

# Zonta Zinger

*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

**Zonta Club of JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS**  
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*Building Zonta in the  
21<sup>st</sup> Century –  
Inspired by the  
Challenge of Change*



Dear Zontian Friends,

Happy Holidays! During this season, it is good to remember that not all gifts are wrapped in shiny paper and adorned with pretty bows. Generosity, compassion, service, loyalty, and shared talent are some of the priceless gifts that are so unselfishly given by Johnson County Zontians all year long. Thank you for everything you do for each other and for the women of our community, our nation, and our world. May the holiday season bring you the gifts of peace and joy!

Dawna

**Minutes—November 07, 2012**

Minutes of the meeting for the Zonta Club of Johnson County, Kansas---November 7, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Dawna Adams-Davis. Thirteen other members were present. They were Cheryl Breeden, Marcia Charney, Marilyn Hedges, Ruth Holzschuh, Marie Kolich, Joan Korek, Kathleen Long, Anne McCleery, Mary Mondi, Dolores Otto, Barbara Page-Stocks, Dorothy Tomc, and Cynthia Yin.

Cynthia moved and Cheryl seconded that the minutes be approved as presented.

The Service Hours log was routed.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$7369.75 in the treasury and the budget was presented for audit.

Dolo reported that the Strategic Planning is ready to start, but we will wait until January to pick dates that are available.

Anne reported that the CRC/CDAW and UN dinner on October 29<sup>th</sup> was a success.

Ruth announced that Cynthia Yin is the Zontian of the Year and that the award will be presented at the Amelia Earhart luncheon.

Dawna and Marie thanked everyone who participated in our fundraisers.

Dorothy announced that the Christmas dinner will be on December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Intercontinental Hotel on the Plaza. We will have an optional white elephant gift exchange.

Mary moved and Dolo seconded that we give \$50 to Alma and \$200 to the Keeler Center to be distributed in a manner to be determined at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Long, Recording Secretary

### **Items of Note**

You will have an opportunity to exchange material presents (optional white elephant gifts) at our holiday party on December 5<sup>th</sup>. The fun will begin at 6:30 at the Intercontinental Hotel on the Plaza. Please RSVP to Dorothy Tomc if you plan to attend.

Sister Carol Ann and the women of the Keeler Center have expressed the deepest gratitude for our gift bags, winter gloves, household goods, talent and time! All club members have been invited to the Holiday Open House for Keeler volunteers at S. Carol Ann's home at 8925 Hadley Place in Overland Park. It will be from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Please let me know if you plan to attend and I will RSVP to her.

The 16 days of activism campaign continues through December 10<sup>th</sup>. Some of the special dates during this time period are:

- December 01- World Aids Day
- December 03-International Day of the Disabled
- December 06-Montreal Massacre Anniversary
- December 10-World Human Rights Day

Across the world, thousands of people support this campaign by wearing white ribbons.

Congratulations to the Zonta Club of Topeka for presenting a very successful and informative conference on Human Trafficking. Thanks to Pam Fellingham and Dolo Otto for serving on the planning committee

and to Dolo for designing the excellent invitation. The following are a few facts shared at the conference:

1. Human Trafficking is the fastest growing crime industry in the world.
2. It currently ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> behind drugs and weapons as the most lucrative crime industry.
3. About 80% of Trafficking victims are sex workers and the rest are forced laborers.

#### United Nations

By purchasing UNICEF holiday greeting cards, you help support children's causes around the world. The cards are available in Hallmark Stores, at Barnes and Noble, and online at Amazon.

#### Something to Read

"In the Time of the Butterflies" by Julia Alvarez was written to honor the lives of the Mirabel Sisters, who bravely fought against the tyrannical dictatorship of Rafael Trujillo in the Dominican Republic. Three of the sisters were brutally murdered for their political activism. November 25<sup>th</sup> is the date chosen to commemorate their lives and to begin the Sixteen Days of Activism campaign.

#### Words of Wisdom

"The joy of brightening other lives, bearing each others' burdens, easing others' loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives with generous gifts becomes for us the magic of Christmas". *W.C. Jones*

#### Dates to Remember

12/05/12	Holiday Dinner	Intercontinental Hotel, Plaza
12/08/12	Keeler Open House	8925 Hadley Place, Overland Park
01/02/13	Monthly Meeting	TBD
01/19/13	Amelia Earhart Luncheon	Grand Street Café, Plaza