

### 2016 Club Officers And Board

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#### **Board Members:**

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# **ZEPHYR** November 2016

#### **Announcement from Connie Sloan-Cathcart:**

Last week I called a special board meeting so I could tell the Board in person that I am resigning my position as President and [from] the Board. They graciously and with great compassion, accepted. I have not been keeping up with my duties at work or as your president, and it had me in a cycle of being overwhelmed, checking out and then feeling guilty, and doing it all over again. I just feel the need to let go while I figure out what my life looks like.

You have very capable leadership in your Board. Linda [Bogart] has agreed to go on the board to be supportive of Jaime [Davis]. Your officers are pretty new to the Club, so please support them as they have made the commitment to take these positions.

I will not give up my membership. I love you all, and our Club very much. Most sincerely, Connie



## **Another Special Announcement:**

One of the benefits of being a Zontian is knowing you have a group of sisters who will support you. We are grateful for Connie's wisdom and leadership, and support her in her decision. Similarly, I am grateful for your support as I step into the role of Club President. We are an amazing group of women, and together we will accomplish tremendous things as we work to end violence against women, locally and beyond. I look forward to serving with you!



~ Jaime Davis

## **Zonta Board Meeting Summary**

October 4, 2016 at 5:30 pm United Way Conference Room

**Present:** Connie Sloan-Cathcart, Robin Kus, Betty Abernethy, Jamie Davis, Melissa Martin, Misti Fisher & Kristie Wilson.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Connie.

Financial Report: Robin gave the Treasurer's Report as of October 1, 2016.

**Anniversary Dinner:** Per Robin, invites going out on Friday, October 7, 2016. Next committee meeting will be Tuesday, October 18, 2016, 5:30 p.m. at Uncle Charlie's.

**Committee Sign-ups:** Jaime reported on updated spreadsheets. Only a few members unassigned. Connie will follow up.

**Communication:** Melissa quickly reported on Facebook/Website status.

**Fundraising – ZLNO:** Misti updated that contract has been signed and deposit has been made with Little America.

**Advocacy:** Jaime reported and will lead the next General Meeting with this topic. Mentioned Saturday, April 22, 2017, a scenario scene confirmed. Details at Oct 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Art Contest:** Kristie reported on preliminary planning meeting. Location: Flydragon Design Studio is confirmed for gallery space and reception. Connie requested written budget request be sent to the Foundation via email.

#### Other business:

October 13, 2016 – Staybridge Suites.

**November 10, 2016** – 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party –Airport Golf Course Clubhouse.

January 12, 2017 – Amelia Earhart dinner – Melissa Martin's house.

**Navigating/Mentoring/Partnering Idea** – Short discussion on who had met with her navigator/pilot.

**Donating Christmas Trees:** Misti asked if Club was donating decorated Christmas Trees again this year. Board thought it was a doable project much like gift baskets. Misti will discuss further with Amber Ash via email. **Next board meeting** will be held Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at United Way Office.

Having no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Kristie Wilson Secretary



## Remember when looking for our website: www.cheyennezonta.org (If you go to zontacheyenne, you'll get something unrelated!)

#### ZONTA CLUB OF CHEYENNE GENERAL MEETING October 13, 2016

**Location:** Staybridge Suites

Cheyenne, WY

**Time:** 12:00 noon

Call to order

President Connie Cathcart called to order the regular meeting at 12:00 pm

#### **Birthdays:**

There was one birthday for October, Bev Schrader. The group sang her happy birthday.

#### **Introduction of Guests:**

Judy Allen from District 12. Evie Ashmore was her guest. Amanda Roberts guest of Kristie Wilson. All were introduced. Judy carried our proxy to the international meeting and presented award to our club from International.

#### Treasurer's Report and Minutes from the September 2016 meeting:

Treasurer's report was tabled as Treasurer was ill.

Betty Abernethy moved, Jaime Davis seconded the acceptance of the minutes. Motion carried.

#### **Updates and Announcements:**

#### Meeting Locations:

<u>November 10, 2016 –  $60^{\text{th}}$  Anniversary – Location Airport Golf Club, 4801 Central Avenue. The</u> normal business meeting and program will be set aside to celebrate the clubs  $60^{\text{th}}$  anniversary. Robin Kus and Kristie Wilson are the co-chairs for this function.

<u>December 8, 2016</u> – Noon general meeting – tentative location: Staybridge Suites. Will be confirmed.

<u>January 12, 2017, Amelia Earhart Dinner –</u> Location will be the home of Linda Bogart and Melissa Martin, everyone will bring a covered dish to share instead of the cost of dinner which is normally \$23.00, make a donation to Zonta International Foundation. The program will be presented by the New Z's.

#### **Other Business:**

<u>Z Club</u> - Rylee Beach, Triumph High reported on their clubs Fright Night October  $27^{th}$  @ 11:45 a.m. and Participating in Silent Witness March in November.

<u>ZLNO</u> - Contract is signed. TV5 spots spokespersons needed in Nov & December. Kathy still requesting help with vendors. Vette Christie was suggested for a speaker at ZLNO 2017 if a speaker was decided to be had.

<u>60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Update</u>. Robin Kus & Kristie Wilson asked for more volunteers to help with the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party. Committee meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 18th at Uncle Charlie's to discuss last minute details.

<u>Ending violence Against Women Project</u> – Jaime Davis quickly presented her outline of Big Idea and how to achieve these tasks as a club. Jody Gostas and Kristie Wilson briefly touched on two of the quarterly "events." More detail to come soon.

Bev Ambrose announced her renewal of membership after 40+ years in the club. Has a hard time hearing and wasn't going to renew but decided to do so, requesting members speak clearly.

Next General Meeting will be November 10, 2016 at the Airport Golf Club at 6:00 p.m. and the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party.

With no further business before the Club Connie adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Kristie Wilson Secretary





## NOTES FROM THE DISTRICT 12 GOVERNOR'S SEMINAR

Five people from the Zonta Club of Cheyenne made the trek to the beautiful Black Hills to attend the District 12 Governor's seminar in Deadwood, SD on September 23-24, 2016. The Zonta Club of Sturgis was the hostess club and they did a marvelous job of combining the seminar with tours and experiences. You may recall that the Zonta Club of Cheyenne hosted this seminar two years ago so we could appreciate all the effort and planning that was required. Governor Renee Coppock introduced the various topics and district board members who discussed Zonta activities. A report from the International Convention in France was inspiring. One of the topics was how to get millennials to join Zonta; it was noted that they are exactly the generation to understand and live our mission of advancing the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

Attending from Cheyenne were Linda Bogart (district secretary), Denise Parrish (district advocacy chair), Mary Walker, Lisa Hunt and as an extra surprise, Bev Ambrose was there. Additional pictures and more information can be found at: http://zontadistrict12.org under the Resources section.





**Beverly Ambrose** 

Lisa Hunt, Mary Walker, Linda Bogart, Denise Parrish

## ZONTA SAYS NO! TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

For the last several years, the Zonta Club of Cheyenne has recognized the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Campaign that was initiated by the Center for Women's Global Leadership Center at Rutgers University. This has become the Zonta Says No demonstration from November 25 to December 10 each year. Most recently the Triumph High School Z Club has spearheaded the activities by organizing the Silent Witness procession and display.

This year the Silent Witness procession will take place on Monday November 21, 2016 at 9:30 am from the Supreme Court Building on Capitol Avenue to the Laramie County Library. Be careful of parking as there is construction at the Capitol. The Z Club has arranged for parade permits and their school bus. The Cottonwood Room at the library has been reserved from 10:00 am to 11:15 am for a presentation. *Zonta Club of Cheyenne members are encouraged to ask other organizations (churches, Safe House, etc) to join in the procession.* The display will be set up in the library hallway after the presentation. Help will be needed to set up and take down the display and to contact the media. Please consider participating and/or going to the library to see the silhouettes. This is the club's annual event to raise awareness regarding gender violence and it coincides with the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence which is being addressed by various groups around the world. The dates for the mayor and governor signing of proclamations have not been established yet. More information about Zonta Says No and the 16 Days coordination can be found at the ZI website: zontasaysno.com/zontasvision/campaign/

Remember: tíckets purchased before 12/31/16 are \$60.00!!

Let's see if we can outsell Denise on raffle tickets!

BIG ZLNO PLANNING MEETING 11/7 AT CULVERS AT 5:30PM

11<sup>th</sup> Annual ZONTA'S LADIES NIGHT OUT March 3, 2017 Little America Hotel and Resort

Doors Open 4 p.m.









Individual Tickets Available at <u>http://www.cheyennezonta.org/</u> or from any Cheyenne Zonta Member \$75 each Special pricing available prior to 12/31/16

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# Linda Bogart and Jody Gostas, Past Presidents of Zonta Club of Chevenne Reflect on "Their Project"

Jody and I (Linda) met for coffee with Past President Jane Dorn on March 27, 2015. Jane was the first of 21 interviews that we have done in preparation of our club's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Jody, a member since 1987, and Linda, a member since 1995, have served under most of the Presidents we interviewed. It is with sadness that we have lost some of our Past Presidents, most recently Jimmy Thornton (1973–74), and then Shirley Francis (1974–75), Marion Davis (1978–79), Leah Shriver (1987–88), Selma Klein (1989–90), and Priscilla Berwick (1990–91).

Our memories were similar in many ways with stories of the Antique Show that started in 1974 at Little American and ended in 2009. After 35 years some of us agreed that being known as the Antique Ladies in town not only did nothing for our image but it did not support our mission to make our community and world a better place for women and girls. A common thread through all of the interviews was the friends that were made (some lifetime) and working in groups on projects that had a meaning and purpose.

The Zonta Club of Cheyenne original membership of 18 grew to over 100 in the 80's. Kym Zwontizer remembered talk of splitting the club into two clubs. Melinda Brazzale reminded us that when the law was passed that adult clubs could not discriminate membership by gender many women chose to belong to traditionally all men clubs like Rotary or Lions. Just this year our club was awarded a membership award from Zonta International for gaining the most members in the 2014–2016 Biennium. We continue to be a vital club working on the status of women.

All of the interviews have been published in the Zephyr.



#### ZONTA OF CHEYENNE FOUNDATION DONATES TO FORT COLLINS WOMEN'S LEGACY PROJECT

At its October 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Zonta of Cheyenne Foundation decided to support the Zonta Club of Fort Collins by donating \$100 to the Women's Legacy Project. The mural project is part of the renovation of Fort Collins Old Town and is expected to be inaugurated in the Spring of 2017. The art exhibit will recognize 48 historic and presentday women who have had a significant impact on the Fort Collins community. Woodcut prints of each woman will be created and digitally printed onto laminate graffiti-protected panels. Audio interviews and stories about these women will then be available on-line through the Zonta of Fort Collins website. The art will also be mobile and can be incorporated into educational programs that can travel to museums and classrooms. An educational curriculum is also being written from elementary to college level so that people may be introduced to the lives of these incredible women.

The Zonta of Cheyenne Foundation believes this project shows a wide variety of impacts that women in a community can have and that sharing those stories can inspire others. We hope to be able to take a group of Zontians, and perhaps Z-Club members, to see the mural after the first phase of the project is completed in 2017. For more information on the project, see www.herlegacyzontafc.com/.

## Calendar of Events

**November 10: Thursday, 6:00pm** Zonta General Meeting Airport Golf Club, 4801 Central

**November 21: Monday, 9:30am** Silent Witness Procession Beginning at WY Supreme Court

**December 8: Thursday, Noon** General Meeting Staybridge Suites

**January 12: Thursday, 6:00pm** Amelia Earhart Evening Home of M Martin & L Bogart 210 E Idaho

February 9: Thursday, Noon Staybridge Suites

March 3: Friday, 4:00 pm - ?? ZLNO, Little America

**April 22** Area 2 Meeting Cheyenne Happy Birthday Zontians



Carla Thurin 11/11 Carol Busbee 11/29

Some other November birthdays from <a href="https://www.stuffmomnevertoldyou.com">stuffmomnevertoldyou.com</a>

Nov 11, 1744: Abigail Adams, First Lady/advocate of women's rights.

Nov 12, 1815: Elizabeth Cady Stanton, suffragist and the first president of the National Women's Suffrage Association.

**Nov 18, 1945: Wilma Mankiller,** first female chief of the Cherokee Nation, activist and recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

**Nov 29, 1876: Nellie Tayloe Ross**, America's ( & Wyoming's) first female Governor and director of the US Mint from 1933 – 1953.

