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# Zonta Zinger

*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

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*Building Zonta in the  
21<sup>st</sup> Century –  
Inspired by the  
Challenge of Change*



Dear Zonta Friends,

We are closing in on the end of the 2012-2014 biennium! We have a terrific slate of new officers who will be installed on May 7<sup>th</sup>. That gala event will be held at the beautiful new Grand Street Café in Lenexa at 6:30 p.m.

Our April 2<sup>nd</sup> Stone Soup Supper will take place at the Korek's at 6:30 p.m. Michele Biondo, Vice-President of Community Relations Development will share information about the programs at Spofford. Her presentation will be followed by a brief business meeting. The cost of the meal and donation to Spofford will be \$20. (Note: Find addresses for both April and May meetings following the Dates to Remember section of this newsletter.)

Many thanks to Dorothy Tomc for finding a new location for the Installation Dinner and for arranging the catered food for the Stone Soup Supper! She is definitely our "Dot on the Spot!"

I hope you and welcome guests are able to attend both events!

Dawna

### **Items of Note**

If you have not yet paid your dues, please bring a check for \$139 to the April meeting. We are also striving for 100% participation in making individual contributions (any amount) to Zonta International, due in April as well. Thanks to all for your support of Zonta and our causes. At times, membership to Zonta can be time and money intensive, but it is so worthwhile!

The Atchison Area Zonta Club will be hosting the Area 4 meeting on Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> at Elizabeth's in Atchison. Michele Stauffer, award-winning aviator, will be the featured speaker. Additional presentations will be given by our own Anne McCleery, Area Four Director, and Janet Kannard, the District Seven Governor. The registration deadline has passed, but Anne is checking to see if late registrations will be accepted.

Bridget McSorley, who currently attends Bishop Miege High School, is our YWPA scholarship winner. She plans to enroll at either UMKC or Truman State University to major in Criminal Justice. Bridget has been highly recommended for her scholarship, character and volunteer work at the Keeler Center by Sister Carol Ann. She and her mother have been invited to join us at either the Stone Soup Supper or the Installation Dinner in May. Many thanks to Anne and Joyce for their hard work on the Scholarship Committee!

### **U.N. News**

The U.N. Security Council has held 8 meetings in less than three weeks on the Ukraine crisis, as Western powers attempt to highlight Russia's diplomatic isolation. U.N. Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon has travelled to Russia and the Ukraine to meet with the leaders of both countries. Also the United Nations is sending a 34 member human rights monitoring mission to the Ukraine.

### **Zonta History**

Zonta's partnership with the U.N. began in 1962 when Zonta collaborated with the U.N. Relief and Works agency to provide vocational training for women in the Gaza Strip. Zonta provided 573 scholarships totaling \$327,000 over a period of 14 years.

### **Something to Buy**

Thistle Farms, was cited by Kristy Childs (Veronica's Voice) as a model program for survivors of prostitution, trafficking, addiction, and abuse. It is run by the women of Magdalen, who create and sell beautiful earth-friendly products such as scented bath items, candles, and paper goods. You may learn more about this enterprise and order their products at [thistlefarms.org](http://thistlefarms.org).

### **Words of Wisdom**

*"If you light a lamp for someone else, it will also brighten your path."* Buddha

### **Dates to Remember**

04/02/14	Stone Soup Supper	Korek's, Olathe
04/05/14	Area 4 Meeting	Elizabeth's, Atchison
05/07/14	Installation Dinner	Grand Street Café, Lenexa
06/04/14	Business Meeting	Conroy's
06/27-07/01/14	Zonta Int. Convention	Orlando, Florida