

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL -- DISTRICT 12
CLUB ANNUAL REPORT
Reporting Period: June 1, 2019—May 31, 2020



Please email to Governor Deedee Boysen (boysen.deedee@gmail.com) by May 8, 2020 with a copy to your Area Director.

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Club Administration 2019-2020:

Zonta Club of Southern Black Hills
 Today's Date: 4/22/2020

President: Laura Burden
 Vice President: _____
 Treasurer: Ramona Flaig

President-Elect (if appropriate): Donna Talley
 Secretary: Ebun Adelona

Incoming Club Officers 2020-2021:

President: Laura Burden
 Vice President: _____
 Treasurer: Sherry Raffaell
 Board of Directors: Kris Zerbe, Marianne Fridell, _____

President-Elect (if appropriate): Donna Talley
 Secretary: Ebun Adelona

Leadership & Leadership Development 2019-2020:

Describe the leadership training conducted for officers, board members and committee chairs.
We held a 2 hour retreat at the beginning of the year to discuss the various committees, time-lines, and ways to broaden our membership.

What training opportunities / workshops have your club officers participated in at area & district levels?
None this year. We have participated in the past.

Does your club have a long range plan that includes succession planning for future leaders in club? Yes (No)
 If yes, please describe (or provide copy to Governor and Area Director).

Describe any leadership challenges and needs.
The main leadership challenge is the lack of members... We might like to do more projects but run out of people able to do them.

Nominating:

Did the club suggest nominees for area, district and international office? Yes (No)

Please describe the process used by the nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for 2020-2021.
___Mostly, it was a matter of finding any one person willing to do a job for the coming year. _____

Fundraising:

Please list the major fundraiser(s) your club held during 2019-2020.

_Program Planner We needed to cancel both Girls' Rock and LunaFest this year. The Helen B Davis trust provided money for 2 High School girl's scholarships.

Total Funds Raised this year: \$3032.74 plus the Trust Fund Monies _____

Did you have any donations of \$100 or more that were not associated with a fundraising event? Yes (No)
If yes, what was the total amount of such donations for the year? _____

Local Service & Scholarships Dollars Given:

Please list the contribution amounts given by your club during 2019-2020.

Local Service Organizations: \$3950.00 _____ Local Scholarships: \$2000 _____

Total Local: \$5950.00 _____

Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) Dollars Given:

Please list the total club & individual contributions given to the Zonta International Foundation during 2019-2020.
(Mary Benoit at mary@mathiaslockandkey.com can provide this information to you). ZI recommends that one third of the money your club raises be contributed to ZI to support the international service projects.

Total Club Contributions: \$650.00 _____ Total Individual Contributions: \$240.00 _____

Total Club & Individual Contributions: \$890.00 _____

Zonta International Scholarship Information:

• **YWPA-Young Women in Public Affairs Awards**

Did your club participate in the YWPA program? Yes (No)

Please list the name of the candidate(s) forwarded by your club to the district for this award.

• **Jane M. Klausman Women-in-Business Scholarships (JMK)**

Did your club participate in the Jane M Klausman program? Yes (No)

Please list the name of the candidate(s) forwarded by your club to the district for this award.

- **Amelia Earhart Fellowships**

Did your club celebrate Amelia Earhart Day? (Yes) No
If yes, please describe how your club celebrated this year.

_Amelia Earhart Committee

The Amelia Earhart Committee hosted a Story Time with the Custer County Library, where the librarian read stories about Amelia Earhart. Zonta members helped kids make their own airplane out of popsicle sticks, as well as served a snack. This was our fourth year doing this for Amelia Earhart Day.

- **Women in Technology Scholarship (WIT)**

Did your club participate in the Women in Technology program? Yes (No)
Please list the name of the candidate(s) forwarded by your club to the district for this award.

Local Scholarship Information:

Local Scholarships awarded by your club

Name(s) & description(s) of scholarship(s):

_Helen B. Davis Scholarship—This is a trust fund that Zonta of the Southern Hills has been able to use to assist High School Seniors to go to college. During the past couple of years, we have expanded the number of towns to include other Southern Black Hills students besides Custer. This expands the Awareness of Zonta into those communities.

Membership:

Please describe your club's recruitment and retention efforts for 2019-2020.

_We attempted changing times of meetings. We had some evening meetings. We also had 3 meetings in the neighboring community of Hot Springs. The use of evening meetings may be usable in the future. However, the going to Hot Springs was not successful as it had minimal reception there and left some usual attendees not attending because it was out of town. We also gave our Yellow Roses to potatial new members that have demonstrated significant Zonta values with no increase in membership noted so far.

If your club currently has fewer than 20 members, what plans do you have in place to increase membership in 2020 - 2021?

_We do have a couple of women that are tentatively interested so we will provide some nurturing information about Zonta's programs on a periodic basis. (Both are in the midst of significant family changes and were not ready to jump into another program right now...)

Does your club have a new member orientation program? (Yes) No

If yes, how many sessions did you hold this year? _____None_____

Does your club have a new member mentor program? (Yes) No

If yes, describe.

_Loosely, we assign a member to keep tabs on the new member and to provide opportunities to answer questions.

How does your club measure membership satisfaction?

_Not in a formal manner.

How many of your club members are young professionals? ONE

The information below will be used to determine the District Service Award to be given out at the 2020 District 12 Governor's Seminar in Littleton, CO on Sept. 25- 26, 2020.

Local Service: (Hands on work to help women & girls in the local community)

Please name and briefly describe your local service projects, including for each item:

- (a) category: improved the status of women in general (legal, political, economic, educational, health and/or professional) or helped prevent and fight violence against women and girls (VAW).
- (b) % of club members involved in the project.
- (c) visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project
- (d) sustainability of the project (long lasting results, and could the project continue for a certain period of time)

___ A. Marched with the WEAVE women's shelter women for the Domestic Violence Vigil to provide support to the women of the shelter as well as to increase the public's awareness of the need. 25% of membership was involved. There was not a specific Zonta visibility. This is an ongoing, yearly project.

B. Assisted the Custer School District by providing volunteers in a workshop to simulate the life of poverty families so teachers and school staff understood better how to empathize with families and students. This was not a specific "woman" project but frequently the school is dealing with the women mores than men. 25% of the club members participated as service providers such as unemployment officers or D.S.S. administrators. The visibility of the Zonta was most evident to the school administrators but teachers were also aware of Zonta as a provider. This project may be introduced to other entities.

Other Service Questions / Linking Service and Advocacy:

Do all club service projects relate to Zonta's mission (empowering women through service and advocacy)?

Yes No

If no, describe.

What like-minded organizations have you partnered with for service and/or advocacy? Please list and briefly describe how you partnered with them.

The advocacy information below will be used to determine the District Advocacy Award to be given out at the 2020 District 12 Governor's Seminar in Littleton, CO on Sept. 25-26, 2020.

Advocacy: The expression of support for or opposition to a cause, argument or proposal. Advocacy may include influencing laws, legislation, or attitudes. Zonta advocacy is an action taken in "the public interest" or for "the greater good" with respect to advancing the status of women and girls and their human rights.)

Does your club have an advocacy committee? (Yes) No

(Do Not Include Zonta Says No Activities Here - See Below)

Please name and describe your advocacy projects, including for each item:

- (a) Category: improved the status of women in general (legal, political, economic, educational, health and/or professional) **or** helped prevent and fight violence against women and girls (VAW).
- (b) How closely the project coincided with the advocacy definition above.
- (c) % of club members involved in the project.
- (d) Names of any community partners.
- (e) Visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project.

We started a raffle ticket project which is designed to raise money and awareness for women in the domestic/sexual violence shelter so that they can have money for legal fees as there is a community need for this type of funding. (Most lawyers, in this area, are not providing pro bono work) This provides actual/factual money to advocate for women in need as well as increasing the awareness of the public as the story of the need is repeated to each person interested in purchasing a raffle ticket for a beautiful piece of art made by a local woman. The number of women involved with this project is currently about 25% of members but may expand as other members have the raffle available at their job site or on line, etc. The recipient of the monies will be Women Escaping a Violent Environment (W.E.A.V.E.). The donor of this work is a local woman that is freely sharing her work. (We are also advertising her fine work.)

Zonta is plastered on the poster advertising the raffle.

Zonta Says No:

Describe your club's Zonta Says No activities in 2019 - 2020.

We had postings on Facebook page which were available to the public.

Other Advocacy questions:

What women’s issues have been identified as the most important in your club?

___*Domestic/sexual violence, poverty, child marriage*___

How have club members been made aware of legislation relevant to women in our country?

___*Verbal report at meetings as information is known*___

Have club members sent statements/letters, etc. been sent to law-makers or government/officials at national/state/community levels? Yes (No)

United Nations:

Please describe how your club informed its membership of Zonta's work with the United Nations.

___*Via Facebook, verbal discussion at meetings*___

List topics shared with club members regarding the UN (& Zonta’s engagement) (i.e., CSW, Sustainable Development Goals, etc.)

_____ *The current international projects*

External Communications/Public Relations:

Please check box for the PR tools your club uses:

Brochure **Newsletter** **Club or Individual Business Cards** **Website** **Facebook**
Information from ZI toolkits **Other (describe)**

Did the club submit a “Share your Story” through the Zonta International Website this year? Yes (No)

If yes, briefly describe.

Internal Communications (e.g., club newsletter, directory, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, website):

Please describe how your club kept its membership informed & connected this year.

___*We use emailing and phone messaging as our primary methods of communication. We also have a Facebook page that we use to communicate Say No to Violence information as well as upcoming public programs and festivals... to the public as well as to our members.*___

Website:

Does your club have a club website (Yes) NO Is it associated with the D12 website? (Yes) No

If no, what is your club website address? _____

Has the information on your website been updated in the past year? Yes (No)

When did your club last update your website? ___1 1/2 years ago apparently

ZIF Ambassador:

Does your club have a foundation ambassador? (Yes) No

Does your club give an annual donation to Zonta International Service Projects? (Yes) No

How has your club encouraged individual donations this year to ZIF? Please describe.

Probably haven't done this much.

Has anyone in your club joined the Mary E. Jenkins 1919 Society? _____No

Z-Club or Golden Z-Club:

Does your club sponsor a Z Club? Yes (No) Does your club sponsor a Golden Z Club? Yes (No)

If yes, please describe key events held during the year.

Archiving & History:

Does your club have an archivist/historian? Yes (No) Is your club history current? (Yes) No

Is your club history available on your website? Yes (No)

Bylaws:

Does your club have a bylaws committee or chair? (Yes) No

Are your bylaws up to date in accordance with Zonta International bylaws? Yes (No)

Centennial Celebration:

Did your club hold an event to celebrate Zonta's Centennial in the past year? (Yes) No If yes, describe.

_____Late last May, a year ago, we met for our end of the year gala and invited members from the past as we celebrated with District 12 representatives. We had a catered meal and some games. (This is probably in last year's report...)

Did your club receive a Centennial Grant? Yes (No)

If yes, what was it entitled? _____

Did your club hold a "Light Up the Night" event on November 8, 2019 (or that week)? Yes (No)

If yes, what did your club do? _____

Successes, Achievements and Challenges:

What have been your club's successes and achievements in 2019 - 2020?

1. We started a new money making advocacy project to provide money for the local women's shelter clients to be able to pay for legal fees for protection orders, etc.

2. We were successful in once again making money on the Program Planners, which we were able to donate to service organizations, such as the Community Health Initiative, which provides "prescriptions" of vouchers the medical doctors can give to their patients to purchase healthy foods. __

3. We had meaningful programs such as attending a movie showing how PTSD affects Veterans, hearing how one of our previous scholarship winners is faring in New Zealand as she goes to an international university there, learning how a local enterprising woman came to be able to purchase an old property and make it into a beautiful and successful attraction, and hearing how teenaged girls are "Under Pressure" and what we can do about it.

4. We got to know more of the specifics of our members through their presentations introducing themselves to us.

What have been your club's challenges in 2019 - 2020?

We had some annoyance with the switching of meetings, places and times, related to room availability and Covid 19 recommendations and our attempting to expand our horizons.

How did you meet those challenges?

We did more emailing than we might have otherwise. We did discuss and determine that the going to other towns was not going to work. Not totally sure we did meet those challenges.

What guidance or information from the District or Zonta International level helped your club achieve the ZI biennial goals? (1. maximizing our impact through service and advocacy initiatives and educational programs that empower women and girls, 2. strengthening our resources to support our mission, 3. enhancing our profile around the world through our centennial anniversary activities)

Are there specific areas for which your club needs help in the coming year? (Yes) No

If yes, what areas?

*_Reviewing our By-laws and re-writing them to be in compliance with the bigger organization while meeting our needs
Is there anything else your club would like to address?*

2020 Governor's Seminar:

What programs or training would you like to see at the upcoming Governor's Seminar?

 Perhaps more information about the Development of a Z Club.

Would your club be interested in making a presentation or conducting training at the District Conference? Yes (No) If yes, please provide the name and contact information for the person and the subject matter for the presentation or training.

Name:

Topic:

Thank You!

**Please return completed form to Governor Deedee Boysen at
boysen.deedee@gmail.com**

**Questions?
Call Deedee at 307-760-3248**