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"Radiance and Beauty"

ZONTA ADVANCING THE STATUS OF WOMEN WORLDWIDE

Cheyenne Zonta Newsletter

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Zonta Zephyr March 2019 Newsletter





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"Every woman has a right to live free of the threat of gender-based violence. Zonta International recognizes that the human rights of women and girls are an inalienable, interal, and indivisible part of universal human rights. Zonta International recognizes the need to promote and protect the human rights of all women and girls." Read more about Zonta International Strategies to Prevent Violence Against Women (ZISVAW) at www.zonta.org.

President's Message



Hello Zontians! It's MARCH so that means it's ZNO *GO* time! It always seems to arrive so quickly. Big shouts out to Misti Fisher, Kathy Cathcart, Becki Reid, Christina Blooding, Rachel Leger & Audra Johnson for doing the bulk of the behind-the-scenes tasks that makes this event happen.

Also, give yourselves a big pat on the back for the work you put in to sell raffle tickets, get table sponsors, advertise for people to attend....all these pieces of the puzzle add up to make the night a fantastic success!

But don't forget...there's the ZNO After-Party for membership drive purposes at The Office Bar & Grill on March 20th and all that's sandwiched in between: Zonta Rose Day, International Women's Day, Mardi Gras (Mar 5--signals beginning of Lent on Mar 6), Daylight Savings Time begins (Mar 10), St Patrick's Day Mar 17.

Can't wait to share the month of March and all the celebrations it brings with you all.

I remain, as always,

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Report of General Meeting February 14, 2019 Community Action Office

At 12:08 p.m., President Kristie Wilson invited those present to introduce themselves and share why they are a part of Zonta.

Members present: Kristie Wilson, Kasie Lick (Triumph Z Club Rep), Carla Thurin, Kathy Cathcart, Kathy Orr, Linda Bogart, Ann Erdmann, Brenda Mathre, Nancy Freudenthal, William Shaver (Triumph High School), Mary Walker, Laramie Engelsbee (Triumph Z Club), Dasa Robertson, Jody Gostas, Jaime Davis, Melissa Martin, Alexa Becerra (guest from Community Action of Laramie County).

A reminder to send your Zephyr information to Jody, as she is putting together the newsletter for the next 2 months.

Ann gave a report on the progress at the legislation sessions. Ann invited all members to attend the RESULTS meeting at Noon on Monday at Highlands Presbyterian Church. The topic is on women with AIDS, global figures are reporting that the biggest killer of Women in childbearing age is AIDS and related disease (such as malaria and Tuberculous).

Brenda reported that she picked up 28 bags made by Carey Jr. High students to use for the HOPE bags. All members are invited to help assemble the bags on February 23, 11 a.m. at ALIGN (1401 Airport Parkway). An invitation will be sent to all members. If you are free to help Friday, February 22 to bring the items to ALIGN, let Brenda know. Brenda and Linda met with Elizabeth, a Forensic Nurse at the hospital who thanked Zonta for the items.

Kathy Cathcart reported we are at about 200 attendees at Zonta Night Out. Our goal is to have at least 260 attendees. Please help sell vendor tables and individual ticket sales!

Kasie reported the Z Club had the Zonta Governor (Dee Dee Boysen) visit the club and explained the roll of the District Council. Triumph Z Club currently has 5 members. They will sell yellow roses, Zonta cookies, ceramics and pins at ZNO.

Jody and Kristie met with Susie Stults at The Office restaurant and will hold the new membership reception in the *Board Room* at The Office. This will be held Wednesday, March 20th at 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Kathy Orr reported that the Grace United Methodist Church is hosting a Rally for Women event on Saturday, March 9th, 11 a.m. on the steps of the Supreme Court building. Local speakers will talk about the "Journey of Hope" to bring awareness to issues affecting women.

Members sang Happy Birthday to Nancy!

Dasa reported on the focus and function of County Action of Laramie County, mainly Project Hope: a Federally funded grant program designed to help promote self-sufficiency and design a program that would and could produce results. CALC partners with other agencies in town.

If you need information about HB107, contact Carla Thurin. Kristie closed the meeting at 1:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Melissa Martin, Secretary

Treasurer's Report ZONTA Club of Cheyenne

Reconciliation Summary

First Interstate Bank, Period Ending 01/31/2019

	Jan 31, 19	
Beginning Balance Cleared Transactions		12,935.86
Checks and Payments – 5 items	-808.46	
Deposits and Credits – 2 items	484.00	
Total Cleared Transactions		
Cleared Balance		12,611.40
Register Balance as of 01/31/2019		12,611.40
New Transactions		
Checks and Payments - 1 item		
Total New Transactions		
Ending Balance		12,521.40

Brief Committee Reports:

Advocacy: Many Zontians contacted WY legislators about various Bills that would impact the lives and status of women in the State. Many were successful with more Cheyenne Zontians advocating than ever. Thanks to Ann Erdmann for the diligently posting progress of various Bills. Last minute push to get **HB0107** passed was successful! Special thanks for this must go to Bill sponsors (esp. Rep Pelkey & Sen Nethercott) and Zontians Carla Thurin & Kathy Cathcart for getting us going. BTW, Ann, excellent editorial in WT-E on 2/28/19.

Communication: If you notice anything on our Facebook page or web site that needs enhancing, correcting or erasing, be sure to let KatCat (that's Kathy Cathcart) know as she is our contact. Karen Pacheco is the Board liaison. *There is a suggestion that the Zephyr be issued quarterly instead of monthly. If you have thoughts about this, please let Karen know.*

Membership: Recruiting evening post ZNO will be at The Office Bar & Grill, 1600 E Pershing Blvd. We have reserved their Board Room and the Game Room (with golf simulator). Bring friends and colleagues who might be interested in Zonta membership. Invite will come from the Zonta table at ZNO.

Service: 15 Hope Bags are ready for delivery to the hospital after filling them on 2/23. More will be completed as soon as shortages of various items are offset. Watch for Jennica Fournier's spread sheet itemizing what is needed. Scholarship info has been posted on our web site and with schools in Cheyenne (esp for Young Women in Public Affairs award). Jennica and Jody will be exploring how eligibles for the STEM award are to be solicited. Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship application is on our web site and must be received by Cheyenne Zonta no later than June 10, 2019.

Ad Hoc (ZNO): See last minute alert on Page 5 below.

Ad Hoc (HT Art Contest): *Committee needed* to gear up as soon as ZNO is behind us. There are several ideas to pump this up for 2020.

HOPE BAGS

Are you tired of hearing about Hope Bags? Here are a few pictures showing what they're all about. Special thanks to *Kathy Cathcart* and *Align* for making a great space available for us to assemble bags. BIG thanks to *Brenda Mathre* for storing and collecting all the donations and to *Linda Bogart* and *Brenda* for donating a yummy lunch. It was **fun**!









Unfortunately we were unable to fill as many bags as we had hoped. We especially ran short of yoga-style pants and T-shirts for women and children. Look for these in medium sizes at Sam's Club, Big Lots, Dollar Stores, Wal-Mart, etc. If you don't remember this stuff when you're out shopping, make a date to speed shop with a Zontian partner. Look at your Quick List and find a member you'd like to get to know a bit better. *Watch for an announcement soon from Jennica about the exact items most needed*.

For Adult Victims Bags:

Sweat or Yoga pants

T-Shirts

Sports bras

Panties

Flip flops

Sanitary pads/tampons

For Child Victims Bags:

Pants

Shirts

Girls/boyspanties/undershorts Socks for boys & girls

Combs or brushes



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Oh, did I just dream that? Yikes, the Program is ready, dinners are being prepared, bags are filled, raffle entries printed...but are all the tickets sold? The <u>absolute</u> last call for ticket sales is Monday, **March 4 by noon**. Please, call or text me (Misti) at 307-421-2902 with any last minute sales.



Friday, March 8 is International Women's Day, Zonta Rose Day, and ZONTA'S NIGHT OUT.



and then the next day is.......



Grace UMW, Zonta and Z Club present

The 5th Annual

Rally for Women's Rights and the Elimination

of Violence Against Women and Children

March 9th 11:00-12:00

Supreme Court Building Steps

Help end domestic violence, support victims and survivors, spread hope through strength and information...

JOIN US on our Journey of HOPE



Did I get your attention? What is *Justice3D*? It "stands for the importance of integrating the 3 dimensions of investigation, prosecution, and advocacy. The goal is to promote justice by changing the global response to sexual assault, child abuse, and intimate partner violence."

This totally sounds like our **Big Idea**. There will be a Justice3D conference in Sheridan WY from April 30 thru May 2. This info was shared by the WY Attorney General's Office (Div of Victim Services); more details can be found at https://www.sscav.org. If you could attend, I'm sure our Foundation would help with expenses. What sources of information and networking this can give Zonta so we can be more effective in our referrals! And other agencies would know we're at the table.

Look at agenda...WOW! Petition our Board if you are interested in attending this all-encompassing conference.

Calendar of Events

Mar 8 – ZNO @ Little America

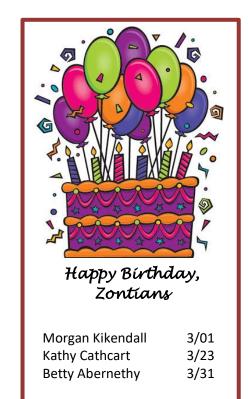
Mar 11 – Board Meeting 5:30

@ ALIGN (note date change)

Mar 20 – New Member (post-ZNO) Reception 5:30 - 8:30 at The Office, 1600 E Pershing Blvd. Invite friends/colleagues who may be interested in joining Zonta.

Apr 6 – Area 2 Meeting 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Laramie WY – WATCH for announcement and registration

Jun 7 – 9 North American Inter-District Meeting, Dallas TX





3 Ways Businesses Can Fight Sex Trafficking

A 12 minute TED talk featuring Nikki Clifton, that outlines how businesses can help fight trafficking - from setting clear policies to hiring survivors - because the business community is in a unique position to educate and mobilize employees to fight sex trafficking.

https://www.ted.com/talks/nikki_clifton_3_ways_businesses_can_fight_sex_trafficking?language=en