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# Message from the President

Let's have a Happy Thanksgiving and Count Zonta among our Blessings!

It is November, and my mind has turned to Thanksgiving 2020. What new agony will be brought upon us in this insufferable year? Will we be challenged to find things for which to be thankful and instead spend the day curing Covid19, a mask mandate, the election results (whatever they may be), fundraising challenges, and not being able to live our lives as we knew it in 2019? Please don't. Our energy can be spent on so many more productive matters.

Our Zonta Club offers a wide variety of activities – something for everyone. The Membership Committee has been successful in recruiting some new members. The Advocacy Committee is busy researching projects related to eliminating violence against women / gender-based violence. Fundraising continues with another opportunity to sell Eileen's cookie dough. Plans are being made to engage the community in the Art Contest on a virtual basis. Sixteen Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence will once again be observed thanks to our members' efforts. Scholarships are still being given benefiting local community members. We are putting our change aside to help the Zonta Foundation for Women (formerly Zonta International Foundation) fund our work internationally. So much to be done. So much being done.

November 2020

So, this Thanksgiving, we can still give thanks for our friends and family, even if they are joining us by Zoom instead of sitting at our table with us. We can, and must, think of all the many blessings we have even in these challenging times. Finally, we can give thanks that among our blessings is our association with passionate, active, and caring Zontians who still are out to better the world.

Happy Thanksgiving to each of you!

- Denise



"The success of every woman should be the inspiration to another. We should raise each other up. Make sure you're very courageous: be strong, be extremely kind, and above all be humble."

- Serena Williams

## Announcements

### Dístríct 12 Leadershíp Workshops

November 9 and 10, 2020. Denise Parrish, D12 Advocacy Chair, is offering a one hour workshop from 6-7 PM on "Advocacy: Making a Difference in the World." She invites you with the following enticement: Being an advocate is a scary thought to many. But we are all advocates to different degrees. The session will discuss how to get started and how to have an impact on the issues you care about. It will also describe some of the Zonta resources to help you advocate, and provide an update on the status of some of the key issues important to Zontians. We offer the same workshop on two nights in the hope of making them available to more Zontians.

November 11 and 16, 2020. Kathy Cathcart, D12 Nominating Committee Chair will present a workshop from 6 - 7 PM on "Succession Planning." She writes: This session is for ALL club members. Our clubs routinely have open leadership positions. We have members that are interested in leadership positions! (Some may not know it yet.) We all have members in our clubs that will be a great fit for a leadership position. We will discuss strategies to help members succeed in leadership positions and how to understand what is expected in the position.





On Friday, United Methodist Women of FUMC presented 90 Hope Bags stitched by their Stitch in Time interest group to Linda Bogart as our Zonta Representative. They still need cord laced, but a number of them already have stuffed animals included. Right to left in the pictures are Linda, Barbara Harris (Stitch in Time), and Judy Christensen (FUMC UMW president). Above, that's Michelle Huff just flying around in a C-130 thinking about traditional gender rolls and thinking of ways to break them!



## Announcements

### 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence

Zonta Club of Cheyenne will once again be participating in events to highlight the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. Meet at the Capitol Building at 9:30 am on Saturday, November 21, 2020 and join in a silent march to the Laramie County Library where we will set up a display of life size silhouettes to honor victims of domestic violence.

You can also assist in taking down the exhibit on Thursday December 10 at 10:00 am. A Proclamation has been prepared for the governor. A virtual signing of the proclamation is scheduled for Monday November 16, 2020 at 9:00 am.

Check your email for the information to join the Google meet. These meetings have been very meaningful in the past and everyone is urged to attend. The Silent Witness display always causes comments and questions at the library so please try to visit it whether or not you can participate on November 21.

Since 1991 this 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 days in between have historical significance from events involving gender based violence. For more information you can google "16 Days of Activisim" and "Zonta Says No".

Mary Walker, Advocacy Committee



Gourmet Cookie Dough Available in 3lb Tubs • Makes 48-1oz Cookies

Available in the following flavors: M&M, Chocolate Chip, Cranberry White Choc. Oatmeal, Sugar, Peanut Butter, Oatmeal Raisin



## **Cookie Sales!**

See attached order form for

cookie sales.

- Make checks payable to
  Cheyenne Zonta
  - Pay online at CheyenneZonta.org
- Return form and money to Melissa
  Martin by Monday, November 9
- Pick up dough from Kathy Orr on Saturday, November 21

## **Meeting Minutes Summary**

### Zonta Club of Cheyenne General Meeting - October 8, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 by President Denise Parrish on Zoom. There was a quorum present with 19 in attendance, joined by 2 others later. Birthday wishes were extended; the traditional song performed.

Because October is the anniversary month for establishment of UN, Pres Denise gave a presentation about the United Nations and Zonta's historic role with it.

Denise opened discussion about the Governor's Seminar which was held on September 26. Zonta Club of Cheyenne received the award for having the most 1<sup>st</sup> Timers in attendance. Those who attended the presentations by Kathy Cathcart and Denise Parrish agreed they were outstanding. The presentations are available on the Zonta District 12 website under the Members Only tab.

Zontians are invited to attend the Zappy Hour New Member/Member Recruitment event to be held on Saturday morning, October 17 from 9:00 - 11:00 at Align. The invitation and details are in the October Zephyr. This will be fun and informative. Bring guests and potential new members; wear your masks.

16 Days of Activism plans were discussed. November 21 is the target date for the Silent Witness March and Display. The official dates are 11/25 - 12/10. Kathy Cathcart will try to arrange for Governor Gordon and Mayor Orr to sign proclamations. Volunteers are being asked to help with this annual event.

Announcements: There will be another Eileen's Cookie Dough fundraiser for Zonta in November. Pres. Denise is working on an Ugly Sweater Contest that will also be a fundraiser.

Kudos extended to 2020 Women of Influence who were selected and honored. There were 5 women from Zonta nominated and honored: Nancy Freudenthal, Audra Gagnon, Rachel Leger, Karen Pacheco, and Becki Reid. In November there will be 2 online District training presentations (Advocacy and Succession Planning). Members are encouraged to engage.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:06.

Respectfully submitted: Jody Gostas o/b/o Belinda Sawyer



## Kudos!

#### 13 Professionals Earn Their Wyoming Certified Public Manager Credential from LCCC September 22, 2020

CHEYENNE, WYO. – Even through the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, 13 professionals from across Cheyenne earned their Wyoming Certified Public Manager credential from Laramie County Community College this month.

This year's graduates are: Jessica Asbury, Wyoming Department of Family Services; <u>Ilaine Brown, Wyoming Department of Education</u>; Lindsay Conyers, Wyoming Department of Health; Cynthia Fernandez, Wyoming Retirement System; Kristina Funk, Wyoming Department of Workforce Services; Linda Herget, Laramie County Community College; Brian Hickman, Wyoming Department of Workforce Services; Jamin Johnson, Wyoming Department of Health; Star Jones, Wyoming Department of Health; Megan Norfolk, Wyoming Department of Health; Jessie Schaeffer, Wyoming Department of Health; Kalie Spurgas, Wyoming Department of Audit; and Theresa Wessenberg, Wyoming Department of Health.

As part of the graduation and credentialing requirement, all participants were asked to develop and initiate delivery of a project that addresses continuous improvement in their respective organization.

The Certified Public Manager program is designed to develop the critical skills demanded by leaders in public and nonprofit sectors within the state. Competencies addressed include numerous topics such as leading people, developing personal and organizational integrity, systemic integration, and change leadership. This nationally recognized program consists of 11 multi-day sessions a 12-month period.

LCCC is the only accredited program in Wyoming to offer the Certified Public Manager credential opportunity.

## Well Done, Ilaíne!





In October, Zonta International Foundation announced a name change. Also, Kathy Orr snapped a picture of a truck with the "Truckers Against Human Trafficking" poster on the back on I-80. It is great to see that out on the road! And lastly, everyone take care this Flu season. Stay safe and stay Healthy!







## **Treasurer's Report November 2020**

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### 2020 Club Officers And Board

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#### **Board Directors:**

Brenda Mathre

Ilaine Brown

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Rebecca Reid

Audra Johnson

**Nominating Committee** 

Dasa Roberston

Ann Erdmann

Mary Walker

#### **Committee Chairs**

Advocacy: Denise Parrish Communication: Karen Pacheco Finance: Kathy Cathcart Membership: Betty Abernethy Service:



Carla Thurín Audra Johnson

11/30

11/11

### Zonta Foundation :

Kristie Wilson (Ch)

Linda Bogart (V Ch)

Denise Parrish (Sec)

Melissa Martin (Tres)

Donna Angel (Member at Large)

### **Upcoming Events:**

Thursday, November 5: Board Meeting Thursday, November 19: General Meeting

Monday, November 9: Deadline for cookie sales

November 9 & 10 @ 6pm: Advocacy Workshop hosted by Denise Parrish

November 11 & 16 @ 6pm: Succession Planning Workshop hosted by Kathy Cathcart

Saturday, November 21 @ 9:30am: Silent March

### 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!

