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"Radiance and Beauty"

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ADVANCING THE
STATUS OF WOMEN
WORLDWIDE

Cheyenne Zonta Newsletter

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# Zonta Zephyr September 2020 Newsletter



## President's Message

The right of the Citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any state on account of sex.

These words of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the United States Constitution were passed by Congress on June 4, 1919. With the requirement that three quarters of the states ratify the amendment before it became legally effective, Tennessee became the 36<sup>th</sup> of then 48 states to ratify women's suffrage. This happened on August 18, 1920 – one hundred years ago this month. Of course, women in Wyoming have had the right to vote since 1869 – long before Wyoming ever became a state.

Voting. When you hear this word, what is your reaction these days? Does it make you want to run screaming out of the room? Does it make you stand proud? Do you shyly smile or does your blood boil?

As a person who has more Zonta-related Facebook Friends than I ever imagined, I have come to realize that these individuals cover a very wide range of the political spectrum. Yet, as I scroll through posts from the right and from the left, I realize that each one of these people has embraced the mission of making life better for women everywhere. They have good hearts and good intentions. They are my sister Zontians.

So, as we enter the heat of the political firestorm the next couple of months, please remember that Zonta is a non-partisan organization. As individuals, we are opinionated and vocal in our disagreements. As Zontians, we advocate issues, not candidates. And when it is all over, we will pick up our glasses of wine and our swords, and head out to slay the next dragon while trying to make the world a better place for all women.

Vote. Stay Safe.

I remain, as always,

Denise Parrish, President parrishzonta@gmail.com 307-286-1463

#### Summary Report of General Meeting August 13, 2020 ZOOM

# ZONTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT: Denise Parrish parrishzonta@qmail.com

#### VICE PRESIDENT:

Michelle Aldrich

teachwyo@yahoo.com

#### SECRETARY:

Belinda Sawyer belinda@propertyex.com

#### TREASURER:

Kathy Cathcart kcathcart@TheAlignTeam.org

#### **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Betty Abernethy Ilaine Brown Audra Johnson Brenda Mathre Becki Reid Denise called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm by welcoming members and being sure there was a quorum. Birthday wishes were extended.

Kathy Cathcart presented the budget. Linda Bogart asked that in the future club members be asked to pay for their meals (like at the picnic) if they desire to, rather than automatically take money from the budget. A note was made for the future. Betty Abernethy moved to approve the attached budget as recommended by the Board (see attached). Seconded by Jody Gostas. Motion passed. (Note that this budget is intended as a guideline based on the planning meeting held in June.)

Kathy Orr reported on Eileen cookie dough sale which netted almost \$1300 for the club. The Board set that money aside to be used for club activities. It was recommended that we conduct the sale again in November to prep for the holiday season. Betty Abernethy, Michelle Huff and Michelle Aldrich received prizes as they tied for selling the most tubs of dough.

Membership Committee is surveying members to determine where interest lies in working on Zonta projects and programs. Board Liaisons for the

Committees are: Membership – Betty Abernethy

Finance – Kathy Cathcart

Communications – Brenda Mathre

Service - Audra Gagnon

Advocacy - Denise Parrish/Michelle Aldrich

By-Laws – Denise Parrish

Denise highlighted that it is important for member to sign up for pieces of project and committees. There is an urgent need for volunteers for 16 Days of Activism event. Talk to Mary Walker about how to volunteer for this. Michelle Aldrich will get the permit to hold the march. The date of the Silent Witness March is TBD.

Membership further reported the committee is continuing to reach out...to past members to understand why they let their membership lapse.

Advocacy Committee reported on discussion of billboard project regarding Ending Child Marriage. There was an invitation to join with North Forty Zonta Club for billboards on I-25. Committee decided to pass on this but explore other ways of educating the State about ending child marriages. Zonta will be helping with the Watch for Traffic 5K Run sponsored by Cheyenne Hills Church on Saturday, August 29 at 8:00 am. Jody Gostas explained our club will take care of the water station at the halfway point. Watch for details in an email.

Denise asked club to complete the survey regarding alternating our noon and evening meetings.

Kathy Cathcart recommended club members help move their materials (Hope Bag items, marketing items, etc) from the Align office as they are moving to a new location. Coordinate with Kathy and Linda Bogart regarding helping and/or donating storage tubs. Items need to be dropped off by August 22, 2020 so that it all can be moved in September.

Denise reminded club about the Zonta Governor's Seminar that will be held in Cheyenne on Friday, September 25 and Saturday, September 26. All are invited, see previous emails for ways to volunteer and how to register.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm. Respectfully submitted by Belinda Sawyer, Secretary and Summarized by Jody Gostas, Zephyr stand-in editor

#### Proposed Budget for FY 20/21

Sorry the print is so tiny but it *does* fit on one page!

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ZONTA OF CHEYENNE					
BUDGET FOR FY 20/21	├		⊢		
OPERATING BUDGET	-		$\vdash$		
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Club Dues Active = \$41.00*22	S	902.00			
Club Dues Retired = \$26.00*11	\$	286.00			
Club Dues New Members = \$41.00*5	\$	205.00	L		
Cash (checking account balance) Total Operating Income	S	7,800.00 9,193.00			eff 7/1/20
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OPERATING EXPENSES			$\vdash$		
Expenses - Administration			$\vdash$		
Board Discretionary Fund			S	1,000.00	
Club Advertising and Promotion			S	1,000.00	
Brochures/ Printing needs			S	500.00	
PO Box Rental	_		S	80.00	
Postage/ Stationary	_		S	100.00	
Pins/Awards/Tags Web Domain	_		S	200.00 360.00	
New Members Name Tags	-		ŝ	80.00	
Total Administration Expenses			s	3,320.00	
Expenses - Conferences & Conventions					
District 12 Registration / Delegates			S	200.00	
District 12 First Time Attendee			\$	100.00	
Total Administration Expenses			S	300.00	
Evnances Committees	_		$\vdash$		
Expenses-Committees Committees Discretionary Fund			S	200.00	
Roses			S	50.00	
Total Other Expenses			S	250.00	
Total Operating Expenses			S	3,870.00	
NON-OPERATING/SERVICE FUNDS BUDGET					
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Donations from Foundation	S	17,800.00	_		
Total Non-Operating Income	S	22,921.00			
Expenses - Dues					
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International Conv. Raffle			S	2,000.00	
Z Club - Triumph HS (Service Funds \$200 & Meals-\$495)			S	695.00	
Z Club - Explore City Wide			S	500.00	
Women in Aviation (To be explored)			TH		Foundation
Women in Business Jane Klaussman Scholarship Women in Technology Scholarship	-		S		Foundation Foundation
Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarship			Š		Foundation
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Expenses - Service and Advocacy Projects Service Reserve for Next Year			S	1,475.00	
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## SPECIAL INVITATIONS

**#1 REALLY IMPORTANT**. ALL Zontians are urged to attend the Governor's Seminar at the Laramie County Events Center on Saturday, September 26. This is best opportunity you will have this year to meet Zontians from around District 12. You will be impressed with the caliber of members throughout our District and the activities that are planned to advance the status of women...in Advocacy, Service, and Education. Ideas will percolate in this environment and you will be eager to share them with other members of our club.

**#2 Next General Meeting** is September 10. This will be an in-person evening meeting at the Rib and Chop House. The private room that has been reserved is large enough for social distancing and attendees will be expected to respect the Covid19 protocols. At this meeting, there will also be a *Silent Auction* among the attendees, with the proceeds being used to assist members with the cost of attending Zonta seminars and conferences. So, please bring your good stuff to sell. Already took all your best used items to the thrift store? Then what about offering a service to sell such as holiday baking, crocheting scarves, or whatever your specialty may be. Homemade jams and relishes also tend to be big sellers. See you there with your checkbook in tow!

**#3** You are invited to help with Zonta Says NO and our Silent Witness March/Display. Zonta Club of Cheyenne will be participating in events to highlight the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence. Since 1991 this 16 Days advocacy event has been used by over 6000 organizations in 187 countries to send the message that "gender based violence is a violation of human rights". November 25 is the International Day Against Violence Against Women and December 10 is International Human Rights Day. Many of the dates in between have historical significance from events involving gender based violence.

The "Zonta Says No" initiative echoes the 16 Days campaign. All club members and friends can participate. We have developed proclamations for the governor and mayor, planned a march near the state capitol building and **we are looking** for somewhere to set up the Silent Witness display during the 16 Days. There are many steps involved in planning these activities and Mary Walker is looking for a co-chair and committee members to assist. Contact her at <a href="mailto:mkw1901@aol.com">mkw1901@aol.com</a> to volunteer.

### Hope Bag materials preparing for new depository



Pictured I to r: Jody Gostas, Kathy Orr, Kristie Wilson, Linda Bogart, Kathy Cathcart, Kathy Starr, Pam Pafford, Belinda Sawyer, and Photographer Kathy Scigliano.

Several Zontians gathered in the storage area of Align office building to sort and evaluate donations made for the Hope Bags service project. The operation was spearheaded by Kristie Wilson, Kathy Cathcart, and Linda Bogart. Tubs, boxes, and bags were used to sort *TONS* of clothing, toiletries, and other necessities to be given at the hospital ER to victims of rape and domestic violence. This was in preparation for moving our "stuff" to a formal storage area.

Thank you to all Zontians who participated in the Cookie Dough Fundraiser. A special kudos to Betty Abernethy, Michelle Aldrich and Michelle Huff, who sold the most tubs and **they received prizes for their work** 

We are considering it a big success, as we raised more than \$1200 for our club. The Board has set that money aside to be used for club activities – not yet designated for a special project but is available for use as Board/Club sees fit. It was recommended that we conduct the sale again in November to prep for the holiday season - STAY TUNED:)

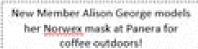




Winners:
Betty Abernethy,
Michelle Huff, and
Michelle Aldrich

#### Summer Pictures during Covid-19 pandemic!











Melissa Martin works on her artistic skills. WOW, what color!

## RANDOM TIDBITS FROM THE "GUEST" EDITOR

Do you know why we have a silent auction in September? Registration is often expensive for Zontians to attend a District Conference, Governor's Seminar, and especially the International Convention. Proceeds from the Silent Auction are committed to helping defray some of these costs and might encourage a member to attend. Bring your white elephants – or any color elephant – unused gifts you have received, homemade canning products you've put up from this summer's bounty, reservations for cakes or dinner or child care you might donate. You've been to lots of silent auctions so remember what you thought was a great idea and donate that to this annual event.

#### Notes and Corrections:

Brenda Mathre, one of our most active Zontians, has been in CRMC recovering from emergency surgery. She's anticipating a long convalescence and would probably appreciate "get well" wishes.

\*\*Quick List Changes\*\*

Ilaine Brown new email address:

ilainewyzontian.@yahoo.com

Dasa Robertson no longer works at

CALC so delete her work address

till further notice.

Thought for the day: Being positive does not mean ignoring the negative. Being positive means overcoming the negative.

Source anonymous

#### **Calendar of Events**

September 3 (Thu) 5:30 pm Board Meeting-Denise's House, 2829 Deming Blvd

September 10 (Thu) 6:00 pm General Meeting - Silent Auction/Eatable Goodies Rib and Chop House

September 25 (Fri) 6:00 pm Governor's Seminar Dinner The Gallery at the Met

September 26 (Sat) 8:00 am District 12 Governor Seminar Laramie Co Events Ctr K & M



Happy Bírthday September

There are no birthdays on record this month so let us celebrate our strength!



Sharon Langenbeck
President
Santa Clarita Valley, USA
District 9

Who is this woman and why is she in our newsletter?

Sharon Langenbeck is the newly elected President of Zonta International. She has shared her history as the only woman in the University of Missouri School of Mechanical and Aero-Space Engineering. She has shared her history in a video presentation. She firmly believes, "Education is the key to self-reliance." Find her on YouTube to learn about the woman who will lead Zonta into the next biennium.

When was the last time you looked at our website? Check it out; Kathy Cathcart is doing a great job but she always appreciates comments from those who have taken the time to look at it.

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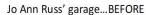


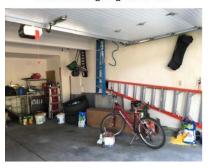


A few more COVID summer pictures!











Jo Ann Russ' garage...AFTER (WOW)

