



District 10 Area 2, Club 1220
Chartered 1988



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



November/December 2016



Join Us for the ZCH Holiday Party Saturday, December 10

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Zonta Club of Houston invites you and your guest(s)
Let us raise a glass to the coming New Year
We'll toast to the Holidays with friends and good cheer

HAPPY HOLIDAYS PARTY

Heavy appetizers by Chef Soren Pedersen (www.chefpedersen.com)
 Adult Beverages

Please bring school supplies for refugee children
 and a \$15-20 white elephant gift (wrapped)

Saturday, December 10
 1:00-4:00 p.m.
 \$25 per person
 RSVP by December 7
 Lolis [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
 Houston, TX 77006
 [REDACTED]
 Street parking (please do not park closer
 than 20 feet to an intersection - with the
 front or the back of your car)

ZONTA
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HOUSTON

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THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

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Did you know?

Our club President Monica is a member of the Zonta International Centennial Anniversary Committee. She is one of ten members who will work with committee chair Beryl McMillan and the Zonta International Board to plan and implement the centennial anniversary celebrations.

Committee members are listed on page 16 of the October 2016 issue of the Zontian.



CLUB NEWS

Welcome to Our Two Newest ZCH Members!

ZCH welcomes our two newest members, **Pam Perraud** and **Kristin Koblis**! We hope you will enjoy the service, fellowship and fun offered by membership in Zonta. Our newest members have shared some information on their life experience with us so that we can get to know them. Thank you both!

Pam Perraud

A native of Minneapolis, I am a retired human resource professional who has spent much of the last 30 years living and working overseas in France, England, Brazil and Switzerland. I previously have served as a NGO representative at the UN in both NY and Geneva. For several years I had my own business in NY as a cross cultural trainer preparing executives moving abroad.

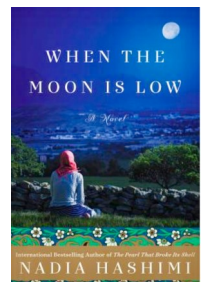
Kristin Koblis

Kristin Koblis is a Sr. Occupational Health Advisor at Noble Energy. She has a BS in Toxicology from Northeastern University and has been in the environmental, health and safety field for 25 years. During this time she has worked on international projects where she has seen opportunities for corporate social responsibility projects regarding health and women's empowerment. She is on the technical advisory board for the Society of Petroleum Engineers and on the Health Committee for the oil and gas industry association, IPIECA. Kristin is also a volunteer with United Against Human Trafficking as part of their community outreach program and will be doing her first humanitarian trip with Project Cure to Suriname in 2017 for medical outreach.

Next month look forward to more information from our other new members!

Discussion Held at Therese's on "When the Moon is Low"

On Nov 30, fellow Zontian, Therese Hartwell, organized and hosted a book review of "When the Moon is Low" by Dr. Nadia Hashimi. The author, a Pediatrician by profession, enjoys reading so much, her husband proposed she try her hand at writing a novel herself. Her first "The Pearl That Broke Its Shell" was also very successful. The conversations were certainly lively. Thank you, Therese.



- submitted by Lolis Steinbeck



Service Opportunities

Bay Area Turning Point

Saturday December 10
Saturday January 14

The Women's Home

Friday December 9



Happy Birthday!

November

Jennifer Williams 11/4
Linda Marshall 11/5
Suzi Feickert 11/30

December

Linda Licarione 12/19
Mary Quinn 12/25
Sally Rankin 12/31

Save the Date!

- ZCH Holiday Party Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 1pm
- ZCH Annual Sport Clay Shooting Fundraiser Saturday, February 18, 2017
- District 10 Area 2 Meeting in Houston Saturday, April 29, 2017
- ZI North American Summit in Washington DC June 2-4, 2017
- District 10 Conference in Oklahoma City October 20-21, 2017

LOCAL SERVICE PROJECT NEWS

School Supplies Collection: New ZCHECF Service Project



Given the worldwide refugee crisis and after discussion at the October Meeting the Zonta Club of Houston Educational and Charitable Fund Board has approved a **new, one time, service project for this fall: collection of school supplies** and other materials for refugee children now in Houston. You are encouraged to bring supplies and backpacks for donation to the Holiday Gathering on December 10.

"Refugee girls have already lost homes, friends and family members. Each year of school they miss, their hopes for a brighter future fade."

-Nobel Peace Prize winner, Malala Yousafzai

Houston Rescue & Restore Coalition (HRRC) Upcoming Events

Christmas Breakfast Fundraiser: December 9

The Landing will hold its Christmas Breakfast Fundraiser on December 9, 2016 from 7-8:30am, sharing about their first year of operations. The Landing team assists survivors by meeting basic needs. Rachel Thomas, a Survivor Leader and the Author of the Ending the Game Curriculum, will be the keynote speaker. Go to www.thelanding.org

Labyrinth Prayer and Walk for Freedom: January 11, 2017

The Dominican Sisters of Houston are hosting an event for National Slavery & Human Trafficking Prevention Month on January 11th at the Dominican Sisters on Holcombe. Contact Sr. Ceil Roeger at croeger@domhou.org for more information.

Vulnerable: Gender, Race, Poverty and Human Trafficking Conference: January 28, 2017

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is hosting a conference on January 28 at South Main Baptist Church. Contact Nell Green at nell@cbfinternationals.org for more information.

BAPT Holiday Market Fundraiser and Luncheon

Bay Area Turning Point

Invites You To



Winter Wonderland

The All New & Improved Holiday Market and Luncheon

Celebrate the start of the Holiday Season with an afternoon filled with glee. Join Bay Area Turning Point as they transform the spectacular waterfront room at Sylvan Beach Pavilion into a Winter Wonderland. Shop with unique vendors for a festive assortment of gifts. Enjoy a seated 3-course lunch. Mimosas, live entertainment by Mickey Hobbs, holiday bake sale, silent and live auctions, 50/50 raffle, door prizes and much more.

Thursday, December 8, 2016, at Sylvan Beach Pavillion
1 Sylvan Beach Drive ~ La Porte, Texas
10:30 am - 2:30 pm

***Tis the season to support the mission of Bay Area Turning Point and help save lives**

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|  <p>Be a Sponsor \$250, \$500, or \$1,000 & receive complimentary seating, name / logo recognition on BATP website, promotional material and take away bags</p> |  <p>Be a Vendor Booth Fee is \$100 Spread the holiday spirit and promote your products, gifts, services, and treasures</p> |  <p>Be a Guest Ticket Cost \$60 or Purchase an entire table to receive a 10% discount. Pay only \$432 to host a table for 8 co-workers, friends or family</p> |
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**Call Bay Area Turning Point at 281-338-7600
for Lisa Dishman or Lolita Williams**

LOCAL SERVICE PROJECT NEWS (cont.)

Houston Rescue & Restore Coalition (HRRC) Upcoming Events (cont.)

“Shadow Town II: The Johns” to be presented Jan. 19– Feb. 4



HOUSTON In connection with an awareness push around the Super Bowl regarding human trafficking, Houston Rescue and Restore Coalition (HRRC) is putting on a fictional play regarding sex trafficking. “Shadow Town II: The Johns” by Mary Bonnett will run January 19–February 4, 2017 at Spring Street Studios, 1824 Spring Street, Studio 101. The play has been adapted to a setting in Katy, Texas and is described as: “a play about men who buy girls for sex and what it costs, the demand side.” As an HRRC member, Zonta Club of Houston has volunteered to “sponsor” the performance on Thursday, February 2, which entails securing panelists for a discussion after the performance and moderating the panel. Find more information at <http://mildredsumbrella.com/Productions/the-johns/>.

For questions please contact Therese Hartwell.

Ten Thousand Villages Houston: Thanks for the Memories!

As most of us know, Ten Thousand Villages (TTV) Houston will cease operation at the end of this year. TTV has been a ZCH service project for over ten years, involving many of us on the fourth Sunday of the month. Several ZCH members have also served on the TTV Houston Board over the years. Those of us who volunteered have fond memories of the



Susan, Carole and Carolyn at TTV November 27th, the last ZCH Sunday at the store

fun we had chatting with each other and shopping, all the while supporting the cause of a living wage for the artisans, the majority of whom are women.

Please join us for the last ZCH event at TTV on December 7th from 6-8pm.



Holiday Shopping Night

Enjoy visiting with friends, while shopping for unique handmade gifts

TO SUPPORT ZONTA CLUB HOUSTON

DATE: Wednesday, December 7, 2016

TIME: 6-8 p.m.

PLACE: Ten Thousand Villages

2424A Rice Blvd.

Houston, TX 77005

713-533-1000

houston.tenthousandvillages.com

15% of the net sales will be donated to Zonta Club Houston's Educational & Charitable Fund which will advance the Zonta mission of empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. We provide scholarships and awards to young women and support local charitable organizations.

If you cannot make it at 6 pm but can come earlier in the day, please do. When you check out, let the cashier know you are with Zonta and we will get credit for the sale.

Nationally recognized for our commitment to social responsibility, Ten Thousand Villages creates opportunities for artisans around the globe to earn a fair wage. Artisans use this income to pay for food, education, healthcare and housing for themselves and their families.

Mission:

Ten Thousand Villages' mission is to create opportunities for artisans in developing countries to earn income by bringing their products and stories to markets through long-term fair trading relationships.

DISTRICT 10 NEWS

District 10 STEM Scholarship Applications Being Accepted Through February 1, 2017



Applications for the District 10 \$1000 scholarship for women majoring in science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) fields are now being accepted. The scholarship will be awarded to a US citizen or permanent resident who has

completed 30 college hours in a STEM field and who resides in one of the following District 10 states: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma or Texas.

Application materials and more information on eligibility requirements are on the District 10 website www.zontadistrict10.org. The application deadline is February 1, 2016. The scholarship will be awarded for the fall of 2017. The District STEM committee is currently distributing information and applications to colleges and universities in the five state area of the district. District 10 members are encouraged to distribute applications to eligible students of their acquaintance. Questions may be directed to STEM Committee Chair, Jennifer Ehlers.

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Kicking off on 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, and ending on 10 December, Human Rights Day, **the 16 Days of Activism campaign** aims to raise awareness of and increase actions to end violence against women and girls around the world.

ZONTA SAYS NO TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

#ZontaSaysNO | #16DaysofActivism | ZontaSaysNO.com

"We encourage all Zonta clubs and districts to continue their work to end violence against women and girls in their communities through the Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women campaign."

—President Sonja Hönig Schough

- from www.zonta.org, the President's Corner Blog



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The next general meeting
of the Zonta Club of Houston
is
Wednesday, January 18, 2017

at Kenny & Ziggy's

2327 Post Oak Blvd., Houston 77056

5:30 pm (social hour)

6:00 pm (dinner & program)

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Photos & Articles for the January Issue
of the ZCH Newsletter

