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Rose Andom Center

Vision: Create a community that will not tolerate domestic violence.

At the Rose Andom Center community organizations and government agencies will work together under one roof to provide for the needs of individuals and families in Denver affected by domestic violence.



Rose Andom, a successful Denver entrepreneur and former McDonald's franchise owner (pictured above), provided the lead gift of \$1 million.

Rose's story includes a childhood marred by domestic violence, working nights to be the first in her family to earn a college degree, and overcoming her own husband's abuse. Rose's determination allowed her to become a successful business woman who owned all three McDonald's franchises at the Denver International Airport.

The Center will provide services from basic emergency needs for victims in need (toiletries, for example), to risk assessment and safety planning, to legal assistance.

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The truth will set you free. But first, it will piss you off.

~ Gloria Steinem

Business Cards

Do you have your

Fund-raising remains underway with opening presently scheduled for fall of this year.

For more information, go to <u>roseandomcenter.org</u> and, if you would like to help create a community that will not tolerate domestic violence by bringing the Rose Andom Center to life, click on the "Donate" button at the top of the page.

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.

~ Judy Mc





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Did You Know???

Did you know that Zonta Club of Denver has a 'Meetup' page on the internet that promotes our meetings, gatherings, service projects and fundraisers? We would like to have every member who has access to the internet to sign up on Meetup, create an account/profile for themselves and then ask to join our club Meetup group.



When the Meetup group sends a notice of the upcoming meetings it is helpful for members to respond and RSVP that they are coming so that for the general public they will see that we have an active group and will want to come too!

Here is the website to go to sign up: www.meetup.com. When you get there you will be asked to create a profile (login and password) and also put in your interests, and a little something about yourself. You would be surprised at the number of groups, small and large that are on the Meetup site in your area. You might find other groups you are interested in as well such as book clubs, biking, hiking, cooking, dining out, etc.

Once you have your profile you can 'search' for a Meetup group. Just put in 'Zonta Club of Denver' and you will find our page. 'Ask to join' and I will confirm your membership in our Meetup group. It is as simple as that! Right now we have 27 members of our Meetup - and not all are club members.

Please join our Meetup. If you have problems, just let me know and I will be happy to help. Just bring your laptop to a meeting, or if you have a desktop computer just send me an email and I can help online.



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Zonta International



Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women

Zonta International's July newsletter includes an article about the 2015 Zonta Says No. campaign. Have you visited the Zonta Says No website lately? Go to zontasavsno.com to see inspiring photos like the one above, read ZI President's Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard's message, and learn about what other Zonta clubs around the world are doing to create a world where no woman fears violence.

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August Meeting

Date: Thursday, August 13

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: 6235 Montview Boulevard

Denver, CO 80207

Advocacy Moment: Kathy Hyzer

Cost: No cost potluck; see Membership Committee

report re: what food you should bring

So enough tables and chairs are set up, please contact Marian Lee by Monday, August 10 at MLee@bhfs.com to make reservations for yourself and your guests.

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Committee Reports

Service Committee

The picnic for Open Door Ministries was a smashing success. Thank you, Penny, for organizing this event. Our members had engaging conversations and heard many inspiring stories throughout the evening. Penny wants to thank everyone for their support. The food was enjoyed by all, and the women from Open Door appreciated taking home all the delicious leftovers.



A Sloppy Joe dinner was served at the Delores house on July 19. Cathy C, Cynthia, Nancy, Helen, Nikki, Mary, and CJ provided the dinner. The women at Delores applauded for us and thanked us profusely for the food.

The grant applications will be due on September 12. If you know of any worthy organizations that could benefit, please let them know. There will be no Item of the Month collection for the August meeting.

~ Nancy



Serving dinner at Delores July 2015







Fund Raising Committee

The fundraising committee met on July 8. You have a wonderful committee filled with enthusiasm and ready to work!

Regarding our major fundraiser, Day of Film, we are looking into other venues. This may or may not result in any change from participating in the VOICES festival and having the event at the SIE

Film Center. We also decided that we will use a caterer for the next event. The wear and tear on our members is not worth the \$500 or so savings. Our goal is to raise \$10,000.

Another committee goal is to sell or give away the items from the Zonta Chapel at the old University Hospital. These have resided in Nikki's garage ever since the new University Hospital opened on the Fitzsimmons Campus.

For next year's garage sale, we would like to have more furniture. It seems that when we have furniture we are able to raise about \$1,500, a full Jane M. Klausman scholarship. Without furniture, we seem to raise only \$1,200 approximately. So, scour your basements and garages or redo a room so that we have more furniture

next year. Or, canvas your friends and neighbors and acquaintances.

Our next meetings will be August 18, September 16 and December 2. Meeting dates for 2016 will be set at the December meeting.

~ Nikki

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Advocacy Committee

The Advocacy Committee met recently to discuss implementing Zonta Wings - a project to provide emergency transportation for trafficking victims. You will be hearing more about that during the year.



Thank you to the many members who have agreed to prepare an Advocacy Moment and/or to write an advocacy article for the *Smoke Signal*. If you missed the sign-up sheet, we still need volunteers for articles for the April and May 2016 issues; let me know if you can help.

Recently I listened to a TED talk by former President Jimmy Carter at the TEDWomen 2015 conference. The talk is entitled "Why I believe the mistreatment of women is the number one human rights abuse." Sound interesting? It is! He discusses FGM, trafficking, equal pay, and other topics. His conclusion concerning the biggest reason mistreatment continues: "In general, men don't give a damn." His message to women: those of us in powerful nations with the freedom to speak and to act need to take the responsibility on ourselves to be more demanding for an end to discrimination against women. This talk is worth 16 minutes of your time. Go to TED.com and search for Jimmy Carter or click on this link.

~ Judy Mc



Mary and Kathy at the Women Powering Change Event on July 9.

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PR Committee

The PR committee will be meeting to discuss our upcoming year and goals, objectives, needs of the club, etc., on August 10th. We plan on having monthly *Smoke Signal* articles or sessions before a meeting to demonstrate ways that club members can participate with club publicity and promoting our club to possible new members.



Please see the "Did you know?" article in this for an update on the Meetup Page for Zonta Club of Denver in which we put out information about our meetings, goals and the mission of our club for interested people in our community!

~ Julie

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Marian Lee Bank of Denver Cockriel Agency

Membership Committee

The 2015-16 Membership Committee had its organizational meeting on July 2, 2015. The Committee discussed upcoming ZCD meeting dates, speakers, and venues. The September 10, October 8, and November 12 meetings will take place at Hacienda Colorado



at 4100 E. Mexico, Denver. Plans have not yet been made for the December meeting. Sheila Davis will host the January 14 meeting as a potluck at her house. A search is underway for a venue for our annual grant award meeting, which will take place on February 11, 2016. If you have any ideas for venues, please contact Liz Stewart.

The Committee also discussed the importance of continuing to bring guests to our meetings, whenever possible. Our members' collective effort to invite more guests helped us to have a successful 2014-15 Membership year, as we met our Net + 1 goal.

The next meeting will be the ever-popular "Garden Party" at Liz Cameron's house, 6235 Montview Boulevard, on August 13th at 5:30 p.m. Please bring a potluck dish and if possible a "plus one" to gain exposure for our club. Your guest does not have to be a prospective member - just someone you wish to be exposed to our Zonta world in a beautiful garden setting.

Please choose your potluck item according to last name, as follows: A-D bring a dessert; E-L bring a Main Dish; and M-Z bring a salad.

~ Marian

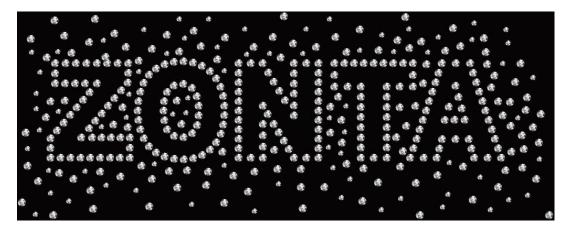
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Judith Allen and Richard Starlin





President's Message



What a great time was had with the women from Open Door Ministries. We had around 15 wonderful ladies we shared a great meal with. As usual the club members did a bang-up job of preparing yummy food. The weather held off until we were finished. We had two husbands, Joe Burke, with Saber the dog, and Richard. When we had filled our plates with food the ladies asked if we would pray with them. Sylvia led the prayer. This was a great touch to the meal. Everyone had a chance to visit and talk with the ladies about what they are doing and how Open Doors has helped them. One expressed she was attending classes to become an attorney. What a way to be able to help with giving support to women. Thank you Penny Burke for the work on putting this together

Our August 13th meeting will be in the lovely gardens at Liz Cameron's home. This is always a special night of getting together in a nice setting. Thanks to Liz for inviting us to her home each year.

District Conference will be September 25-27 in Boulder. If you are a new member and have never attended a District Conference the club has set aside money to pay for your registration. This is a great opportunity to meet Zontians from other clubs in the district.

If you have a speaker you would like to have speak at a meeting, please contact Membership/Service committees with the name and a short review of what they will talk about. These committees have the schedules and will be able to add them into our meetings. With members being connected with other groups advancing women's rights, we might overlap and not have openings in the schedule.

Judy Allen, President

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Upcoming Events

2015 District Conference: HERstory of Heroes September 25-27, 2015



Millennium Harvest House Hotel 1345 28th Street, Boulder, Colorado

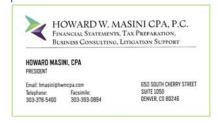




Calendar

Date	Event	Time	Location	Details
August 10	Mary B's birthday			
August 10	PR Committee meeting	6:00 pm	1475 Milwaukee St.	
August 13	Club meeting	5:30 pm	6235 E. Montview	Potluck
August 16	Delores Project dinner	6:15 pm	Delores House	Contact Olette for details
August 18	Fundraising Committee meeting	5:30 pm	14 Beacon Hill Ln Centennial	
August 24	Service Committee meeting	5:30 pm	Perkins 1995 S. Colorado	
August 27	Board meeting	5:30 pm	Perkins 1995 S. Colorado	

September 3 September 9	Olette S's birthday Pam D's birthday			
September 9	Trustee's meeting	3:00 pm	Sharkey Howes & Javer 720 S Colorado South Tower Suite 600	
September 10	Club meeting	5:30 pm	Hacienda Colorado 4100 E. Mexico	
September 13	Sheila D's birthday			
September 14	Service Committee meeting	6:00 pm	Perkins 1995 S. Colorado	
September 16	Fundraising Committee meeting	5:30 pm	14 Beacon Hill Ln Centennial	
September 20	Delores Project dinner	6:15 pm	Delores House	Contact Olette for details
September 20	Mary Lou E's birthday			
September 22	Liz C's birthday			
September 24	Board meeting	5:30 pm	Perkins 1995 S. Colorado	
September 25-27	2015 District 12 Conference	2 pm Friday - 12:30 Sunday	Millennium Harvest House Hotel Boulder, CO	"HERstory of Heroes"







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