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the 21st Century –
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Dear fellow Zontians,

It is exciting that we had so much interest in our YWPA Scholarship this year! It not only validates our moving the scholarship to the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, but it also shows that young women have an interest in the pursuit of public and community service. I'd like to quote from the applications of the finalists:

- "I have become an activist for change, to see with purpose, to care for the welfare of others, and have a sense of social commitment."
- "I intend to graduate with a degree in Industrial Engineering. I would also like to minor in Spanish and Business. After college I plan to get involved in the Engineers Without Borders program, which serves disadvantaged communities all over the world through engineering solutions (ex. providing access to clean water)."
- "... I believe women have the willpower, determination, and potential to make a large impact on the engineering industry."
- "We've come a long way in the United States, but one doesn't have to look far to see the injustice perpetrated on women elsewhere in the world..."

Some of the finalists' community and school activities include: book club, scholar bowl, debate, Youth Congress, facilitating a leadership and international studies conference, yearbook, student council, food drives, Relay for Life, Rock 4 Hope, volunteerism with hospitals and rescue missions, mission work ... the list goes on.

I am proud that we are able to attract young women of this caliber to our YWPA Scholarship program. It is heartening to know that young women today are tuned into worlds larger than their local communities, and that they are evaluating and reaching out to seek solutions.

It is appropriate at this time to thank each and every one of you for the work and dedication that you give each year to collecting funds to support the YWPA Scholarship. Clearly, it is time and effort well spent.

We will honor our finalist at the May meeting if we can arrange for her to be there. Thank you, too, to Marcia Charney and Joyce Dutcher for driving the process. Great work one and all!

-- Dolo



► Prospective Member Spotlight – Your Photo Here



Prospective Zonta International members are individuals who would enjoy:

- Promoting women's human rights and equality
- Supporting both global and local service and advocacy projects
- Developing leadership skills
- Meeting like-minded women and men, both from your community and around the world
- Networking through access to over 32,000 members from around the globe (cultural, linguistic and professional diversity)
- Improving the lives of women worldwide
- Forming international friendships
- Supporting scholarships for women and girls locally, nationally, and globally
- Having a greater voice in your community

Encourage your friends to join us!

Minutes — March 7, 2012

The meeting of the Zonta Club of Johnson County, Kansas, was called to order by Dolo Otto at 7:05 p.m. on March 7, 2012. Members in attendance were: Anne McCleery, Cynthia Yin, Cheryl Disney Breeden, Marie Kolich, Marcia Charney, Dawna Adams-Davis, Dolo Otto, Barbara Page-Stocks, Kathleen Long, Dorothy Tomc, and Mary Mond. Prior to our meeting, we presented the Club's Non-traditional Scholarship to Lisa Spain.

Cynthia Yin moved to accept the minutes as written for the February meeting and Marcia Charney seconded. The motion carried. Marie read the treasurer's report and it was filed for audit. Dawna won the Zonta Quiz and will receive a scarf.

Dolo Otto read the slate of officers: President—Dawna Adams-Davis, 1st Vice President—Pam Fellingham, 2nd Vice President—Marcia Charney, Treasurer—Cynthia Yin, Recording Secretary—Kathleen Long, Corresponding Secretary—Cheryl Disney-Breeden, Board of Directors—Dolo Otto, Ruth Holzschuh, and Mary Mond. Marie Kolich moved and Mary Mond seconded that the slate be accepted and it was approved unanimously.

Dawna Adams-Davis has not received new information on the discount dinner cards at this time. The Bunko for Zonta plans are going well. Dorothy Tomc obtained a gift certificate for an overnight stay at the InterContinental Hotel on the Plaza. Pam Fellingham is working on two gift baskets and asked for donations. Mary Mond and Anne McCleery are organizing the refreshments. All members are encouraged to attend and bring guests. Dolo Otto announced that our goal is to add at least two new members this year.

The advocacy program will be discussed at the next meeting. Anne McCleery collected candles for the homeless for Keeler Women's Center, and she will deliver them. At the April meeting, we will be collecting toiletries for gift bags for Keeler Women's Center.

Dawna Adams-Davis shared the U.N. information with us. Zonta Rose Day

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coincides with International Women's Day. In 1911 people marched for women's right to vote, to have safe working conditions, and the right to hold office.

This year we have 22 applicants for the YWPA scholarship. Dolo Otto thanked Joyce Dutcher for calling the schools directly. The 2013 Amelia Earhart Luncheon will be held January 19th at the Grand Street Café with the same cost of \$35.00. The social will start at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at 12:00 noon.

Mary Mond thanked all the members who donated cookies, flowers, and trays for our Rose Day Celebration, and Dolo Otto and Dawna Adams-Davis will go to the Overland Park School tomorrow with Mary to honor the teachers and staff for our Zonta Rose Day event.

There are no applicants for the Jane Klausman Scholarship at present.

Anne McCleery and Cheryl Disney-Breeden will decide by the end of March if they are going to be able to attend the International Convention.

Cynthia Yin moved that in lieu of actually having a Stone Soup supper as we have in the past, each member would donate \$15.00 to the Spofford House. The motion was seconded by Kathleen Long and the motion carried.

Dorothy Tomc is going to plan our new officers installation dinner for May 2, 2012.

Anne McCleery announced that Meg Gardiner, Rockhurst alumna, and the chairman of the CRC (Convention on the Rights of the Child) will be the keynote speaker at the convention to be held on Thursday, October 4, and Friday, October 5, at the Plaza. Cost has not been confirmed at this time.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Mond



Items of Note!

- Congratulations to our newly elected officers for the 2012-2014 Biennium!

President — Dawna Adams-Davis
 First Vice President — Pam Fellingham
 Second Vice President — Marcia Charney
 Treasurer — Cynthia Yin
 Recording Secretary — Kathleen Long
 Corresponding Secretary — Cheryl Disney Breeden
 Board of Directors — Dolo Otto, Ruth Holzschuh, and Mary Mondì

Installation of Officers
 Wednesday, May 2, 2012
 6:30 p.m.
 WestChase Grille
 (Thank you Dorothy Tomc for coordinating)

- **REMINDER:** If you plan to attend the **Zonta Area 4 Meeting** being hosted by Kansas City Zonta I Club on Saturday, April 14, at Grand Street Café, please call me ASAP. I have received checks from Anne McCleery, Cynthia Yin, Dawna Adams-Davis, and Ruth Holzschuh. We will attempt to sell the two African batiks (that Ruth Holzschuh and Cynthia Yin) are storing at the Zonta Area 4 Meeting. We will have a half table at the event if any other members have items to sell on behalf of the Club.
- **REMINDER:** “**Bunko for Zonta**” will be held on **Sunday, April 29, 2012, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center, 11902 Lowell, in Overland Park.** *Each of you is encouraged to recruit at least three people to play BUNKO!* A giant THANK YOU goes to Suzanne Hoff, Cynthia Yin, et al., for organizing!
- **REMINDER:** We will assemble **personal toiletry items for Keeler Women’s Center** at the April meeting. Please remember to bring any of the following items: deodorant, soap, shampoo, lotion, or toothpaste.
- **REMINDER:** As part of “Child Abuse Prevention Month”, and in lieu of holding a Stone Soup Supper to benefit **Spofford**, we will collect suggested donations of \$15 from members at the April meeting. For newer members, Spofford has been a leading provider of prevention and therapeutic treatment services with children ages 4-12 suffering the effects of physical and sexual abuse, neglect, and mental health disorders. Our sister Zontian Marcia Charney has served on Spofford’s board of directors and has been an active volunteer there for many years.
- Human Rights Conference (CRC/CEDAW): Anne McCleery is “in the know” regarding the upcoming conference, which will be held Thursday evening and all day Friday, October 4 – 5, at the Embassy Suites Plaza Hotel.
- Amelia Earhart Luncheon 2013: Ruth Holzschuh and Dawna Adams-Davis are already busy at work on the next Amelia Earhart Luncheon. **SAVE THE DATE:** January 19, 2013 — Grand Street Café! Social at 11:30 a.m. with a cash bar for wine, and lunch will begin at 12:00 noon.
- YWPA Scholarship: Marcia Charney is coordinating the review of our three finalists’ applications. Anne McCleery, Cynthia Yin, Dawna Adams-Davis, and Joyce Dutcher joined in this review (which had to be very last minute due the schedule of the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation). We will announce the finalist as soon as possible, and we will submit our finalist’s information to Cheryl Kohr with the Topeka Club by April 1st.
- Another resounding THANK YOU goes to Mary Mondì and Dawna Adams-Davis for planning our Rose Day activity on Thursday, March 8th. We honored the staff at the Overland Park Elementary School by delivering yellow roses and cookies to the teachers’ lounge.
- Club presidents are encouraged to report the Club delegate to the Zonta International Convention (and alternate or proxy) via an online form which will be available on the Zonta International website. The deadline for reporting delegates is May 21, 2012.
- Don’t forget about “From Russia with Love!” — the spring fund raiser for the Zonta Club KCMO II, Saturday, April 28th, from 6 – 10 p.m. at the Filipino Cultural Center.



More Items of Note!



Scholarship Committee member Marcia Charney presents Non-Traditional Scholarship to Lisa Spain



Mary Mondi and Dawna Adam's Davis with Overland Park Elementary School Principal Leah Debner on Rose Day! Thank you for your hard work!

Calendar of Events/Deadlines				
Date	Activity	Time/Location	Agenda/Speaker/Guests	Notes
Wed., 04/04/12	Club Meeting	6:30 p.m. Fortune Star		
March/April 2012	Distribute Club Dues invoices/Fdn contributions to ZI HQ/elect Club Delegates to Int'l. Conv.			
04/01/12	YWPA apps to District Governor			
04/14/12	Zonta Area 4 Meeting (Hosted by KCMO I)	Grand Street Café		
04/28/12	From Russia with Love! (KCMO II)	6-10 p.m. Filipino Cultural Center		
04/29/12	BUNKO FOR ZONTA	2-4 p.m. Tomahawk Ridge Community Center		
05/02/12	Annual Meeting/Officer Installation Dinner	6:30 p.m. WestChase Grille		
05/21/12	Delegate/proxy registration deadline	Int'l. Convention/Torino		
May 2012	Officers reports to ZI HQ/Annual Club Report to Area Director by May 1/dues + updated club list to ZI HQ by June 1/Joint meeting of old and new boards to pass torch/Jane Klausman to District Governor/committee by May 31.			
10/04-05/12	Human Rights Conference (CRC/CEDAW)	Embassy Suites Hotel on the Plaza		
01/19/13	Amelia Earhart Luncheon	Grand Street Café		

