

Zonta Zinger

Zonta Club of Johnson County

July, 2012

President's Message

Dear Fellow Zontians,

Here's to a happy and safe Fourth of July to each of you! As you know, we will not be having our regular meeting in July due to the holiday.

A heart-felt thanks to those of you who made the June 6th meeting a resounding success! Joan Korek, Jo Ann Crouch, Joyce Dutcher, and Barbara Page-Stock were honored with an 80th birthday celebration. What a vintage year for our club! Mary and John Mondy, aided by Dorothy and John Tomc, hosted the event and Dick Korek generously provided the delicious dinner.

A special thank you goes out to Pam Fellingham, who chaired the business meeting and to Dolo Otto, who recorded the minutes of the meeting. Kathleen Long, Recording Secretary, and I were both travelling out of town that evening.

Finally, thank you to each of you who answered the call to serve on club committees! By sharing these responsibilities, we are able to accomplish more of our goals with greater efficiency.

Stay cool!

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Minutes of the meeting of the Zonta Club of Johnson County, Kansas — June 6, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p.m. by First Vice President Pam Fellingham. Other members present included Dolo Otto, Marie Kolich, Cynthia Yin, Mary Mondy, Suzanne Hoff, Joan Korek, Joyce Dutcher, Barbara Page-Stocks, Dorothy Tomc, Anne McCleery, Sheri Stewart, Marcia Charney, Marilyn Hedges, and Jo Ann Crouch. Dick Korek and John and Mary Mondy, with assistance from John and Dorothy Tomc, graciously hosted an 80th birthday celebration honoring Joan Korek, Barbara Page-Stocks, Jo Ann Crouch, and Joyce Dutcher.

Joan Korek introduced a motion to revise the minutes of the previous meeting by adding Pam Fellingham as an attendee. The motion was seconded by Dolo Otto, and the motion carried.

The Service Hours log was routed.

Cynthia Yin presented the Treasurer's Report. She discussed current General and Service Fund balances and noted that one third of the Service Budget had been sent to Zonta International as is customary. In addition, \$500 was moved to the International Convention Fund for 2014. Cynthia noted that Zonta International has been carrying an \$8 dues overpayment for our Club for several years and they would

like us to resolve it. It was decided that this money will be donated to Zonta International. Cynthia will perform the required audit on the books for the 2010-2012 Biennium. Cynthia called for members to serve on the Budget Committee. Mary Mondi and Marcia Charney agreed to serve, and Cynthia will schedule the meeting.

FoodieKC Discount Cards: Dolo Otto moved and Jo Ann Crouch seconded that Pam Fellingham coordinate the distribution of FoodieKC restaurant discount card decks, and that orders should be placed with Pam no later than June 30th. Several members signed up and paid to receive the card decks at the meeting, and anyone wanting more decks should contact Pam by e-mail at paf413@ymail.com, or by phone at (913) 438-2187. The card decks cost \$20 each, \$10 of which will go to our Zonta Club. More information is available at foodiekc.com.

Legislative Awareness and Advocacy: Pam Fellingham reported on the Topeka Zonta Club's plan to host a mini-conference on human trafficking in October to impact the introduction of a bill to the floor of the next session of the Kansas Legislature. She will follow up with the Topeka Club to offer our support. Dolo Otto volunteered to travel to Topeka with Pam to assist with the project if the Topeka Club would like our help.

Jane Klausman Scholarship: Dolo Otto reported that she had forwarded one application along for the Jane Klausman Scholarship. (Note: Dolo checked her files, and the applicant is Traci Keyser, and Dolo forwarded her application to Barb Jirges and Laurel Haroldson, not Cheryl Kohr as she reported at the meeting.)

CRC/CEDAW: Anne McCleery reported on CRC/CEDAW Human Rights Conference activities scheduled for October 4-5, 2012. Zonta KCMOII Club member Dr. Lillian Pardo will speak at the conference on Friday morning. Anne discussed sponsorship opportunities, and Cynthia Yin moved and Dolo Otto seconded that \$150 from FoodieKC revenues be used to buy a sponsorship that will pay for two registrations for the Thursday sessions and recognition of the Zonta Club of Johnson County, Kansas, in the program as a sponsor. The motion carried.

Zonta International Convention: Anne McCleery, the Club's delegate to the Zonta International Convention, discussed proposed bylaws changes. A brief discussion of the e-club proposal ensued. Cynthia Yin moved and Mary Mondi seconded that Anne use her best judgment in voting on the pending changes. The motion carried.

Strategic Planning and Committee Assignments: Dolo Otto led a discussion about strategic planning and committee work for the Club. Sheri Stewart has a contact who could lead a strategic planning session for the Club, Jim Maloney, and she thinks his approximate charge would be \$100. Mary Mondi moved, and Barbara Page-Stocks seconded that the club hire Mr. Maloney to lead a strategic planning session for the Club on a date to be determined. The motion carried. Sheri Stewart will contact Mr. Maloney and report back to the Club.

Following a discussion of the need to staff Club Committees, the following people volunteered to serve as indicated:

Legislative Awareness and Advocacy

Pam Fellingham, Chair/Sheri Stewart, Member

Membership

Dolo Otto, Chair/Marilyn Hedges, Member

Scholarship

Anne McCleery, Chair/Joyce Dutcher, Member

Programs

Dorothy Tomc, Chair/Mary Mondl, Member

Fundraising

Suzanne Hoff, Chair/Marie Kolich, Member

Public Relations and Marketing

TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dolores R. Otto, Acting Recording Secretary

Items of Note

Our August 1st meeting is tentatively scheduled to be a strategic planning meeting. Cynthia has generously offered to let us meet at her office, Yin Eye Care, located at 7127 W 95th St., Overland Park, Kansas. This plan may change depending on when/if Mr. Maloney, the proposed facilitator is available. Sheri Stewart will be meeting with him on July 11th. WATCH FOR UPDATES!

Reminder—at our August meeting, we will be assembling the bags of personal hygiene items for the Keeler Center. Please bring any of the following items: shampoo, deodorant, soap, toothpaste, or lotion.

Pam Fellingham reports that our latest fundraiser, Foodie KC Cards, is progressing well. To date, sixty card decks have been ordered by members. Pam will be e-mailing us with the latest information very soon.

Suzanne Hoff has been in contact with Julie Bilyea regarding the Overland Park Fall Festival, on September 29th. (Mark your calendars!) We are scheduled to participate in our regular spot in the small gazebo. Julie will also let us know when plans for the Trick or Treat Trail at Matt Ross Center have been finalized.

Please read the Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Committee Newsletter that Dolo forwarded to everyone on June 6th. This very informative newsletter describes a number of actions taken by other Zonta clubs and suggests additional projects to fulfill advocacy goals.

Something to read

“Cutting for Stone” by Abraham Verghese is a fascinating novel about orphaned twin doctors caught up in the turmoil of Ethiopia during the reign of Haile Selassie. Eventually, one of the twins develops a surgical cure for obstetric fistula. Some readers say that this section of the novel gave them a true understanding of fistula injuries.

Something to watch

“The Light in Her Eyes” is a documentary film about Houdah al-Habash, a conservative Syrian educator, who encourages her fellow Muslim women to remain devout while pursuing education, jobs, and public lives. It airs July 19 at 9:30 p.m. on KCPT.

Something to remember

“Individual commitment to a group effort-that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work.” Vince Lombardi

Dates to Remember

07/04/12	No Club Meeting	Happy Fourth!
07/07-12/12	Zonta Int. Convention	Torino, Italy
08/01/12	Strategic Planning Meeting*	Yin Eyecare
09/05/12	Monthly Meeting	Fortune Star Restaurant
10/04-05/12	Human Rights Conference	Embassy Suites, Plaza
01/19/13	Amelia Earhart Luncheon	Grand Street, Plaza

*Tentative

