**Zonta International -- District 12**

**CLUB ANNUAL REPORT**

**Reporting Period: June 1, 2014—May 31, 2015**

***Please email to Governor Marcy O’Toole (******motoole48@comcast.net******) by May 22, 2015 with a copy to your Area Director.***

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**Club Administration 2014-2015:**

Zonta Club of Boulder County Today’s Date: April 30, 2015

Area: 3

President: Debbie Squires President-Elect (if appropriate):       Vice President: Kathy Robertson

Secretary: Carole FitzSimmons Treasurer: Carole FitzSimmons

**Fundraising:**

Please list the major fundraiser(s) your club held during 2014-2015. (*Feel free to add additional fund-raisers.)*

1. Holiday Wreath Sales

2. “Women and Girlz Rock”

3. King Soopers gift cards

Total Funds Raised this year: $2,898.00

**Local Service & Scholarships Dollars Given:**

Please list the contribution amounts given by your club during 2014-2015.

Local Service Organizations: $1,950.00

Local Scholarships: $2,100.00

 Total Local: $4.050.00

**Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) Dollars Given:**

Please list the total club & individual contributions given to the Zonta International Foundation during 2014-2015. (Jan Kirch at jankirch50@gmail.com can provide this information to you)

Total Club Contributions: $150.00

Total Individual Contributions: $ 622.62

 Total Club & Individual Contributions: $ 772.62

**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. Two of our members attended the Area 3 meeting and Amelia Earhart Day celebration.

**Local Scholarship Information:**

* **Local Scholarships** awarded by your club

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

Beth Haynes Award to prevent domestic violence, $2,000.00 for 2013 and 2014

Amelia Earhart Science Award, Colorado State Science Fair. $100.00

**Membership:**

Please describe your club’s recruitment and retention efforts for 2014-2015 in order to meet the *net +1* goal as of June 1, 2015.

We invited many people to our meetings and fundraiser. With our new fundraiser, Women and Girlz Rock, we were able to reach many women who have shown interest in joining Zonta.

If your club currently has fewer than 20 members, what plans do you have in place to increase membership in 2015 - 2016?

We will continue to invite people to our meetings and fundraiser. We will follow up with people from our fundraiser that expressed interest in joining our club.

Does your club have a new member orientation program? [ ] Yes xNo If yes, how many sessions did you hold this year?

Does your club have a new member mentor program? [ ] Yes xNo If yes, describe

*The information below will be used to determine the District Service Award to be given out at the 2015 District Conference, Boulder, CO Sept. 25-27, 2015*

**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:

We work with Heritage House, an organization that houses and counsels young “at risk” girls. We have made dinner with them once a month on Fridays and helped them with various fundraisers.

(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 Heritage House project both improves the status and helps prevent and fight violence against women and girls.

2. Currently we have 25% participation

3. Heritage House works with us and the girls being housed are aware of Zonta.

4. This will be our main service project for the foreseeable future.

*(Feel free to add additional projects*

**Linking Service and Advocacy:**

Mention examples of club service activities focused on “Prevention of Root Causes” of inequality and violence against women through education:

With our help to Heritage House the girls are fed and given shelter. We also keep them involved with activities and to let them know they have a future with hope.

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

We are currently working the Safe Shelter of St. Vrain in their fight to help women who have been affected by violence. Jackie List, director, is a new member of our club.

One of our members, Kathy Robertson, whose daughter was murdered by an ex-boyfriend, has established Abby’s Voice Foundation. She has worked in the past to educate young girls on dating violence and has tried to pass legislation to make it mandatory to educate middle and high school students on dating violence.

We have also worked with Boulder District Attorney’s office to give financial assistance to the Beth Haynes Award winner each year so they can attend an international conference on the education of domestic violence.

*The information below will be used to determine the District Advocacy Award to be given out at the 2015 District Conference, Boulder, CO Sept. 25-27, 2015*

**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? xYes [ ] 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

a) One of our members, Jackie List, is testifying before the Colorado State House on bills that may affect criminal charges against domestic violence offenders.

Helen Coffey, our Advocacy Chair, is monitoring bills before the Colorado State House that will affect empowerment and status of women and girls. Both members report to us the progress of their work and we participate as needed.

We work with the Safe Shelter of St. Vrain to help with advocacy in matters that relate to them.

We also work with Abby’s Voice, a foundation established by one of our members to educate young girls about dating violence. Kathy Robertson has tried to make dating violence a mandatory course in all middle and high schools in Colorado.

We also work with the Boulder DA’s office helping with the Beth Haynes Award.

b) All these projects are closely related to the advocacy definition of District 12 in legal, political, economic and educational issues.

c) Our projects reflect the District 12 Platform for Advocacy in supporting measures to oppose gender based violence and ensuring equal right under the law.

d) About 75% of our members are involved in all of these projects.

 *(Feel free to add additional projects)*

**Zonta Says No:**

Describe your club's Zonta Says No activities in 2014 - 2015:

Our President served on the committee; another member came to help set up and participate. We contributed to the art event and we sold at least five or more tickets to this event.

**Other Advocacy questions:**

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

Have statements/letters, etc. been sent to law-makers or government/officials at national/state/community levels? If yes, please send copy to motoole48@comcast.net (and copy your Area Director). Not at this time.

**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 member, Helen Coffey, is active with the Boulder’s United Nations’ programs and we participate each year in their celebration in October partnering with the Foothills Club to provide the birthday cake and other refreshments.

**External Communications/Public Relations:**

*Please check box for the PR tools your club uses:*

Brochure **X**     Newsletter [ ]     Club or Individual Business Cards [ ]     Website **X**  Facebook [ ]   Other (describe)

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

Please describe how your club kept its membership informed & connected this year.We keep informed via email and old fashion telephone.

**Nominating:**

Please describe the process used by the nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for 2015-2016.

A request was sent out for members to volunteer for offices.

**ZIF Ambassador:**

Does your club have a foundation ambassador? [ ] Yes xNo

How has your club encouraged individual donations this year? Please describe. The ZIF is discussed at various meetings and we are encouraged to donate.

**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.

If no, please describe what steps taken or plans to add a Z or Golden Z Club.

**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. We had an informal meeting this last summer to go through what various members had and organize our history.

(b) arranging for safe storage of materials. Right now our information is being kept at one of our member’s home.

(c) Did your club submit a "History In Brief" by December 31, 2014? xYes [ ] No

 If no, why not?

**Bylaws:**

Does your club have a bylaws committee? xYes [ ] No

Are your bylaws up to date? [ ] Yes xNo