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Education—Ideals and Reality

Special points of interest:

- Education—Ideals and Reality
- Service Committee grant awards to be presented

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"Everyone has the right to education. Education shall be free, at least in the elementary and fundamental stages.
Elementary education shall be compulsory.
Technical and professional education shall be made generally available and higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit."

This is not the platform of an ultra-liberal American politician, it is from the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Article 26), adopted by the UN General Assembly on December 10, 1948.

It continues:

"Education shall be directed to the full development of the human personality and to the strengthening of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms. It shall promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all nations, racial or religious groups, and shall further the activities of the United Nations for the maintenance of peace."

In 2000, the Dakar Framework for Action and the United Nations Millennium Declaration reaffirmed the idea that



Haitian schoolgirls from Girl Rising

education is a fundamental human right.

These are inspiring ideas, and progress has been made.

A 2011 report by the United Nations
Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) based on 2009 data concludes that the percentage of children of official primary school age who are enrolled in primary or secondary education increased from 84% to 90% between 1999 and 2009 worldwide.

Yet, in the same 2011 UNESCO document, statistics indicated that in 47 of 162 countries sampled, girls were less likely than boys to enter the last grade of primary education. The situation is worst in the Central African Republic, Chad, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Yemen, where between 57 and 69 girls enter that grade for every 100 boys. Nearly one-half of the countries where girls are less likely to complete primary education than boys are in sub-Saharan Africa, although girls also face serious barriers in Iraq and Sudan in the Arab States and the Maldives and Pakistan in South and West Asia.

Boys are less likely to complete primary education than girls in only 24 countries.

Girl Rising, the film to be shown at the Zonta Club of Denver's fifth annual Day of Film on March 9, tells the stories of nine girls in different countries, all striving to acquire an education.

The film is part of a global campaign by nonprofit 10x10: The Girls Education Project to educate and empower girls and, in doing so, to transform communities for generations.

10x10 was founded by award-winning journalists at The Documentary Group and Vulcan Productions, along with strategic partner, Intel Corporation.

February Club Meeting Details

Embassy Suites Hotel

Work Options for Women

Delores Project

Girls Inc.

Open Door

Friends of the Haven

"This is the meeting where we see the fruits of our labor, in the checks we give to organizations helping at-

risk women."

7525 E. Hampden Avenue Denver, CO 80231 Thursday, Feb. 14, 2013 When:

5:30pm - Social Hour 6:00pm - Dinner

Menu: Salmon or yankee pot roast,

oven baked potatoes & vegetables, mixed greens with cranberries, walnuts and vinaigrette, and cherry pie

for dessert

\$32.00 Cost:

Greeter: Mary Lou Edwards

Inspirational

Where:

Moment: Laurie Peterson

RESERVATIONS: Please let Judy Allen know your entrée selection before 10am

Monday February 11,2013, at 720-286-5012 or email Judith.allen@ch2m.com Don't call home phone or use personal email.

If you have a special diet request please let Judy know this too.

Please call or email your guest names also. When you have a guest (first time or another visit) you are responsible to pay for the dinner if your guest is unable to attend.

Don't forget to RSVP if you are not on the Permanent Reservations list or to cancel if you are on the list and are unable to attend.

PROGRAM: The club will present its service grants for the 2012-2013 club year and each recipient agency will explain its program and the use to which its grant will be put.

Permanent Reservations

We are charged for the number we guarantee for our dinner meetings, so we must bill a member who makes a reservation but doesn't come (or who forgets to cancel a permanent reservation). The following members have permanent

reservations:

Judy Allen

Evie Ashmore Mary Benoit Alice Borodkin Julie Bradley Sheila Davis Mary Lou Edwards Nikki Headlee

Cynthia Herndon

Kathy Hyzer Kate Linscott Judy McNerny Nancy McWhirter Wendy Moraskie Linda Rhea Mary Sparacino Dorothy Swindt

Consider adding your name to the permanent

Julie Walker

reservation list.

February Grants meeting: Our Favorite Valentine



February 14th will be our annual grant recipient dinner. This is the meeting where we see the fruits of our fundraising labors, in the checks that we give to worthy organizations working on the front lines of helping at-risk women in our community. This is a great encapsulation of what Zonta is and who we are. We have a lot to be proud of.

In conjunction with this event we can make this a prospective member event. Nothing extra before or after the meeting, just an opportunity to showcase our club and what we do best.

Make sure you consider inviting friends to this, our favorite meeting, and a great way to introduce the club to your friends who need to know more about

Zonta. Invite a couple of people—anyone that you believe would be interested in improving the status of women. (But please make sure you let Judy A know who's coming.)

Let them know dinner is on us, just for getting to know ZCD. If your guest has come before as a prospective member and the club paid for their dinner, they need

to pay this time.

For any guests who decide they are truly interested in becoming members, the membership committee will have a separate orientation prior to their making the commitment to membership.

Take advantage of this

exciting time to reach out to like-minded women.

—President Wendy President-Elect Mary B,



Dottie Lamm

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Advocacy

I hope all of you had the opportunity to read Dottie Lamm's article in the **Denver Post** on January 13 about ensuring women's rights. She wrote about the problem of "rampant sexual violence" against women in India. She states that much of the blame for the violence is given to the fact that there are too many males (15 million "extra" men between the ages of 15 and 25) because of female feticide (causing the death of a fetus). These "extra" men are all in the age range where men are most likely to commit crimes, like the gang-rape and murder of a 23 year old physiology student in New Delhi in December, 2012. After first trying to ignore this case, the judicial system was persuaded by protestors to file suit against the perpetrators.

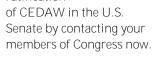
There is a history in India of life-long disregard for women's rights. Part of the problem is economic as dowries for girls can be sizeable and, because males are given preferential treatment at all ages, "India's girls die at twice the rate of boys before the age of 5" (according to a United Nations report). There are

laws in place in India against feticide. In 1994 it became illegal to use ultrasound to determine fetal gender and in 2003 the law was modified to make medical professionals responsible, along with pregnant women.

Ms. Lamm told the story of a 34-year-old pediatrician, Mitu Khurana, who had to flee her in-laws' home because she was pregnant with twin girls. Her in-laws tried to make her miscarry through "torture and starvation." After delivering her girls, she filed suit against her husband and his family because she didn't want her girls to have to deal with similar events during their lives. Because of this incident and others like it, Ms. Lamm "finds herself in the "100% 'pro choice' position for Indian women," because "when a woman anywhere is free to make her own choice, she usually makes the right one."

Our ZI President, Lynn McKenzie, in the latest ZI newsletter, urges us to renew our advocacy efforts with more energy in the coming year. Members are asked to show support for passage of the Violence

Against Women Act, and for renewed efforts to accomplish ratification



Here are some dates to remember:

February 9 is the Annual Colorado Day of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) at Marriott Denver South. Their theme this year is "Are you ready for some political football?" Our ZI Advocacy Chairman, Kay Meyer, has asked us to partner with AAUW in our advocacy efforts and this would be a good opportunity to learn more about AAUW and that partnership.

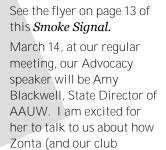
Thursday, February 21, the Human Trafficking Taskforce of Southern Colorado (begun by Pikes Peak Zonta member and former District 12 Governor Betty Edwards) asks us to join them on the West steps of the Colorado State Capitol, 200 E. Colfax Avenue, Denver, to Rally for Human Trafficking Awareness Advocacy Day.

"India's girls die at twice the rate of boys before the age of 5 (according to a United Nations report)."

AAUW



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specifically) can work with AAUW to accomplish our goals to help women. We will also be honoring Chaer Roberts who has long been a friend to Zonta. She is leaving her present position with the Denver Women's Commission and beginning

a new journey with another Denver company.

March 3-15, the UN's Commission on the Status of Women will meet in New York City and focus on violence against women and girls.

-Mary Lou



"Big" check presented in 2011

"Life is not always the way you think it's supposed to be. The way you cope with it is what makes the difference."



Girls Inc.

Service

Wow, it's February and it's time to award our grants. We have worked hard in our fundraising efforts and now we will enjoy meeting our grant recipients and presenting our "big" celebratory checks plus the checks that can actually be deposited. We will be hearing a short presentation from each of our grant recipients, telling us about how our grant will be used and letting us know of volunteer opportunities with their organizations. The organizations receiving our grants are Friends of the Haven, Girls Inc. of Metro Denver, Open Door Ministries, The Delores Project, and Work Options for Women. This year our meeting falls on February 14th, Valentine's Day, symbolic of love and caring.

This is so appropriate as we have worked hard to be able to give out these grants and make a caring difference in many lives. A round of applause to the members of the Zonta Club of Denver for another year of giving of their time, talent, and resources. Bravo ladies, you rock!

I want especially to thank the members of the Service Committee as it has been my pleasure to serve with each of you this year. So put your hands together and give a round of applause for Evie Ashmore, Liz Cameron, Sue Kruger, Nancy McWhirter, Jeanette Newville and Susan Relihan.

We see so many things happening in the world that we would like to fix, mend, make more equitable, but I have learned that life is not always the way you think



it's supposed to be, rather it's the way it is. The way you cope with it is what makes the difference. Saving Face, our film from last year's Day of Film showed us courage in ways we as women in the United States don't have to face. Our film for this year, Girl Rising, will show us more strength in the journey we call life.

Thank you all for being Zontians—we are making a difference.

-Cathy

Club Treasurer



Gayle has had to step down as treasurer due to increased family

requirements and two jobs. I'm taking over but just for the next four months.

First, I would like to thank Gayle for the great job she has done as treasurer and for the upgrades she has done to make the job a bit easier!!

Second, I want to let you know why the price of dinner this month is \$32.

Your Audit Committee recognized that the club was actually subsidizing the dinners, i.e., it was costing us more per dinner than each member was paying. Before we came to the Embassy Suites several years ago, we were paying \$34 for our dinners. The

Embassy Suites, chosen by the club in early 2010 after an extensive search, agreed to provide a room and dinners for just \$30 a person.

Inflation does march on and there's not a darn thing we can do to stop it short of quitting this world. The Great Recession doubtless also contributed to the

hotel's willingness to price our meals at \$30 and, thankfully, the economy has improved since 2010.

There is also the issue of our 25-person minimum. This means that if 22 people come to dinner, we are charged for three additional dinners. If 25 people come for the meeting, but only 23 have dinner, we will be

charged for 25 people to meet that minimum.

A minimum number is a standard feature of hotel contracts, and the 25-dinner minimum was a condition of the dinner price agreed to by the Embassy Suites.

-Nikki



ZCD serves dinner at Delores Project

Foundation Ambassador

What a successful dining-in event we had in January at Sheila's house.

The goal was to write a check to the Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) for the difference between what the cost of the dish you brought was and the \$30 dinner fee at the Embassy Suites. Thanks to all of you who wrote a check as well as those who contributed prior to our event.

Our goal for the this biennium is to have 100% of our club members contribute to ZIF. We have another year to accomplish this task. If we achieve this goal, our club will be recognized at the next ZI Convention! And, we have a wonderful opportunity given to us by Pam Dumonceau of Consistent Values. If 100% of our members donate, she will write a check equal to \$25

times the number of members. If our membership is 41, as it is now, her check would be \$1,025. Thank you, Pam, for this very generous offer! If you are ready to donate now or anytime in the future, you may do so online as well as calling me at 303-367-2401 to get a Donation Form.

-Nikki

"If all ZCD members contribute to ZIF, Pam Dumonceau of Consistent Values will contribute \$25 per member."

Service Opportunities

Work Options for Women

Join WOW on Wednesday, February 20th, as Owner Leigh Jones and Head Chef Alex White of Jonesy's Eat Bar teach the February Cooking Class titled "Food & Drink Mysteries Solved"! As Denver's first gastropub (a British term for a public house that specializes in high-quality food a step above the more basic 'pub grub'), Jonesy's is known for its wonderful pairings of great food with their 30+ local craft beers and

extensive wine list.

Jonesy's was named
Westword's 2011 & 2012
Best American Restaurant
and Reader's Choice Best
Neighborhood Restaurant.
Chef Alex will explain how
to make seviche, Leigh will
make delicious & easy
caramel corn without a food
thermometer or special
equipment, and Special
Guest John Garlich of
Bookcliff Vineyards will
explain how wine is

blended!

In March, Mary Nguyen, Chef and owner of Denverarea restaurants Parallel Seventeen and Street Kitchen Asian Bistro, will be teaching a Thai food cooking class.

Have fun, learn something new, and help WOW pursue its mission: To help impoverished women become gainfully and permanently employed in the food service industry.





ZCD donations for women vets

THE DELORES PROJECT
SHELTER AND SERVICES FOR HOMELESS WOMEN

Items of the Month

Breakfast Cereal Razors

Women's Underwear - all sizes

Plastic/waterproof pillow covers (standard size)

Laundry detergent

Toilet paper/napkins/paper towels

Bleach

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Chapstick

Foot care products such as powder, odor eaters, pumice stones, etc.

Travel tissue

Dixie Cups

Ziplock bags

Aluminum foil Hair brushes

Jeans & pants

Sweaters & fleeces

Winter Coats – We desperately need some larger coats – 2X, 3X, even men's coats

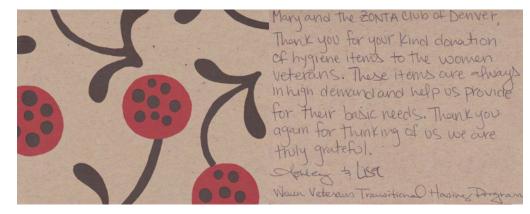
would work!

thedeloresproject.org

"We are proud to be part of the worldwide showing of 'Girl Rising,' brought to us through the non-profit 10x10Act.org."

Schoolgirls in India from *Girl Rising*

Thank You Notes





So kind, so thoughtful—a very special thanks to all my Zonta friends who were there for me during the recent loss of my sweet daughter. I so appreciate all of you.

—Dorothy

Fundraising

We are a little over a month away from the Zonta Day of Film 2013, our major fundraising event and it is time to step up to the plate! As you can see on page 12, the film for our fifth annual Day of Film at the Women + Film Voices Festival is *Girl Rising*. This film was shown at the Sundance

Festival in Utah a couple of weeks ago with great reviews and is brought to us through the non-profit 10X10. If you would like, you can go to their web site and see the trailer of the film.

We are proud to be a part of the worldwide showing of

this film and would like to make sure that all of you get out to your



friends and neighbors who support Zonta and buy tickets! We are not setting a quota of how many ticket

you must buy or how many individuals you plan on asking to the film but we would like to make sure that all of you participate in some fashion in the club's fundraiser.

Remember when you were inducted into Zonta and you affirmed that you would fully participate in the fundraising of Zonta? Now is your chance. At the February meeting there will be a 'tasks for the film' worksheet passed around and we would like to have our worksheet filled out at that time. If you are unable to attend the meeting we will be calling you asking for your help.

Tickets now available for purchase are online at

Zonta-Denver.org or at Blacktie-Colorado. (If through Blacktie you can look at their events calendar and choose our event). Tickets have NOT gone up from last year - \$40 per person with it being fully tax deductible. We would like to have a sell-out crowd as we did last year. We have had a good response from the community for sponsorships of the film and this year we are working toward having our food fully sponsored as well by various caterers and restaurants.

Those that buy tickets before the meeting OR at our February meeting will be eligible to get tickets to the Women+Film voices pre -festival celebration as well—at no extra cost!

So be sure you are there with us on March 9th and start by buying your tickets to this fabulous event now. Sign up when asked to participate in the final workings of the event and make this a spectacular show

Your fundraising committee thanks you!

Julie Bradley, Chair
Mary Benoit
Amanda Hasty
Nikki Headlee
Cynthia Herndon
Kate Linscott
Julie Walker
Mary Sparacino
Sue Relihan



Nepalese schoolgirls from *Girl Rising*

"We would like to have a sell-out crowd for the Day of Film 2013 on March 9, just as we did last year."

THIS AND THAT

Directory Updates



Note two email address changes in your directory:

Julie Bradley julieqb@gmail.com

and

Amanda Hasty amelvin@beaccord.net

Human Trafficking—Film Showing

Trade of Innocents, a film about child sex trafficking in Cambodia, will be screened at Cherry Hills Community Church on February 15 from 6:30-9 pm.

A Littleton couple, Bill and Laurie Bolthouse, helped to produce the film, which stars Academy-awardwinning actress Mira Sorvino. The film debuted in New York in September and is now available through Netflix.

The Highlands Ranch Herald quotes Bill Bolthouse: "It is not just an Asian problem. I think it's our responsibility to look at our own culture as well as look abroad. We need to say 'these things are not right and we are not going to allow this to continue."

The February 15 showing will be followed by a panel discussion, including representatives from the **Denver DA's office and the** FBI, about the issues of child sex trafficking in the Rocky Mountain region. If you are interested in attending this event, let Kathy Hyzer know.



Girls at school in Peru from Girl Rising

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Human Trafficking-LCHT State Conference

The Laboratory to Combat Human Trafficking (LCHT) will hold a State Conference on March 6 from 8 am—2 pm at the Springhill Suites at Metro State, 1190 Auraria Parkway, Denver.

The Conference will be a discussion of LCHT's three-

year research study in the State of Colorado on antihuman-trafficking efforts: What exists around the State; where we fall short; how we collectively move forward.

ZCD awarded LCHT's predecessor, *The Polaris*

Project, \$20,000 in 2009, and Past District 12 Governor Betty Edwards serves as a member of its State Advisory Board.
For more information about LCHT and the State Conference, visit its website:

combathumantrafficking.org

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

"Five
International
service
projects were
approved at
Convention—
three new
and two
continuing
ones."



Zonta International service project participant

District 12 Governor and member of the Zonta Club of Denver Sheila Davis hosted this meeting as a "Dining In for ZIF" event. President Wendy called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and Mary Lou Edwards agreed to take minutes for the meeting.

The November Minutes were approved and Mary Benoit provided the inspirational moment. Members filled their plates and ate as the business meeting progressed.

Nikki Headlee announced that the Audit Committee met and has determined that we will have to raise our dinner meeting cost. They are still working on the new amount, but it will be in the next Smoke Signal.

During the business meeting the following committees reported:

Membership - Judy Allen reiterated the need for an increased charge at our dinner meetings. A discussion was held regarding previous dinner costs. Judy said the committee is planning an event for potential members

and that we would be inducting a new member into the club later in the meeting.

Service – Cathy Conley talked about the visit she and Mary Benoit made to Project Wise and asked everyone to sign up to work the Delores project.

PR – Wendy announced that Cynthia Herndon has stepped up to be PR Chairman and that she would be installed later in the evening.

Advocacy – Mary Lou Edwards said they are working on getting a speaker for the March meeting and that the green UNICEF buckets are available for donations.

Fundraising – Julie Bradley said that we do not have a film yet, but the committee is working on it; Black Tie is now set up for the event; and that if we buy tickets by February 9 for the film event, we also get tickets to a pre-festival event. Tickets are \$40. Julie will send the information to Judy McNerny so we should all start selling tickets! Julie recommended the PBC film

"Solar Mamas" to us. Her email has been changed to: Julieqb@gmail.com.

New Business:

71F Chairman Nikki Headlee thanked Sheila for having the "dining in" at her home. Members were encouraged to contribute to the Foundation at this meeting. If 100% of a clubs' members contribute, the club is recognized at the ZI Convention. The goal amount for this donation is the difference in the cost of the dish you brought and the regular \$30 cost of our dinner meetings. Nikki then presented the ZI Service Projects. Five were approved by ZI at the Summer Convention in Italy - three new ones and two projects were continued from prior years:

New:

Empowering women in rural Samoa to combat violence. This is a ZISVAW project and was granted \$110,000.

Safe Cities in Honduras – similar to the prior Guatemala & El Salvador projects which were successful. The amount



given this ZISVAW project is \$25,000.

Edutainment – this project (coordinated with Oxfam) involves mass communication with a purpose. Implementation in year one will take place in Nigeria and Bangladesh. Year two will encompass Afghanistan, Cambodia, Egypt, Mali, Niger, Pakistan, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan and Vietnam.

Returning:

Elimination of mother to child transmission of HIV in Rwanda. This is the third biennium for this \$1 million project in conjunction with UNICEF. This has been a very successful project in Rwanda and the government now wants to totally eradicate the problem.

Liberia Fistula – a totally treatable affliction, this is the third biennium for this successful \$1 million project in conjunction with the UN Population Fund.

International Scholarships funded through ZIF:

Amelia Earhart – \$10,000 given to female graduate school studying aeronautical engineering.

Young Women in Public Affairs – for girls in High School studying business/ public affairs. Laura Stamp of the Pikes Peak Zonta Club is the District 12

coordinated. The deadline to submit applications is February (?). Sheila said that Laura has laid out a 7 step program for applications and urged our club to reconsider budgeting for it. Alice suggested we look at the International High School for applicants. Jane M. Klausman – for female students at the college level. Evie Ashmore is the District 12 Coordinator for this scholarship. The club winner receives \$1500. The District winner receives \$1500 and if the applicant wins at the International level they receive \$10,000.

Sheila Davis explained what the "Zonta Says No" project is about. This is ZI Worldwide Campaign saying "No" to Violence Against Women. ZI wants all clubs to participate in the program and their goal is 40% of all clubs participating during 2013. Sheila's goal is 80% of all District 12 clubs participating. This is a campaign that combines Advocacy with PR and ZI is taking it very seriously. District 12 is taking part in the launch of the ZI website for the campaign – several D -12 clubs are featured and posted on that website. See the "Zonta Says NO" flyer.

On Monday, November 25, 2013, the beginning of the

16 Days of Activism against Violence, all Zonta clubs are asked to take part in a common action. Mary Benoit suggested that we do an event featuring appropriate artwork at the Redline Galleries and make it an Area 3 Fundraising event with the proceeds going to ZISVAW. Sheila said she had charged the Area Directors with doing something similar for that day. Alice Borodkin suggested that we could all immediately call our Colorado delegates in the House and Senate about passing the VAW Act in Washington D.C.

Alice invited all ZCD members to a Meet Up entitled "Women Engaging Globally" at the clubhouse near her home next Tuesday, January 15, 2013. This is not a ZCD project, but will be useful for all wanting to learn how to use political leverage to make changes. Kay Meyer of ZI and the Boulder Foothills Club, and Ingrid Lantz of USA/UNA will be speaking. Sheila said that at the Fall, 2013 D-12 Conference in Canon City we are all going to be asked to wear something orange. The Sturgis club will make their pumpkins as usual, but will include a "Zonta Says No" picture on them.

Sheila then talked about ZI's

"Governor
Sheila's goal
is 80% of all
District 12
clubs
participating
in the Zonta
Says No
campaign."



Jiwei Gu, ZCD 2012 Jane M. Klausman Award winner



Olette's induction

"Happy
Birthday to
Valentine's
Day baby
Kate!"



Service Recognition Award which will be given to Zonta clubs and districts that have performed outstanding community service benefiting women or girls in the local community and giving visibility and credibility to ZI. (See the flyer for that Award for more information). She wants all D-12 clubs to participate in this. Alice suggested that the Trafficking Summit qualified as Education/ Edutainment. Judy Allen suggested that we begin a project focusing on date violence in schools.

Sheila has invited the D-12 Board to meet at her home June 7-9, 2013 and asked for the club's help with housing, a nice dinner somewhere other than Sheila's home, and with a reception at Sheila's home to which our club is invited. Several members volunteered to help with housing and Barb Pellegren volunteered to host that "outside" dinner.

February 2013

Former Zontian Harriette Yeckel was remembered by several members at the meeting. She was a ZCD YWPA scholarship winner and later joined a Zonta club out of Colorado where she rose to the Governor's position. A Memorial Service will be held in Kansas City for her and ZCD and District

honor.
Evie Ashmore reminded everyone to check the lending library for books they might like to read.

12 will send Yellow Roses

to that service in her

Judy Allen and members

of the Membership Committee inducted Olette Stanberry into the club where she was welcomed by all. Wendy then installed Cynthia Herndon as our new PR Committee chairman.

Wendy reminded us that our club is responsible for the Area 3 meeting on April 13 and that she has gotten space for us at Metro for that meeting. Evie said that perhaps the Hotel Management Program at Metro might help us with catering. Beth and Alice also have contacts there and will be calling them to see if they can help us.

Nikki Headlee won the door prize. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

—Mary Lou Edwards, for Julie Walker, Secretary

Potential Headline: Zonta Club of Denver Achieves 100%

"Every ZCD member contributes to the Zonta International Foundation over the 2012 – 2014 biennium"

Wouldn't that be a great headline to see in the program for the Zonta International Convention in Orlando in 2014? Remember, each member just has to give something—whatever she can—to get us there. And ZCD Foundation Trustee Pam Dumonceau has very generously offered a great incentive: if we achieve that 100 percent, she will match up to the first \$25 of each member's contribution to increase our club's donation to ZIF by over \$1000! Let's

make sure we can take advantage of that incredibly generous offer. Get your contribution in ASAP. Email or call Nikki for details on how to make sure your contribution counts toward our 100%.

—Wendy

Lending Library

Have you read a good book that you would like to share? Our club has a lending library...and this is how it works! Bring that good book to the next club

meeting. Each month I bring a suitcase full of books donated by members. If you see a book you would like to read — take one. If you have a book that you can part

with, bring it and put in the lending library for someone else to enjoy. This is available at each meeting. Bring a book – take a book.

President's Message

ZCD Thrives When Every Member Participates

Zonta Club of Denver is 85 years old this year—what a great milestone. I'm sure we all hope that the club is still doing its relevant work for our 100th birthday in 2027 and our 200th in 2127. Luckily, although wishing won't make it so, continuing to step up when the club needs us will.

Since this is a club for professional women, we know that we tap into the resources of already-busy people when the club needs committee members, people for a service project, Foundation trustees and Board members.

Although it's expected, we are also grateful when our busy members touch back to the promises at their induction ceremony and say, "Yes!" when a nominating committee member invites them to serve.

We have a few positions we need to fill for the remainder of this year and some board positions to fill for 2013 – 2014 that the nominating committee will be calling

people about. Think of being invited to serve on the Board or in another function as an opportunity to expand your horizons as well as to support the club's mission. Are there skills you'd like to brush up on or learn? Aspects of Zonta you are vague about? ZCD members you haven't gotten to know yet? Chairing a committee is your ticket! If you've been thinking about an opportunity you'd like to pursue and Joetta, Kathy or Jacki hasn't called you yet, call them. They probably don't know that you've always wanted to flex your leadership, media, or (your interest here) muscles.

So numbers aren't your thing? And public relations makes the hair on the back of your neck stand up? What if you can't imagine all the tasks that the membership, advocacy or service chairs have to corral? That's okay, because none of us is expected to be an expert on day one, or day 364, either-thank goodness! No one has to do anything alone. We all get so much more out of helping each

other than in "doing it ourselves." We will make sure each chairperson has backup and support to make her committee's efforts successful. We're really in this together. That was part of the induction ceremony, too, right?

And I'm still singing my song, "Let's make it work." Club activities have to work for each member in order to work for the women we serve. We all know stuff comes up. If ZCD stuff becomes overwhelming, or if life momentarily needs more attention, please know that you can (and should) ask for help. I have delighted in that gift this year and it has been so gratifying to learn how to call on others for assistance.

Your ZCD Nominating Committee members will be calling you soon about a potential to serve on the Board or in another capacity. Please do your best to say, "yes!" Your skills and commitment will keep this club thriving. Need to hear more about this? Call me. 303-355-3735.

—Wendy



Installation of 2012-2013 Board and Nominating Committee

"Are there skills you'd like to learn? ZCD members you haven't gotten to know yet? Chairing a committee is your ticket!"



President Wendy

Tests Before Having Children—Test 1

<u>Women</u>: to prepare for maternity, put on a bathrobe and stick a beanbag down the front. Leave it there for 9 months. After 9 months remove 5% of the beans.

<u>Men</u>: to prepare for paternity, go to a local chemist, tip the contents of your wallet onto the counter and tell the pharmacist to help himself. Then go to the supermarket. Arrange to have your salary paid directly to their head office. Go home. Pick up the newspaper and read it for the last time.

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Zonta's Day of Film 2013:

GIRLRISING

One girl with courage is a revolution.

Girl Rising is a new feature film about the strength of the human spirit and the power of education to change the world.

From Academy Award-nominated director Richard E. Robbins, the film journeys around the globe to spotlight nine unforgettable girls born into unforgiving circumstances as they fight to realize their dreams.

Each *Girl Rising* story is written by a renowned writer from the girl's native country, and is narrated by a celebrated actress, including Meryl Streep,

Anne Hathaway, Salma Hayek and Cate Blanchett.

The film features original music from Academy Award-winner Rachel Portman, with Hans Zimmer.

Produced by CNN Films.

Please join us at Zonta's Fifth Annual Day of Film for this inspiring film, panel discussion and brunch.

Saturday March 9, 2013, 10:00 am SIE FilmCenter, 2510 E. Colfax

Tickets \$40

includes parking in SIE FilmCenter garage

For more information and to purchase tickets online go to: www.zonta-denver.org



This Zonta Club of Denver Foundation fundraiser will finance projects of the Zonta Club of Denver and of Zonta International, benefiting women and girls in the Denver area and around the world.









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WHEN:

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JOIN US AS WE:

INFORM

Come together as individuals and in groups as we share our passion as citizens with our legislators on the issue of trafficking in Colorado

INSPIRE

Portray modern slavery in Colorado through a powerful display by iEmpathize in the Capitol Rotunda

Host a West steps Rally to hear from key leaders from around the State

Laud the continued development of public policy to effectively end modern slavery in Colorado

INVOLVE

For more information about Advocacy Day, please contact tamrafarah@gmail.com **Smoke Signal** February 2013 Page 14





Save the Date! We're playing Trivia on...

Saturday, April 20, 2013 5:30-9:30 p.m. Kirk Hall, Douglas County Fairgrounds, Castle Rock

Do you LOVE trivia and want to play?

Team of 6 - \$210 per team (\$35 each) Deadline to play: Tuesday, April 9th

Email Mary Reed at MaryLReed@Yahoo.com or call 303-814-0595 to reserve your team.

Want to be a Sponsor?

Deadline to sponsor: Tuesday, April 9th Contact Judy Crenshaw at Judy Crenshaw @hotmail.com or call 303-688-9107.

Would you like to contribute to our Silent Auction?

Deadline to contribute: Tuesday, April 9th Contact Sue Nissen at SueNissen3@gmail.com or call 303-204-2452

Trivia Forms and Documents Here! Tables are selling out fast. Act NOW while there is still room!

Funds raised from our Trivia event directly support our community in the form of scholarships and grants.





Let's have some fun!

Judy Crenshaw, President Zonta Club of Douglas County JudyCrenshaw@Hotmail.com 303-688-9107

North American Inter-District Meeting liagara Falls, ON Canad June 14 to 16, 2013

SAVE THE DATE

Please plan to join us

- Network beyond your club and district
 - Hear great presentations
 - Share ideas

"Get on Board the New Zonta Express, BE the Change, the Zonta Change"

Watch for registration and program details in January 2013



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~Mother Teresa ~

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February 14	Kate's birthday	April 21	The Delores Project—service opportunity
February 14	Club meeting—Embassy Suites Service Grants awarded	May 9	Club meeting—Embassy Suites
February 17	The Delores Project—service opportunity	May 19	The Delores Project—service opportunity
March 9	2013 Zonta Day of Film	June 13	Club meeting—Embassy Suites
March 14	Club meeting—Embassy Suites Chaer Roberts & Amy Blackwell, AAUW	June 14-16	Zonta International North American Inter- District Meeting—Niagara Falls, Ontario
March 17	The Delores Project—service opportunity	June 16	The Delores Project—service opportunity
April 11	Club meeting—Embassy Suites	October 4-6	Zonta District 12 Conference—Cañon City, CO
April 13	Area 3 meeting—Denver—ZCD hosts	July 2014	Zonta International Convention Orlando, Florida