# Zonta Club of Fort Worth Zonta News

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### ~ President's Letter ~

Zonta Club of Ft Worth, as we look back over 2012 we have a great deal to be proud of.

First, our members who make our club a success and the new ones who have joined us this year bringing new ideas and talent to our club and family.

Secondly, we had a successful fundraiser that will enable numerous local women and organization to benefit from our service; The Ladder Alliance, The Women's Center of Tarrant County, YWCA of Ft Worth, three local scholarship recipients and women worldwide through our funding the international service programs.

Next, our scholarship recipient for 2012, Ms. Sumeeta Kumar, was awarded additional scholarships from both our district and international. This is a great opportunity for our recipient as well as recognition for our very own scholarship committee for a job well done.

Lastly, we have built many new relationships through our community service as well as teambuilding with other clubs; area, district and international. These relationships will stay with us as we go forward into the future.

It is now time to look forward to 2013. This will be an exciting year starting January 10, 2013. We have much to be accomplished that will enable us to support the status of women not only in our community but worldwide. You, the members get to choose what service projects we embark upon and how we fund them as well as our club. Watch for an upcoming brainstorming gathering for planning and make plans to be a part of those decisions.

Together, we can make it happen and I thank you for all you have done and continue to do.

Happy New Year to you and your family.

Sincerely, Vicki Saylor-Probes

# **Upcoming Zonta Events**

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#### **Monthly Meeting**

Where: Downtown Sheraton Hotel

When: January 10, 2013

Time: 6:00 p.m.

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Area 1 Meeting – Dallas May 4, 2013

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District 10 Conference:

South Padre Island, TX October 17-20, 2013



Inter- District Meeting - Niagara Fall, ON Canada June 14-16, 2013

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Zonta International Convention

June 27 to July 1, 2014



# Join us for a Zonta Social



2845 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street



#### Tuesday, January 15th

5:30 - 7:30 we will have bowling and social. Cost is \$15. Includes bowling, shoes & appetizers. (Drinks are on you.)

Please RSVP by Thursday, January 10, 2013

RSVP: Connie Stierstorfer (817-294-7227) connieathome@flash.net

#### **Jean Boenker Christmas Party**





Fun was had by all who attended this years Christmas party. We had 15 girls and 4 Chaperones from Christ Haven. We had a record attendance of 62 attend this year. There was food, music and of course, Santa with lots of gifts for the girls. We had a heart warming message about Christ Haven from our new member, Sarah Crouch. Many "Thanks" to Debby Jackson, Jean Boenker's friend, who always attends with her group and helps out every year.

A special "Thanks" to Paulette Burns for organizing a great party and for her helpers Gail Wilson, Cindy & Kaylee Stringer.





## **Scholarships**

Zonta Club of Fort Worth offers three scholarships yearly. The winner of the club scholarship will have their application submitted to the District level. If they win the District level they will have their application submitted to the International level if there is one (The Rose Scholarship only goes to District level).

Please submit your application for the Zonta Club of Fort Worth to Paulette Burns, Scholarship Committee Chair. The committee would prefer the applications be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:p.burns@tcu.edu">p.burns@tcu.edu</a>. If you have any questions or need help please contact me.

Paulette Burns Zonta Fort Worth Scholarship Committee Chair 3129 Wabash Fort Worth, TX 76109 817-675-0727 (cell)

#### ROSE SCHOLARSHIP

**Description:** The Rose Scholarship is awarded to a non-traditional student, female head of household, and primary wage earner of the family. Applicants should be individuals pursuing post high school training or certification programs not necessarily requiring a baccalaureate degree. The recipient must use the scholarship to attend an educational institution that is accredited and normally maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly enrolled body of students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are regularly carried on. This scholarship can fund a certification program such as law enforcement or fire training education at a technical/trade school or a community college. The club winner's application will be submitted for District level scholarship.

Club level: \$1,000.00 from Zonta Club of Fort Worth District level: \$1,000.00 from Zonta District 10

Due Date for Zonta Club of Fort Worth: February 1, 2013

Application: http://zontadistrict10.org/wp-content/uploads/Rose-Scholarship-Application1.pdf

#### YOUNG WOMEN IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS (YWPA) AWARD

**Description:** The Young Women in Public Affairs Award honors young women in secondary level or pre-university schools, ages 16 to 19, who demonstrate a commitment to leadership in public policy, government and volunteer organizations. The program operates at the Zonta club, district and international levels. The club winner's application will be submitted for District level scholarship, if they are selected as the District winner they will be submitted by the District for the International level scholarship.

Club level: \$1,000.00 from Zonta Club of Fort Worth District level: \$1,000.00 from Zonta International

International level: \$4,000 each for 10 winners from Zonta International

Due Date for Zonta Club of Fort Worth: March 1, 2013

Application: http://www.zonta.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=7ch8yZKwrjk%3d&tabid=98

#### JANE M. KLAUSMAN WOMEN IN BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP

**Description:** The Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship is awarded annually to women pursuing undergraduate or Master's degrees in business management. The program operates at the Zonta club, district and international levels. The Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarships are awarded annually and may be used for tuition, books or living expenses at any university, college or institution offering accredited business courses and degrees. The club winner's application will be submitted for District level scholarship, if they are selected as the District winner they will be submitted by the District for the International level scholarship.

Club level: \$1,000.00 from Zonta Club of Fort Worth

District level: \$2,000.00 from District 10 & Zonta International

International level: \$7,000 each for 12 recipients from Zonta International

Due Date for Zonta Club of Fort Worth: April 15, 2013

Application: ZI Jane M Klausman Scholarship Application will be available after Jan. 1, 2013 at www.zonta.org

# January is Zonta Amelia Earhart Month



#### **Amelia Earhart Recognition Award**

Renee Moody presented our first annual award to the Outstanding Female Cadet of the Nighthawk Squadron-Civil Air Patrol to c/2Lt Teresa Schofield on December 8, 2012 at their banquet.

Join us at our January meeting and meet Cadet 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Teresa Schofield, our speaker. She will tell us more about Amelia Earhart.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Help Fight Violence Against Women



Join us for the 5K Walk on Saturday,
April 13, 2013. (If you are unable to walk
or attend you can also donate cash.)
Please contact Connie Stierstorfer for
more information.

#### **Remembering Zontian Amelia Earhart**

#### To Amelia Earhart

Earthbound, we watched, enthralled,
As unafraid you climbed the cloud-strewn sky;
Your flight a symbol of that great heart
That dared apathy and prejudice defy.
"Own your soul!" your voice rings clear.
So gaily began your last long flight.
Circling the globe, Electra's gallant crew
Through wind and fog, missed finding Howland light.
For us, AE you'll never die.
The world, fleetingly, became less sad and drear
For the courage and concern we saw
In your brief, joyous sojourn here.

-Muriel Morrissey, sister of Amelia Earhart and charter member of the Zonta Club of Medford, Massachusetts

# News from International

#### Advocacy Alert - US Zontians, Take Action on VAWA

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), enacted in 1994, is currently up for reauthorization and has stalled in the US House of Representatives. According to the National Task Force to End Sexual and Domestic Violence against Women, the VAWA recognizes the insidious and pervasive nature of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and supports comprehensive, effective and cost-saving responses to these crimes. VAWA programs, administered by the Department of Justice and Health and Human Services, give law enforcement, prosecutors and judges the tools they need to hold offenders accountable and keep communities safe while supporting victims.

Please <u>contact your member of Congress</u> to urge them to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act now.