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**August 15**  
**(Must go out by August 19)**

**Raffle Drawing:**  
**September 8**

**September Newsletter Deadline:**  
**September 11**

**2018 ZI Club Service Awards:**  
**October 1**

**2017 District 10 Conference:**

## District 10 Newsletter

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**Save the Date! District 10 Conference:  
October 19 to 21, 2017**

Dear Zontains,

July is a transition month for Zonta in many ways. It is the time for clubs to take a brief rest and plan for the year as well. As governor I just wanted to touch base with you regarding our largest District 10 event this biennium. The Zonta Club of Central Oklahoma hosting and has wonderful activities planned. We will be at a beautiful venue: Aloft Hotel in Bricktown, OKC.

Please look for the call to conference to be delivered by email via Constant Contact on August 15th. Your club president will also receive an email with more information regarding elections, delegates, the silent auction for Dollars for Scholars and other details. Club Presidents will provide details to the conference organizers by October 1. Zonta members will register individually....please see the call for early bird dates! Your newsletter editor and board will be active in reminding you about these deadlines!

Conference Events in a nutshell:

October 19 - 21

**2018 Convention:  
Yokohama, Japan  
June 6-July 3, 2018**

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- Greeting our District 10 Liaison Lydia Chaillou, Zonta International Director
- Meeting new and old Zonta friends at the opening reception and throughout the conference.
- Parade of Flags: yes, all 67 counties!
- Introduction of Slate of District Officers for 2018-20 and Elections
- Club Roll call with donations announced for the Zonta International Foundation
- Important district business: considering 2018-20 budget and bylaw changes
- Reports on District successes, membership and other.
- Reports on District Scholarships and Awards
- Silent Auction: Dollars for Scholars
- Luncheons highlighting the Status of Women and Amelia Earhart Programs
- Memorial Ceremony
- Closing banquet and awarding club awards for 2017

I ask that each club works to send at least 20% of their membership to this district event. We especially need your club's newer members to be in attendance as first/second timers. There is no better way to cultivate a solid understanding of Zonta than to have a newer member stand shoulder to shoulder with district leadership and those dedicated to empowering women worldwide!

Club delegate numbers will be determined by the District Treasurer on August 15th. This is done according to the membership numbers delivered by dues payments for clubs in good standing. Divisions by club size are assigned at that time as well. Please consult your area director if there are questions about this or if a proxy is needed.

So in a nut shell.....enjoy your summer! But please don't do another task until you grab your phone and set your calendar for conference. The conference dates are October 19 to 21!

Yours in Zonta,  
Barbara Yoder,  
Governor District 10.....Always reppin' Zonta!

**Membership - Lt. Gov. Sheryl Flanagin**

## Gaining Membership with Determination

As we begin our new Zonta year, clubs are encouraged to make membership a major focus. ZI has provided us with many new tools through its Global Membership Drive. Now, it is up to us to use these tools.



As you know, the biennium goal is for each club to increase membership by five percent. Recently, your area directors sent to club presidents a membership tip from me that encouraged just this action. As I relayed in my message, **one of the best ways to meet a goal is to have a goal.** *Thus, I'm asking all clubs to make as their membership goal achieving a five percent increase based on your ending number on May 31, 2016.*

In addition to the many new membership tools available with our Global Membership Drive, let's not forget the **Marian de Forest Membership Manual**. You will find this helpful manual under Tools, Governance, Manuals. The manual contains pertinent information about Zonta fundamentals, retention, recruitment, and expansion of our clubs.

As President Sonja has said, "**The more we are, the more we can do to empower women.**"

District 10 Zontians are a determined group. I have no doubt that we can achieve our goal to gain additional members who share our vision.

As we work toward this goal, let's also remember Marian de Forest, an extraordinary woman acknowledged as the Founder of Zonta.



"Memories of our lives, of our works, and of our deeds will continue in others." Rosa Parks

As always, remember, "Strength in Numbers."

### **ZI Service Award**

Put your thinking caps on! Our service chair Alicia Roberts and a board committee seeks submissions for ZI Service Project recognition at Yokohama Convention. View the Club form [here](#) and stand by for directions to submit!

#### [ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARDS](#)

There are two categories of projects to be considered for the Awards:

- a) Service projects that empower women and girls in general to achieve equal rights and to secure their access to all legal, political, economic, educational, health and professional resources; and
- b) Service projects focusing on prevention of violence against women and girls.

Consideration for service awards will be for service projects involving members providing direct hands-on service to women and girls. Fundraising projects are not service, they are tools to help clubs and districts implement their service projects.

Club service projects:

A Zonta club may nominate up to two (2) projects, one project in each category. Projects may be new projects this biennium or may have commenced in the past and are still ongoing this biennium. They must take into account the benefits they have given to the women or girls in the local community and the visibility and credibility they have provided to Zonta. The Club projects that won at previous Conventions cannot be resubmitted. **Nomination form must be signed by the Club President.**

**Raffle Tickets available for District Conference in October 2017  
.....one chance for \$25. Travel and registrations expenses  
reimbursed for up to \$500. See a board member to purchase a  
ticket! Point of Contact Marianne Seal, District Treasurer.**

Raffle drawing will be September 8th.  
Mail money to Marianne Seal and we will include a ticket for YOU!

Until next time, remember to stay cool, enjoy the longer days, and start your planning to get to OKC in October. And don't forget, if you are shopping on Amazon, please consider using the District 10 Foundation link in the Quick Links box of every newsletter to direct 0.5% of your purchases to them.

Correction: Membership article - In italics, the date changed from May 31, 2018 to May 31, 2016.

Yours in Zonta,

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