

## December 2018 www.cheyennezonta.org

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Kristie Wilson

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays, fellow Zontians!

Wow! Is it Christmastime already!? We, as Zontians, are busy in the throes of 16 Days of Activisim, saying NO to violence against women AND we are busy in our personal lives preparing for the season with family and friends in various ways. I'd like to take time to thank each and every one of you for the commitment you make to our Club and its vision. I hope to see many of you at our General Meeting on Thursday, December 13 at noon at the Rail Yard Coffee Haus to thank you personally and to get a little holiday social time with you. Another year of work almost done and the Club could not have been successful without you and the effort you put towards Zonta's vision using "... fundraisers and activities that improve the legal, political, economic, health, educational and professional status of women through service and advocacy." Together let's keep fighting the good fight! So...Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!

I remain, Kristie Wilson, President Kristie.Zonta@gmail.com 307-214-4376



## 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence March on November 19th



Governor Matt Mead signing Proclamation Lisa Hunt



Mayor Marion Orr signing proclamation



Lisa Hunt at Library



Lisa Hunt with Mayor Kathy Orr



Triumph High School students



March to Library



### ZONTA ART CONTEST SUBMISSION FORM

LIMIT: one entry per person--Submission deadline: December 29th, 2018 by 5p.m. Submit to: Flydragon Art Studio at 600 W. 17th St. Cheyenne, WY 82001

ARTIST :		NAME OF PIECE :
PHONE:		MEDIUM:
	Check one:	Accepting All Mediums: sketch, paint, sculpture, textiles, photography, graphic arts, video, audio, written word,
Adult:	Age 14-18: Youth (13 and under):	spoken word, any other creative forms.

<sup>\*</sup>All submitting artists will be Featured Artists of the Month for Cheyenne Art Walk and will be on display for the public the entire month of Jan.

### Committee Reports

### Membership Committee:

New Member Application Processing: (No Report )

Orientation (New Z's) Happy Hour: (NO Report)

Navigators/ New Pilots (Mentoring) (No Report)

Inter-Club Networking (Socializing) (No Report)

Quick List: Delete entries for Beverly Schrader as she has moved on to another project

By Laws Taskforce (No Report)

Centennial Committee:

WWW.zonta.100.org.

### **Communication Committee**

Newsletter: Linda Bogart,. Brenda Mathre and Jody Gostas had meeting the finish the December Newsletter on November 27th. Any information for the newsletter must be in by the 25th of each month. Send to bmathrezonta@gmail.com

Website: Being updated More Dialogue: Zonta talks

Public Relations/Social Media: Denise Parrish has done a great job Kudos! to Denise

Historian/Record Retention: Linda reported is ongoing

Finance Committee

**Budget (NO Report)** 

Biennial Financial Review (Audit) (NO Report)\_

ZNO: See Page 6,7



### Committee Reports



### Advocacy Committee: November 27, 2018

Judy Hay is the Title IX coordinator at Laramie County Community College. I spoke to her today; I wanted to know if she or the school had any concerns to express regarding the recent announcement of proposed changes by the US Dept of Education to guidelines for handling sexual assault on campuses. (Whew, long sentence...sorry.) Ms Hay's primary concern seemed to be that the College is not equipped to be the "courtroom" for accused and accuser as proposed in these changes. The proposals allow face-to-face cross-examination of the parties involved and other witnesses. Under the new rules, a fine or penalty will not be imposed if a good effort has been made to resolve the issue. Ms Hay says definitions are clearer for what the college's responsibilities are. Allegations of assault of a non-student by a student off campus would no longer be a matter to be resolved by LCCC but would be referred to county/city law enforcement. This might discourage victims from reporting. Ms Hay is very encouraged that there is a comment period about these proposals; the previous set of regulations were handed down with no opportunity to comment.

16 Days of Activism: Jody will continue to send email blast from District 12 about each days highlights. Also see pages 2, 8, 9

**Legislative Watch:** To date we have no reply from Rep Cheney to our visit and inquiries back in late September. The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (H>R>6797 is certainly something that needs "lame duck" action so every Zontions is encouraged to contact Rep Cheney. You can call her office and leave a message with her field representative (307-772-2595) or send emails go to her website at

http://cheney.house.gov Adjournment is currently scheduled for December 14 so that is a deadline for your advocacy actions.

Service Committee:

Scholarships and Awards:

Human Trafficking Art Contest: See page 3

Z Club: Z Club helped with the 16 Days of Activism March Thanks to all who helped

Hope Bags: We delivered 34 bags to the Hospital in November



### Triumph High School Culinary Arts Annual Bake Sale

All orders for Christmas delivery must be received by December 7, 2018. For Information contact Triumph Catering at 1250 West College Drive.





- To Wy Tribune Newspaper for article and picture of Silent Witness March on 11-20 2018
- \* To Denise Parrish for article on ending Domestic Violence November 8th 2018
- Denise Parrish and Dr Michele Aldrich for appearing on Chanel 5 News on behalf of Zonta of Cheyenne November 28th 2018
- Thanks to all who worked on The 16 Days of Activism March

### **ATTENTION!**

### Zonta's Night Out:

- This is Zontas fund raiser for the year.
- Our tickets this year are \$75.00 For meal and shopping. There will be a \$45.00 ticket for shopping only. We will have check in at the door.
- We would like to have the Zonta Members to purchase their tickets by December 31.2018 or let us know if you are attending.
- There is a list on the next page of how you can help with this project or how to approach business or individuals to get sponsorship.

### Foundation:

Kathy Cathcart (Ch)

Connie Sloan Cathcart Vch)

Denise Parrish (Sec)

Misti Fisher (Trs)

Kristie Wilson



## HOW TO HELP WITH ZONTA'S NIGHT OUT RIGHT NOW

# Commit to Going to the Event

THE EVENT IS MARCH 8TH LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE GOING

BY DECEMBER 31ST!

## **Get Businesses to Sponsor**

GOLD-\$1500/2 TABLES SILVER-\$750/TABLE

BRONZE—\$400/1/2 TABLE RECOGNIZED DONOR—\$100+ THESE TICKETS ARE WORTH THE MOST TO US.

TRY TO APPROACH A BUSINESS BEFORE MID-DECEMBER SO THEY DON'T GIVE THEIR \$ TO SOMEONE ELSE

CONTACT JENNICA FOURNIER OR MISTI FISHER

## **Sell a Dinner and Shopping Ticket**

\$75 EACH \*AVAILABLE ONLINE\*
CONTACT DENISE PARISH FOR PRINTED
TICKETS

## Sell a Shopping Only Ticket

\$45 EACH \*AVAILABLE ONLINE\*
CONTACT DENISE PARISH FOR PRINTED
TICKETS

## **Sell Raffle Tickets**

\$5/TICKET OR \$20/5 TICKETS
CONTACT DENISE PARISH FOR DETAILS

## **Help Hang Posters**

CONTACT MISTI FISHER FOR DETAILS

## **Gather Materials for Grab Bags**

-SAVE YOUR OLD BIRTHDAY-THEME GIFT BAGS BUY A FEW FUN, SMALL, IN-EXPENSIVE ITEMS

-TAKE THE LEAP AND ASK FOR A REAL-LY EXPENSIVE ITEM TO BE DONATED— LIKE A DIAMOND RING!!

-CONTACT REBECCA REID FOR DETAILS

DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND WITH THEIR OWN BUSINESS?

### Acquire a Vendor

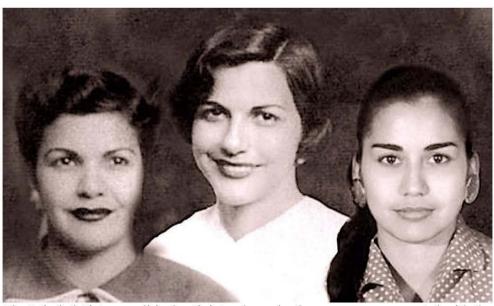
\$125/TABLE +\$15 FOR ELECTRICITY +\$35 FOR DINNER

CONTACT KATHY CATHCART OR JAMIE DAVIS

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE

Sunday, 25 November 2018, is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and marks day one of the 16 Days of Activism. Each year, from 25 November to 10 December, World Human Rights Day, the 16 Days of Activism campaign calls for action against one of the world's most persistent violations of human rights – violence against women. This violence occurs in all countries, across all economic spectrums. During the 16 Days of Activism, people around the world will unite to raise awareness about gender-based violence, challenge discriminatory attitudes and call for improved laws and services to end violence against women for good.

## How did the 16 Days of Activism come about?



The Mirabal Sisters, political activists whose deaths were commemorated with the establishment of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. On 25 November 1960, sisters Patria, Minerva and Maria Teresa Mirabal, three political activists who actively opposed the cruelty and systematic violence of the Trujillo dictatorship in the Dominican Republic, were clubbed to death and dumped at the bottom of a cliff by Trujillo's secret police. The Mirabal sisters became symbols of the feminist resistance, and in commemoration of their deaths 25 November was declared International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women in Latin America in 1980. This international day was formally recognized by the United Nations in 1999.

The global campaign of **16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence** begins with the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and ends with International Human Rights Day on 10 December–highlighting that violence against women is a fundamental violation of human rights.

## Why does this matter?

Violence against women continues to occur at an alarming scale in every country in the world. Too often it is accepted as normal behaviour and the global culture of discrimination against women allows violence to occur with impunity. Recent movements such as #MeToo and #TimesUp have propelled this issue onto the global stage.

Speaking out against women's rights abuses is something that women's rights organizations, including Zonta International, do every day. From advocating to improve laws and services to working with communities to change discriminatory attitudes and behaviours, organizations and individuals are working all over the world to respond to and prevent violence against women.

However, violence against women is a global pandemic, and it requires global action. Calls for action like the 16 days of Activism are crucial because they shine a spotlight on the issue of violence against women. They are a moment to create public awareness about what needs to change to prevent it from happening in the first place at local, national, regional and international levels.

## Who needs to be involved?

To end violence against women, we need to challenge the attitudes that perpetuate, rationalize and normalize that violence, and deny women's right to safety. Men are overwhelmingly the perpetrators of gender-based violence. To see violence truly eliminated, the attitudes of men and boys need to change. Shifting these behaviours is hard and slow, but gender equality means all of us, and working with all genders is the only way to see true change.

Violence against women is not inevitable; it is preventable. Advocate for change, and tell your families, schools, communities and workplaces. Together, our message will be amplified, and our voices heard—violence will stop!







## Zonta Club of Cheyenne Hope Bag Project

Items can be brought to a Zonta Meeting or contact: Brenda\_Mathre 631-2670 or Linda Bogart 214-3045

We accept new and gently used items. Fast Food Gift Certificates are always welcome.

Women's Hope Bags Small, Medium & Large sizes

Sweat or Yoga pants

T-Shirts

Sports bra

**Panties** 

Flipflops

Small fleece blanket one yard of fleece, 54" wide

Deodorant

Tooth Brush and Tooth paste

Shampoo/conditioner

Body wash & cloth

Sanitary pads/tampax

### Child HOPE Bags for boys & girls:

Items for toddler sizes and up through middle school

Pants

Shirt

girls' panties

boys' undershorts,

socks

tooth brushes and tooth paste

combs or brushes

shampoo & body wash & cloth

toy for appropriate size child (small toys that will fit in a back pack)

Fleece blanket



## **Upcoming Events:**

November 25,-December 10, 2018 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence
December 6, 2018 Board Meeting 5:30 Align 1401 Airport Pkwy. Ste. 300
December 13, 2018 General Meeting at Rail Yard 1620 E. Pershing Blvd Suite120

Please bring at least one non perishable food item to donate at the December General Meeting at the Rail Yard



December 20th Zappy hour TBD

January 9, 2019 Human Trafficking Awareness Art Contest 5pm-8pm at Flydragon Studio 600 W. 17th St.

January 17th, 2019 Guided Painting Class at Flydragon Studio 600 W. 17th St.

