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Amelia's first "flight"

In one of the more dramatic moments of Earhart's childhood, she, her sister, and a neighbor boy built a roller coaster at the family's home in Kansas City. The track began at the top of a toolshed, about eight feet off the ground. The children, with a little help from their Uncle Carl Otis, constructed the track from boards and greased it with lard. Amelia made the trial run in a car made from an empty wooden crate.

As her sister recalled, Amelia "rode the crate down the track much faster than either of us anticipated. As it careened down the track, we heard the sound of splintering wood. The car and Amelia departed the track when the car hit the trestle. Both tumbled onto the ground. Amelia jumped up, her eyes alight, ignoring a torn dress and bruised lip. She exclaimed happily, "Oh, Pidge, (a pet name for Muriel) it's just like flying!"

Amelia Rose Earhart Completes Around-the-World Flight 77 Years After Her Namesake's Disappearance



"The woman who can create her own job is the one who will win fame and fortune."

Amelia Earhart



Amelia Mary Earhart

Amelia Rose Earhart

Amelia Mary Earhart never got to complete her trip around the world—so **Amelia Rose Earhart** (real name!) did it for her. The latter, 31, made history on Friday, July 11, when she became the youngest woman ever to circumnavigate the globe in a single-engine plane, a journey her namesake attempted nearly eight decades ago.

Though she bears no relation to the pioneering aviatrix, the modern-day Earhart has always felt a connection to Amelia Mary because of their shared monikers. "My parents wanted to give me a name that no one would ever forget and would be a source of inspiration, Initially, she says, it was more a source of embarrassment—but that changed. "During my school days, kids would tease me and I went by Amy until I was 18. It took me a while to grow into Amelia, but once I did, I realized the power behind the name and fully embraced it," she explains.

With that in mind, the sometime television and radio reporter based out of Denver, Colo., set about planning the adventure of a lifetime. She got her private pilot's license in 2010, and completed her instrument training hours in 2012, by flying the final trans-continental route of the original Amelia Earhart. She also made a trans-Atlantic trip from Switzerland to Colorado earlier this year.

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"It was over Howland Island that I was able to grant, via Twitter, 10 flight-training scholarships to young women across the U.S. through my nonprofit, the Fly With Amelia Foundation," Earhart tells **Us**. (In fact, in cooperation with Target, the entire journey was documented via social media, with [pictures](#), [tweets](#), and video, all using the hashtag "#flywithamelia.")

"I've always had an adventurous spirit, and when I took my first discovery flight 10 years ago, I immediately fell in love with flying and haven't looked back since," she says. "My connection to Amelia Mary through a common name has inspired me to be a strong, confident woman and to pursue adventure."



The Godley Z Club supported the [Zonta Says NO](#) to Violence against Women campaign by wearing orange and decorating their school. We appreciate your support, students! [#ZontaSaysNO](#) [#16DaysOfActivism](#)





Gwynne Robb Zonta Past President 1975-1976

Jody and I met Gwynne Robb at Pointe Frontier where she resides. Gwynne was raised in Kansas, Dodge City and then moved to Denver to attend the Colorado Women's College for two years. She finished her degree at the University of Colorado. She got her first job at Cheyenne High School as a Physical Education teacher. Gwynne was sponsored into Zonta by Mary Reid Rogers. After receiving her Master's degree from the University of Wyoming she became Dean of Girls at Johnson Junior High and then the Assistant Principal. We asked Gwynne how she was able to get the time off to attend the noon meetings. Gwynne said that she arranged the time off with the Principal and was no problem. In the 1970's the Zonta club had 100 members and was considering splitting the club into two clubs but never did. Gwynne remembers the friends made and fun they had planning the antique show. At that time she made all the contacts for vendors. They had about 25 vendors and it was held at Little America. Gwynne went to two Zonta International Conventions, one in Sydney Australia and one in Canada.

When I became involved in District and Area meetings I went to a training that was held in a cabin in the Red Feather Lake area in northern Colorado. I was surprised to find out that was Gwynne's cabin which she still owns today. Gwynne attended District meetings and remembers Amy Grubbs, Past International President from Colorado. Jody and I enjoyed our visit with Gwynne and we both remember her as a member. Her concern about the club was it was becoming too focused on raising money and not enough time to socialize while working on projects. We have heard this in many of our interviews. Gwynne was a gracious hostess, sharing her cookies she received from Alpha Delta Kappa where she had been a past member and proud to say she is 88 years old.

Linda Bogart



Zonta Past Presidents

Ann Lucas was our 55th President. Before Ann became a member she said two women had talked to her about the Zonta Club of Cheyenne within a week. She remembers meeting Jody Gostas at a LEAP Leadership event. Leslie Swidecki sponsored Ann into the club. Ann worked in the kitchen and as a hostess at the antique show. She made friends that she still keeps in touch with today.

Ann was asked to be President when the incoming president could not fulfill her term. She admitted that she knew nothing about the position. Zonta was in transition with its major fund raiser from the antique show to ZLNO. Ann said "I go to ZLNO every year and have a great time but I don't miss all the work that was involved." I was a board member when Ann was President and she reminded me that it was her board that changed the bylaws to having two year term Presidents. And how could I forget that during a board meeting at Ann's place of employment, First Education Credit Union when a hail storm hit. Ann laughed and said that that was the most expensive Zonta board meeting on record because all of our cars had hail damage.

Ann attended District conferences in Fort Collins, Laramie and Denver. She even put out the Zephyr a couple times. Ann's hobby is quilting and she wishes she had more time to pursue it. Ann is a member of the Afterhours Rotary club. Ann teaches finance classes at Triumph High School through her connection with Michelle Aldrich. The wife of Eddie Fernandez (winner of our Domestic Violence Art Contest) works for Ann. Ann had encouraged him to enter. It was great to visit with Ann again and thanks to her for supporting Zonta in her travels.

Linda Bogart



ZONTA ART CONTEST PERSEVERANCE AND HOPE: SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING



CONSTANCE
Artist, Eddie Fernandez, Jr.
One of the winners of the 2015 Zonta Art Contest
Theme: Views of Human Trafficking

ALL FORMS OF ART WELCOMED	PRIZE CATEGORIES
Textile	Under 18 Years of Age \$150 Prize
Photographs	
Sketches	18 Years of Age or Older \$150 Prize
Paintings	
Sculpture	Plans include exhibiting art at the Hynds Building during a portion of January starting January 8, 2016
Carvings	
Any and All Other	

Final Submission Date: **December 29, 2015, 4:00 p.m.**


Drop-Off Locations: **Graffito Paint Your Own Pottery, 317 West Lincolnway**
Flydragon Design Art Studio, 1822 E. 16th Street

Please include with submission:

Name, phone number, e-mail address and artist's age

Reception: **Monday, January 11, 2016, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.**

Human Trafficking Awareness Day

 **Hynds Building, 16th and Capitol Ave, Cheyenne**



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Upcoming Events

JANUARY 9th – 23rd, 2016

Zonta Art Contest entries will be available for viewing at the Hynds Building in Downtown Cheyenne

JANUARY 11, 2016 ***4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.***

Reception for Human Trafficking Awareness Day, Hynds Building, 16th and Capitol Avenue

MARCH 4, 2016 ***4 p.m. to 9 p.m.***

Zonta's Ladies Night Out, Little America Hotel





Monday December 7th, 2015 Letter to the editor in the Wyoming Tribune Eagle

Triumph high is a blessing to Cheyenne community

Carol Matteson Pascal

Cheyenne

The recent WTE photo of students increasing awareness of domestic violence reminded me of the treasures this community has in the students, instructors and staff of Triumph High.

Triumph students are there because of some difficulty in their lives, something they must overcome. And overcome they do. In my community work, I sometimes encounter the students and staff and never fail to be amazed and encouraged by their spirit and commitment. These young people are indeed "triumphant," They make me most optimistic about the future and proud that our community supports them.

Unlike some who believe today's youth are spoiled, this old lady is happy young folks like those at Triumph will be in charge.

Thank you, Denise Parrish for sharing this information

Zonta General Meeting
Minutes
12/10/2015

Zonta meeting was called to order at 12:03 by President Kathy Cathcart. A quorum was present.

Guests were introduced. Linda Bogart introduced the speaker Monica Jennings. JoLyn Murphy, Z-Club advisor introduced Z-Club member Maddie Amann.

A motion was made by Betty Abernethy and seconded by Sandy Hudson to approve the Minutes of the November meeting and the Treasurer's Report as posted in the Zephyr. Motion approved.

December birthdays were acknowledged.

Zappy Hour reminder announced for December 17 at 5:30 at the Plains Hotel. This will be planning for the January Amelia Earhart Dinner which is a New Zee event. All are welcome to attend Zappy Hour.

Maddie Amann gave a Z Club update. Congratulations to all for a successful 16 Days of Activism event. The Club will acknowledge International Human Rights Day on January 19 at Triumph High School. The school is conducting a canned food drive throughout January and February. Z Club will be selling roses for and at ZLNO (March 8 is Zonta Rose Day and International Women's Day.).

Connie Sloan-Cathcart distributed "sign up sheets" for Zonta Ladies Night Out at various tables designated for the committees and discussion continued about ZLNO.

Monica Jennings presented the program on Women's Healthcare Needs and the Affordable Care Act. December 15 is the last day to enroll for coverage to be effective January 2016.

Denise Parrish reminded members that the Human Trafficking poster contest deadline is December 29.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:58.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody Gostas
Acting Secretary

Zonta Board Meeting

December 1, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Cathcart.

Present: Kathy Cathcart, Connie Sloan-Cathcart, Pamela Moran, Misti Fisher, Denise Parrish, and via conference call, Betty Abernethy, Jaime Davis and Melissa Martin.

The December 10th Membership Meeting program will be ZLNO (15 minutes); Enroll Wyoming Market Place Navigators (10 minutes – educational).

Members are to donate gifts for the Comea House or Safehouse.

The November Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The Club has a current unrestricted balance of \$9,949.17.

Membership – Mary Walker will arrange to get a check to Jaime Davis for Lisa Hunt's dues.

Connie Sloan-Cathcart has a possible three new members. She will send the email addresses to Betty Abernethy for follow-up.

Denise Parrish asked why Past Presidents have not continued membership in Zonta. It was suggested that Betty Abernethy contact Past Presidents to encourage their membership.

New Z's – the next meeting should be Thursday, December 17th at the Plains Hotel. Betty Abernethy may not be able to attend. Kathy Cathcart will preside. The January program for the membership meeting will be discussed – Amelia Earhart.

Website/Facebook – Stacy Splittstoesser, Chairperson: It was noted that a copy of the Zephyr should be emailed to Dave. The Zephyr should be posted on our web page.

Stacy has been working with Dave to have ZLNO "buttons" for the purchase of tickets.

The front page should note YWPA and have a link to the application

Melissa Martin is working on the calendar for the website. Event dates, Membership Meeting dates, ZLNO dates i.e. vender dates, ticket dates, etc. will be included.

Facebook – ZLNO program should include a mention of Facebook access.

YWPA – materials will be sent to the newspaper. There was a discussion regarding the hand delivery or mail to Public School Councilors.

Foundation – will meet in April , 2016.

ZLNO – The contract has been signed with Little America. The Sponsor and Marketing Tears need to get going.

Advocacy – The Art Contest publicity and press releases have been sent. January 7th and 8th art will be hung in the Hynds Building. The reception is planned for a Monday in January and will be held from 4:00 to 6:30pm. The Foundation is providing funds for this project.



10TH ANNUAL ZONTA'S LADIES NIGHT OUT

March 4, 2016

Shopping from Local Vendors
starting at 4 p.m.

Dinner Served 6:45 p.m.

Little America Hotel and Resort

Tickets \$75

Table Sponsorships Available

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Raising Funds to Advance the Status of
Women Everywhere

**Together, WE CAN END
Violence against Women and
Human Trafficking**

