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#### District 12 Outreach

District 12 Members, The Outreach is District 12's newsletter which comes out several times a year. This issue focuses on information about the new 2020-2022 biennium.

Ann Hodgson  
District 12 Governor

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### Cancellation of the International Convention

Under current emergency circumstances, Zonta International thinks that it is imperative to allow clubs to exercise their voting rights.

This means that, although there will be no Convention, clubs will participate in the election of a new International Board and International Nominating Committee. Candidate bios and speeches will be available online.

Clubs will also vote on Bylaws and Resolutions, the 2020-2022 Biennial Goals and the proposed International Projects and Programs. Clubs can offer views on these that will be available to other clubs but there will be no actual debate. Renee Coppock, past District 12 Governor and current ZI Bylaws & Resolutions Committee Chair will provide analysis and training to District 12 clubs on proposed Bylaws and Resolutions.

The keynote speaker for the canceled Convention is Sheryl WuDunn author of "Half the Sky – Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide". She will give her speech online on July 7. Information on how to attend will be sent out.

More information is available at [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org) under My Zonta/Tools/Membership Tools/Club Mailing.

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#### D12 Nominees for ZI Board

Three District 12 members are running for the Zonta International Board.

##### Director Nominees

Deedee Boysen, past D12 Governor

Renee Coppock, past D12 Governor and current ZI Bylaws and Resolutions Chair

##### Treasurer Nominee

Terri Otley, past D12 Treasurer

ZI regulations do not allow campaigning but it is acceptable to announce nominees.

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#### **Zonta International President Sharon Langenbeck**

Sharon Langenbeck, Zonta International President 2020-2022, has a special relationship with District 12. In 2010 when the University of Colorado had 6 Amelia Earhart Fellows, Sharon was the ZI Amelia Earhart Fellowship Chair and came to Boulder to present their wings to them. She came again the next biennium to present wings to two new Fellows. Sharon was an Amelia Earhart Fellow as a doctoral candidate and served as ZI Amelia Earhart Fellowship Chair for 12 years. Sharon was a ZI Director and ZI Liaison to District 12 in the 2014-2016 biennium. She attended the District 12 Conference in Boulder and spoke about the work of ZI at an International level.

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#### **Update Member Information with ZI**

Members need to keep their member profile up to date with ZI. This insures that information gets to you and that the ZI directory is up to date. To see your information and to update it, go to [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org). Click on MY ZONTA at the top left of the screen and sign in. Click on My Dashboard at upper right. Then click on Manage Profile. If you need to change information be sure to Save. If you have questions or problems call or email your Vice Area Director.

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#### **COVID 19 Fundraising**

Zonta Governors are sharing ideas on coping with COVID-19. We are seeing some pretty creative online fundraisers going on in Zonta clubs right now.

One club partnered with a local wine store and arranged for a virtual wine tasting. The participation price was \$75. (\$25 went to the club and \$50 went to the wine store.) The wine store then delivered to the porches of the participants, 5 bottles of wine (\$12/\$15 in value each.) At the appointed time, the Zoom event was held with everyone on at once, opening bottles together and the wine store folks talking about the wines and pairings.

Another idea is to have a virtual picnic. Eat your lunch outside and Zoom together to socialize. Attendees contribute to the club what they would have spent to go out to lunch. This could also be done in place of a regular club meeting where the club meets on Zoom and donates the cost of going to a regular meeting and having a meal.

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#### **Zonta International Biennial Theme and Goals**

##### **Theme "Changes, Transitions and New Opportunities"**



Resolution 2, to be voted on by clubs in July, states "Entering the new century Zonta International needs to make bold decisions to ensure that the organization is in the best position to remain a leading global organization for empowering women and girls. The time is right to analyze whether a simplified framework for membership, governance and operations would help Zonta meet the challenges of change. The Zonta international Board is proposing that an overall review of Zonta International's organizational structure be conducted under the leadership of the Zonta International Board for the 2020-2022 biennium."

Several bylaw changes to be voted on simplify the organization of clubs; changing required officers, committees and the need for in person meetings.

Details of these proposed bylaw changes and resolutions are on [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org) MyZonta/Tools/Membership/Club Mailing.

#### **Goals**

The 2020-2022 Biennium begins Zonta International's second century. The biennial goals build on Zonta's past successes, strengthen our commitment for women's equality, and acknowledge today's rapidly changing world. The Proposed Goals will be voted on in July by delegates from clubs. Complete proposed goals are located on [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org) under MyZonta/Tools/Membership/Club Mailing. These goals apply to all levels of Zonta and give guidance for clubs to set their goals. Specific goals for clubs include:

Goal 1 – Programs and Projects: emphasis on education for girls (ZI scholarships and projects), each club is encouraged to have nominees for Women in Technology, JMK Women in Business and Young Women in Public Affairs.

- Each club should have at least one Advocacy project

Goal 2 – Membership: Retention is key, emphasis on recruiting award winners, District should hold an event to honor them

- each club should contact its recent award winners about membership

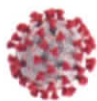
- each club should retain all or most of their current members and have a plan to do it

Goal 3 – Financial: Donations to ZIF and Endowment Funds need to be sufficient to fund ZI programs and projects

- each club donates to ZIF and/or Endowment Funds through both club and individual donations

Note: Zonta International Foundation will begin doing business as Zonta Foundation for Women. Its legal name will not change. This should better identify our mission to people outside the organization.

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#### **ZI Addresses What COVID-19 Means for Club Business**

Zonta International HQ has put information on the ZI website about running clubs during COVID-19. It is located at [www.zonta.org/MyZonta/Tools/MembershipTools/COVID-19](http://www.zonta.org/MyZonta/Tools/MembershipTools/COVID-19).

ZI also held a webinar on how to function during these times it is called "Zonta Cares: Our Responses to COVID-19" and is at <https://www.zonta.org/Media-News/Zonta-Talks>

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#### **Zonta International Website**

Zonta International launched a new website design June 8. Login will stay the same. It features a warmer, friendlier look. The address is the same: [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

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#### **Area Meeting Dates**

Dates for Area meetings in 2021 were set at the June District 12 Board meeting.

Area 1	Black Hills	April 24
Area 2	Fort Collins	April 17
Area 3	Foothills	Jan 23 or 30
Area 4	Royal Gorge	April 10

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#### **Governor's Seminar**

The Governor's Seminar will be held on September 26, 2020. We do not know yet if we will meet in person. If we do, we will also allow members to join by Zoom call.

The location we planned to use in south Denver has told us they are closed to outside groups. The Zonta Club of Cheyenne is looking into possible venues since Wyoming is more open for meetings than Colorado.

If necessary we may have to meet entirely by Zoom. More to come on this.

#### **Zonta District 12 Young Women in Public Affairs Award Winner**

Danika Gordon of Sturgis, South Dakota was named the recipient of the 2020 Zonta International District 12 Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Award. Danika was nominated by the Zonta Club of the Black Hills. District 12 has submitted Danika's application to Zonta International for consideration for one of ten \$4,000 awards that are awarded worldwide for YWPA.

The goal of the YWPA Award program is to encourage young women to participate in public affairs by recognizing a young woman's commitment to the volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leader-ship achievements and a dedication to the empowerment of women.

Applicants are asked to reflect on their voluntary commitment to their school and their community and the problems limiting the empowerment of women in their own country and worldwide. The Zonta International YWPA Award program looks to the young women of today for the leaders of tomorrow.

Ms. Gordon was named the 2020 Zonta International District 12 YWPA Award recipient because of her outstanding accomplishments in leadership and community activities. She has written three children's books (one titled "What makes you a Super Hero?", encourages kindness and goal setting), volunteered at her chamber of commerce as well as a page in the South Dakota House of Representatives. Ms. Gordon intends to pursue a career in Agriculture Marketing and ag law and to eventually assist the ag industry with ensuring free trade and fair trade markets. She shows her international awareness in participating in various projects like Malala's Foundation and World Food Prize Global Youth Institution. She believes the best solution to provide equality and respect for all is to insure self-esteem, confidence and finding a voice by teaching students at home, in school and in each community. Gordon is a recent graduate of Sturgis High School.

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#### **2021 YWPA**

Applications for the 2021 Zonta International YWPA Award will be available in August 2020 at [foundation.zonta.org/ywpaaward](http://foundation.zonta.org/ywpaaward). Applicants aged 16-19 on April each year, studying at a secondary school, college or university in a Zonta district/region, or who are studying elsewhere but are citizens of a Zonta country at the



time of application, are eligible to apply. The application process must start with a Zonta club and applicants may use the Club Locator to find the nearest Zonta club. Applicants must contact the Zonta club for deadline information.



## Zonta District 12 Board Members and Leadership Team

Office	Name	E-Mail	Preferred Phone
<b>OFFICERS (vote)</b>			
Governor	Ann Hodgson		
Lt. Governor/Membership Chair	Bridget Masters		
Treasurer	Jan Kirch		
Area 1 Director	Debbie Sundberg		
Area 2 Director	Tasha Bauman		
Area 3 Director	Deb Beatty		
Area 4 Director	Sonya Bergeron		
<b>LEADERSHIP TEAM (Do NOT vote)</b>			
Secretary	Kelli Buscher		
Area 1 Vice Director	Diane Staeffler		
Area 2 Vice Director	Judith Barth		
Area 3 Vice Director	Katie Wieneke		
Area 4 Vice Director	Elizabeth Whitham		
Advocacy	Denise Parish		
Amelia Earhart Coordinator	Marcy O'Toole		
Bylaws and Resolutions	Lara Guercio		
Centurion	Sheila Davis		
External Communications/PR	Dawn Ball		
Finance Committee	Jan Kirch		
Foundation Ambassador	Kay Meyer		
Historian	Deb Willis		
Internal Communications	Michelle Medal		
JMK Coordinator	Marcie Woolworth		
Leadership Development	Deedee Boysen		
Nominating Committee Chair	Kathy Cathcart		
Nominating Committee	Janet Bergin		
Nominating Committee	Anna Brewer		
Parliamentarian	Lara Guercio		
Service Chair	Julie Bradley		
United Nations	Renee Coppock		
Webmaster	Susie Nulty		
Women in Technology Coord.	Denise Luckhurst		
YWPA Coordinator	Jane May		
Z & Golden Z Coordinator	Johnna French		
Directory Committee	Judy McNerny		
Website Support	Janet Bergin		

