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Dear Fellow Zontians,

Congratulations on a job well done during our fall fundraising events! The beautiful weather for both the Fall Festival and the Trick or Treat Trail produced huge crowds, a hectic pace, and record donations for our club. Kudos to Ruth Holzschuh for creating beautiful balloon animals from start time to finish at both events and to Joan Korek, who face painted, made balloon animals, and recruited her husband, Dick, to help. Heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated for their generous donation of time and talent!

I hope each one of you will be able to relax a bit during Thanksgiving. Have a safe and joyful holiday with your friends and loved ones.

Dawna Minutes—10-3-12

ZONTA CLUB OF JOHNSON COUNTY

October 3, 2012

Carrabbas Restaurant

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

In attendance were: Dawna Adams-Davis, Cheryl Disney Breeden, Joyce Dutcher, Pam Fellingham, Ruth Holzschuh, Marie Kolich, Joan Korek, Anne McCleery, Mary Mondi, Dolores Otto, Barbara Page-Stocks, Dorothy Tomc, and Sherri Stewart.

Dawna thanked Dorothy for finding the group a new venue for our meetings and thanked Marie for taking over the fundraising since Suzanne has moved. She also thanked all the people who worked so hard on Saturday at the Overland Park Festival. A great picture of Joan in her clown costume is on the internet for the KC Star and also on our club website.

Dawna shared an Award Certificate and read a letter from Zonta International. 100% of our members contributed to International.

A motion to accept the September minutes was made by Dolo and seconded by Pam. The minutes were approved as sent.

A form to record service hours was passed around.

Treasurer's Report: The report was mailed by Cynthia and later corrected which will be reflected on a revised report. The money from OP should be under Service. We made \$1187.41 at the OP Fall Festival. This is the most ever. The cash on hand is \$6952.13. The report was filed for audit.

Old Business:

Strategic Planning Update—Dolo said that her sister will still do this for us.

CRC/CDAW—Anne reminded the group that this event will be Thursday night and Friday.

Amelia Earhart Luncheon—Ruth reported that the committee hasn't met since our last meeting but would be meeting Oct. 9.

Human Trafficking Conference—Dolo is designing the invitation which will be sent to all the clubs in the District; she is just waiting for the information to put on it. Pam says that our club and Topeka will have a table at the conference. It is Saturday, Nov. 10 in Topeka.

Committee Reports:

Membership—Dolo had no report.

Legislative Awareness and Advocacy—Pam reported that New Zealand was the first country to have a woman hold office and that there are 109 Zonta clubs in Australia.

Scholarship—Anne had no report, but will check the Zonta website to check on the dates that forms are due. Barbara pointed out that there was an article in the paper about a young girl who is making backpacks to send to Haiti. In the future, we could think about her for a YWPA scholarship.

Fundraising—Marie thanked everyone who worked at the Fall Festival on Saturday and reminded everyone about the event at the Matt Ross Center. The event is from 2-5 but we should be there, ready to work at 1:30 because the children get there early and are ready for the activities. A volunteer schedule was passed around during the meeting for people to sign up.

Programs—Dorothy asked if members wanted to come back here again next month and the group voted by a show of hands that they did. The group agreed that they wanted to return to the Intercontinental for our Christmas party. They also said we should do the white elephant again since it has been a helpful fundraiser. It will be on our regular meeting date, Dec. 5. Dorothy will check to see if that date is available.

Service—Dawna reminded everyone that we should bring our items for the Keeler Center to our next meeting. Joan is again going to make bags for us to use.

New Business:

Sister Carol Ann sent information to us about CARE funding. We would call senators or representatives to make them aware of international women's issues. There will be a conference in DC. No action was taken by the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Holzschuh

For Kathleen Long

Items of Note

Our next meeting will be held at Carrabba's Italian Grill on Wednesday, November 7th at 6:30. Please e-mail your attendance status and meal order to Dorothy Tomc (dtomc@kc.rr.com) by Monday, the 5th.

REMINDER: Please bring Keeler items (soap, deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, and lotion) plus cash for your meal. Women's winter gloves are also welcome.

SAVE THE DATE: November 10—Conference on Human Trafficking from 9-12 a.m. at the Topeka and Shawnee County Library. Our club is co-sponsoring this event with the Zonta Club of Topeka. The objective is to inform attendees about this criminal activity and to enlist them in advocating for stronger anti-trafficking laws in Kansas. There will be fascinating speakers about a topic which aligns well with Zonta International's goals. Plan to attend and bring a friend! Please let me know if you are going, so that I can RSVP to the Topeka club. See attached map for directions.

Another important date this month is November 25th. This marks the beginning of Sixteen Days of Activism. The purpose of the campaign is to increase international awareness of the need to eliminate violence against women and children.

U.N. Fact

Perhaps you recall collecting coins for UNICEF while trick or treating for Halloween candy. This program began sixty-two years ago when Reverend Clyde and Mary Emma Allison began a "Kids Helping Kids" project to aid children in post-war Europe. UNICEF continues to be the preeminent charity for child-focused humanitarian efforts. To date, the campaign has raised \$167 million to help provide immunization, clean water, sanitation, education, and nutrition to needy children in 150 countries.

Something to Watch

PBS is again presenting a program that focuses on women's issues in the international community. The film "Solar Mamas" explores India's Barefoot College which teaches impoverished rural women the skills to earn an income and to make positive changes in their own communities. The show airs Monday, November 5th at 9 p.m.

Something to Remember

“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them”. *John Fitzgerald Kennedy*

Dates to Remember

11/07/12	Monthly Meeting	Carrabba’s Italian Grill
11/10/12	Human Trafficking Panel	Shawnee County and Topeka Library
11/25/12	Holiday Shopping/Keeler	Ten Thousand Villages, O. P.
12/05/12	Holiday Dinner	Intercontinental Hotel, Plaza
01/19/13	Amelia Earhart Luncheon	Grand Street Cafe, Plaza