



# District 7 Newsletter

## Governor's Message

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Serving as District 7's Governor for the 2006-2008 biennium is an awesome responsibility. I am comforted by the fact that there are so many competent Zontians in District 7 to help carry our important message to their clubs and communities about how vital it is for us to advocate for improving the status of women worldwide.

Articles from our Area Directors, district committee chairs and coordinators will be featured in each newsletter. Area Directors will share information about their areas—some will feature a club or two in each newsletter. Others will highlight their area's

events and programs each time. If you want to include information about your club's event in the newsletter, please send your information to your Area Director.

Our committee chairs and coordinators have direct contact with International liaisons and will have the most up-to-date information in their respective specialties. Please do not hesitate to contact them for information or for help in programming for your local club.

Please join me in fully participating in Zonta's 2006-2008 biennium!



**Dr. Carol Pasanen**  
Governor, District 7

Congratulations to Past District 7 Governor, Kerry Dixon-Fox, on being elected an International Director for the 2007-2009 term! We are so proud of her!

**Special points of interest:**

- Find out what's happening in every Area!
- Find out who your District 7 resource people are!
- What are the deadlines for the YWPA, Klausman and Amelia Earhart scholarships?
- Which clubs won awards for 2005-2006?

## News from Area 1—Joan Wrolstad, Director

Area I Director - Joan Wrolstad, Fargo-Moorhead Club

*News from Aberdeen, Bismarck, Breckenridge-Wahpeton, Fargo-Moorhead, and Jamestown.*



*From The Buffalo City - Jamestown ND - On August*

19<sup>th</sup> Zonta members headed to North Dakota Peace Gardens for a dedication ceremony by the club for three relocated peace poles. The Jamestown club has recently installed three new members. Jamestown club

## Area 1 Continued...

would love to host the 2008 Fall Seminar!



*From Fargo-Moorhead-*  
The club recently held a raffle that raised \$850. A Zontian who is a Silpada Jewelry consultant, hosted a jewelry party and the fundraising proceeds netted \$500 for the club! A wine tasting event and silent auction is on the schedule for fall along with a community project-- Thanksgiving Bas-

kets for Needy Families. A new member will be installed in September.



*The Hub City - Aberdeen SD -* A new member was installed in May. Fall fundraising: selling See's Candy; start in October and deliver the candy in November. Service project: sponsor of Safety Town (an instructional program for preschoolers about helmet use,

seat belt use, life jacket, etc.); the Aberdeen Parks and Rec department does the teaching; our club provides their snacks and craft needs all week as well as the cookies and juice for a "graduation" ceremony; presented the "graduates" with "diplomas". Australia: The President attended the ZI Convention; it is "family affair" as she and her sister go together (she's a Zontian from Colorado)!

Next issue will include news for Bismarck and Breckenridge-Wapheton clubs!



## News from Area 2—Brenda Myers, Director

Greetings from Area 2 in Missouri! I am pleased to represent the clubs in Cape Girardeau, Jefferson City, St. Charles and St. Louis.

This quarter, I want to tell you about the inspiring membership boom occurring in St. Charles. Just 2 years ago, this club had ONE member, and it looked as if it may fold. But this sole member, immediate past District Governor Linda Jacobsen, refused to close the doors. She met and recruited current club president, Brenda Fraser, and a tremendous transformation began.

Brenda's creativity, enthusiasm and recruitment tactics along with Linda's knowledge of Zonta, proved to be a powerful combination. Using old fashioned recruitment techniques including one-on-one meetings and group sessions, the club began to grow. The club also supported a couple of targeted community events which fit the mission of Zonta and resulted in tremendous visibility for the Club.

Today, the Zonta Club of St. Charles stands solid at 15 members who are wonderful leaders in the community and active, dedicated members of Zonta! This club is well on its way to reaching a personal goal of 25-30 members. Congratulations to the Zonta Club of St. Charles! We are so proud of you!

Submitted by Brenda Myers, Area 2 Director



## News from Area 3—JoAnn Hanson, Director

Minnesota - Area 3

JoAnn Hanson, Area Director

Minnesota continues to be home to vibrant, accomplished women who are passionate about Zonta's purpose and have made substantial commitments of time and energy to accomplish its goals.

The Mankato Club maintains its public visibility through an annual fashion show. The proceeds from this event are given to the Open Door Health Center which serves largely women and children who may be uninsured or underinsured. The well-known and enormously popular *Blooming Pretty* garden tour produced a generous addition to the service project budget.

Maintaining a public garden at an often-passed intersection helps keep Zonta in the public eye and beautifies Mankato as well. Beautification is not found only in the Club's talent for gardening. Decorating two rooms at the Theresa House, a transitional facility for women and children, has become a regular event for the Mankato membership. Rounding out these recent fundraising activities is the *European Marketplace* silent auction and dinner that all Club members eagerly anticipate.

Minneapolis selected its primary beneficiary for 2006-2008 from several worthy applicants. Women Achieving New Directions (WAND) which is dedicated to working with low income single mothers to achieve self-sufficiency was selected by

the Minneapolis Zontians. Proceeds from the upcoming Holiday Event will go to WAND.

The Minneapolis Club has heard from our District Amelia Earhart fellowship winners, a former Zontian who taught community health nursing at Semmelweis University in Budapest Hungary and another who spoke of her Peace Corp experience in the Philippines.

Minneapolis Zontians have undertaken a variety of service projects including: the Cookie Cart, MN Advocates for Human Rights, The Jeremiah Program, Casa de Esperanza, and the International Girls Forum.

The Brainerd Lakes Zonta Club is engaged in a number of service activities, but has as its primary focus, Mentoring at Probation Offenders Rehabilitation Training for girls. This is a monthly commitment for the Club in addition to its many other activities. This includes staffing the reception table at the upcoming Susan B. Koman Survivors' Luncheon, and lending a hand with Highway clean-up.

St. Cloud Zontians meet three times a month for a combination of business meetings, Program meetings and speakers and presentations. Speakers are selected according to their similarity with the Zonta International calendar.

The St. Cloud Club supports education and literacy through scholarships, monetary support and volunteer hours spent read-

ing to children. Three major fund raisers are held each year in support of Anna Marie's (shelter for battered women) and Journey Home (extended care facility for chemically dependent women and their children.). The Club also maintains a close relationship with the Women's Aviation Department at St. Cloud State University.

## News from Area 4 Sharon Stark, Director

Greetings from Area 4



The **Atchison** Club is very busy working on our District 7 Fall Seminar. **"Flying High, Soaring into the Future with Zonta"** on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup>. 2006. You will not want to miss any of the Seminars or visiting the Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum, and taking a Haunted Trolley Tour. I hope to see all of you at Atchison.

The **Central Iowa** Club is planning a membership event at the end of September. They will continue their support ACCESS – the local assault care center. They have been supplying materials for women setting up a new apartment – having helped two last year.

The **Johnson County** Club is busy with their fundraising events on most Saturday's in September at the Arts and Crafts Fair's. These ladies are in their clown outfits. Their October meeting they will have the manager from Ten Thousand Villages to present an overview of their shop and mission.

The **Kansas City I** Club had a Membership Reception on August 16<sup>th</sup> for prospective members. Their Fashion Show will be on October 28<sup>th</sup> at Hillcrest Country Club.

The **Kansas City II** Club - On October 24<sup>th</sup> –The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Mayor's United Nations Day Dinner. Guest Speaker: **Dr. David Navarro**, from the United Kingdom. He was appointed UN System Influenza Coordinator by UN Sec. Gen Kofi Annan on September 25, 2005, a position at the level of UN Asst. Sec. Gen, by the World Health Organization. Before this appointment, Dr. Navarro served for six years at the WHO Headquarters in Geneva. Before joining the WHO, he served in the UK National Health Service and with the Save the Children in Iraq, Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

The **Topeka** Club will continue SANE/SART (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner, Sexual Assault Response Team) with clothing and money for training of the staff. On September 22<sup>nd</sup> they will do the Reception for New Citizens that are being Naturalized in Federal Court in Topeka. They will have a Membership Reception/Fashion Show on November 4<sup>th</sup> at the Shawnee Country Club.

Clubs, keep sending in your announcements and newsletters!  
Thanks to those who do so monthly!!

Sharon Stark, Area Director

# District 7 Club Awards

## 2005-2006

The following club awards were presented at the District 7 Fall Seminar in Atchison, Kansas for the 2005-2006 year. Congratulations to all award winning clubs! The club award forms available on our district web-site will be updated soon (no major changes—just deadline dates, etc.) for the 2006-2007 year. Start planning now to make sure club is “in the running” for an award next year!

### **Clubs with 25 or More Members**

#### United Nations

Gold: Cape Girardeau  
Silver: Jefferson City  
Bronze: Jamestown

### **Clubs with Less than 25 Members**

#### United Nations

Gold: Johnson County  
Silver: St. Paul  
Bronze: Central Iowa

#### Public Relations and Communication

Gold: Fargo/Moorhead  
Silver: Mankato  
Bronze: Cape Girardeau

#### Public Relations and Communication

Gold: Jamestown  
Silver: Austin  
Bronze: Johnson County

#### Organization and Membership

Gold: Cape Girardeau  
Silver: Breckenridge/Wahpeton  
Bronze: Fargo/Moorhead

#### Organization and Membership

Gold: Johnson County  
Silver: Jamestown  
Bronze: St. Paul

#### Status of Women

Gold: Cape Girardeau  
Silver: Brainerd  
Bronze: Breckenridge/Wahpeton

#### Status of Women

Gold: Jamestown  
Silver: Austin  
Bronze: Johnson County

#### Traveling Trophy

Bismarck



## United Nations—Kay Moss, Chair

The Zonta International United Nations Committee Chair, Jackie Shapiro, has requested a response from each club around the world to a survey of our plans and efforts to decrease or eliminate **violence against women through our efforts and expertise**. I am awaiting the balance of responses from the District 7 clubs.

We have also been asked to **Celebrate 16 Years of 16 Days: Advancement of Human Rights, and an End to Violence Against Women**. This year, the 16 Days campaign celebrates activists who have made the campaign a success and honors women's human rights defenders who have suffered intimidation and vio-

lence for their activism and/or have given their lives fighting for gender equality. (See the international website—November 29 as the day to recognize women's human rights defenders.)

If you wish to contact me, please e-mail me at [kay.m.moss@usps.gov](mailto:kay.m.moss@usps.gov) or call my cell phone: 314-341-0496.



## Women's Health, Lillian Pardo, Chair

Two weekly news magazines featured cover stories on "the female factor", a special women's health guide (USNWR, March 2006) and "Diet Hype" (Newsweek, March 13, 2006). A recent report on the Women's Health Initiative (WHI) Study was the subject of both stories on the participation of 161,808 postmenopausal women who were in a number of studies. One group placed the participants on a low-fat diet—half of the women were told to cut their fat intake to 20% of total calories and to eat at least five daily servings of fruits, vegetables and grains while the other had had no dietary restrictions. The WHI results do not show a

clear correlation between lower fat intake and reduced risk of breast cancer in women. But participants who made the greatest changes began with high-fat diets, then cut calories by 12%—were 22% less likely to get the disease. In regards to the risk of colorectal cancer, in the low-fat diet group, it did not reduce the risk when tracked over eight years, but it did produce fewer polyps—which suggests that cancer risk may decrease over a longer period of time.

In another subgroup of the study, the participants were divided into one which received calcium and vitamin D and the

other half in a placebo group that did not receive any intervention. Conclusion—when calcium and vitamin D were taken by healthy postmenopausal women for an average of seven years, these supplements slowed bone density loss and may have helped protect against hip fractures—but did not prevent colorectal cancer.

The moral of the story: patience and persistence are the key attributes we need to acquire benefit from the recommendations to eat healthy, exercise and see your doctor for advice on health screening and appropriate treatment if needed.



## Status of Women/Service—Joan Halvorson, Chair

Applications are now available on the Zonta International website for the YWPA award. You have until April 1 to get your club recipient selected and send the applications to our District YWPA Chair, Linda Linn. The

Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowships are due November 15 to Marie Kolich while applications for Jane Klausman awards are due by May 31 to Pat Will. More information on these awards appears

in this newsletter and on the International website—also available there, "Making a Difference in Your Community"—a great Power Point presentation for your local clubs on making a Zontian impact on your communities!





## Public Relations and Communications—Mindy Primm, Chair

### Promoting Your Zonta Club for Success

One of the most important components for success of a Zonta Club is how well they handle public relations and communications (PR & C). Unfortunately, it is also one of the weakest areas of many clubs. As your District 7 Chairperson of PR & C, I have four goals for the upcoming biennium to assist your individual clubs in becoming masters of PR & C.

**GOAL 1: Implementation of the Zonta International Board Directive regarding the use of the Zonta Name and Emblem.** The international board has developed a guideline of how, when, where and why the Zonta name and emblem can be used. This is important as it protects our group from misrepresentation, ensures consistency and assists with “branding” our group to the general marketplace. This directive requires that a baseline inventory be taken of how each club and district currently utilizes the name and emblem prior to February 2007. I will be in Atchison, KS to review the directive with various club representatives. For those clubs unable to attend, I will email or mail the appropriate forms so we can get ahead of the curve in implementing this directive.

**GOAL 2: Each club should develop a media kit and media list.** A media kit is a simple pocket folder that contains information on your club that assists the media to do their job more effectively. An average kit may include but is not limited to: a fact sheet on the chapters history, accomplishments, meeting location and time; a fact sheet on the organizations history; a chapter calendar of events; name, address and telephone numbers of chapter officers; photos of officers and projects; chapter brochure; chapter newsletter. It is always preferable to deliver the media kit to those on your media list in person to make a personal contact.

Developing an accurate media list of those to distribute information too is important for external communications. The media list should include daily and weekly newspaper editors and reporters; broadcasters in television, radio, local cable and community access channels; and magazines. The list should have contact name, mailing address, phone and fax number, email address and lead-time needed to make their publication and/or broadcast.

**GOAL 3: Improve external communications.** My personal motto regarding PR & C has always been “Free Press is Best”. The community must be aware of who you are and what you stand for if you are to be successful in recruitment, fundraising and project management. The stronger your name recognition is in the community the better your success rate will be in your programming. Don’t let Zonta be a secret! Utilize your media kit and media list to make your community aware of events, awards, meetings, conferences, etc. that involve your club.

**GOAL 4: Improve internal communications.** Each member of your club is a valuable addition and communicating with them clearly and consistently is imperative for success. All members should be contacted regularly regarding upcoming events, meetings, involvement, needs and other vital information. It is always a good idea to have a monthly newsletter that is either emailed or mailed to each member. This newsletter should contain a roster of members and their contact information, a calendar of events, articles on upcoming or recent events and information from district, national and the international level.

I hope you share my goals on improving our external and internal communications so our organization can be as successful as possible. I am honored to be serving as your District 7 PR & C committee chair for 2006-2008. Thank you for the opportunity to be of service to you.

## Foundation Ambassador—Linda Mohn, Chair

The Zonta International Foundation and Zonta International both encourage local clubs to contribute one-third of service funds raised to the Foundation each year.

Did you know

- 70 percent of the world's 1.3 billion poor are women.
- Two-thirds of the illiterate adults in the world are women and two-thirds of the children not in school today are girls.
- 60 million women who should be alive today are "missing" because of violence

associated with gender discrimination.

- Trafficking in women and girls for sexual exploitation is rapidly becoming a lucrative global industry involving millions of dollars and thousands of damaged lives. Trafficked women and girls report repeated violent rapes, unplanned pregnancies, beatings, torture and other sexual abuse by clients and traffickers as well as serious reproductive health illnesses.

Women comprise 48% of the work force, yet less than 5%

hold senior management positions and only 10% hold seats in the world's parliament.

What can we do? Help the Zonta International Foundation fund their two newest projects 1) Education and Leadership for Girls and Young Women in Bolivia, 2) Support for Revival of Rural Community-based Self-Help Initiatives in Sri Lanka, along with their continuing projects. Further information can be obtained on the Zonta International website or by contacting Linda M. Mohn at [lmohn@csicable.net](mailto:lmohn@csicable.net).



## Legislative Awareness and Advocacy Anne McCleery, Coordinator

The Legislative Awareness and Advocacy subcommittee has four primary responsibilities:

- Work with Zontians to combine service and advocacy efforts
- Learn how laws are made and by whom, how they are implemented, and how to engage in the advocacy process
- Advocate on key status of women issues

Effect changes to benefit women

Advocacy includes influencing laws, legislation, and attitudes. There are tools for clubs on the Zonta website that inform members how they may become more involved. Under member resources / service and advocacy/ tools for clubs you will find a PowerPoint presentation that will help generate discussion about the community projects your club is already engaged in as well as the possibility of new ideas. The Advocacy Definition and Policies provide guidelines for clubs and districts relating to the expression of opinions and support activities; it emphasizes that efforts should be made for well-balanced presentations of facts and viewpoints, and that support should be non-partisan and non-sectarian. Zonta International has issued resolutions on HIV/AIDS and other important issues that affect women, which can also be accessed through the website.



Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or would like to share your experiences.

Anne McCleery

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## Z-Club Update—Laura Burton, Coordinator

### Z-Club Update from Laura Burton

Greetings! As Chairperson of District 7's Z-Club, I am excited about the progress of the Jefferson City's Z-club and I am looking forward to Cape Girardeau and St. Louis getting their clubs up and running. Jefferson City held their first meeting about a week ago and 27 young women attended and seven responded by e-mail that they wanted to attend but were unable to do so because of too much home work. Half of the 27 students attending the meeting were sophomores, officers were selected using the volunteer method, and four of the five officers were sophomores. This is very exciting to get the younger girls involved and educated about Zonta. These Z - clubbers have already scheduled their service project in November at the Special Learning Center where they decorate the building for the Christmas season. In addition, Z-clubbers and Zonta members provide monthly babysitting service for mothers residing at the Women's Crisis Center. The Jeff City Club meets for one hour monthly (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday) at Central Bank's beautiful facility. A visit to attend a meeting there is definitely on my agenda before the end of the year.

Cape Girardeau's chairperson, Cheryl Hill and her committee have met and begun to implement their action plan. They decided that the grade level for their Z-clubbers would be 9-12, and that they would meet monthly (Nov thru Aug) at the Cape County Public Library on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month for one hour. They have identified several service projects, the first one being a teacher appreciation day. They plan to tutor and mentor students, have business etiquette classes, a shadowing program and have international speakers for the club's International meeting. They have sent out a letter of introduction to five area schools, and plan to follow up with Zonta informational packets to school advisors. Cheryl plans to visit Jeff City to get pointers to establish their club.

Our St. Louis Club was introduced to a local school district superintendent who was interested in getting students involved in community service projects. Committee members met with a high school Assistant Principal in this district who was excited about our proposal. We shared Zonta information with her and invited her to our meetings, and added her to our newsletter roster. We had hoped to get the Z-club started this fall, but we feel implementation will be later. We will continue to explore other resources while working through our current challenges. In the past the students usually were high school junior and seniors, however our goal is to target younger students where possible.

As district chairperson, my goal is to keep communication lines open so that we can share strategies and experiences to reach the next generation. No one benefits from our knowledge, experiences, and resources, if it is not shared. I have often heard it stated that young people do not want to hear what we have to say; however, if we show that we care and open the lines of communication, they will listen.....

If you have a Z-club or planning to establish one in your area that I did not acknowledge, please feel free to contact me by e-mail [director@cburtonglobal.com](mailto:director@cburtonglobal.com) or call me at 636 532-7434.

## Service Update—Dr. Janet Ruopp, Coordinator

I will begin with highlights of some of the service projects in my home state of Missouri in Area 2.

### St. Charles

The St. Charles Club has participated in the American Cancer Society's Walk for a Cure to eliminate Breast Cancer. They have also partnered with a local women's shelter and are instrumental in beginning a walk to raise awareness of domestic violence. They have helped the shelter with projects such as landscaping and staining a porch.

### Jefferson City

Jefferson City has a rich history of helping women through education. Because of the success of their Women of Achievement Luncheon, they are able to help women by awarding eight scholarships to deserving female students in their community. The Jefferson City club also sponsors a local Z Club and mentors the high school students in their service projects.

### Cape Girardeau

The Cape Girardeau Club has diverse service projects including the Missouri Mentoring Project, an organization which helps young mothers care for their small infants and become better mothers through education, job placement and child rearing instruction. They also help with Habitat for Humanity, the Boys and Girls Club, American Cancer Society, Cape Area Career and Technology School and all of the fine local high schools.

### St. Louis

The Women's Another Chance Scholarship program is still thriving with ten students. They also have awarded over \$15,000 in Community Grants this year. One important aspect of the community grants is the feedback that is required. This forces the organization receiving the grant to tell how the grant affected them. This has allowed the St. Louis Club to receive recognition and new members. The St. Louis Club has also awarded a scientific scholarship to a St. Louis University undergraduate student and for the last two years, they have donated funds to the University of Missouri at St. Louis for their Women over 50 event. Both events have given the club added publicity. They also support the Center for Women in Transition, the Boys and Girls Club and local Catholic Charities.

Service projects in Area 1 will be highlighted in the December newsletter. By learning about the service opportunities in other clubs, it might give us ideas on how to enrich our local service opportunities as well. I look forward to working with all of you through Zonta service. If you need to reach me, you can do so through e-mail at [jruopp@Charter.net](mailto:jruopp@Charter.net) or call me at 573-334-8884 (work) or 573-335-5398 (home). If I don't have an answer for you, I will get help. Thank you for advancing the status of women through local service. I look forward to working with each of you these next two years.

Janet Ruopp



## Amelia Earhart Fellowship Update Marie Kolich, Coordinator

Congratulations to the Amelia Earhart Fellow, Yongli Zhao. Ms. Zhao is pursuing her Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Iowa. Her research is to study the stability issues associated with thin film motion over heterogeneous surfaces. The aeronautical applications of this work are many—problems of icing on wings, obscur-

ing operator's vision by water film and the formation of rivulets which can degrade aerodynamic efficiency. In her spare time, Ms. Zhao enjoys ping pong and tennis and she volunteers in many fields.

Applications for the 2007 Fellowships must be received at Zonta Headquarters by November 15, 2006.

Please help to get the word out about the Amelia Earhart Fellowships by encouraging promising women at the Ph.D. level in aerospace-related sciences or aerospace-related engineering to apply. Applications are available on the Zonta International website or by contacting Marie Kolich, District 7 Amelia Earhart Coordinator at [mkolich@iac-intl.com](mailto:mkolich@iac-intl.com).



## ZISVAW Update—Sherrill Mulhern, Coordinator

### Killing girls

This summer, all of us received copies of the UN Committee for the Bientium's questionnaire that inquired about our clubs' efforts and expertise in the area of violence against women. Although I haven't seen the results of the study, I suspect that in responding to the various questions, many of us referred to or gave examples of our respective club's efforts in the area of domestic violence. Since we all know that most victims of domestic violence are women and their children, and that the majority of women are exposed to violence in the privacy of their homes, many of our clubs have engaged the problem by creating local projects in conjunction with safe homes and shelters for battered women. This said, domestic violence is a complex phenomenon. In about 25 percent of cases, the victims are actually men.

In the United States, we are rarely confronted with instances of pure violence perpetrated by men against women. The endless flow of reports of gang rapes in refugee

camp that horrify us, generally refer to events occurring in distant countries, torn apart by wars of ethnic cleansing. However, during the months of September and October, the universality of the problem of violence against women, simply because they are women, was brought home to all of us when appalling stories about groups of young school girls, here in the United States, being singled out, taken hostage, abused and murdered, burst into the headlines of our local papers. As National Organization for Women president, Kim Grady noted, "Every woman saw this and said, 'Oh, my God, they sent all the boys away and targeted all the girls.'"

Significantly, however, what was obvious to every woman was invariably presented by the mass media as a tragic aberration or an idiosyncratic expression of individual psychopathology. Instead of examining these heinous events as eruptions of deeply rooted attitudes that continue to fester under the veneer of our American way of life, most commentators spoke

of the continuing problem of school violence or of the need for gun control. Only Mike Hendricks of the Kansas City Star vigorously objected that these vicious acts needed to be identified as what they are, "hate crimes."

As we go forward, if we are to effectively tackle the problem of violence against women, we Zontians can begin by becoming vigilant, vocal advocates for women. When violence is perpetrated on women, like Mr. Hendricks, we can raise our collective voice and speak out. We can begin by documenting events that occur in our respective areas and examining how they have been treated in the mass media. When you come upon an event that you feel needs to be brought to the attention of all of us in District 7, please forward the information to me.

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**"...they sent all the boys away and targeted all the girls."**

**Don't forget to check out our District 7 website at**

**[www.zontadistrict7.org](http://www.zontadistrict7.org)**

**Resources, contacts, links, newsletters, and more... Kerry Dixon-Fox, Webmaster**



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## Jane Klausman, Pat Will, Coordinator

The Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship Fund was established in 1998 when Zontian and International Parliamentarian Jane Klausman passed away leaving a bequest stipulating the creation of a program that would aid young women pursuing careers in business management. The Foundation developed the Women in Business Scholarship program to provide financial aid to young women in undergraduate business programs. Investment income on Ms. Klausman's original bequest, supplemented by annual contributions to the Fund, has supported over 125 scholarships to women representing 28 countries.

The Mankato Zonta Club is proud to announce that their Jane M Klausman applicant, Irina Kansakar, was recently named a recipient of a Zonta International \$5000 Jane M Klausman Women in Business scholarship. She will be featured in the December newsletter.

I will be serving as the Jane M Klausman Women in Business Scholarship chairperson for this biennium, and I am a member of the Mankato Zonta Club and can be reached at [mpwill@hickorytech.net](mailto:mpwill@hickorytech.net) or 507-387-2019.

Pat Will

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## Young Women in Public Affairs—Linda Linn, Coordinator



My position as Young Women in Public Affairs coordinator will be quite an experience for me. My first position in Zonta beyond my local organization, so I am truly hoping for your support and cooperation in whatever I may not know yet!

I believe this award is a significant opportunity that Zonta offers to women. Recognizing pre-university and pre-college women students committed to leadership in public policy, government and volunteer organizations... an award truly deserving to the future of our young women.

Zonta International believes young women are the key to women's advancement in the field of public service. The Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Awards encourage young women who have demonstrated leadership skills and interest in civic causes to continue pursuing their dreams.

Please work with your local clubs to encourage participation in YWPA this year. I will have more information to you in the near future and look forward to serving in this capacity. You can contact me anytime....

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