The holiday season has begun! We went straight from political ads to Christmas ads. This is such a busy time for everyone and for Zonta.

November 25th kicked off 16 Days of Activism. We decided to participate in a couple of ways. We will put out a fact about domestic violence, bullying or other message related to our mission from around the state of Alaska. In addition we are trying to find a place where we can do a shoe display where each pair of shoes represents a woman murdered in a domestic violence situation within our state. More details as we get a location nailed down. If any of you have a fact you would like to add, please email to Harriet so she can include it.

We will have our holiday party at Debbie Graham’s house. The party will be held on the 17th in place of our regular dinner meeting. These are always great events as we have an extended time to visit and get to know each other. Bring your significant other or a friend and enjoy the silent auction which this year will be open to any item, not just ornaments. As this is a fundraiser for the club, we will collect $20.00 for each adult that attends.

The new year will bring new service opportunities to work with the Girl Scouts, the Accidental Gourmet fundraiser and new opportunities to work at the Alaska Airlines Center.

I appreciate all that you are doing to help the club thrive and be successful. Together we can make anything happen.

Hope you all had a happy Thanksgiving and think snow! Hope to see you Wednesday evening.

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ROSEMARY DUNN: Congratulations, Rosemary, on your new position as travel agent with AAA Plus Tours. Your three weeks in Helena, Montana, training and learning a new computer system should be challenging and rewarding.

MELANIE HANCOCK: We envy Melanie’s time in Hawaii visiting her granddaughter – especially with the first snow on the ground in Anchorage.

HARRIET HARRIS: Sincere thanks, Harriet, for donating a “Re-Thread” scarf to be won by a person entering our drawing at the September Women’s Show. Monica and Harriet created this award during their shift at the Zonta booth and successfully received many names and interest in our mission. Our winner, Delana Fernandez, selected a purple scarf and it was delivered promptly.

SARAH SHORT: The use of your garage for collecting and sorting the amazing number of boxes and bags of clothing, personal notions, diapers and gift cards to be delivered to Covenant House and AWAIC in the month of October was a tremendous help! Thank you.

DEBBIE GRAHAM: Grandma Debbie is holding her new grandson October 24-28 in Seattle. Tate Robert Martin arrived on October 4, weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. and 20 ¾” long. Great Grandmother Rita is smiling, too! Boys are scarce in this family. Tate’s daddy, Clint, is Rita’s only grandson and there are 4 granddaughters and a great granddaughter.

PATTY BILLINGSLEY: Congratulations, Patty on your new position as Human Resource Manager for Carlile Transportation Systems. We also note that you are President-Elect for the Anchorage Society for Human Resource Management.

Z Book Club

We have selected “THE GIRL I LEFT BEHIND” by Judith Nies for discussion and review at the early January 2015 meeting for Z-Book Club. This is a narrative history of the Sixties at the height of the Vietnam War protests and evaluates the consequences of the feminist movement on the same women who made it happen – and on the daughters born in their wake. The author discusses her own efforts to enlarge women’s choices and to change the workplace, and gives illuminating descriptions of feminist leaders, women’s liberation protests, and other pivotal social developments. Thanks, Anne Newell, for bringing this book to our attention.
Seeking to expand our membership and share our mission, Monica Lowman designed an invitation for our Mix & Mingle event held at Doriola’s on Tuesday evening, October 7. Dozens of invitations were distributed at the Women’s Show in Sullivan Arena on September 26-27-28. Many women paused at our booth because they had never heard of Zonta and we were given the opportunity to educate and explain our mission. Brochures defining Zonta Club of Anchorage and Zonta International were distributed as well as orange ribbons, the symbol of “Zonta says NO” campaign to stop domestic violence. Members also shared the invitations to Mix & Mingle with many friends, co-workers and prospective members.

On October 7, 19 members and 9 guests arrived at Doriola’s for delicious appetizers, wine, coffee and tea and an excellent program prepared by President Shelli Cutting with assistance from President Elect Pat Jarrett. Slides, commentary and videos defined Zonta International, Zonta International Foundation’s worldwide projects and scholarships and the service and advocacy of Zonta Club of Anchorage. Portfolios with details of membership in our club were distributed by Rita Metcalfe and each prospective member was gifted with a water bottle bearing the Zonta emblem. When guest registrations were collected, we were excited to learn that 5 of our guests are interested in joining Zonta now and the remainder asked to be kept in contact.

Carol DiSalvi, CEO and Owner of LilyAnn’s Lingerie, Inc. (retired), submitted her application for membership immediately following the Women’s Show. She became familiar with Zonta in San Francisco, the only non-profit willing to distribute over 1,000 bras and undergarments she was donating as she closed her business. Please welcome our newest prospective members introduced to Zonta by Pat Jarrett, Kelly Droop, Monica Lowman, and Alan Fisher through Accidental Gourmet cooking classes.

Anita Dale, Contracting Specialist/Officer (retired)
Kelly Garretts, Lab Manager (Environmental Chemistry), Analytice
Kristi Cada Brown, Legislative Aide, Municipality of Anchorage; Asst. Chef, Allen & Peterson
Arlee Cada, Accountant, Finance Manager, Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Diann Rasmussen, Realty Specialist, Bureau of Land Management

Other interested guests invited by Harriet Harris and Pat Jarrett are:
Ruth Carter, Coastal Engineer, Alaska Department of Transportation
Deborah Corker, Non-Profit Executive Director, Alaska Health Fair, Inc.
Jennifer Adleman, Strategic Advisor, State of Alaska Division of Oil & Gas
Jennifer Witt, Chief, Planning & Administration, State of Alaska Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities

Sincere thanks to Pam Kendrick for donating the booth at Women’s Show and to Patty Billingsley for coordinating volunteers. The weekend, attracting thousands of women, gave Zonta Club of Anchorage amazing visibility, an opportunity to educate and advocate and to hear heartbreaking stories from girls and women who paused to tell us that they were victims of domestic violence. We can and must make a difference!
President Shelli with our newest member, Jennifer Adleman and her sponsor, Pat Jarrett at the November lunch meeting.

Jennifer will be the member “In the Spotlight” in the January issue of the newsletter. Be sure to watch for it to learn more about her.

Welcome, Jennifer.

2014 Holiday Z-Cloud Fund Raiser SNOWBALL COCONUT CAKE

Looking for a dessert to adorn your holiday table this season? One you do not have to bake? Place your order for a Snowball Coconut Cake and I will deliver it to your door or make arrangements to meet at a convenient location!

Price: **$40.00** (Make payment to the Zonta Yellow Rose Foundation)

Contact: Pat Jarrett at **230-6774** or patjarrett@gci.net

Cakes need to be refrigerated for three (3) days before serving. A five to seven day notice is appreciated.

Order by December 20th for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
Order by December 27th for New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day

Have an office party or other function? Call me the week before the event!

*Thank you for supporting the Zonta Club of Anchorage.*
The annual Zonta Holiday Party will be held on Wednesday, December 17, at the home of Debbie Graham, 3300 Upland Drive, Anchorage, AK 99504, at 6 p.m.

As in past years, Shelli and Debbie will cook the main course. Attendees are asked to let them know if you will bring a side dish or a dessert.

There will be a silent auction again this year, but you may bring any item you would like. (We all have enough Christmas ornaments.)

The Christmas Party is one of the main fundraisers for the club, so each adult attending will be asked to pay $20.

If you haven’t responded to the elite and are planning to attend, please reply right away so Shelli and Debbie know how many will be at the party.

Looking forward to celebrating with you.