

**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 Denver

Today's Date: July 24, 2014

Area: 3

President: Wendy Henry-Moraskie

President-Elect (if appropriate): Mary Benoit

Vice President: Judy Allen

Secretary: Mary Lou Edwards

Treasurer: Kathy Hyzer

Fundraising:

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

1. Zonta Club of Denver Day of Film, March 22, 2014	\$9,956
2. ZCD Annual Yard Sale, May 17, 2014	<u>\$1,465</u>
Total Funds Raised this year:	\$11,421

Local Service & Scholarships Dollars Given:

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

Local Service Organizations:	\$31,008
Total Local:	\$31,008

Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) Dollars Given:

Please list the total club & individual contributions given to the Zonta International Foundation during 2013-2014.

Total Club Contributions:	\$34,767.37
Total Individual Contributions:	<u>\$9,809.00</u>
Total Club & Individual Contributions:	\$44,576.37

ZIF 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

ZCD gave \$1,500 to a JMK award winner, and forwarded her name to District 12.

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

- **Amelia Earhart Fellowships**

ZCD contributed \$6,000 to the Fellowship in 2014.

Did your club celebrate Amelia Earhart Day? Yes No

If so, please describe how your club celebrated this year. **Participated in an Area 3 service project Feb. 1, sorting medical supplies for Project C.U.R.E., based in Colorado. The supplies are gathered and routed to needy countries to support medical facilities.**

Local Scholarship Information:

- **Local Scholarships** awarded by your club

Name(s) & description(s) of scholarship(s): **\$25,465 in 2014 to Metropolitan University of Denver to be added to the existing Edna Jean Hershey scholarship facilitating a single mom's completion of a degree.**

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.

We held two informational meetings. One in the Fall and one in the Spring. Calling members who haven't attend meetings for awhile.

If your club currently has fewer than 20 members, what plans do you have in place to increase membership in 2014 - 2015? *N/A*

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

Each new member has a mentor who meets with them. Membership chair estimates monthly individual orientation activities.

The information below will be used to determine the District Service Award to be given out at the 2014 Governor's Seminar, September 20, 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. ***The Delores Project: We provide and serve dinner to 55-70 homeless women on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Category: Health Participation: 56% Sustainability: The project has been on-going for 8 years.***
2. ***Open Door Ministries Reading Night: Members purchased and donated books for preschool-aged children. Members read the books they purchased to individual children before their bedtime. Category: Educational Participation: 18% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired.***
3. ***The Haven Christmas Party: Members provided dinner and donated a Christmas tree and decorations for the residents. Category: Health Participation: 68% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired.***
4. ***VOA Homeless Women Vets: Collected calendar/planners at the November meeting. Category: Professional Participation: 50% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired.***
5. ***Work Options for Women (WOW): We donated 64 white t-shirts and 14 packages of Sharpies for the women enrolled in the Food Safe Program. Category: Economic Participation: 40% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired***
6. ***Smart Girl: Members helped stuff backpacks and volunteered on STEM GIRL day on Feb. 22. Category: Educational Participation: 10% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired***

7. **The Haven:** Our club responded to an emergency call for undergarments by providing 59 bras, 153 panties, and 40 pairs of socks for the residents. **Category: Health Participation: 56% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired**
8. **Denver Santa Claus Shop: December:** Members volunteer in the gathering, preparing, displaying and “shopping.” Approximately 16,000 toys have been collected and distributed to needy families within Denver since 1931. **Category: Economic Participation: 20% Sustainability: Could be sustained indefinitely, if desired**
9. **Monthly Collections:** Each month we have an Item of the Month collection for our grant recipients. The following items were collected:
- June-The Delores Project:** Coffee and other misc. items
 - July-Project WISE:** Trial size personal items, children’s Tylenol
 - August-The Delores Project:** Coffee
 - September-Work Options for Women (WOW):** White t-shirts and black Sharpies
 - October-The Delores Project:** Coffee, tea, sugar
 - November-VOA Homeless Women Vets:** calendars/planners
 - December-The Haven:** Christmas ornaments
 - January-Open Door Ministries:** Baby wipes
 - February-The Delores Project:** Coffee, tea, sugar, creamer
 - March-The Haven:** Bras, panties, socks
 - April-The Delores Project:** Laundry Detergent
 - May-The Delores Project:** Chapstick, travel size shampoo and conditioner

The information below will be used for the District Advocacy Award to be given out at the 2014 Governor's Seminar, September 20, 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. Zonta Club of Denver participated in the Human Trafficking Advocacy & Awareness Day at the Colorado Capitol, sponsored by the Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado. Members volunteered and/or attended the Rally at the West Steps (held in the old Supreme Court Chambers due to weather). The purpose of the event is to raise awareness of human trafficking among legislators and the public. As such it coincides with the above definition of advocacy and reflects the District 12 Platform for Advocacy issue "Supporting measures to oppose gender based violence such as trafficking, rape & domestic violence." Ten percent of club members participated. Local law enforcement were partners with the Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado as speakers at the event included the Colorado Attorney General, Denver Chief of Police, and top federal law enforcement officials, as well as members of the Colorado legislature.

2. Zonta Club of Denver was a sponsor of the 2014 Colorado Women's Legislative Breakfast. This event provides a platform for female members of the Colorado legislature to talk about issues of concern to them and for interested attendees to network with the legislators and with each other. It is not focused on a single issue and therefore has a broader scope than the above definition of advocacy and the District 12 Platform for Advocacy issues. Ten percent of club members participated. The event is planned by a committee including representatives of 9to5 Colorado, AAUW Colorado, Denver Commission on Aging, Colorado Center on Law & Policy, COLOR, NARAL, National Council of Jewish Women-Colorado, Colorado Women's Bar Assn, Project WISE, and Women's Lobby of Colorado. Other "community partners" included a wide array of organizations too numerous to list here. Information about Zonta was included in attendees' packets.

Zonta Says No:

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

With five other Area 3 clubs, Zonta Club of Denver helped develop and present a "Zonta Says No" Art Show, Sale and Reception, held in downtown Denver on November 25, 2013, and featuring more than 100 pieces of donated art. Much of the art was produced for the show and was created by victims or advocates or focused on the theme of ending violence against women. The Reception featured displays and information from local organizations that educate the community about gender violence. The sale of art and donations for refreshments generated funds that were divided among the participating clubs and re-invested in local projects of the clubs' choosing that address gender violence. An accompanying display of dozens of pairs of donated shoes illustrated the numbers and diversity of the women who are traumatized, injured, disfigured and killed by gender-based violence every year in Colorado. After the event, the shoes were returned to victims' families as requested or donated to local charities for re-use.

Zonta's Work with the United Nations' Programs/Funds:

Please describe how your club informed its membership of Zonta's work with the United Nations' Programs & Funds through its International Service Projects and ZISVAW Projects.

Our January program is always devoted to raising money for the Foundation and updating members on all ZI approved projects. This is accomplished through a dining-in event.

External Communications/Public Relations:

Please check box for the PR tools your club uses:

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

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

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

ZCD switched to an on-line version of our newsletter this year to make it even easier for our members to stay up-to-date. Our website is updated frequently, and our members are increasingly sharing ZCD information through social media.

Nominating:

Please describe the process used by the nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for 2014-2015.

Nominating Committee chair chatted informally with members throughout the year to solicit interest and commitments for Board positions. When time neared for a slate of officers to be compiled, committee members called current officers to see if they would continue in another term, then filled vacancies with those who had made commitments and through additional individual calls and meetings. Committee voted and presented completed slate of officers to membership on time.

ZIF Ambassador:

Does your club have a foundation ambassador? Yes No

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

Through the January Dine-In event and Zonta's Work with the UN Programs/Funds above. We have achieved our goal of having 100% of our members contribute individually to ZIF. The potential for recognition at Convention was an attractive incentive.

Z-Club or Golden Z-Club:

Does your club have a Z or 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

Please describe your club's progress to date in:

(a) finding & listing your club archives.

We estimate we are about a third of the way through sorting and cataloguing the materials. We are planning to finish that process, then decide how to store the materials electronically, as appropriate.

(b) arranging for safe storage of materials.

The final storage methods have not been decided yet. Discussion has included the possibility of storing electronic copies on a private page on the club's website (with cloud backup and hard copies), and occasional rotation to public pages.

(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? Yes No

Are your bylaws up to date? Yes No