Chapter 20

District Governors – North America (1970–2020)¹

1970: The Bylaws stated:
The officers of the District shall be a governor, a lieutenant–governor, a secretary and a treasurer. With the exception of the secretary, these officers shall be elected at the district conference immediately preceding the biennial convention and shall take office at the close of said convention. They shall hold office for two years until their successors are installed.²

District 1 Governors
1970–72 Mary Simmons, Zonta Club of Arlington, Massachusetts
1972–74 Ruby Reed, Zonta Club of Springfield, Massachusetts
1974–76 Ruth Byron, Zonta Club of Hartford Area, Connecticut
1976–78 Ellen Gavagan, Zonta Club of Malden, Massachusetts
1978–80 Phyllis Phipps, Zonta Club of Salem, Massachusetts
1980–82 Evelyn Cudmore, Zonta Club of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island
1982–84 Dorothy Elizabeth Tucker, Zonta Club of West Medford, Massachusetts
1986–88 Mildred Ladd, Zonta Club of Portland, Maine
1988–90 Myrtie D. Willey, Maine (no town or club found)
1990–92 Marilyn Flaherty, Zonta Club of Arlington, Massachusetts
1992–94 Bonnie Haghkerdar, Zonta Club of Bangor, Maine
1994–96 Florence K Parker, Zonta Club of Concord, New Hampshire
1996–98 Linda Knox Gibbon, Zonta Club of Williamsburg, Massachusetts
1998–00 Cynthia Thompson, Zonta Club of Belmont, New Hampshire
2000–02 Helen Lawrence, Zonta Club of Newton, Massachusetts
2002–04 Cheryl Dorfman, Zonta Club of Lenox, Massachusetts
2004–06 Alison Draper, Zonta Club of Stillwater Lake, Nova Scotia
2006–08 Lynn Goodhue, Zonta Club of Williamsburg, Massachusetts
2008–10 Nadine A. Salley, Zonta Club of Tilton, New Hampshire
2010–12 Mary Ann Rubis, Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley, Massachusetts
2012–14 Denise DeShane, Zonta Club of Bangor, Maine
2014–16 Sharon Leavitt, Zonta Club of Bangor, Maine
2016–18 Joanne Puopolo, Zonta Club of Malden, Massachusetts
2018–20 Elizabeth A. Hart, Zonta Club of Malden, Massachusetts

¹ Research compiled by Eva Nielsen
² Bylaws 1970, Article XIII, Section 3.
District 2 Governors
1970–72  Elizabeth Drake, Zonta Club of Binghamton, New York
1972–74  Jean Coon, Ballston Spa, New York (no club found)
1974–76  Eve Jubanyik, Oneida, New York (no club found)
1976–78  Maureen Roberts, Zonta Club of Ottawa, Ontario Canada
1978–80  Jeannette Walsh, Menands, New Jersey (no club found)
1980–82  Elizabeth Casey, Zonta Club of Syracuse, New York
1982–84  Joan A. Englehart, Zonta Club of Binghamton, New York
1984–86  Margaret Buckley, Zonta Club of Utica, New York
1986–88  Lynda Pearson, Ontario, Canada (no town or club found)
1988–90  Susan I. Moor, Zonta Club of Poughkeepsie, New York
1990–92  Patricia Fluharty, Zonta Club of Binghamton, New York
2000–02  Valerie Hume, Zonta Club of Ottawa, Ontario
2002–04  Dolly Dastoor, Zonta Club of Montreal, Quebec
2004–06  Gloria Stotman Wristen, Zonta Club of Auburn, New York
2006–08  Deborah J. Abel, Zonta Club of Ogdensburg, New York
2008–10  Margaret Christine Mitchell, Zonta Club of Montreal
2010–12  Sue Ann Cunliffe, Zonta Club of Auburn, New York
2012–14  Kathleen LaBelle, Zonta Club of Glens Falls, New York
2014–16  Candace Edwards, Zonta Club of Syracuse, New York

District 3 Governors
1970–72  M. Helen McLaughlin, New Jersey (no club found)
1972–74  Eddie Kay West, Zonta Club of Washington, D.C.
1974–76  Patricia Ryan, New Jersey (no town or club found)
1976–78  Mary Storm, Zonta Club of Frederick, Maryland
1978–80  Carol Beaver, Zonta Club of Washington, D.C.
1980–82  Caroline M. Fitz John, New York (no town or club found)
1982–84  Dorothea L. Rancourt, Zonta Club of Bethesda–Silver Spring, Maryland
1984–86  Jane Roberts Garvey, Zonta Club of Suffolk County Area, New Jersey
1986–88  Dorothy (Dottie) A. Voss, Zonta Club of Newark, New Jersey
1988–90  Georgia LaBlanc, Zonta Club of Mount Vernon, New York
1990–92  Irene Sokol, Zonta Club of Morristown Area, New Jersey
1992–94  Danna J. Lane, Zonta Club of Frederick, Maryland
1994–96  Judith Johnston, Zonta Club of Fairfax County, Virginia
1998–00  Tebbie Clift, Zonta Club of New York, New York
2000–02  Barbara J. Lippa, Zonta Club of Fairfax County, Virginia
2002–04  Mary Lou Shippe, Zonta Club of Columbia, Maryland
2004–06  Susan D. Halsey, Zonta Club of Pine Beach, New Jersey
2006–08  Jo Manson, Zonta Club of Fairfax County, Virginia
2008–10  Ellen Karo, Zonta Club of New York, New Jersey
2010–12  Lisa Fraser, Zonta Club of Hampton Roads, Virginia
2012–14  Paulette Chatman, Zonta Club of Essex County, New Jersey
2014–16 Margo Sheridan, Zonta Club of Arlington Area, Virginia
2016–18 Donna Clark, Zonta Club of Charles County Area, Maryland
2018–20 Joanne Gallos, Zonta Club of Annapolis, Maryland

District 4 Governors
1970–72 Ella Knight, Zonta Club of Buffalo, New York
1972–74 Lorraine Racziewicz, Zonta Club of Lockport, New York
1974–76 Elizabeth McCance, Zonta Club of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1976–78 Betty Hall, Zonta Club of Lockport, New York
1978–80 Ony Oas, Zonta Club of Lake City, Pennsylvania
1980–82 Joan R. Smith, Zonta Club of Mississauga, Ontario
1982–84 Barbara McKinley, Zonta Club of Oil City, Pennsylvania
1984–86 Brenda Kagle, Zonta Club of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1986–88 M. Joan Hutcheson, Zonta Club of Hamilton II, Ontario
1990–92 Tressila Truby, Zonta Club of Hamilton II, Ontario
1994–96 Daisy Waters, Zonta Club of Niagara Falls, New York
1996–98 Joyce McMaster, Zonta Club of London Area, Ontario
1998–00 Barbara Fera, Zonta Club of Guelph Area, Ontario
2000–02 Dr. Vivian Cody, Zonta Club of Buffalo, New York
2004–06 Sandra Lynn Cronk, Zonta Club of Hamilton, Ontario
2006–08 Sandra Travers, Zonta Club of Baden, Ontario
2008–10 Kathleen Douglass, Zonta Club of Brampton, Ontario
2010–12 Bonnie Crogan-Mazur, Zonta Club of Niagara Falls, New York
2012–14 Lee Fogarty, Zonta Club of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
2014–16 Joanne Raymond, Zonta Club of Kitchener Waterloo, Ontario
2016–18 Lori Robinson, Zonta Club of Brampton–Caledon, Ontario

District 5 Governors
1970–723 Queenie Grable, Zonta Club of Lexington, Kentucky
1972–74 Shirley K. Schneider, Zonta Club of Springfield, Ohio
1974–76 Jeanne Long, Zonta Club of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio
1976–78 Ruth Walker, Zonta Club of Columbus, Ohio
1978–80 Zelda Altman, Zonta Club of Ashtabula, Ohio
1980–82 Evelyn G. J. Tarkington, Zonta Club of Lexington, Kentucky
1982–84 Donna Lee Poulton, Zonta Club of Columbus, Ohio
1984–86 Ruth Siegel, Zonta Club of Bedford, Ohio
1986–88 Helen Gussow, Zonta Club of Toledo, Ohio
1988–90 Joanne van Sant, Zonta Club of Columbus, Ohio
1990–92 Virginia Carnall, Zonta Club of Akron–Barburton–Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio
1992–94 Charlotte F Saunders, Zonta Club of Columbus, Ohio
1994–96 Billie S Johnson, Zonta Club of Toledo, Ohio
1996–98 Jane E Kolczun, Zonta Club of Lorain, Ohio
1998–00 Kathleen M. Hughes, Zonta Club of Springfield, Ohio
2000–02 Donna M. Seitz, Zonta Club of Cincinnati, Ohio
2002–04 Sandra Bellay, Zonta Club of Warren–Niles–Youngstown, Ohio

3 District V was designated District Vb at this time.
2004–06 Linda Miller, Zonta Club of Ashtabula, Ohio
2006–08 Elaine Swanson, Zonta Club of Ashtabula, Ohio
2008–10 Amy F. Grubbe, Zonta Club of Huron, Ohio
2010–12 Patricia Roby, Zonta Club of Springfield, Ohio
2012–14 Rae Arnold, Zonta Club of Columbus Ohio
2014–16 Ellen Spaeth, Zonta Club of Cincinnati, Ohio
2016–18 Joyce Combs, Zonta Club of Defiance, Ohio
2018–20 Margot Hoffman, Zonta Club of Columbus, Ohio

District 6 Governors
1970–72 Leonore Scott, Zonta Club of Frankfort, Indiana
1972–74 Cornelia Hodges, Zonta Club of Springfield, Illinois
1974–76 Betty Jo Koss, Zonta Club of Indianapolis, Indiana
1976–78 Gladys Hefty, Zonta Club of Madison, Wisconsin
1978–80 Betty Brand, Zonta Club of Columbus, Indiana
1982–84 Ella Cash, Zonta Club of Janesville, Wisconsin
1984–86 Roberta Johansson, Zonta Club of North Shore Area, Illinois
1990–92 Margaret (Peg) Dowling, Zonta Club of Oak Park, Illinois
1994–96 Margaret S Holzbog, Zonta Club of Hubertus, Wisconsin
1996–98 Margot Corson, Zonta Club of Lebanon, Indiana
1998–00 Jo Hopkins, Zonta Club of Champaign Illinois
2000–02 Merrily Shaw, Zonta Club of Champaign–Urbana, Illinois
2004–06 Jacqueline M. Beaudry, Zonta Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin
2006–08 Sally Bean, Zonta Club of Janesville, Wisconsin
2008–10 Wilhelmina (Buffie) B. Kelly, Zonta Club of Springfield, Illinois
2010–12 Yvonne Chalfant, Zonta Club of Kankakee, Illinois
2012–14 Linda Hiltabrand, Zonta Club of LaSalle–Peru, Illinois
2014–16 Donna Conant, Zonta Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin
2016–18 Tamara Hagen, Zonta Club of Madison, Wisconsin

District 7 Governors
1970–72 Christine Thelen, Zonta Club of Wichita, Kansas
1972–74 Irene Robinett, Zonta Club of Jefferson City, Missouri
1974–76 Darlene Seidenschaw, Zonta Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota
1976–78 Gertrud Miller, Zonta Club of Aberdeen, South Dakota
1978–80 Joyce Abraham, Leawood, Kansas (no club found)
1980–82 Esther M. Plehal, Zonta Club of Austin, Minnesota
1982–84 Sharon Carmody, Zonta Club of St Louis, Missouri
1984–86 Edna Deck, Zonta Club of Regina, Saskatchewan
1986–88 Muriel Anderson, Zonta Club of Mankato, Minnesota
1988–90 Mary Blaise Gillessen, Zonta Club of Atchison Area, Kansas
1990–92 Carol M. Oberle, Zonta Club of Topeka, Kansas
1992–94 Marlene Larson, Zonta Club of Brainerd Area, Minnesota
1994–96 Carla Cunningham, Zonta Club of St Louis, Missouri
1996–98 Amparo Thomas, Zonta Club of Jefferson City, Missouri
1998–00  Linda Daus, Zonta Club of St. Louis, Missouri
2000–02  Cathi Christopherson, Zonta Club of Bismarck, North Dakota
2002–04  Kerry Dixon-Fox, Zonta Club of Central Iowa, Iowa
2004–06  Linda Jacobsen, Zonta Club of St Charles, Missouri
2006–08  Carol Pasanen, Zonta Club of Brainerd Area, Minnesota
2008–10  Kathy Swan, Zonta Club of Cape Girardeau, Missouri
2010–12  Barbara Jirges, Zonta Club of Bismarck, North Dakota
2012–14  Jannet Kannard, Zonta Club of Kansas City II, Missouri
2014–16  Polly Holton, Zonta Club of Cape Girardeau, Missouri
2016–18  Mary Reed, Zonta Club of Jamestown, North Dakota
2018–20  Shelley Schultz, Zonta Club of Mankato, Minnesota

District 8 Governors
1970–72  Ruth Watters, Zonta Club of Eugene, Oregon
1972–74  Emely Ehlinger, Zonta Club of Spokane Washington
1974–76  Jean Fish, Zonta Club of Medford, Oregon
1976–78  Muriel Cowan, Zonta Club of Edmonton, Alberta
1978–80  Jean King, Zonta Club of Portland, Oregon
1980–82  Joyce Brurud, Zonta Club of Great Falls Montana
1984–86  Marian Showers, Zonta Club of Portland, Oregon
1986–88  Frances Soule, Zonta Club of Spokane, Washington
1988–90  Norma Jean Housley, Zonta Club of Idaho Falls, Idaho
1990–92  Helen Saar, Zonta Club of Roseburg, Oregon
1992–94  Paula M Bechtold, Zonta Club of Coos Bay, Oregon
1994–96  Leta Best, Zonta Club of Victoria, British Columbia
1996–98  Phyllis J. Fread, Zonta Club of Roseburg, Oregon
2000–02  Bridget Baker, Zonta Club of Eugene, Oregon
2004–06  Roz Mellander, Zonta Club of Vancouver, British Columbia
2008–10  Terri Turi, Zonta Club of North Bend, Oregon
2010–12  Carol Dreysse, Zonta Club of Everett, Washington
2012–14  Shelli Cutting, Zonta Club of Anchorage, Arkansas
2014–16  Genelle Hanken, Zonta Club of Coos Bay Area, Oregon
2016–18  Leatta Dahlhoff, Zonta Club of Olympia, Washington
2018–20  Jeanie Martin, Zonta Club of Grants Pass, Oregon

District 9 Governors
1970–72  Catherine Vollmer, Zonta Club of Sacramento, California
1972–74  Josephine Heckman, Zonta Club of Pasadena, California
1974–76  Irene Anderson, Zonta Club of Santa Rosa, California
1976–78  Jessica Tegland, Zonta Club of Riverside California
1978–80  Kathleen Esp, Zonta Club of Carmel, California
1980–82  Evelyn Hartman Park, Zonta Club of Prescott, Arizona
1982–84  Peggy Friend, Zonta Club of Los Angeles, California
1984–86  Mary Sherman, Zonta Club of Conejo Valley Area, California
1986–88  Phyllis E. Samson, Zonta Club of Marin County, California
1988–90  Josephine G. Cook, Zonta Club of Los Angeles, California
1990–92  Evelyn Guenther, Zonta Club of Antelope Valley, California
1992–94 Shirley Eubanks, Zonta Club of Phoenix, Arizona
1994–96 Dianne Curtis, Zonta Club of Canyon County, California
1996–98 Betty Lofteness, Zonta Club of Berkeley, California
1998–00 Barbara Brown, Zonta Club of Tempe, Arizona
2000–02 Bonny L. Schumacher, Zonta Club of Newport Harbor, California
2002–04 Joy M. Orlich, Zonta Club of Reno, Nevada
2004–06 Juliette M. Tulang, Zonta Club of Hilo, Hawaii
2006–08 Barbara J. White, Zonta Club of Salt Lake City, Utah
2008–10 Karen Y. Foissotte, Zonta Club of Sparks, Nevada
2010–12 Laura Peters, Zonta Club of Newport Harbor Area, California
2012–14 Lori Montiguel, Zonta Club of Riverside, California
2014–16 Nickie Bonner, Zonta Club of Burbank, California
2016–18 Mele Spencer, Zonta Club of Hilo, Hawaii
2018–20 Ann Banks, Zonta Club of Casa Grande Valley, Arkansas

District 10 Governors
1970–72 Gwyn Harwell, Zonta Club of Longview, Texas
1972–74 Elizabeth Nicholls, Texas (no town or club found)
1974–76 Anne Gause, Zonta Club of New Orleans, Louisiana
1976–78 Francis Bolton, Zonta Club of Austin, Texas
1978–80 Mattie Hargis, Zonta Club of Brownsville, Texas
1980–82 Vivian Sharp, Zonta Club of Fort Worth, Texas
1982–84 Patricia Gordon, Zonta Club of Dallas, Texas
1984–86 Shirley Stinson, Zonta Club of San Antonio, Texas
1986–88 Edith Waugh, Zonta Club of West Hidalgo County, Texas
1988–90 Marilyn Ward, Zonta Club of Dallas, Texas
1990–92 Mary Brower, Zonta Club of Harlingen, Texas
1992–94 Margaret Dauzat, Zonta Club of Baton Rouge, Louisiana
1994–96 Sherry Wright, Zonta Club of Mineral Wells, Texas
1996–98 Carolyn G Rainey, Zonta Club of Houston, Texas
1998–00 Candi Ward, Zonta Club of Kingsville, Texas
2000–02 Mary Frances Gardner, Zonta Club of New Orleans, Louisiana
2002–03 Judith K. Strothmann, Zonta Club of Midwest City, Oklahoma
2003–04 Sally Rankin, Zonta Club of Houston, TX
2004–06 Margaret D. Warren, Zonta Club of Lafayette, Louisiana
2006–08 Sharron Miles, Zonta Club of Cleburne, Texas
2008–10 Danita J. Utsman, Zonta Club of Longview, Texas
2010–12 Janis Wood, Zonta Club of Central Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
2012–14 Donna Dodgen, Zonta Club of Seguin, Texas
2014–16 Judy Kautz, Zonta Club of Central Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
2016–18 Barbara Yoder, Zonta Club of Johnson County, Texas
2018–20 Sheryl Flanagan, Zonta Club of Fort Smith, Arkansas

District 11 Governors
1970–72 Lucille Carter, Zonta Club of Greenville, South Carolina
1972–74 Violet Fuson, Zonta Club of Nashville, Tennessee
1974–76 Doris Dudney, Zonta Club of Tampa, Florida
1976–78 Frances Anne Galloway, Zonta Club of Jackson, Mississippi
1978–80 Barbara Dean, Zonta Club of Mobile, Alabama
1980–82 Margaret Losleben, Zonta Club of Fort Meyers, Florida
1982–84 Mary Alice (Cookie) Papadimitriou, Zonta Club of Charleston, South Carolina
1984–86  Jane Carroll, Zonta Club of Fort Lauderdale, Florida
1986–88  Judie Peterson-Bott, Zonta Club of Lake Worth, Florida
1988–90  Rosemary Adams, Zonta Club of Mobile, Alabama
1990–92  Peggy Driggers, Zonta Club of Bartow, Florida
1994–96  Lollie B. Coward, Zonta Club of Columbia, South Carolina
1996–98  Regina M Vetto, Zonta Club of Boca Raton, Florida
1998–00  Sarah Lee, Zonta Club of Montgomery, Alabama
2000–02  Mary S. Gregory, Zonta Club of Tampa, Florida
2002–04  Beverly A. Duff, Zonta Club of Fort Myers, Florida
2004–06  Ina Edens, Zonta Club of Columbia, South Carolina
2006–08  Beatrice Anne Weaver, Zonta Club of Miami, Florida
2008–10  Lynn Salvatore, Zonta Club of Jacksonville, Florida
2010–12  Jane Adams, Zonta Club of Boca Raton Area, Florida
2012–14  Tamara (Tami) Page, Zonta Club of Dothan Area, Alabama
2014–16  Karen Pati, Zonta Club of Sanibel–Captiva, Florida
2016–18  Charlene Rains, Zonta Club of Mobile, Alabama
2018–20  Linda Robinson, Zonta Club of Sanibel–Captiva, Florida

District 12 Governors
1970–72  Virginia Razee, Zonta Club of Denver, Colorado
1972–74  Donna Birken, Zonta Club of Billings, Montana
1974–76  Helen Wampler, Zonta Club of Casper, Wyoming
1976–78  Lois Demos, Zonta Club of Rapid City South Dakota
1978–80  Marjorie Nell Pickett, Zonta Club of Louisville, Colorado
1980–82  Amey Grubbs, Zonta Club of Red Feather Lakes, Colorado
1982–84  Ellen Tye, Zonta Club of Boulder, Colorado
1984–86  Monique Amerman, Zonta Club of Pueblo, Colorado
1986–88  Caroline A. Watkins, Zonta Club of Lakewood Golden, Colorado
1988–90  Marion L. King, Zonta Club of Lakewood Golden, Colorado
1990–92  Dolores Lowery, Zonta Club of Denver, Colorado
1992–94  Dorothy Swindt, Zonta Club of Denver, Colorado
1994–96  Jacquelyn N Sammons, Zonta Club of Denver, Colorado
1996–98  Dorothy Tyler, Zonta Club of Rapid City, South Dakota
1998–00  Judith Allen, Zonta Club of Parker, Colorado
2000–02  Betty R. Edwards, Zonta Club of Pikes Peak Area, Colorado
2002–04  Mary Benoit, Zonta Club of Denver, Colorado
2004–06  Evelyn Haskell, Zonta Club of Laramie, Wyoming
2006–08  Beverly Jean Morrow, Zonta Club of Cheyenne, Wyoming
2008–10  Priscilla Y. Romkema, Zonta Club of Spearfish, South Dakota
2010–12  Kathryn (Kay) Meyer, the Zonta Foothills Club of Boulder County, Colorado
2012–14  Sheila Davis, Zonta Club of Denver, Colorado
2014–16  Marcy (Marcella) O’Toole, Zonta Club of Denver II, Colorado
2016–18  Renée Coppock, Zonta Club of Billings, Montana
2018–20  Deidre (Deedee) Boysen, Zonta Club of Laramie, Wyoming

District 15 Governors
1970–72  District V a, Louise Meyer, Ann Arbor, Michigan
1972–74  Dorothea Wyatt, Michigan (no town or club found)

4 District 15 was designated District Va at this time.
1974–76  Geraldine Gesamen, Zonta Club of Pontiac, Michigan
1978–80  LouZella Seeburger, Zonta Club of Lenawee County/Adrian, Michigan
1980–82  Mary Louise Gharrity, Zonta Club of Milford, Michigan
1982–84  Barbara A. Geil, Zonta Club of Detroit, Michigan
1984–86  Bette Krueger, Zonta Club of Alpena, Michigan
1986–88  Geraldine M. Purcell, Zonta Club of Grand Rapids, Michigan
1988–90  Jane Rhodes, Zonta Club of Lansing, Michigan
1990–92  Sylvia Vukmirovich, Zonta Club of North–West Wayne County, Michigan
1992–94  Sonia A Parks, Zonta Club of Detroit, Michigan
1996–98  Susan J Noakes, Zonta Club of Traverse City, Michigan
1998–00  Carol Curtis, Zonta Club of Iron Mountain, Michigan
2000–02  Juliann Binienda, Zonta Club of Southfield Area, Michigan
2002–04  Shirley Edwards, Zonta Club of Detroit, Michigan
2004–06  Susan E. Eareckson, Zonta Club of East Lansing, Michigan
2006–08  Carole Calvert–Baxter, Zonta Club of Midland, Michigan
2010–12  Denise Quarles, Zonta Club of Michigan Capitol Area, Michigan
2012–14  Karen Armaly, Zonta Club of Detroit I, Michigan
2014–16  Cheryl G. Hall, Zonta Club of East Lansing, Michigan
2016–18  Anna Sylvester, Zonta Club of Roscommon County Area, Michigan
2018–20  Joy Smith, Zonta Club of Lenawee County, Michigan