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Message from the President

Women's Rights are Human Rights

October 24, 2020 marks the 75th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. It is a time to reflect on the past, celebrate the accomplishments of the present and look forward to progress toward a better and brighter future for everyone.

There are plenty of reasons people find to take issue with the United Nations – but let's focus for a moment on the positive. Zonta has achieved many successful service projects by partnering with various entities that are part of the United Nations.

Each of the current Zonta International service projects are being done in partnership with either UNICEF (the United Nations Children's Fund) or UNFPA (the United Nations Population Fund). These projects include: Ending Child Marriage; Empowering Girls through Education; Helping with the Recovery of Women who are Gender-Based Violence Survivors; and Improving the Health of Adolescent Girls and Working to Protect Them from Violence. It is hard to imagine Zonta being able to have

the impact we have internationally without partnering with the United Nations.

Ten years ago, the United Nations established a branch -- United Nations Women -- that is dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women. It works with governments and civil society to make the vision of gender equality a reality for women and girls around the globe. It recognizes that empowering women fuels thriving economies.

As Zontians, we have differing views about the work of the United Nations. But, please remember that it is our partner in doing much of the good work that we have supported and engaged in for many years. Zonta, and the United Nations, have the goal of making the world a better place.

We still have much work to do, and sometimes we stumble along the way. However, we must continue our quest to get the world to recognize that *gender equality is a basic human right*. That is what we do as Zontians. As long as the United Nations is willing to partner with us to try to achieve that mission I, for one, am happy for its help.



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“Fight for the things that you care about. But do it in a way that will lead others to join you.”

- Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Governor's Seminar Summary

By Denise Parrish

The District 12 Governor's Seminar was held on September 26th following an opening dinner gala the previous night. The dinner gala was held in a beautiful room at the Gallery at the Metropolitan, with fantastic food, amazing service, plus a magic and musical performance by Elvis.

The morning of the seminar began with a beautiful version of the National Anthem by Cheyenne Harmony, of which our own Kathy Orr and Donna Angel are members. We then learned about the Zonta international service projects for the upcoming biennium, changes to the Zonta International bylaws, and the focus to be put on member retention.

As part of the member retention report, there was discussion of *what members want* that included: understanding issues; fulfillment through contribution; friendships and supportive relationships; training and experience in learning new skills; networking; mentoring; and to just have some fun.

The morning continued with a tribute to the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Most of the rest of the morning and early afternoon were filled with reports about various Zonta activities, hearing from District 12 officers and members of the leadership team. A number of awards to Zontians and Zonta Clubs were also provided. One of the notable moments was when the Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area was awarded both the District 12 Service Award and the Advocacy

Award. Additionally, the Zonta Club of Cheyenne received the *First Time Attendees Award* for having the most first-time attendees at a Governor's Seminar or District Convention.

The keynote speaker was Jackie Parker from *Strong Families Strong Wyoming*. This is an entity whose mission is to help youth build better futures and better relationships for a stronger Wyoming. She discussed the work being done with youth including: healthy relationship education; providing parenting skills; teaching financial literacy; career exploration; and teaching how to navigate social media safely.

The rest of the seminar was primarily spent in training sessions where participants could select from two of four offered sessions. Our own

Kathy Cathcart taught a session on Zonta leadership opportunities, and Denise Parrish conducted a session on advocacy. The other two sessions were on Zonta resources on leadership and training workshops, and tips for being a successful committee chair.

Forty-two people registered to attend the Governor's Seminar in-person and about another twenty were registered to participate through Zoom. There were some technical difficulties involving the on-line aspects of the meeting but in general, those attending in person were quite satisfied.

Finally, The 2021 District 12 Governor's Conference is scheduled for September 24-26 in Colorado Springs.



Announcements

Zappy Hour

Join us for an informative Zonta Event

Zappy hour is our way of getting all the information you need to make an informed decision on joining ZONTA

Saturday, October 17, 2020

Align – 1401 Airport Pkwy, Cheyenne, WY

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

This is your chance to learn all about ZONTA INTERNATIONAL

A light breakfast along with mimosas and a bloody mary bar will be provided

ZAPPY HOUR will be presented in a speed dating style meeting where you will have a chance to learn about each committee and the various activities we do throughout the year that all focus on our mission: Empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. Our focus recently has been to put an end to human trafficking and gender violence. You will learn about the various duties you as a Zontian can hold if you choose to become a member.

For those that want to help with our Hope Bag project may want to say and help fill bags.

RSVP – bettyabernethy@gmail.com

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Kudos!

Several Cheyenne Zontians were nominated for the 2020 Women of Influence Award in their respective category. Well done ladies, you all deserve it!

Karen Pacheco



Rebecca (Becki) Fejes Reid



Audra Gagnon



Nancy Freudenthal



Rachel Leger



Meeting Minutes Summary

Denise called the meeting to order at 6:14pm by welcoming members: Denise Parrish, Michelle Aldrich, Kathy Cathcart, Betty Abernethy, Karen Pacheco, Belinda Sawyer, Michelle Huff, Kathy Scigliano, Pam Pafford, Kathy Starr, Jennica Fournier, Illaine Brown.

- Introduction of Zontians and Guests

Keely Cleveland, our scholarship recipient was welcomed.

Denise distributed the Membership Pins to Newer Members: Illaine Brown, Michelle Huff, Pam Pafford, Belinda Sawyer, Kathy Scigliano, and Kathy Starr.

- Introduction of the Silent Auction Fundraiser, Dinner, and Meeting

Thank you for all the members that donated silent auction items.

Denise ordered and distributed Zonta Globe Banks for members to start gathering money for the Zonta International Foundation.

- Jennica Fournier, Scholarship Committee Chair, introduced our 2020 Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship recipient: Keely Cleveland

Keely said she is very grateful for this scholarship. She believes women are as capable as men and is very supportive of the cause being brought to light. She is attending LOCC this year and then hopes to attend CSU

- Eileen's Cookies Dough Sale – lets do it again in November!

- New Fundraiser Idea – Ugly Holiday Sweater (On-line) Contest. Denise explained her idea. More planning and details to come.

Thanks to Kathy Scigliano for volunteering to help with the Social Media aspect of this fundraiser.

Denise is exploring getting professional help to establish the contest on-line but will need help promoting. More details to come.

- Committee Survey (Survey Monkey Survey)

Results will be emailed out in the next few days

If you have not responded, please do so or contact Michelle Aldrich with your interest

- Zonta Governor's Seminar (Sept 25-26)

Those who have not yet registered – the time is now... final meal count for Friday Gala due next week.

One scholarship for the Saturday meeting is still available – Club will pay the registration -- By the end of the meeting, a Club Member had requested the last of the scholarships.

- Results of the Survey on Club Meetings for Immediate future (based on 30 responses)

We will continue to hold an evening meeting one month, followed by a noon meeting the next month

Evening meetings will be held in-person (following Covid19 guidelines); Noon meetings will be by Zoom

- Upcoming Meetings and Events

- September 25-26, Zonta District 12 Governor's Seminar

- September 28 – Membership Committee Meeting (Zoom)

- October 1 – Board Meeting (Denise's House)

- October 8 – Club Member Meeting (Zoom, noon) – Focus on the United Nations

- October 17 – Save the Date – Possible Membership Recruiting / New Member / Hope Bag Event

- November 5 – Board Meeting

- November 12 – Club Meeting (Location TBD, 6 pm) – Focus on Zonta International Foundation

- November 21 – Save the Date – Possible Silent Witness March and Victim Silhouette Display

- Michelle Huff went over the Hope Bag positions that were still available. Bag Contents Coordinator and Community Contact Coordinator. Belinda, Kathy and Pam volunteered to fill these positions.

Auction winners were announced

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted by Belinda Sawyer, Secretary

Treasurer's Report October 2020

Date: 08/31/2020						
Type	Date	Number	Name	Cleared	Amount	Balance
Beginning Balance						\$ 7,015.81
Cleared Transactions						
Checks and Payments						
Check	8/3/2020	4477	Eileens	08/12/20	\$ (1,792.00)	\$ (1,792.00)
Check	8/3/2020	4478	Eileens	08/12/20	\$ (28.00)	\$ (28.00)
Check	void	4480		08/24/20		\$ -
						\$ -
						\$ -
						\$ -
Total Checks and Payments					\$ (1,820.00)	\$ 5,195.81
Deposits and Credits						
Deposit	8/25/2020		Pay Pal Cookie Money	08/25/20	\$ 981.69	\$ 981.69
Deposit	8/26/2020		Eileens Cookie money	08/26/20	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 2,040.00
Deposit	8/27/2020		bogart, parrish, Orr Ched	08/27/20	\$ 107.00	\$ 107.00
						\$ -
Total Deposits and Credits					\$ 3,128.69	
Total Cleared Transactions					\$ 1,308.69	\$ 1,308.69
Cleared Balance						\$ 8,324.50
Register Balance						\$ 8,324.50
New Transactions						
Checks and Payments						
Check	8/20/2020	4479	JubJub		\$ (90.00)	\$ (90.00)
Check		4481	Rachel Griess		\$ (500.00)	\$ (500.00)
Check		4482	Keeley Cleveland		\$ (1,000.00)	\$ (1,000.00)
Total Checks and Payments					\$ 4,128.07	\$ (1,590.00)
Deposits and Credits						
						\$ -
Total Deposits and Credits					\$ -	\$ -
Ending Balance						\$ 6,734.50

Announcements



September was a busy month for Zonta Club of Cheyenne! We had the membership meeting at the Rib and Chop House with a silent auction. Jennica Fournier presented the Women in Business Scholarship to Keely Cleveland. Well done Keely! Despite wind and a little moisture, our Zontians also hosted a water station for the Watch for Traffic 5k to raise awareness of human trafficking. It was a productive month for the advancement and empowerment of women in our community. Great work everyone!

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Nominating Committee

Dasa Roberston

Ann Erdmann

Mary Walker

Committee Chairs

Advocacy: Denise Parrish

Communication: Karen Pacheco

Finance: Kathy Cathcart

Membership: Betty Abernethy

Service:



Kristie Wilson 10/6 *Ilaine Brown* 10/23
Dasa Roberston 10/10 *Belinda Sawyer* 10/30
Ann Secrest 10/20

Zonta Foundation :

Kristie Wilson (Ch)

Linda Bogart (V Ch)

Denise Parrish (Sec)

Melissa Martin (Tres)

Donna Angel (Member at Large)

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, Oct 1: Board Meeting, Denise's House

Thursday, Oct 8: Member meeting via Zoom, 12:00pm

Saturday, October 17: Zappy Hour, 9:00 am to 11:30 am at Align

We would love to see your pictures!

It would be great to see all of our fabulous members doing things with their families, at work and in support of Zonta and the community. If you have pictures you'd like to share, please send to Michelle Huff at mnrc130@yahoo.com. Thank you!

