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Zonta Zinger

Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

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Dear Zonta friends,

We are nearing the halfway mark of the 2013-2014 biennium. It is time to review and regroup.

It's been a busy, productive year for Zonta of Johnson County! We have participated in an area meeting, a Human Trafficking conference, four fundraisers, the Amelia Earhart luncheon, Yellow Rose Day, Stone Soup Supper, and a Christmas social with a white elephant gift exchange. We have continued our association with the Keeler Women's Center by providing winter gloves, ESL tutoring, and quarterly toiletry bags. We have awarded nontraditional and YWPA scholarships to two outstanding young women. Our club has been represented at the U.N. Dinner, the CRC/CEDAW conference, Women's Equality Week and a volunteer fair. (Yea, Anne McCleery!) We have a website to be proud of. (Thank you, Cynthia Yin!) Finally, through the hard work of Agnes and Dolo Otto, we have an excellent strategic plan for the future.

Whew! Take a moment to appreciate all we have done this year! We have been able to accomplish so much through the efforts of a core group of dedicated individuals. I am so grateful to each of you for your willingness to participate in so many meetings and activities. I feel extremely fortunate to be in an organization of such amazing women.

Gratefully,

Dawna

Minutes

The minutes for the meeting of the Zonta Club of Johnson County, Kansas---May 1, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by 1st Vice-President Pam Fellingham. Ten other members were present as follows:

- ✓ Cheryl Breeden
- ✓ Jo Ann Crouch
- ✓ Joyce Dutcher
- ✓ Marilyn Hedges
- ✓ Marie Kolich
- ✓ Joan Korek
- ✓ Kathleen Long
- ✓ Anne McCleery
- ✓ Dolores Otto
- ✓ Cynthia Yin.

Cynthia moved that the minutes were approved as presented.

The service log was routed.

The treasurer's report was read and Dolo moved that it be sent to audit.

Dolo presented the report from the Strategic Planning of March 16, 2013.

Pam led a discussion of having an inter-club social event with the KC, Mo, clubs. We decided that we would have the event in early August. It will be a TGIF type event with our business meeting afterwards.

There will be a board meeting sometime in June. The exact date will be determined later.

The Zonta Area 4 meeting will be on May 4th. Anne reported that Sharon Sullivan will speak on "Human Trafficking in Your Backyard".

Dolo spoke on possibilities for increasing membership.

Pam presented advocacy information on the status of women in Canada.

Anne noted that the scholarship for women in business is due on July 1.

The Bunko event raised \$289. Cynthia has the Foodie Cards for purchase for \$20.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Long, Recording Secretary

Items of Note

Our next meeting is at 6:30, June 5th, at Conroy's Public House, 5825 W. 95th St., Overland Park.

Please bring the items for Keeler Center: shampoo, soap, deodorant, lotion, and toothpaste.

Kitchen items, such as pots, pans, dishes, and tableware are also welcome. If you have NOT RSVPed yet, please let Pam know by Tuesday evening if you will attend.

Our annual board meeting will be held June 12th at Yin Eyecare, 7127 W. 95th. We need to determine what time works best for attendees.

The Keeler Women's Center has invited us to a special luncheon to celebrate their 10 years of service to women in the urban core of Kansas City. The luncheon will begin at 11:15 on Friday, July 12th at the Jack Reardon Center, 500 Minnesota Avenue, K.C., Kansas. They have reserved a table of ten for us. So far, there are eight of us who plan to attend. Please RSVP to Anne by the 24th of June, if you would like to join us.

Four of us attended the Area 4 meeting in Topeka on May 4th. The theme of the event was Zonta Credibility and Visibility. There were excellent presentations by Janet Kannard (District 7 Governor), Anne McCleery (Area 4 Director), and Sherrill Mulhern (District 7 Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Chair). Sharon Sullivan, Assoc. Professor at Washburn University also presented an update on Human Trafficking.

U.N. News

April 5th was the first day of the one thousand day push to achieve the Millennium Development Goals by the year 2015. The MDG's, as listed on the U.N. website, are:

1. Eradicating extreme poverty and hunger
2. Achieving universal primary education
3. Promoting gender equality and empowering women
4. Reducing child mortality
5. Improving maternal health
6. Combating HIV/Aids, malaria, and other diseases
7. Ensuring environmental sustainability
8. Creating a global partnership for development

FYI

Check out www.seejane.org , which is the website of the Geena Davis Institute on Gender in the Media. This is a research-based group working with the entertainment industry to improve the portrayal of girls and women.

Words of Wisdom

"If girls can see it, they can be it!" Geena Davis

Dates to Remember

06/05/13	Monthly meeting	Conroy's
06/14-16/13	N. A. Interdistrict Meeting	Niagara, Canada
07/03/13	Monthly meeting	TBD
07/12/13	Keeler Celebration	Jack Reardon Center, KCK
08/??/13	Interclub Activity	????
09/20-22/13	District 7 Conference	St. Louis
09/28/13	Fall Festival	Overland Park