



Zonta Club of Fort Smith

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Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy.

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Holiday Party Fun

A festive time was had by all at the Holiday Potluck Dinner. Thank you Kathy Coleman for hosting once again! And, the mystery raffle raised \$105!

Our hostess!



Happy diners

Raffle winner Delores Chitwood



See page 4 for recipes!

More Scholarships to be Awarded

Please review the scholarships below and consider who you know that could either apply for the scholarship or who might know some possible applicants.

Rose Scholarship

Applicants are female heads of household, primary wage earners of the family. Award is \$500 (District 10 winners receive another \$1000). Applications due March 1.

Young Women in Public Affairs Award

Applicants are young, female leaders in community activities. Award is \$500 (District 10 winners receive another \$1000 award and ZI winners an additional \$4000). Applications due March 1.

Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship

Applicants are woman in business studies. Award is \$500 ((District 10 winners receive another \$1000 award and ZI winners an additional \$5000). The deadline for submission is March 1.



For details and links to applications, click here.

<http://zontafortsmith.wordpress.com/scholarships/>

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Next Monthly Meeting

Monday, January 13th at 6pm

The program for January is our own Kim Vann, District 10 Ambassador for the Zonta International Foundation. She will be giving a presentation on our international projects, fundraising, and her work for the foundation. She may even demonstrate some of the fundraising techniques she used at District 10 Conference in South Padre so bring your checkbook!

Zonta Club of Fort Smith received its charter April 24, 1967.

Our club is part of Area 1, of District 10, of Zonta International.

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Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Fort Smith Public Library.



Honoring 30 Years of Zonta Service

On Nov. 7, members of the Zonta Club of Fort Smith joined to celebrate 90 years of dedication as they honored three members, each with 30 years of service to the club and its mission. Nearly 100 members of the community joined club members in congratulating and thanking JoAnn Gedosh, Delores McMillan and Pat Crump for their hard work and commitment. Assembled were family members, community leaders, old friends, former Zontians and, to everyone's delight, special guests from the Girls Shelter, a long-time Zonta project in Fort Smith. The city's mayor declared a special day to acknowledge the ladies' many contributions in support of Zonta's mission of advancing the status of girls and women in Fort Smith and internationally. The Clayton House provided the perfect venue.

Best of all, it was a chance to tell JoAnn, Delores and Pat how much we appreciate their commitment to the women and girls for Fort Smith and the world. Through their volunteer work, political advocacy and fundraising they have not only affected many lives; they have shown the rest of the club's members what true dedication looks like and what it accomplishes.



Left: Honorees JoAnn Gedosh, Delores McMillan, and Pat Crump. Right: President Judi Hansen presents the service awards.



Guests were treated to a beautiful location and wonderful food. Trifold storyboards shared photos and mementos from 90 years of collected service.





President's Message

As 2013 comes rapidly to a close, I find myself thinking about what a busy year it's been for our Zonta Club of Fort Smith: granting scholarships and other financial awards, presenting the First Impressions workshop and Career Fair for girls, supporting the Crisis Intervention Center, Girls Shelter, Girls Inc. and Esther Home with volunteer

work and fundraising, selling geraniums, traveling to conferences and saluting our three members with 30 years of tenure – you all have been busy, busy, busy in support of Zonta International's mission of advancing the status of women and girls!

We've also had some great programs that allowed us to soak up things we may not have known about our community. We started and ended our year, fittingly, with the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith. Starting with computer-assisted design and ending with international students, we learned that we are well situated here in Fort Smith to support ZI at home and internationally.

Our service money is well spent on local financial support to women and our commitment to Zonta International's programs. When we go to District 10 conventions, we do not give the most of any club and we do not give the least, but we do follow the guideline of giving one-third of our money to international programs. That is something to be proud of -- and something to remember next spring when we are selling geraniums.

It has been a busy year for me personally as I have run pell-mell to meet my responsibilities as your president. Thanks for all your support!

I wish all of you a merry Christmas and the very best of fortune in the year ahead. I hope you have a chance to rest, recharge and spend time with your families and other loved ones no matter how far they wander during the rest of the year.

I am looking forward to 2014 and the chance to continue our work together for Zonta.

Judi



Upcoming events

- There will not be a First Wednesday Lunch in January.
- **Please note that starting in January, our regular business meetings move to the second Monday of the month.**
- The January business meeting will be on January 13th.
- Help "Strike Out" Domestic Violence and the Crisis Intervention Center by bowling on January 18th at 1PM. Check your email for more details.

November Meeting Sets a Record!

We had a record 12 visitors at the November business meeting! Thanks to all who invited guests.

As a follow up to last month's program on the International Programs and the Lionhearts at UAFS, a reminder that we can become a Lionheart by contacting Susan Devero at 788-7529 or susan.devero@uafs.edu. Susan sends out occasional mass emails of the needs for volunteers and you can choose what you want to help with. Opportunities include helping host art shows and other events. This is also a great way to get connected with the international students for "tea and talks."

Holiday Vegetable Dishes from Cathy Williams

Brussel Sprouts

Clean and trim brussel sprouts. Chop.
For every 15 sprouts: Sauté in 1 Tblsp EVOO for about 3-4 minutes.
Salt and pepper to taste.
Stir in 2 TBLSP brown sugar
1/3 cup roasted pecans
Mix well.

Christmas Corn

64 oz frozen corn
3 oz cream cheese
1 cup butter
1/2 cup sugar
6 slices American cheese
1/2 cup milk
Mix ingredients and cook according to corn directions.

Member News

Check out the December 2013 / January 2014 edition of Entertainment Fort Smith for a great article written by Heather Breed Steadham, daughter of Iris Breed Jones. The article is titled "She Can Go Home Again".



Editor's note: Please send an email to Caron at caron.s.roberts@gmail.com with your member news by the 20th of each month.

Zonta Says No

Thanks to the leadership of Sheryl Flanagin and Judi Hansen, the Fort Smith Zonta Club took the Zonta Says No and 16 Days campaigns to new levels in our area. The awareness activities included:

- A display in the Fort Smith Public Library
- Zonta Says No and 16 Days bookmarks in library branches
- 16 Days trifold in libraries
- Digital billboard with Zonta Says No
- Two radio interviews
- \$1000 donation to Crisis Intervention Center
- Distribution of orange ribbons and bracelets



Above: Zontians wear orange at the November meeting to show support for the Zonta Says No campaign.

Below: Display case at the FSPL.



ZONTA SAYS NO

January 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31 	1 JANUARY	2	3	4
5  Happy Birthday Caron Roberts!	6	7	8	9	10	11 Amelia Earhart Day 
12	13 Zonta Monthly Meeting 6pm	14	15	16	17	18 "Strike Out" Domestic Violence Bowling Tournament
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 FEBRUARY

February 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5 Lunch at Hamburger Barn on Garrison	6	7	8
9	10 Zonta Monthly Meeting 6pm	11	12	13	14 	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	1 MARCH