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**APRIL, 2015**

## Zontian Betty Edwards Honored



On Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, I traveled to Kansas City, MO. Why would one choose to go to a city on a river where the weather is that in between winter and spring cold chills to the bone? The occasion was the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. I went there because my dear friend Betty Edwards, mentor, sister Zontian and the founder of the Southern Colorado Human Trafficking Task Force was honored for founding the task force. On Friday Betty was awarded the Jane Addams Outstanding Service Award. Jane Addams was the first woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Jane Addams received the Nobel Peace Prize for her humanitarian work in Chicago. Betty was nominated by Dr. Aditi Mitra from the University of Colorado-CO Springs. It is so gratifying to see

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## Side Heading

No man is good enough  
to govern any woman  
without her consent.

Susan B. Anthony

recognition given to someone who genuinely cares about her fellow human being and has given her heart and soul to such a worthy cause. On Saturday Betty, Dr. Mitra, and Dr. Mac Z-Zurawski from the Chicago State University gave a workshop, Human Trafficking: A Global Issue. It was a good workshop, there is always something to learn. All in all it was a busy, wonderful weekend.

~Mary Benoit

## Business Cards

Do you have your Zonta business cards yet? If not, contact Julie Bradley to let her know what information you want on them. She will mail them to you or bring them to a meeting.

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## Zonta's Day of Film 2015 A Success

- To ALL of our members, sponsors, Friends of Zonta and in-kind contributors for their support of Zonta Club of Denver and the 7th Annual Day of Film:

# Thank You!!

We are pleased to share that we had a sold-out crowd at the SIE FilmCenter Saturday to see our film *Jhola*.

All told, we had 176 people filling the theater.

We also raised an additional \$1200 in donations for our club service and \$1200 for the Trauma Center in Kathmandu!

Thank you for your kind support and participation.

Here are just a few comments from our film guests...

*"Dear Zontians, Very well done with many subtle messages. So glad you shared this film with us. We all have traditions and customs that harm women. And we stand together to put an end to them."*

*"As always the Zonta Day of Film inspired and educated. Thank you."*

*"Thank you for a powerful event at the Sie Center and for the work you do on behalf of women around the world!"*

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### **President-Elect Message**

Please review the committee preference form that appears below and let me know as soon as possible what committees you would like to serve on.

~ President-Elect Judy A.



### **Committee Preference Form**

The names of committee Chairmen and committee members must be submitted to the new Board for approval at the May Board Meeting. It would be appreciated if you indicate your committee preference on this form and return it to Judy Allen as soon as possible.

The chairman of each committee is responsible to the President for all aspects of her committee's work. Each committee has responsibilities outlined in the by-laws. Each committee will also decide how these responsibilities will be managed (committee of the whole, sub committees, etc.)

If you have been a member of the same committee for two or more years you are urged to consider serving on a different committee. Varied committee experience should mean a richer, more satisfying realization of the potentials of our individual members and our organization.

Please indicate your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Membership and Membership Services**  
Responsible for programs, arrangements, directory, recruitment, retention (approximately 30% of the membership)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Service/ Status of Women**  
Responsible for service funding and project recommendations; advocacy; Young Woman in Public Affairs Award/Jane Klausman Women in Business Scholarship; community and international relations; United Nations and inter-city relations (approximately 20%)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Fund Raising**  
Responsible for executing fund raising plans (approximately 35%)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Public Relations and Communications**  
Responsible for PR; club historian; press releases; Smoke Signal; web site (approximately 10%)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Legislative Awareness and Advocacy**  
Responsible for reporting on current legislative and political concerns of women; recommending advocacy and other action to improve the status of women (approximately 5%)

Remember: Members of the Board will be chairs of the committees. You may be asked to serve on more than one committee.

In checking any of the above, if you have a particular area within a given committee that you would like to work on, please indicate it. The President will consider your wishes in making committee assignments; however, it may be necessary to assign you to a committee you did not select in order to have enough members on all committees.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Judith Allen  
and  
Richard Starlin**





## April Meeting

### Meeting Details

Date: Thursday, April 9  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Location: Hacienda Colorado  
4100 E. Mexico Avenue  
Denver, CO 80222  
Advocacy Moment: Carin Paupore  
Cost: Menu prices

Reservations to Marian Lee - email: [mlee@bhfs.com](mailto:mlee@bhfs.com) by Monday, April 6th. We need to tell the restaurant how many people will attend so enough places are set.

### Program

Our speaker will be Judy Beggs Pierson, who was unable to attend our March meeting. Judy is Executive Director of the Friends of Guéoul, <http://gueoul.org/>, a Colorado non-profit whose mission is the education of girls in the village of Guéoul (pronounced GAY-ool), Sénégal.

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## Committee Reports

### Service Committee

It's been another busy month for the Service Committee. The Jane M. Klausman application was updated and placed on our website. All the universities in the Denver area were contacted with the updated. The deadline for the applications is May 8, 2015.

Thanks to the women who provided all the food for the Delores dinner on March 15. The ever-popular potato bar was served. There was a full house that night with 65-70 women being served. Thank you Olette, Sheila, Cathy C, Cynthia, Nikki, Linda, and Judy Mc for providing the food and your time.

Penny is working with Open Door Ministries and is trying to set up a July barbecue/ picnic



dinner that will take the place of our regular July meeting. It will be similar to what we did with The Haven at Christmas but on a much smaller scale.

For the April meeting, we will collect items for Hands of the Carpenter. Dan Georgopolus has asked us to provide things that they can give children to keep them occupied when their moms come into the shop. Those items are bags of individually wrapped candy, Hot Wheels-type mini race cars, and coloring/activity books for boys/girls.

~ Nancy

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## **Items of the Month:**

**Bags of Individually Wrapped Candy,  
Hot Wheels-type mini race cars,  
and coloring/activity books for boys/girls  
for Hands of the Carpenter  
Please bring to the April Zonta Meeting**

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## **Fund Raising Committee**

As you all know by now, we had a very successful day of film. We would like to acknowledge the entire membership, as we had almost 100% participation through attending, donating or volunteering at the event. Bravo!

The next big event will be our Garage Sale May 16th at the home of Cynthia. Soon, we will be sending around volunteer sheets for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning helpers. Please begin putting aside items that you would like to find a new home for. Items that are not sold at the garage sale will be donated to the Salvation Army, so nothing goes to waste!



The next Fundraising meeting/celebration will take place at Citron Bistro on April 6th at 5:30

~ Gwen

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MARCY KAUFMAN

### **Membership Committee**

The Membership Committee met on March 11th. The club is doing well with its membership goal, as it is Net +2 for the year. CJ Long, our newest member, was inducted on February 12th. Three additional prospective members have indicated that they intend to join the club effective June 1st. The committee will plan an orientation program for the new members and will assign mentors to them. In that regard, we are actively recruiting mentors. Please let Marian Lee know if you would be willing to serve as a mentor to one of our new members for a one-year period. Mentoring Guidelines are available to describe the expectations.



Also, please note that while we welcome guests at our monthly meetings, the Club does not pay for their dinners. We *do* pay for the first dinner of a new Club member, after they join.

The next meeting of the Membership Committee will be April 29, 2015 at Citron Bistro, 5:30 p.m.

~ Marian

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### **Nominating Committee**

The following slate of candidates for the 2015-2016 Club Board, as presented by the Nominating Committee, was adopted at the March meeting:

President: Judy Allen (as President-elect, automatically becomes President)

President-elect: Katie Wienecke

Vice President: Julie Bradley

Treasurer: Gwen Fornia

Secretary: Carin Paupore

Director (2015-16): Marian Lee (completing Gwen Fornia's term)

Director (2015-16): Judy McNerny

Director (2015-17): Nancy McWhirter

Director (2015-17): Helen Mulhern

Nominating Committee:

Olette Stansberry

Barb Pellegren

Cathy Conley

The election will be held at the April meeting.



## President's Message

I would like to give a shout out to the Fundraising Committee for their tireless efforts in making our fundraiser, DAY OF FILM, a smashing success. I attended a few committee meetings and didn't do much but I witnessed the effort and dedication. It was amazing. And of course I want to thank all of the members that supported the event. Your participation showed that we have a solid club with almost everyone contributing whatever they are able to. Again thanks to everyone.



I look forward to seeing everyone at our April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please remember to bring a guest. No hard sell or pressure to join. In order to keep growing we must welcome everyone to come and get to know us. We will sell ourselves if the attendee is interested in making lives better for women.

Happy Spring,

~ Mary Benoit, President



## Upcoming Events



Thursday, April 30, 2015  
[Space Gallery](#)  
400 Santa Fe Drive, Denver

- 5:30** Reception with silent auction, featuring tastes, wine, beer and spirits, from [A Wild Thyme](#) Catering.
- 6:45** Program
- 7:00** Dessert and Coffee/Auction Check Out

[Reserve your tickets](#) today!

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## Calendar

Date	Event	Time	Location	Details
April 9	Club Meeting	5:30 pm	Hacienda Colorado 4100 E Mexico	Program: Judy Beggs Pierson, Exec. Director, Friends of Guéoul, Senegal
April 11	Trivia Night	TBA	Kirk Hall	Zonta Douglas



			Douglas County Fairgrounds	County fundraiser - info at <a href="http://zontadistrict12.org/douglas-county-club">zontadistrict12.org/douglas-county-club</a>
May 14	Club Meeting	5:30 pm	Hacienda Colorado 4100 E Mexico	TBA
May 16	Garage Sale	TBA	1360 Glencoe	Start collecting your unneeded treasures now!
June 12-14	ZI North American Inter-District Meeting	TBA	Minneapolis, MN	Mark your calendar! Meet Zontians from around the U.S. and Canada
September 24-26	2015 District 12 Conference	TBA	Boulder - TBA	Mark your calendar!

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