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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

<http://cheyennezonta.org/>



Raising Funds to Advance the Status of
Women Everywhere

Together, WE CAN END
Violence against Women and
Human Trafficking



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Maxleene Goodwine 1940-2016



Maxleene J. Goodwine, Zontian of Cheyenne, died on January 16, 2016. Maybe we all have read her obituary in the Wyoming Tribune Eagle but the most moving words were shared by her daughter and our President Kathy Cathcart. This is copied from Kathy's Facebook page and the photo was copied from WTE.

"She was beautiful, but not like those girls in the magazines. She was beautiful, for the way she thought. She was beautiful, for that sparkle in her eyes when she talked about something she loved. She was beautiful, for her ability to make other people smile even if she was sad. No, she wasn't beautiful for something as temporary as her looks. She was beautiful, deep down to her soul. She is beautiful." ~ **F. Scott Fitzgerald**

Maxleene J. Goodwine, 75, of Cheyenne died on Jan. 16. She was born April 10, 1940, in Rapid City, S.D., and moved to Hereford, Colo., when she was 15. Maxleene enjoyed knitting, sewing, crocheting and crafts. She thought the sun rose and set in her grandkids. Mrs. Goodwine was the cornerstone of Double Bar G Rodeos in Pine Bluffs for 20 years and was a member of Zonta Club of Cheyenne and a prior Girl Scout leader.

She is survived by her husband, Dennis Goodwine; daughters, Stacy Goodwine of Cheyenne; Kathy Cathcart (Paul) of Carpenter; and Tracy Fogg (Keith) of Cheyenne; son, Patrick Goodwine (Heather) of Carpenter; sister, Mary Ann Hoffman (John) of Loveland, Colo.; four grandchildren, Candice Greiss (Mark); J.D. Cathcart (Jennessee Lee), Jordan Wittman (Tom); and Jacob Fogg; and great-grandchildren, Dylan Cathcart, Riggan Cathcart, Cade Wittman, Hyde Greiss and AshtonBelle Cathcart. Maxleene was preceded in death by her parents, Max and Gretchen Robertson; and a granddaughter, Tyler Fogg.

Life commemoration services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Wiederspahn-Radomsky Chapel.

Friends who wish may contribute to Zonta Club of Cheyenne, P.O. Box 2135, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

Brenda Mathre
lost her husband
of 46 years on
January 9, 2016

When someone you
love
becomes a
memory
the memory becomes a
Treasure



International Human Rights Fair
Triumph Z Club
Triumph High School
January 19, 2016
Speakers: Vette Christy and
Cara Boyle Chambers





Vette Christy, a victim of human trafficking in Texas, spoke about her past experiences at the International Human Rights Fair at Triumph High School. She began by saying, "I am not an orator." But she gave one of the best presentations we Zontians have ever heard.

Christy's heartfelt talk was followed by the sobering data regarding human trafficking in Wyoming presented by former Zontian Cara Boyle Chambers from the Office of the Wyoming Attorney General.

Thank you to Triumph Z Club and faculty sponsors Michelle Aldrich and JoLynn Murphy for organizing this successful event. The Z Club is taking orders for roses for Zonta Rose Day that will be distributed at ZLNO.





The Western suffrage story began when Wyoming transformed a dream into reality in 1869. That year, the twenty-member Territorial Legislature approved a revolutionary measure stating: "That every woman of the age of twenty-one years, residing in this Territory, may at every election to be holden under the law thereof, cast her vote." William Bright, the bill's sponsor, had come to share his wife, Julia's, belief that suffrage was a basic right of American citizenship.

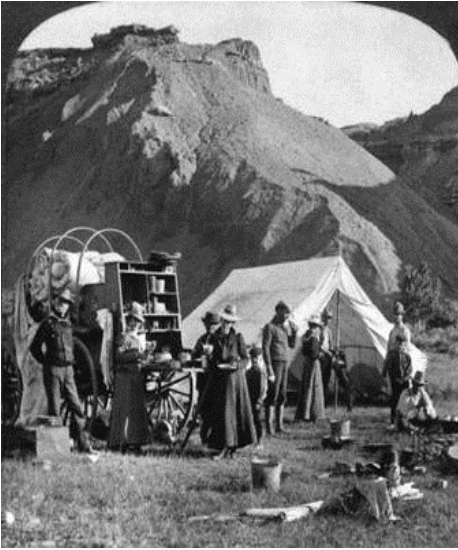
There was no organized suffrage campaign, and not a single parade, debate or public display. But women kept vigil outside Governor John A. Campbell's office until he signed the bill into law. Eliza A. "Grandma" Swain of Laramie claimed the honor of casting Wyoming's first female ballot in 1870. [Esther Morris](#) of South Park City and Caroline Neil gained fame as the nation's first female justices of the peace. The next year Wyoming's women sat on juries, another simple but revolutionary inroad for women's rights.



Why would a western backwater like Wyoming, where there were more antelope than people, challenge the nation to embrace such a controversial experiment? Was it a publicity stunt to attract more settlers? A political ploy to advance partisan causes? A panicked effort to counteract the votes of newly enfranchised African American men in western territories? There were many reasons offered in 1869, and no one explanation satisfies historians even to this day. It is clear, however, that Wyoming women embraced their right to vote and staunchly defended it against all threats.



The news spread rapidly in 1869. Although Susan B. Anthony's call for eastern women to migrate in masse to Wyoming went largely unheeded, she and Elizabeth Cady Stanton traveled to "the land of freedom" on the newly completed Transcontinental Railroad in 1871. Tourists and journalists made regular pilgrimages to the territory, like anthropologists observing an exotic tribe. Some were on the lookout for that "pestiferous freeloader doctrine," which eastern critics of women's suffrage feared so heartily. But they were hard-pressed to find anything that shocking in Wyoming. By 1888, national suffragists were still anxious to tout the therapeutic effects of suffrage in practice, hanging convention banners declaring that "the vote of women transformed Wyoming from barbarism to civilization." Harper's Magazine ran a story describing Cheyenne women in their Sunday best, politely registering voters door to door as if promenading through Central Park.

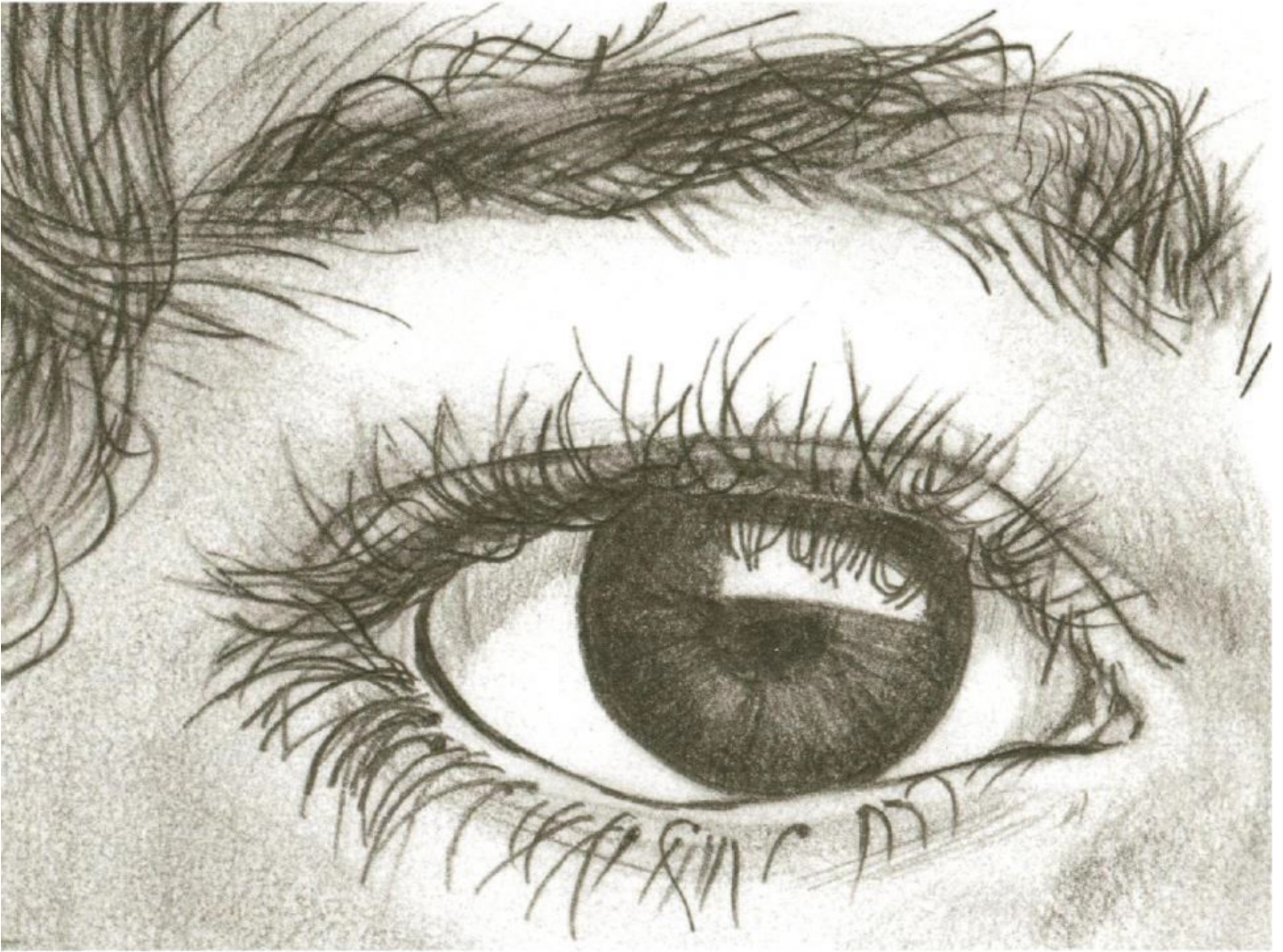


Life for Wyoming women went on, despite the exaggerated eastern publicity. Town women organized small schools and churches and tried to keep saloons under control. Hardy ranch women survived the labors and wild adventures of raising cattle on dry windy prairies or in the snowy Rocky Mountains. Horsemwomen rode astride in trousers, tracking and shooting elk, bobcat and pronghorn. Families crowded into dusty sod houses for shelter during blizzards. A handful of African American women found work in Cheyenne as laundresses. For most women, the right to participate fully in their community's politics became a fact of life as necessary as working, eating or breathing.



Wyoming statehood, in 1890, brought the frightening prospect that opponents of suffrage would rescind the right in the new constitution. Women lobbied hard against such threats. Two-thirds of the voters (all male) approved the proposed constitution with suffrage intact. The suffragists' powers of persuasion held up even when statehood was threatened in the face of congressional opposition. When the U.S. Congress, strongly opposed to women's suffrage, threatened to withhold statehood from Wyoming, Cheyenne officials sent back a staunchly worded telegram stating that Wyoming would remain out of the Union 100 years rather than join without women's suffrage. On July 10, 1890, President Benjamin Harrison signed the bill approving Wyoming as the nation's "Equality State." Wyoming voters went on to make history in 1924, when they elected [Nellie Tayloe Ross](#), the nation's first woman governor.





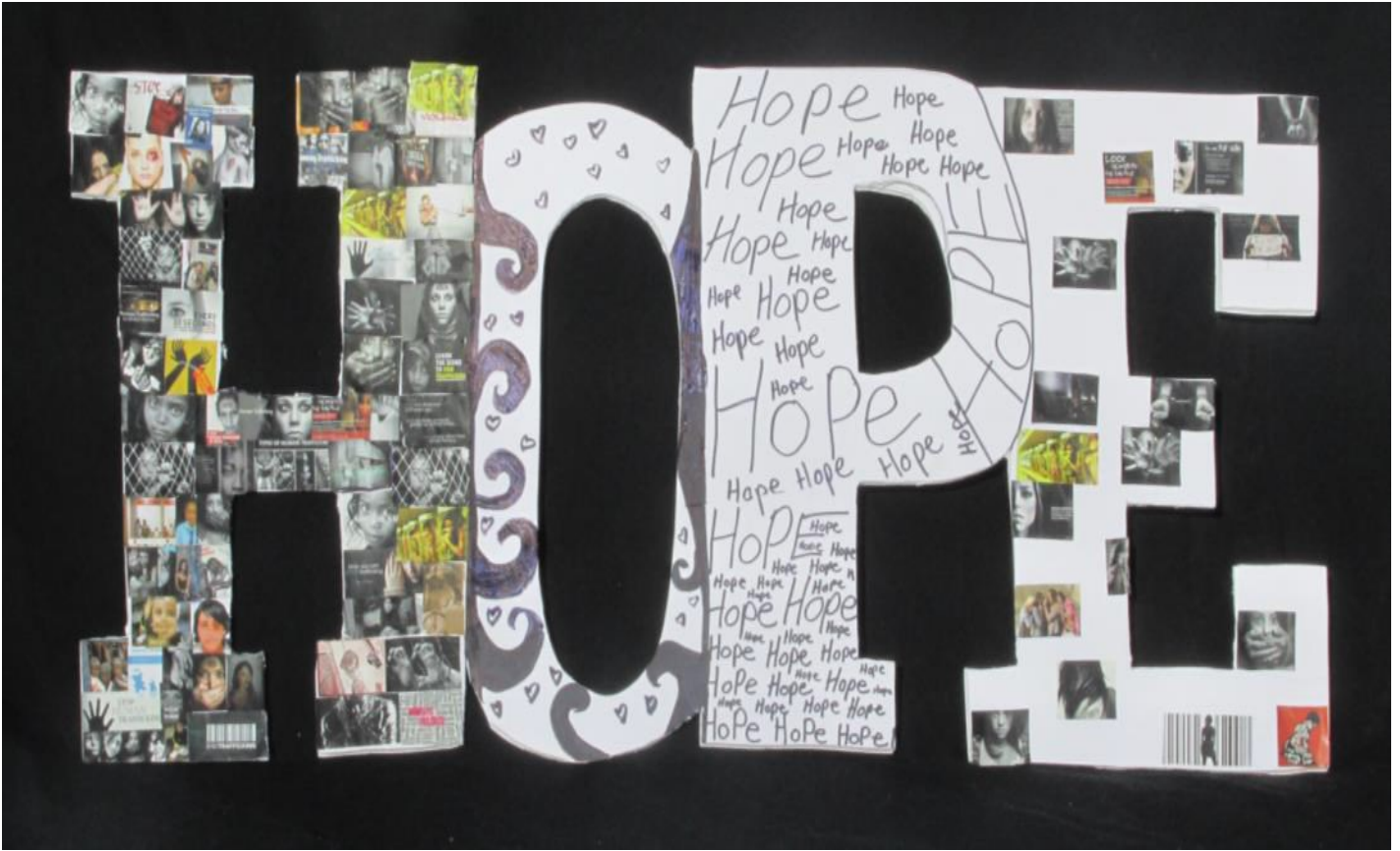
This is a self-portrait of the artist when she was thirteen years old. The artist is an adult survivor of 14 years of horrific ongoing child sexual abuse that included human trafficking and sexual slavery of children for crimes of pedophilia. From the ages of 4 through 18 her body was sold to perverted adults for their deviant sexual use. These acts occurred in the states of Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, California, Nevada, Idaho, Nebraska, Washington, Oregon, and Alaska.

THE EYE OF INNOCENCE

Artist: Sharon Norris

Adult Category





HOPE

Artist: Grace Steenbergen

Youth Category



Past President Sylvia Hackl
Motto: Make a Difference
Zonta President term: 1994-1995

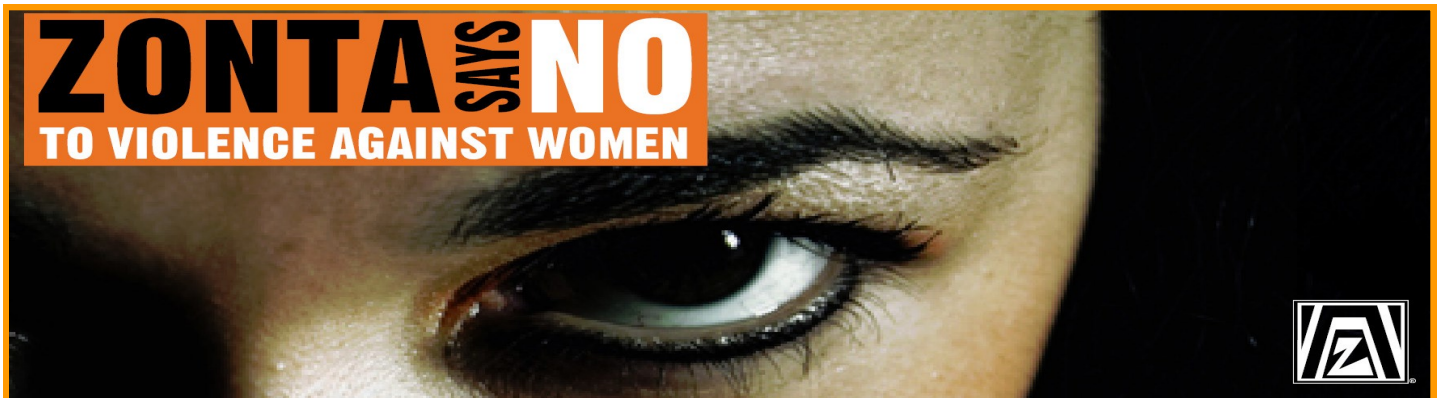


Linda Bogart and I (Jody Gostas) met with Sylvia Hackl on July 2 to reminisce about her days as President of Zonta Club of Cheyenne. Sylvia has many memories of her years with Zonta that started with her membership in 1990. Immediately she was recruited to be Secretary and shortly after that she was Vice President and then President. She was later Area 2 Director. She has fond memories of many of her sister Zontians that served with her ...and shared rooms with her at District and International gatherings.

Sylvia attended 2 Zonta International Conventions, the first in Detroit where she met International President Folake Solanke from Nigeria. After discussing the intricacies of the elaborate head covering worn by so many of the Nigerian women, Pres. Solanke said, "It sure helps on a bad hair day." Sylvia remembers the wit (and wisdom) of this very charming woman. Sylvia also traveled with Priscilla Berwick to the ZI Convention in St Louis MO in 1996.

When she was President, Sylvia began the "Cabin Fever Reliever" in the Spring of 1995. This was the precursor of the Zonta Ladies Night Out which she considers an event of great fun and to the purpose of ZI. Linda remembered Sylvia doing an "over the top" end of year report summarizing the year Sylvia was Club President. "Oh, yes," Sylvia said. "It was done on the theme of a tour of an art museum. I know I had flip charts and diagrams to bring some life" into a fairly dull topic. "My primary goal as President was to keep members engaged and to get our message out to the public."

Thank you, Sylvia, for taking the time from your very busy schedule to meet with us and share these memories.



February 2, 2016 Align Conference room (Board Meeting) 5:30 PM

February 11, 2016 Applebee's (Regular Meeting) 12:00 noon

February 18, Plains Hotel (Zappy Hour) 5:30 pm

February 25, 2016 (Orange Day)



March 1, 2016 Align Conference Room (Board Meeting)5:30 PM

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

Zonta's Ladies Night Out, Little America Hotel

Shopping begins at 4 p.m.; Dinner will be served about 6:45 p.m.

March 17, 2016 (Zappy Hour) Plains Hotel 5:30 pm

March 25, 2016 (Orange Day)

March TBA (Membership Reception) (pending)

April 5, 2016 (Board Meeting)Align Conference Room 5:30 pm

April 14, 2016 (Regular Meeting) Applebee's 12:00 Noon

April 21, 2016 Zappy Hour Plains Hotel 5:30 pm

April 25, 2016 **Orange Day**

February

Happy Birthday



Heather Wilkins 02/04



Robin Kus 02/26



Nancy Freudenthal 02/05

Ladies NIGHT OUT

March 4, 2016
10th annual





YWPA Award

**Recognizing Young Women for their
Demonstrated Leadership Skills &
Commitment to Public Service**

**Women Aged 16-19 (as of April 1, 2016)
Resident of or Going to School in
Laramie County**

**Active Commitment to Volunteerism
Experience in Local Government or Stu-
dent Government or Workplace Leader-
ship**

**300 Word Essay on Ways to Empower
Women and Improve their Status World-
wide**

**Two Recommendations from Teachers,
Employers or Other Adult Leaders**

Cheyenne Club

\$1,000

Zonta District 12 Award \$1,500

Zonta International Award \$4,000

**Funds may be used for any purpose within
recipient's discretion**

**Application Available
at:**

www.cheyennezonta.org

**Must be received no
later than March 15,
2016**

**Zonta, P.O. Box
2135, Cheyenne, WY
82003**

**or Denise Parrish,
2614 Van Lennen,
Cheyenne 82001**

Zonta Club of Cheyenne
General Meeting
January 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Cathcart.

Introduction of Guest: Melissa Martin introduced Kristy Wilson; Carla Thurin introduced Shelia Coe.

Betty Abernethy moved and Jody Gostas seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report and the General Meeting Minutes for December. Motion carried.

Announcements – Brenda Mathre's husband has passed. Donations to the Zonta Foundation have been suggested.

Stacy Splittstoesser has resigned as Chairperson of the Web Site / Facebook committee. Melissa Martin has agreed to chair this committee with Cindy Wertz agreeing to be co-chair.

Please notify either Melissa or Cindy of any corrections or additions to the web page or Facebook. It was suggested that a link to Facebook be included on the web site.

Z Club – The club will host an International Human Trafficking Fair on Tuesday, January 19th. Zonta will have a table at the fair. This project will count toward the Emma L. Conlon Service Award.

Funds raised by the Z-Club at ZLNO will be donated to Zonta International.

Art Show – East High School students submitted several pieces. Grace Steenbergen was submitted the first place entry in the under 18 category and Sharon Norris for the over 18 category. Christina, owner of Flydragon Design Studio, judged the entries. It was noted that the news media provided great coverage and that the reception was well attended.

Denise Parrish noted that a conversation regarding the Art Show / Reception location should be reviewed by the committee.

ZLNO – Lots more needs to be done!

Betsy Joannides is waiting a call back from the local TV station. She will contact the Casper TV station.

The previous printer for the program has indicated that there will be a charge for this year's program. Connie Sloan-Cathcart will investigate to see if there is another printer in the area willing to donate their service.

Lots of items for the grab-bags are needed. JoAnn Ziegler is working on obtaining gift certificates from local merchants.

Deadlines: February 14th – program advertisement. Formats to be emailed to committee.

February 26th – last day for ticket sales.

Safehouse Fundraiser – will be held on February 5th.

Silent Auction donations; Safehouse will receive a basket that is a male themed basket and one is planned for Empty Bowls.

Young Women in Public Affairs – application are on the web site. Applications are due by March 15th. An award of \$1,000 will be presented.

EVAW – assigned interviews must get done!

The program for the evening was a presentation by Carla Thurin, Zonta member and Executive Director of Safehouse - Human Trafficking.

The next membership meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at Applebee's. The meeting will begin at noon.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Moran



Basket that the Club donated to the Empty Bowls Fundraiser for Comea. The basket has a couple of handmade wood bowls in it with a pile of additional kitchen stuff, including a cookbook.



Gift basket Zonta Club of Cheyenne donated to the Celebrity Waiters Fundraiser for the shelter - a thermos, tools, and a bottle of Wyoming Whiskey signed by Gov. Freudenthal

Zonta Board Meeting

January 5, 2016

Present: Kathy Cathcart, Connie Sloan-Cathcart, Pamela Moran, Annie Wood, Denise Parrish, Melissa Martin and via conference call, Betty Abernethy.

Membership- An application from Cindy Wertz was accepted.

The December Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The Club has a current unrestricted balance of \$10,274.45.

The new Website/Facebook Committee Chairperson is Melissa Martin. A monthly calendar of events will be posted on the web site.

We are getting some Facebook "likes" on our site and potential interest in membership. Membership Chairperson Betty Abernethy will look into this.

The Advocacy Committee had twelve entries for their Art Contest. Christina at Fly Dragon has agreed to judge. There are three entries in the below 17 years of age category and several entries from 18 year olds. One of the artist was a victim of sexual abuse from the age of 4 to 16. Denise is looking into having her as a speaker at one of our meetings.

The YWPA Scholarship Information is on the web-site and will be mailed to the schools and Wyoming Tribune Eagle.

The Z Club will sponsor an International Human Rights Fair on January 19th. The Zonta Club of Cheyenne will have a display at the fair.

Kudos to Betty Abernethy and Brenda Mathre for their seasonal bulletin board display at their workplace.

The History committee is in the process of shifting records to the Wyoming State Archives.

Ending Violence against Women Reports: These are needed for the presentation at ZLNO.

Jody Gostas has reviewed the Zonta International website.

Jaime Davis – Vista Volunteer, grant application needed.

Connie Cathcart will get with Linda Casell at Sheriff Department who will provide statistics and any information available.

The General Meeting on January 14, 2016 will be at the Historic Plains Hotel, beginning at 6:00 pm. The program will be Amelia Earhart. Carla Thurin will speak briefly on Human Trafficking

These minutes have been edited for the Zephyr.
