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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

I send blessings to you and your families at this special time of the year as we celebrate the reason for the season. Even though all of us are stressed at Christmas, we should give thanks for all of our blessings this year.

I love the magic of the twinkling lights and the anticipation on the faces of the little children as they wait for Santa Claus. Everything looks different during the Holidays, like someone threw fairy dust everywhere.

As we reflect about the past year, all of us should look to the New Year with anticipation. My hope for the New Year is that our Club is able to touch as many lives in 2017 as we have this year. You are a special group of women and I feel so blessed to be a part of this wonderful organization.

Yours in Zonta,

Bonnie Baseke

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HADDY NEW YEAR

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DECEMBER MEETING

Monday, December 19th THE GOLDEN HUB SENIOR CENTER

1009 N. LINCOLN STREET 6:30PM

CATERED CHRISTMAS PARTY

THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTESSES:
MARTI BARTH, GINGER MITCHELL
BARB MACMANUS & LIZ WUNDERLICH

NOVEMBER MEETING:

We were pleased that Patty Clark, with the "Days For Girls" organization, founded in 2008 by Executive Director Celeste Mergen, was able to open our eyes to their vision for every girl and woman in the world to have access to quality sustainable hygiene and health. Their mission in making and dispersing Days for Girls Kits is to create a more dignified, humane and sustainable world for girls through advocacy, reproductive health awareness, education and sustainable feminine hygiene, because no girl should go without.

Ms. Clark explained about the DfG kits which serve 100+ countries and they have reached over 300,000 girls to date. As a Zonta Board we decided to advocate \$200 to this program with hope to budget more into our 2017-18 funding.



We welcomed Brenda Lessor, inducted into Zonta Club at the November meeting, all our members look forward to working with her on upcoming projects.



OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

This is strictly social and there is no meeting only time to gather and get to know each other better.

Please bring items for the Battered Women's Shelter

- toiletries for women
- sleepwear and slippers for women,
- gifts for children such as, stuffed animals, puzzles, coloring books, dolls, toy cars, trucks and such, hand held games.

These items do not need to be wrapped so the shelter can decide where they should go. If you want to make a monetary donation to the shelter, that is also acceptable.

This is also the ONLY time of the year when we make a FREE-WILL OFFERING to the Food Pantry.

(We used to give gift cards from HEB and Wal-Mart but the Food Pantry gets the food at a better price from Austin Food Bank.)

Don't forget our Gift Exchange! Bring something for no more than \$15.00 and watch how the personalities change from sweet to not so sweet.

White Elephant / Dirty Santa Rules:

- 1. Each player brings one wrapped gift to contribute to a pool of gifts under the "tree."
- 2. Each player draws a number to figure in what order they will go.
- 3. Players sit so they can see the gift pile.
- 4. The first player selects a gift from under the "tree" and opens it. Make sure everyone get to see the gift!
- 5. Following sequentially, players in turn can choose to either pick an unwrapped gift or steal a previous player's gift. Anyone who gets their gift stolen in this way immediately may choose a new gift or steal from someone else as a replacement.
- 6. A present can only be stolen once per turn, which means players who have a gift stolen from them have to wait a turn to get it back.
- 7. After two swaps of the same gift (the 3rd holder) the turn automatically comes to an end and the gift is FROZEN. Let it Go!
- 8. If, after all players have had a turn and the first player is still holding her original gift, she gets a chance to swap the gift for any other opened gift that has not been FROZEN. Play Ends.

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Z CLUB REPORT

ADOPT-A-FAMILY:

The Adopt-A- Family Committee works in conjunction with the Hill Country Needs Council to select families for the Club to help at Christmas with gifts and sometimes with meals for the family for Christmas. We collected the money at the November Zonta meeting. The Z Club did the shopping, wrapping and delivering of the gifts to each family. This is a way for us to work together with the Z Club and them with us. Wanda Detmar is the new ZClub sponsor for this wonderful symbiotic relationship.



From left to right: Ashley Valencia, Madison Torres (sec), Liz Wunderlich, (Zonta), Patricia Torres (needs council), Chelsea Kirchner (treasurer), Riley Shuffied (pres).

RE-DRESS:

This is a new project the Z Club has adopted and we could help with this: re-dress: a local, pop-up boutique that will provide free formal wear to girls so that as many of them as possible can attend their proms and to encourage re-use of local resources. **How can we help?** Donate your clean, gently-used formal wear and accessories (dresses, shoes, jewelry, handbags). Encourage your friends to do the same. Follow the progress on Facebook and Instagram. Drop off sites: Dankworth Dry Goods, Braunbach Granite, Beulah's and Century 21 Sunset Realtors. The Boutique's location and dates will be announced soon.



We are pleased to have been able to place a ZONTA Banner across Hwy 16 just outside the high school to show our support and diligence to the Sixteen days of Activism for End Violence Against Women campaign. Our Chapter is supporting this effort by wearing our Zonta orange bracelets and having The Z Club selling them as well. Our efforts will also be in assisting the battered women's shelter in Kerrville via our Fredericksburg Women's Crisis Council by bringing donations to the December meeting (see list above.) Please make your heart smile by giving generously to this advocacy.

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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 20 Sarah Nicole Partin

December 23 Regina Rosenwinkle

December 31 Lisamarie Williams



SOME MEMBER NEWS

Barbara MacManus is on a trip to Maui, Hawaii for Christmas with her niece and her husband. Ginger Mitchell has been to New York City with a lifelong friend. Pam Nabors has had surgery while Karleen Carlisle is recovering from pneumonia and Jo Ann Krauskopf had foot surgery. Carol Cain had another chemo treatment since our last meeting. We all wish her well.

THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR THE MEETING Donations for Woman's Shelter, Food Pantry Donation, Dirty Santa Exchange Gift of <\$15, Donation towards Caterer

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CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT DATES



December 19, Zonta Christmas Party
December 25, Christmas Day
December 31, New Year's Eve
January 1, New Year's Day
January 2, Zonta Board Meeting
January 11, Amelia Earhart Day
January 16, Zonta Regular Meeting
February 6, Zonta Board Meeting
February 12, Lincoln's Birthday
February 14, Valentine's Day
February 20, Zonta Regular Meeting
February 20, President's Day
February 22, Washington's Birthday



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