



## Z-Newsletter

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### From the President

Much is happening in our Zonta community!

We have Zontians volunteering their time at the East Cleburne Community Center teaching youth about budgets, finances, and the Real World!

We have ladies gearing up for our Zonta Zoom!

We have Zontians who are seeking applications for our scholarship awards!

We have others who are making a pressbook of everything that has happened this Zonta year!

And we have a Nominating Committee who may be in touch with you soon! Serving on the committee are Dianne Packwood, Karon Lowe, Kasey Rachel, and Barbara Yoder. The duty of this committee is to nominate one or more members for each office to be filled at the annual election to be held at our club meeting in April.

If you are interested in serving in a leadership role, please make contact with one of the committee members! You can reach them the following ways:

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So many of you have great leadership skills, and I hope you will consider using your abilities to lead Zonta in this biennium!

Finally, check out our new mission statement below!

Angie

### Zonta Club of Johnson County

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Club Number 0990  
Chartered October 1981

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#### 2014-2015 Board Members

President – Angie Allen  
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Director – Connie Allen  
Director – Kim Chance  
Director – Tiffany Strother  
Past President – Dianne Packwood

#### Committee Chairs

Advocacy – Sharron Miles  
Art Bra – Dee Dee Babcock & Dena Bartlett  
Bylaws – DeeAnn Strother  
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Finance – Marty Peters  
Long-Range Planning – DeeAnn Strother  
Membership – Carolyn Smith  
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Scholarship – Terri Wilson  
Service – Jennifer Enright  
United Nations – Jessica Applegate  
Ways & Means – Gina Jones  
Zonta Zoom – Tiffany Strother

### February Birthdays!

5 – Dee Dee Babcock

9 – Shelly Doty

24 – Nicole Chaplin

25 – Connie Allen

**NEXT MEETING**  
Wednesday, February 18, 2015  
12:00 pm  
First Christian Church  
200 South Nolan River Road  
Cleburne

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empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.*

please join  
**ZONTA CLUB OF DALLAS**  
**AMELIA EARHART LUNCHEON**  
Empowering Young Women through STEM

Come support Fellowships for young women in STEM, awarded annually by Zonta Club of Dallas. We invite girls and young women interested in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to join us. Speakers this year are two extraordinary young women — Talented and Gifted seniors at Yvonne A. Ewell Townview Center.

Individual tickets are \$50

**Saturday, February 7, 2015**  
11:30 - 1:30pm  
Arlington Hall at Lee Park  
3333 Turtle Creek Blvd  
Dallas, TX 75219

Please RSVP to Barby Crabtree at 972-989-9936 or barbtree928@gmail.com by January 30th




**ZONTA INTERNATIONAL**  
Zonta Club of Longview  
**Antiques Show and Sale**  
Friday March 6, Saturday March 7: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday March 8: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Featuring the Zonta Tea Room & Dessert Bar  
TICKETS \$10 Weekend Pass  
Half Price Sunday - Ticket Available Sunday at Door  
Help Zonta say NO to Violence Against Women and Support Women in Longview

Zonta of Longview's WALK TO END VIOLENCE - Saturday morning March 7th will be a "Walk to End Violence Against Women" event. It will be held at the "Blue" Room sponsored by the Blue Room Club. For more information, please contact Jennifer Murgan at 903-932-0984 or email: 2015zontalongviewantiqueshow@gmail.com

For show information contact Jennifer Murgan  
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Maude Cobb Convention & Activity Center

## Dates to Remember

**February 6 at noon** – Board Meeting at City Hall

**February 12 at 4:00 pm** – Join the ZClub to watch a documentary at Godley High School

**February 18 at noon** – Club Meeting at First Christian Church

**March 6 at noon** – Board Meeting at City Hall

**March 7** – Zonta Zoom

**March 8** – Rose Day

**March 19 at 5:30 pm** – Club Meeting at First Christian Church

**April 10 at noon** – Board Meeting at City Hall

**April 16 at 5:30 pm** – Club Meeting at First Christian Church

**April 24-25** – Area 1 Meeting hosted by the Zonta Club of Stephenville

**May 1 at noon** – Board Meeting at City Hall

**May 20 at noon** – Club Meeting at First Christian Church (installation of new officers)

January 2015

Dear Zontians,

Welcome to 2015!

As the New Year starts, I would like to express my most sincere thanks to the Conviction, Commitment and Courage demonstrated by clubs, areas, districts, committees and the Board. Six months into the 2014-2016 Biennium, much has been accomplished in a short time, yet much work remains to be done.

For 95 years, Zonta International has protected and promoted the rights of women and girls, enabling them to recognize their rights and realize their full potential. In those 95 years, our focus has not changed; however, we have grown as an organization as our reach and impact have expanded.

To recognize Zonta's influence and to emphasize our vision of a world in which gender equality is a reality and women's rights are human rights, the 2014-2016 Zonta International Board approved a new mission, vision and theme.

### MISSION

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.

### VISION

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men.

In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.

### THEME

Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy

Along with this new mission, vision and theme, we are also refreshing Zonta's visual brand identity. Why is this important? A cohesive brand identity, combined with our new mission, vision and theme, unites Zonta International, our districts and our clubs as one organization with a common goal. A new visual brand identity, shared across the organization, increases recognition of Zonta as a leading global organization working to empower women through service and advocacy and raises recognition of Zonta International with our stakeholders worldwide. For your information, we have prepared a [short video](#) and [Brand Identity Guidelines](#).

Please ask your governor if you have any questions. The support of every Zontian is critical to the success of Zonta. We hope you will embrace these changes and join us in empowering women through service and advocacy. Now is the time. Let's work together to make the world a better place for women and girls.

Yours faithfully,



Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard  
Zonta International President

## Godley ROAR Z Club

Several Zontians had a great time meeting the new Z Club members at the installation which was held on January 18, 2015, at Godley High School! This club hit the ground running. It adopted a family as part of the Godley Outreach program at Christmas and provided gifts and necessities to a family of four in the community.

The club hosts a movie screening and discussion on a monthly basis. In November, members and guests watched "Brave" and then discussed gender roles and stereotypes. "Frozen" was watched in December, and they discussed women in positions of power. In January, they watched "Mulan" with discussions of gender identity following the screening. You're welcome to join them on **February 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 at Godley High School** to watch a documentary on dating violence with a follow-up discussion.

Godley ROAR will volunteer at the Zonta Zoom in March and will raise money for a Kiva fund as part of their international project.



## Outstanding Member

Zonta of Johnson County has been blessed to have Ivy Peterson as a member since 2001. She is a woman with passion for Zonta. Ivy has a servant's heart.

Ivy has served in various leadership roles in our club. She was our club as the president from 2008 to 2010. Ivy has served as the scholarship chair for many years. "My favorite position was president. It was very rewarding to represent the wonderful members of the club in the community and at the Area and District conferences. It was during this time that I had opportunities to spend more time with the club members and I value the friendships very much."



Ivy is employed by the City of Cleburne as the Deputy City Secretary. Ivy has worked for the City for seventeen years.

Shelly Doty, friend and co-worker says, "Ivy is a wonderful lady. She is caring and always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone that needs it. She is also one of the brightest young women I know. She truly is my right hand. Ivy puts her heart and soul into any project or task that she is assigned. Always giving 110%, at work, at home and in her volunteer and civic organizations. I can't say enough good things about her. I honestly don't know how we would run this office without her and she is one of the best friends that I have ever had. I love her dearly and appreciate her immensely."

Ivy is married to Brian Peterson. The two will celebrate their 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary in May. The couple resides in Cleburne. Brian is the Chief Deputy for the Somervell County Sheriff's Office. Prior to working for Somervell County, he worked for Johnson County.

Not only are Ivy and Brian public servants, they are also sole

proprietors. Ivy and Brian own Heroes Café at the Wright Plaza, 115 South Main Street in Cleburne. On any given evening or weekend, you may see Ivy serving up the awesome Frito Loco, chicken and dumplings, or jalepeño popper hamburger!

While not at City Hall or Heroes Café, you may find Ivy at the golf course with Brian. Evidently, his love for the game has transferred to her!

When asked to describe Ivy, several Zontians said that the best word to describe her is "Christian." What an awesome way to be described. Ivy is involved in her church, First United Pentecostal Family Church in Cleburne. She teaches Sunday School to 3 to 5 year-old children and has for fifteen years! Ivy is also the praise team leader at church. She participates in the annual caramel apple and chocolate-covered strawberry fundraisers with her church, too!

Thanks, Ivy, for your dedication and service to your community! You are such an asset!