibility: Chair Mary Knight
Advocacy/UN: Pam Albertson, Chris, Karen, Debbie
Climate Action: the Keough-Huffs, Mary, Dana
Service: Chair Joanne Turner-Chiacchia, Kerry, Chris, Liz, Mary Ann
Scholarships: Chair Dana, Pam, Karen, Mary Ann
Poinsettia Fundraiser: Chair Liz Reeves,
Golf Fundraiser: Chair Debra Wood,
Spring Fundraiser: Chair Joanne, Mary
Nominating:

Zonta of Quaboag Valley— June 13, 2022 Business Meeting

Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley
Business Meeting – Keough-Huff home, Belchertown

Present: Dana Burton, Kerry Chenausky, Karen Keough-Huff, Chris Keough-Huff, Mary Knight, Mary Ann Rubis, Mike Wallace, Debbie Wood, Joanne Turner-Chiacchia, Liz Reeves, Marge Cavanaugh

Absent: Cyd Melcher, Maria Maloney, Trish Pupek, Gloria Caballero Roca, Pam Albertson, Susan Seaver. Kris Goold,
Guest: **2022-2024 Governor Donna Sroka**

After an amazing pot-luck dinner, Dana called the business meeting to order.

May Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes published in the Bog. The vote was in favor.

Treasurers Report: Joanne and Sue are awaiting the transition from Andrea Bordenca. The May Report will be sent to members by email. A draft of the 2023 Annual Budget was sent to members by email. After a short discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the budget; the vote was in favor.

Installation of 2022 – 2023 Leaders - Mary Ann Rubis did the honors and topped herself once again with a mighty oak theme. Installed were President Dana Burton, Secretary Mary Knight, and Directors Kerry Chenausky and Karen Keough-Huff. The remaining slate - Vice President Cynthia Melcher, Treasurer Susan Seaver and Director Gloria Cabellero-Roca - will be installed in September.

Committee Reports

Golf Committee: Debbie distributed a sign-up sheet for the September 10th golf fundraiser and requested help with sponsor follow-up. Members not present tonight can contact Debbie to identify their assignment preference. The registration form is online at www.zontaqv.org/golf and the [online payment/registration](#) is set to go. Debbie is looking for gift cards and items for baskets to be used for Raffle prizes and winner prizes. FYI – a list of last year's items are noted below.

Service: Joanne shared information on two Service Grant submissions

Alianza DV Services, Inc. (formerly Womanshelter/Companieros) has requested support for a fall showing of the **Clothesline Project** - a visual display of violence statistics that often go ignored. Each shirt is made by a survivor of violence or by someone who has lost a loved one to violence. The Committee has recommended \$750. A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendation. The vote was in favor.

Palmer Food Share has requested support for stocking personal hygiene products and other items in short supply for women and girls. The Committee has recommended \$750. A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendation. The vote was in favor.

Joanne will get pictures when the funds are distributed and share more information regarding hands-on service opportunities – a component of all Service Challenge grants.

Scholarship Dana informed us that Sruthi Kurada – our YWPA winner – won at the District and International level! One application was received for the JMK scholarship. The committee was not unanimous in approving Felicya DeCicco's application. After a short discussion, member consensus was in favor of moving forward with the award as her goal is business-related. Dana will submit a picture and writeup for the September Bog.



Dana distributed two signup sheets:

Committee Assignments for the next biennium – Members not present tonight can notify Dana or Mary of their preference (list is printed below). Chairs are asked to meet with their committee over the summer and submit a statement for publication in the September Bog of what they hope to accomplish this year.

Meeting Assignment for 2022-2023 – We agreed to try Shared Leadership this year with members helping to plan and run meetings. Members not present tonight can notify Dana or Mary of their preference (list is printed below). We would like to have at least 2 people each month working to arrange a program.

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June 2022 Business Meeting minutes continued

Other Business:

Cost of being a Zontian – a discussion about the expectations of members supporting the various fundraisers and service projects we have during the year and its toll on members with limited income, already stretched due to inflation. It was noted that members are asked to solicit donations from others, but not everyone has a wide network, and some people are uncomfortable doing so. Some thoughts are to offset expenses by applying for grants; look for FREE space where we can have hybrid meetings; etc. We will continue this discussion in September – all are asked to think outside the box on how we can address this challenge. This is especially important because we need to grow our club.

Mike informed us tonight that he is moving out of country! We wish him well, but he will be missed!!

Dana announced that she has spoken to Tony at the Ludlow Country Club about meeting there in person September and October. The least expensive meals are buffet style. The Board will meet to discuss choices/cost and will include in the September bog out August 27th

Dana thanked everyone for attending and we adjourned as it started to get dark!

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Knight, Secretary

Palmer Food Share Grant Award

Marge and Joanne delivered a check to Bonnie Rathbone and other workers at the Palmer Food Share. The Food Share team wrote: "Thank you so much for the service donation of \$750. Your generosity enables us to stock items like personal hygiene products and other items in short supply for women and girls. Organizations like yours help us fulfill our mission!"

Members are encouraged to contact PFS or other local food share programs if they have some time to donate.



Alianza DV Services Inc. Grant Award

Pamela Barnes, Director of Development at Alianza, gratefully acknowledged our support for a fall showing of the Clothesline Project - a visual display of violence statistics that often go ignored. Each shirt is made by a survivor of violence or by someone who has lost a loved one to violence. We have a long history of service with this organization, formerly known as Womanshelter/Companieros, and we are proud to be part of this effort.

*******Take A Stand Against Domestic Violence*******
Please join Alianza DV Services Saturday, Oct. 1st 11am - 1pm, behind 208 Race St, Holyoke to kick off Domestic Violence Awareness Month and help us honor **AlianzaDV's Allies**

in Action Award winner Monica Moran

Create a t-shirt for The Clothesline Project to remember those lost to domestic violence
T-shirts can be ordered here: <https://forms.gle/oddCNUdhgcf2NoSw9>



JMK 2022 Awarded to Felicya DeCicco

The Jane M. Klausman (JMK) Women in Business Scholarship program helps women pursue undergraduate and master's degrees in business management and overcome gender barriers from the classroom to the boardroom. **This year's ZQV awardee of \$1,000 in cash and a Certificate is Felicya DeCicco from Haverhill, MA.** Felicya's application is now in the running to be District 1's submission to the ZI Foundation for Women in consideration for a \$5000 international scholarship.

Notes Felicya: *"I am an incoming junior at Nichols College in Dudley, MA with a sport management major and a business marketing minor, hoping to go into game day operations with baseball or hockey. This position is held mostly by men and I would love to change that even more. I play varsity softball (second base) at Nichols and serve as the treasurer of the Class of 2024 Student Government Association. I enjoy playing sports, driving down the beach coast, reading and being outside. I have a younger sister named Olivia who will be a freshman at Mitchell College in the fall, also playing softball. This award means a lot!"*

The ZONTA Club of Quaboag Valley's 28th Golf Tournament Fundraiser Saturday, September 10, 2022 @ Cold Spring Country Club, Belchertown, MA

In the planning since last March, the Golf Tournament is right around the corner! Chair Debbie Wood and her team have rounded up an amazing group of sponsors—please check them out at zontaqv.org/golf and acknowledge their generosity. Members and supporters of Zonta have been donating raffle prizes, baskets, gift certificates and other items for the winner's table. A sampling of the items are listed at the golf website page.

A cadre of volunteers will start arriving at Cold Spring at 6:30am on Saturday, September 10th to set up the well-oiled operation—registration table, raffle ticket sales, 50-50 tickets and mulligans, itemized list of prizes, and layout of all the prizes and raf-

fles. Water and Gatorade will be set up in coolers; fruit and boxed lunches will be set up in additional coolers for Players to pick up at the turn.

Team names will be posted on the carts and Rules of the game will be distributed.

Staff at the Country Club will help load bags and answer any questions.

7:30 a.m. Registration

8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start - 18 Hole Scramble with **Boxed lunch, Raffles and Prizes**

Cost: \$100 per person

Your support helps strengthen our organization, allowing us to continue providing the important community and worldwide service projects that further Zonta's vision of a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential. In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision-making positions on an equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

Space limited – sign up (with payment please) A.S.A.P.

TEAM REGISTRATION: (Note: If you don't have a foursome, we will assign you to one.)

1) Team Contact: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

Specify the choice of sandwich in the box lunches for your team.	
#	Choices:
<input type="checkbox"/>	Turkey
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ham
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chicken Salad
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuna Salad
<input type="checkbox"/>	Veggie
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diet Restriction – please call 219-8260 to discuss accommodation

Pay online at zontaqv.square.site/ or attach a check payable to ZONTA of Quaboag Valley

Mail Registration Form by September 1st to:
Zonta of Quaboag Valley, PO Box 1034, Belchertown MA 01007-1034
Questions: Call (413) 219-8260 or email: info@zontaqv.org

What are we missing? Just the players!!

Contact friends and neighbors who have a set of clubs—all levels are welcome for this scramble format. It will be a fun day for a really good cause.

Help make this fundraiser a success so we can give out more scholarships, community grants and support Zonta's good works!

Shared Leadership and Visibility Focus

As agreed at our April business meeting discussion on the Future of our Club, members (individually or paired) will volunteer to plan the program for one month of the upcoming year. To help each other, all members are encouraged to identify topics, speakers or activities that might be appropriate. A few ideas are noted below. Once a month is chosen you are not alone! The board will assist with logistics, promotion and any other supports needed.

To achieve the goal of “Represent Global Citizenship-Serving Women and Girls in the Community”, ZI has requested that all clubs focus two (2) times in the year (November & March) for concentrated global/local awareness

November: Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women -100% of clubs participate in 16 days of activism – orange the world

March: Promote International Women’s Day, generate press and awareness week of action and membership drive

Zonta Foundation fundraising or Climate Change: A gender equality issue

Submit 1 example of local service to Share Your Story

Meeting Date	Name(s)	Find Speaker/Run Meeting
9/12/2022 Theme: Planning for the new biennium	Dana	both
10/10/2022 Theme: Domestic Violence Awareness Month	Joanne and Marge	both
11/14/2022 Theme: Founder's Day, Zonta Says NO, 16 Days of Activism		
12/12/2022 Theme: Holidays		
1/9/2023 Theme: Amelia Earhart Month	Pam	
2/13/2023 Theme: Period Project	Dana	both
3/13/2023 Theme: International Women's Month; CSW67	Liz and Kerry	speaker Women's Health issues
4/10/2023 Theme:	Debbie	speaker - Dress for Success
5/8/2023 Theme	Mary Ann	Speaker - International Service Projects update
6/12/2023 Theme:		

Committed to Growing Membership and Increasing Visibility in the Community

Since 2016, the number of members in Zonta International has dropped at a steady rate. In District 1, the number of clubs has dropped from 18 to 10. We are not alone in attracting and keeping members, but we are still a District and members have spoken: We want to stay that way. Our strategy for grown membership is as follows:

1. Creating new clubs.

A Club Creators Team will be looking at geographic areas where new traditional clubs can be charted, as well as looking for what the needs in our communities are for different kinds of clubs. The team will gladly welcome our ideas

2. Intentional recruiting. This is where we need your help. We are here for all women and people who want to help the women's cause. and what we do is incredible.

--To showcase our club's value and to reach even more people, we need to step in to their shoes. Select an age group and create a picture - what are their needs, experiences, behaviors, goals? See the example below and convention2022.zontadistrict1.org/workshops/

ANNA Our Persona

<p>PROFILE</p> <p>Gender : Female Age : 31 Occupation : Graphic designer Family : 1 kid - 2 years old / living with boyfriend - not married Location : Lausanne / Switzerland Character : Creator, honest, loyal, fun</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin-top: 5px;">Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder. Oscar Wilde</p> <p>CAUSES</p> <p>Ecology Feminism</p> <p>ZONTA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never heard about Zonta and doesn't really know how a service club works • She has always wanted to be involved in "making the world a better place". She has a sensitivity to ecology and participated in the feminist strike on June 14 in Switzerland. 	<p>BIOGRAPHY</p> <p>she has lived in the region for 6 years. She does not have a large network. She always wants to create new sincere connections but it is not easy. She enjoys travelling, going out with friends and sports. Her life is busy between child and work. She doesn't take much time for her hobbies but wants to change that.</p> <p>GOALS</p> <p>Make the world a better place Rise her child Career</p> <p>FRUSTRATIONS</p> <p>she does not have enough time for herself Network Managing daily life with a young baby</p> <p>PREFERRED CHANEL(S)</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; font-size: 0.8em;"> <tr> <td>Traditional</td> <td>Referral</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online & social media</td> <td>Networking events</td> </tr> </table>	Traditional	Referral	Online & social media	Networking events	<p>PERSONALITY</p> <p>Introvert Extrovert</p> <p>Thinking Feeling</p> <p>Judging Perceiving</p> <p>Sensing Intuition</p> <p>MOTIVATION</p> <p>Incentive</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; font-size: 0.8em;"> <tr><td>Fear</td><td style="width: 100px;">██████████</td></tr> <tr><td>Growth</td><td>██████████</td></tr> <tr><td>Power</td><td>██████████</td></tr> <tr><td>Social</td><td>██████████</td></tr> </table> <p>ZOOM ON SOCIAL MEDIA</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; font-size: 0.8em;"> <tr> <td>Professional/LinkedIn</td> <td>Facebook</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Instagram</td> <td>TikTok</td> </tr> </table>	Fear	██████████	Growth	██████████	Power	██████████	Social	██████████	Professional/LinkedIn	Facebook	Instagram	TikTok
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-- Once we have an idea of diverse individuals we want to target, how can we best respond to their needs for sisterhood, comradery and fulfillment and inspire them to be part of a vital, necessary and energetic cause. Where can we reach them - email, social media, in person at tabling events? May-be do a short video with members sharing their insights? Invite them to speak at a meeting?

--Most importantly, word-of-mouth is the most effective membership acquisition strategy. We need to make sure each of us has talking points about our club to invite others to help us in our mission - and hand out our 'business card'!!

3. Purposeful retention. How are we treating current members? Are they recognized for their contributions? Is there a job for everyone in the club? Are their talents being utilized (Can a technical guru create a video? Is there a natural hostess who can host a wine and cheese party for potential members?) Are members mentored to create new talents?

FINDING NEW MEMBERS

IDEAL ZONTIAN

- Passionate about helping women and girls
- Contributes skills/talents
- Willing to take the lead and follow
- Able to pay dues
- Volunteers time and skills
- Business/professional
- Open-minded
- Enthusiastic
- Reliable
- Prepared to be 'hands-on'

WHERE TO FIND

- Professional contacts
- Chamber of commerce
- Advertising
- Social media friends
- LinkedIn profiles
- Business dealings
- In the news
- Schools, universities, colleges
- Business owners/leaders
- Zonta stall in shopping centre or at community events
- Professional organisations/service clubs
- Church community
- Golden Z members
- Past awardees
- Speakers at events
- Personal acquaintances

RECRUITMENT

- Focus on mission
- Develop and use a recruitment strategy
- Use membership tools from Zonta.org
- Incorporate inspirational audio visual aids
- Post on social media
- Send invitations
- Strive for diversity
- Recruit different age ranges
- Ensure easy joining process
- Prepare welcome materials
- Follow up with each attendee 1:1
- Invite to meetings until joining
- Communicate the benefits of Zonta membership

RETENTION

- COMMUNICATE + + + + +
- Orientate all members and promote connecting to My Zonta & Zonta App
- Each member is assigned to one or more committees
- Develop a calendar of events
- Create a happy club life through fun and friendships
- Offer variety of engagement opportunities
- Offer leadership opportunities
- Organise interesting service & advocacy projects
- Assign mentors to new members
- Participate in activities jointly (eg travel together)
- Members share skills & talents
- Check in 1:1
- Encourage Networking

Remember the adage - if we keep doing the same thing over and over, we shouldn't expect different results! Let's shake it up!

Who is interested in attending a District Membership meeting and being a liaison on behalf of our club for getting and sharing ideas?

Ending Child Marriage, No Exceptions, in Massachusetts is a Reality!

End Child Marriage NOW!



This exceptional video outlines the supporting facts about the impact of early marriage. Watch and share: www.zontaqv.org

Six years of relentless advocacy just led Massachusetts to end child marriage, making it the seventh U.S. state to ban this human rights abuse that destroys girls' lives. This day would not have been possible without the tireless work by the countless elected officials—especially Representatives Kay Khan, Paul Donato and Senator Harriet Chandler, organizations like the Massachusetts Coalition to End Child Marriage, UNICEF USA and Unchained at Last, and individual supporters that kept this issue in the forefront. Special thanks to Massachusetts Zontians and friends for their advocacy. There will be a ceremonial signing of the legislation which appears in the FY23 budget by the Governor on September 7, 2022.

While there is still a lot of work to do to ensure all girls and women are protected from early and forced marriage, let's all pause to celebrate what we can do together when we take a stand for what is right!

Wording in the law signed by Governor Baker in July 2022:

SECTION 81. Chapter 207 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 7, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 7. A magistrate or minister shall not solemnize a marriage if a party to the intended marriage is under the age of 18.

SECTION 82. Said chapter 207 is hereby further amended by striking out section 24, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 24. The clerk or registrar shall not receive a notice of the intention of marriage of a person under the age of 18.

SECTION 83. Said chapter 207 is hereby further amended by striking out section 25, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 25. Notwithstanding sections 7, 24 and 33A or any other general or special law to the contrary, any minor who is married may avail themselves of all legal remedies and relief that would otherwise be available if they were not a minor, in order to initiate proceedings for divorce under chapter 208, annulment under chapter 207 and protective orders under chapters 209A and 258E.



Learn more about "Zonta Advocacy" in a video posted at zontadistrict1.org

WE DID IT! WE ENDED CHILD MARRIAGE!

Previously, there was no minimum age for marriage in Massachusetts

Minors face many obstacles when trying to leave or resist marriage

- Cannot obtain services from the Department of Children and Families
- Cannot access domestic violence shelters
- Cannot initiate legal actions, including filing for divorce

84% In Massachusetts alone, 1,246 children as young as 14 years old were married between 2000 and 2018. Of these child marriages, 84% were girls wed to adult men

Provisions to end child marriage under the age of 18, and to allow minors currently under marriage contracts to initiate divorce proceedings, were included in the final fiscal year 2023 budget and signed into law on July 25th and was made effective immediately.

Original legislation filed by Representatives Kay Khan and Paul Donato and Senator Harriet Chandler. Budget amendment filed by Representative Brad Jones

Office of State Representative Kay Khan
 Kay.Khan@mahouse.gov | (517) 722-2011 | @RepKayKhan

7th Annual!!!

Domestic Violence

AWARENESS



Saturday, October 22nd, 1pm
Veterans Park, Ware, Massachusetts
(If it rains we'll be across the street in Town Hall)

Join the community for a one-mile walk in downtown Ware to show support for survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

With each step forward there is hope!

The afternoon will be highlighted with speakers, activities and exhibits for all ages. Come and show your support, meet up with family and friends, learn about resources in your community, and have some apple cider!

Sponsored by the Ware River Valley Domestic Violence Task Force, www.waredvtaskforce.org

If you or someone you know needs confidential support and resources:
The Quaboag Valley Community Advocate at VHS/BHN : cell 413-579-2924
Safelink statewide 24 hour hotline: 877-785-2020
Ware River Valley Domestic Violence Task Force Input Line: 413-758-0605

Wear purple to show your support!

Please follow current mask guidelines!



Please join Sheriff Cocchi
and the Hampden County Sheriff's Department
for this years Sheriff's Shuffle

WHEN: Sunday, October 16th, 2022
LOCATION: Elks Lodge/ Ashley Reservoir,
Holyoke, MA

TIME: Registration begins at 8:30am
Run/ walk beings at 10am

Register by October 3rd, 2022 to ensure a free shirt
www.RunSignUp.com/SheriffsShuffle5k

*Live music, Awards, Food trucks, Raffle, Long Sleeve Shirt,
Refreshments & More...*

All proceeds to benefit
YWCA of Western Massachusetts

**eliminating racism
empowering women**
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Questions?

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