

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL -- DISTRICT 12
CLUB ANNUAL REPORT
Reporting Period: June 1, 2013—May 27, 2014

Please email to Governor Sheila Davis (shedavis@comcast.net) by **May 27, 2014 with a copy to your Area Director.**

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Club Administration 2013-2014:

Zonta Club of Sturgis Area

Today's Date: 5/22/14

Area: 1

President: Trina Wheeler

President-Elect (if appropriate):

Vice President: Carol Sabers

Secretary: Denise Deaver

Treasurer: Jill Westendorf

Fundraising:

Please list the major fundraiser(s) your club held during 2013-2014. *(Feel free to add additional fund-raisers.)*

1. Pumpkin Painting Painting and selling Fall Pumpkins in our community and surrounding areas.
2. Winter "Frostival" Serving lunches/pies for the two day festival .
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Total Funds Raised this year: **\$4974.97**

Local Service & Scholarships Dollars Given:

Please list the contribution amounts given by your club during 2013-2014.

Local Service Organizations: \$2550.00

Local Scholarships: \$500.00

Total Local: \$3050.0

Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) Dollars Given:

Please list the total club & individual contributions given to the Zonta International Foundation during 2013-2014. (Tommie Atanasoff at tatanasof@aol.com can provide this information to you)

Total Club Contributions: \$300.00

Total Individual Contributions: \$unknown

Total Club & Individual Contributions: \$300.00

ZIF Scholarship Information:

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

Did your club participate in the YWPA program? Yes xNo

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 xNo

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? xYes No

If so, please describe how your club celebrated this year. Our club officers planned a surprise for the members of our club this year. We arranged to meet in a hangar of a local “fly club” and have a dinner, a presentation about the WASP women of WWII, and our business meeting right at the airport. It was a terrific learning experience and a great way to honor Amelia.

Local Scholarship Information:

• **Local Scholarships** awarded by your club

Name(s) & description(s) of scholarship(s): Courtney Anderson, of Sturgis, SD, was awarded \$500 to further her education at SDSU.

Membership:

Please describe your club's recruitment and retention efforts for 2013-2014 in order to meet the *net +1* goal as of June 1, 2014. Unfortunately, our club did not meet the net plus one goal. We held a membership recruitment drive at the local chili and soup cook-off, handed out brochures and were on hand at our booth to discuss and encourage women to join.

If your club currently has fewer than 20 members, what plans do you have in place to increase membership in 2014 - 2015? We are focusing on good member retention this year, as we lost a member, and we have discussed many options for recruitment. As a club, we would also like to revisit past members to see about possibly bringing them back to the club.

Does your club have a new member orientation program? Yes No If yes, how many sessions did you hold this year?

The information below will be used to determine the District Service Award to be given out at the 2014 Governor's Seminar, September 20th, Cheyenne, WY

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) contribution to the Zonta International Foundation is at least 1/3 of the dollars raised this year
- (d) visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project
- (e) sustainability of the project (long lasting results, and could the project continue for a certain period of time)

1. Women in the Military panel discussion: This event was held at the Sturgis public library. We invited 4 women, of varying age, military experience, and diverse backgrounds to discuss for and with the public their military experiences. We had a moderator to keep questions moving along and it was wonderful to hear so many different levels of commitment, years of service, and how each woman relayed her personal experience. The event was free to the public and we had about 30 people present in the audience for this event. All of the feedback we heard was good and that they all wished it would have been set for 3 hours instead of two. We plan to have a similar panel discussion again next year. 75 percent of our club was involved in the execution of this project and, through advertising in print and on radio, Zonta was very present in our community that weekend.

2. Crisis Intervention Shelter Services 4th annual "Womanless Pageant". Our Zonta Club partnered with the local women's shelter to put on this event. It is a mock pageant, during which, the contestants (all men) dress in drag, compete in several categories, interviews and model day wear and evening wear. The men love to do it, and the public attends in droves to witness the pageant. Although it is all done in fun, the men that compete are given a much clearer understanding of some of the feelings, obstacles, worries and other aspects of being a woman, even if only for a

short time. The pageant gets a lot of press, and it was wonderful for Zonta to be present and partnered with the shelter. Unfortunately, this pageant was scheduled the very same weekend as our Area 1 meetings in Rapid City, so only about 20% of the club was able to help or attend. We definitely will partner and become even more involved with this pageant next year.

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(Feel free to add additional projects)

The information below will be used to determine the District Advocacy Award to be given out at the 2014 Governor's Seminar, September 20th, Cheyenne, WY

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) did the project reflect one of the District 12 Platform for Advocacy issues which are:

- Achieving pay equity
- Supporting measures to oppose gender based violence such as trafficking, rape & domestic violence
- Ensuring equal rights under the law

(d) % of club members involved in the project

(e) names of any community partners

(f) visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project

1. Drug court: Members of our club regularly sit in for drug court hearings just to appear in support of the women in the drug court system. In our county, drug court is limited to only female participants. Often these women do not have family or community support when it comes time for their hearings and progress updates, for varying reasons. Sitting in the participant's side of the court room, whether or not the participant knows we are there, is just one quiet way we can advocate for women in our community, no matter their social status. This act is not particularly visible to the outside community, but the drug court participants find out we are there to support them, and many have reflected that the experience meant a great deal to them.

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(Feel free to add additional projects)

Zonta Says No:

Describe your club's Zonta Says No activities in 2013 - 2014:

Our club dedicated the entire month of October, on our facebook page, to reposting and sharing articles, statistics and links from ZI for Zonta Says No.

External Communications/Public Relations:

Please check box for the PR tools your club uses:

Brochure X Newsletter Club or Individual Business Cards Website FacebookX Other (describe)

Internal Communications (e.g., newsletter, directory, website):

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

ZIF Ambassador:

Does your club have a foundation ambassador? Yes XNo

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

Z-Club or Golden Z-Club:

Does your club have a Z or Golden Z Club? Yes XNo

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

Archiving & History:

Does your club have an archivist/historian? XYes No

Please describe your club's progress to date in:

(a) finding & listing your club archives.

(b) arranging for safe storage of materials.

(c) Did your club submit a "History In Brief" by April 1, 2014? Yes No

If no, why not?

Bylaws:

Does your club have a bylaws committee? XYes No

Are your bylaws up to date? XYes No