



Smoke Signal

Z O N T A

THE ZONTA ZINGER WANTS TO KNOW—

What organization adopted “Millenium Development Goals”?

What is Zonta’s status in that organization?

Name one of the Goals.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

BEES + WORK = HONEY

HAPPY 2010!! I trust your Holidays were fun and filled with all the things that bring joy to your life. It seems like yesterday that I thought to myself, “I will never get used to writing a year that doesn’t start with a “19--” and here we are out into the 2010’s. As with each new January, it is a good time for starting new projects, acting on new ideas, setting up action plans, and cleaning up the unfinished work from the previous year. May I take this moment to say thank you to all of you who sent kinds words of support and provided gentle guidance this past month as I was coping with, and managing, my mother’s stroke hospitalization and subsequent admittance into a care facility...it has been tougher than I could imagine, and I ask forgiveness for being very much absent in December when it came to all affairs Zonta.

As Oprah says, “*HERE WE GO*”... first priority is to vote on Service Grant approval. This will be completed via email, with the few that do not have email contacted by phone. I know that Committee Chair

Mary Benoit is setting up meetings with the executive directors from our two service organizations to discuss publicity and service opportunities. The service grants for 2009-2010 have directed a spotlight on a challenge I have recognized since I joined almost 5 years ago. I, like many of you, joined partially because of the service opportunities that would support the mission of “enhancing the status of women...” You may disagree, but I see an inconsistency with this as an organization. We have our individual volunteer opportunities that have been enfolded into ZCD’s list of approved volunteer opportunities. We seem to have fewer service opportunities meant to include the majority of ZCD, then struggle when the members say they want to support – yet do not. I notice there is a dedicated few who show up for everything, individuals who attend sporadically, and those who agree to support a service commitment, but do not. Frankly, I’m no “Patty Perfect”



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in any respect and consequently include myself in all the categories just mentioned.

Some members say it has always been this way, ZCD will always have this challenge and we need to be more realistic about this expectation. Others express frustration that more members do not participate and wish things would change. Yet others say that the opportunities do not support the mission and we should not be wasting our time at projects that do not do so. And finally, the ongoing discussion of, “are we a service or a philanthropic organization?” Call me a dreamer, but it's a new year and I sure would like ZCD to have this discussion, determine some action items, and be mindful that in order to include younger members, we may need to rethink, reorganize and recommit to what ZCD is and will be. Do you think we can accomplish this by the end of our fiscal year? I think that would be brilliant.

This being said, I hope you will strongly consider coming to the January “hands-on service” meeting on the 14th. This will be an old fashioned



way of reconnecting and discussing this ongoing, but important issue. I am a firm believer that when hands are busy, minds are able to discuss challenging issues in a distinctly productive manner. We need long-time members, new members, and members who are called the “young members” (being mindful that those “young members” may or may not appreciate that label ☺).

With regards to advocacy, we have important and specific opportunities coming in 2010 that can make a significant difference in the lives of women in our state, our country, and worldwide. It would be a huge shame to let these slip by. As a 57-year-old American woman, I have participated in and seen significant changes in the rights of women; other struggles remain sluggish and/or insurmountable. It would be easy to say, “Let others take that on...I've done my work” – but we have fought so hard...why not support getting more work done for us, for our children, their children and future Zontians. How can we help each other rediscover our enthusiasm?

Respectfully—Beth

COMMITTEE NEWS

FUND RAISING

The Fund Raising Committee will be meeting with Starz Monday Jan 4 to pick a date for the film event, and discuss the choice of a film.

Also, we sold all of the coffee – thanks to everyone who bought coffee and helped sell it at work and to friends.

—Kathy H

Happy Birthday

Paul Revere and **Wendy R** Marjorie **P** and Dr. Martin
—Jan 7 Luther King, Jr.—Jan 15

Richard Nixon and Joan Benjamin Franklin and
Baez—Jan 9 Michelle Obama—Jan 17

SERVICE

Again, I want to thank all of you for participating in our service projects over the last few months. I am looking forward to our club meeting on January 14th. We will have hands-on service, fellowship, friendship and a chance to have meaningful and thoughtful discussions.

Also, please bring gently used professional clothing and accessories for Dress For Success. May I remind you that the women we serve truly appreciate us.

May all of you have a prosperous 2010.

—Mary B



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January Meeting

- When:** Thursday, January 14, 2010
5:30pm – Social Hour
6:00pm – Dinner
- Where:** Lowry Conference Center
1061 Akron Way
- Menu:** Catered by Pour la France
Grilled herbed chicken
- Cost:** \$20
- Greeters:** Judy McNerny and Kate Linscott
- Inspirational Moment:** Kathy Hyzer

RESERVATIONS:

Please RSVP to Kate Linscott, at 303-520-8136 (cell) or clinscott14@msn.com no later than **Monday, January 11th, at noon.**

JANUARY PROGRAM: We are devoting the program to a hands-on project of putting together baby blankets. We have at least 18 that need to be tied so this is a great opportunity to do hands-on service along with fellowship, friendship and catching up with our Zontian friends. This would also be a great time to bring a guest so they can see what Zonta is all about. Hope to see you all there!

Special requests: If you need a special menu, we can order gluten free or vegetarian meals which include salmon, grilled chicken and vegetables.

Permanent Reservations

Should your name be listed here?

- Carroll Allen
- Judy Bederman
- Mary Benoit
- Cathy Conley
- Sheila Davis
- Nikki Headlee
- Cynthia Herndon
- Kathy Hyzer
- Dottie Jenkins
- Kate Linscott
- Judy McNerny
- Wendy Moraskie
- Beth Mundell
- Linda Rhea
- Dorothy Swindt
- Joetta Williams

Reservations

- For each general dinner meeting, please remember to call if you aren't on the permanent reservation list. Because we are charged for the number we guarantee, we have to bill anyone who makes a reservation but doesn't come to the meeting (or who forgets to cancel a permanent reservation).
- If you plan on coming to every meeting—why not add your name to the permanent reservations list?
- If you are on the permanent list but tend to forget to call and cancel—why not take your name off the list?
- Please call Kate L or Dottie J with your request to be added or deleted!

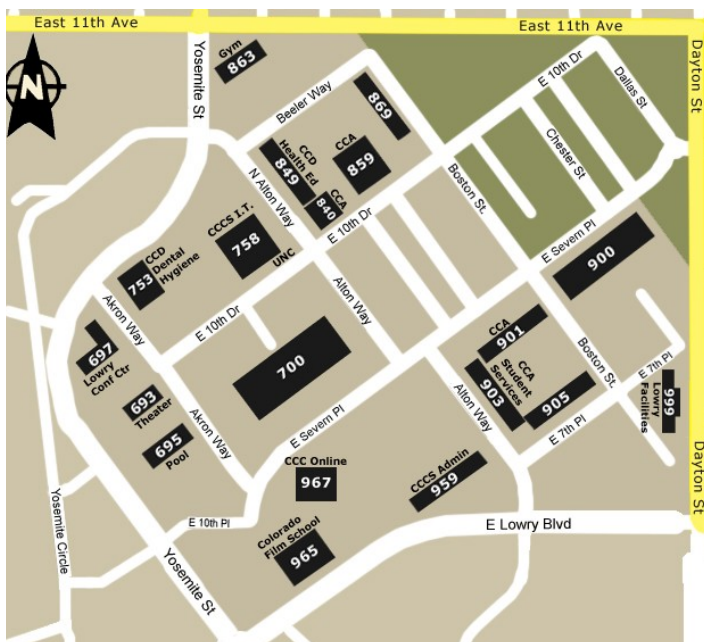
Remember to call if you can't come, otherwise you will be billed for the dinner.

Club directory corrections—Is there a mistake in your entry? Please let Judy Mc know.

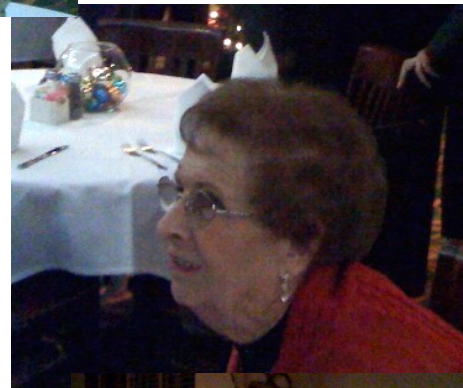
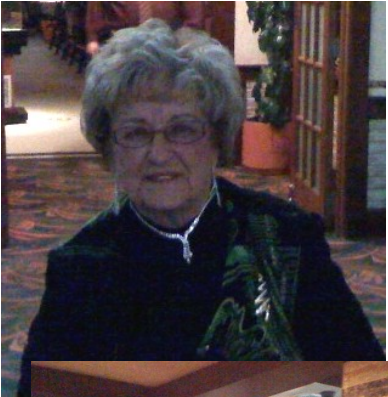
←Directions to Lowry Conference Center

Go East on Alameda to Quebec – turn North, go to East Lowry Blvd. and turn right (if you pass 1st Avenue, you have gone too far North). Follow East Lowry to the 2nd round-about. This is Yosemite and the round-about will lead you to Yosemite North. Go North on Yosemite and it will curve right – immediately look for Akron Way and turn right to 1061 Akron Way (the building farthest to the west—number 697 on the map).

If you need better directions, please call Carroll Allen.



ZCD Holiday Party



**ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
DISTRICT 10—2010
YA'LL COME!
JUNE 25-30, 2010**



Information about tours before, during and after the Convention is now available on the Convention website, including Segway tours, pictured below! Go to www.zonta2010.org and click on "Tours."



FROM THE ZONTA INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE

Dear Zontians,

On 6 November 2009, UNIFEM launched *Say NO – UNiTE to End Violence Against Women*, a global advocacy initiative to stimulate, count and showcase actions on ending violence against women around the world. Zonta International was one of 80 organizations worldwide to join UNIFEM as a launch partner.

Zonta International, our clubs and our members have already found numerous ways to support efforts to prevent violence against women around the globe. To maximize Zonta's participation in the *Say NO – UNiTE to End Violence Against Women* initiative and to raise awareness of our efforts at the global and local level, we need the participation of all our districts and clubs.

First, please take a minute to sign the global call to end violence against women by clicking on the *Say NO* banner below. (Ed. note: go to www.zonta.org and click on the *Say NO – UNiTE* logo that appears on the homepage.) If you have already added your name to the global call, please sign it again to support Zonta's participation in this new initiative. Encourage your club members to do the same, and assist members with

adding their names to the global call at your next club meeting.

After you have added your name to the global call, notify headquarters of any actions taken (as of 6 November 2009) by your district or club to help prevent violence against women. Actions can include, but are not limited to, participating in a walk to raise awareness of domestic violence, volunteering or supporting a local women's shelter, organizing community workshops or observing the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence in your local community. Please send your submissions, including the name of your district or club, a description of the action and the number of participants, to advocacy@zonta.org.

The goal of the *Say NO* initiative is to collectively reach 100,000 actions by March 2010 and 1 million actions in one year. Submit your actions, and help us raise awareness of Zonta International's efforts to prevent violence against women around the world!

Thank you for your participation and support.

Beryl Sten, President Zonta International

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Zonta International 2010-2012 Slate of Candidates

The International Nominating Committee is pleased to present the slate of candidates for international positions for the 2010-2012 biennium. Candidates are presented in alphabetical order under each office. The candidates' biographical statements will be published on [the Zonta International] website in early March and will be included in the registration packets at Convention 2010.

Candidates for President-Elect:

One (1) to be elected

Annette Binder

Zonta Club of Hamburg-Elbufer, Germany, Dist 27

Lynn McKenzie

Zonta Club of Wellington, New Zealand, Dist 16

Candidates for Vice President:

One (1) to be elected

Naomi Arnold-Reschke

Zonta Club of Gawler Inc., Australia, Dist 23

A. O. Omotayo Morgan

Zonta Club of Ibadan, Nigeria, Dist 18

Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard

Zonta Club of Copenhagen I, Denmark, Dist 13

Candidate for Treasurer/Secretary:

One (1) to be elected

Ellen Karo

Zonta Club of New York, USA, Dist 3

Candidates for International Director:

Four (4) to be elected

Susanne von Bassewitz

Zonta Club of Düesseldorf II, Germany, Dist 29

Jacqueline Beaudry

Zonta Club of Milwaukee, USA, Dist 6

Kathleen Douglass

Zonta Club of Brampton-Caledon, Canada, Dist 4

Kikuko Hara

Zonta Club of Yokohama, Japan, Dist 26

Marie-Helene Mallet

Zonta Club of Nimes-Romaines, France, Dist 30

Carol Pasanen

Zonta Club of Brainerd Area, USA, Dist 7

Jaana Sippus

Zonta Club of Vaasa, Finland, Dist 20

Anne Walker

Zonta Club of Manawatu Area, New Zealand, Dist 16

Candidates for Nominating Committee:

North, Central and South America:

One (1) to be elected

Sally Bean

Zonta Club of Janesville, USA, Dist 6

Danita Utsman

Zonta Club of Longview, USA, Dist 10

Europe:

One (1) to be elected

Brigitte Siller

Zonta Club of Paderborn, Germany, Dist 29

Regina Smit

Zonta Club of Lier, Belgium, Dist 27

Africa:

One (1) to be elected

Simone Bleu-Laine

Zonta Club of Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire, Dist 18

Australia and New Zealand:

One (1) to be elected

Alison Martin

Zonta Club of Perth Northern Suburbs Inc., Australia, Dist 23

Vicki Varthas

Zonta Club of Brisbane Metro Breakfast Inc., Australia, Dist 22

Asia:

One (1) to be elected

Imelda "Dandy" Gomez

Zonta Club of Greater Rizal I, Philippines, Dist 17

At Large:

Four (4) to be elected

Dolly Dastoor

Zonta Club of Montreal, Canada, Dist 2

Francine Dieltiens

Zonta Club of Antwerpen, Belgium, Dist 27

Ingeborg Geyer

Zonta Club of Vienna, Austria, Dist 14

Elba Pereyra de Gomensoro

Zonta Club of Punta del Este-Maldonado, Uruguay, Dist 19

Lynn Goodhue

Zonta Club of Northampton Area, USA, Dist 1

Beryl Sten

Zonta Club of Växjö, Sweden, District 21

MORE COMMITTEE NEWS

PR / COMMUNICATIONS

ZCD Website Needs Infusion of Data

As we begin updating the website, let's start with one of the functions nearest our hearts: grants to deserving organizations. When the unsuspecting victim--er--prospective member visits our website, we want her to see what we do and why she should want to join us. How better than to show the benefits of our fundraising and grant evaluations?

It seems the grants page is a little dusty and could use some sprucing up. We last posted grant recipient information in 2004. Oops!

Could you help your PR committee gather notes

about our grant recipients since 2004? We need the organizations' names (I don't want the grant amounts) and the projects they used the funds for. And, if you know a little about our service projects or other efforts with them, add that in. The PR committee will do a little research to fill out each item, then we can update the grant recipients page. Even if you only have a small piece of the information, we'll probably need it to get the whole picture and get caught up. Please send whatever info you have by January 10 to me, Judy Mc or Judy B.

—Wendy M.

ADVOCACY / UNITED NATIONS

FROM TALK TO ACTION: GOALS FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Zonta International. Our name and our mission. Are we truly involved and engaged in those efforts to service and support the programs of the United Nations and its mission to ensure women's equality?

It seems many of those goals to ensure gender equality, to promote women's rights and the empowerment of women, here or around the world, are far from realized.

Events to recognize the 40th anniversary of the UN Population Fund, which addresses issues like reproductive health, gender equality and the rights of women; the 10th anniversary in October of 2010 of the first Security Council resolution on women's role in peace and security; and the 2010 General Assembly summit on the Millennium Development Goals, will refocus international attention on the role of women in improving the world.

Let's take a look at where we stand in the United Nations: Resolution 1325 on Women Peace and Security and adopted in 2000. It promotes women's participation in the prevention and resolution of conflicts and women representatives in peacekeeping programs.

In the past ten years the Security Council has adopted three other resolutions; Resolution 1820 in 2008 recognized that sexual violence can be a threat to the maintenance of international safety; Resolution 1888, 2009, called for the appointment of a special representative; and 1889, 2009, focused on the rights and needs of women in post conflict situations.

All three further the goals of Resolution 1325 and have strengthened the UN system's response to crisis and problems. But none of the resolutions have resulted so far in much positive change at the national level.

I ask that all Zontians research all these resolutions, take action to demand accountability. Advocate to develop advancement through the proposed consolidation of four UN women's entities that lack visibility and are underfinanced as well.

Zonta International is an NGO. Let's see what we can do for ourselves and our sisters around the world.

—Alice B., UN Officer

ZONTIANS IN THE KITCHEN

Kathy Hyzer's Chili Cheese Cubes

8 eggs	½ tsp salt	3 cups shredded Monterey jack cheese
1 tsp baking powder	1 ½ cups cottage cheese	2 4-oz. cans green chilies, drained
½ cup flour		

Beat eggs until light, about 3 minutes. Stir together flour, baking powder and salt. Add to eggs and mix. Fold in cheese, cottage cheese and chilies. Turn into greased 9x9x2 baking dish. Bake at 350 for 40 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting. Can be served plain, or with green chili or salsa.

AREA 3

What: Amelia Earhart Brunch
 Hosted by: Zonta Club of Boulder County
 When: Sunday January 31st, 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Where: The Fiske Planetarium <http://fiske.colorado.edu/> at CU Boulder
 Cost: \$30 per person
 Presentation: National Medal of Science winner Dr. Susan Solomon (see below or for more information visit <http://celebrating200years.noaa.gov/historymakers/solomon/welcome.html>)

This event is designed to be a fun Sunday for family and friends that will raise monies for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship fund. Indeed, invite others: your spouse, children, grandchildren and friends.

To attend the Amelia Earhart Brunch, please mail the following to Toni Lorgan, 447 Beaver Pt, Lafayette, CO 80026:

Your check for \$30 for each attendee
 Your name, address, telephone number and email address
 Questions? Contact Beth Parish at monktong1@aol.com.



NOAA senior scientist Susan Solomon has altered the course of atmospheric research through her pioneering role in the international scientific community's efforts to discover the cause of depleted atmospheric ozone in the Antarctic, known as the ozone "hole." Her research has also helped institute a global ban on the chemicals that destroy atmospheric ozone and, consequently, threaten human health worldwide.

She is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, the European Academy of Sciences, and the Academy of Sciences of France.

Dr. Solomon has fostered the careers of several young women scientists who have flourished in her research group.

In a letter to her husband, written in case a dangerous flight proved to be her last, Amelia Earhart wrote, "Please know I am quite aware of the hazards. I want to do it because I want to do it. Women must try to do things as men have tried. When they fail, their failure must be but a challenge to others." Earhart was an early member of the Zonta Club of Boston, and Zontians around the world celebrate her memory during the month of January. Amelia Earhart fellowships are granted to women pursuing graduate degrees in aerospace-related sciences and aerospace-related engineering.



*Zonta Club of Denver November Dinner Meeting
Doubletree Hotel 11/12/09
(reprinted from the December Smoke Signal)*

Social hour and dinner started at 5:15 p.m. followed by the Call to Order by President Beth Mundell at 6:50 p.m.

Carol Lease from the Empowerment Program was introduced as a guest.

Kate Linscott gave a very appropriate Inspirational Moment on women in the military.

Beth asked for and received approval of the October minutes.

Nikki Headlee, Treasurer, reported Alice Borodkin and Judy Bederman were both first-timers at the District Conference and the club paid their way.

Committee Reports –

Membership – Kate announced the holiday party cost will be \$40 each at Landry's. Holiday gift bags will be put together for the 22 women at the Empowerment Program. A sign up sheet is passing for donations. Nineteen members are present at tonight's meeting. The January meeting will be a hands-on-service project/dinner meeting at Lowry.

Service – Mary Benoit is on vacation so Judy Allen brought sign up sheets for a variety of service opportunities available in the upcoming couple of months. Judy announced the service grant recipients for 2009-2010 will be Joy House with \$10,000 and the Delores Project with \$17,000 with club membership approval. There will be an e-mail vote. Beth indicated Service will be an agenda item for the January meeting and would like for club members to be giving some thought to this area before that meeting.

Fundraising – Kathy Hyzer indicated that coffee is available for purchase this evening. It is part of what the club sold at the District Conference. Film festival planning continues for early spring. Cynthia Herndon has generously offered the use of her lawn in May for a club garage sale so start saving your no longer needed treasures for this event.

Advocacy – Diane Twining reported for Alice Borodkin. At the Area level there are two upcoming events – the Women's Legislative Breakfast and the Equal Pay Rally (4/28/10) which Beth wants us to support. Diane said we need to have two great baskets for the Amelia Earhart event the Boulder County Club is hosting early next year.

Public Relations & Communication – Wendy Moraskie reported upgrading the website is a priority. Carol Lease is in attendance to report to the club the use of the 2008-2009 Service Grant dollars given to her Empowerment Program. It has grown tremendously over the last year; so much so, they are in need of a larger building. They were able to serve 40 women with funds from our club. She is appreciative of the gift bags we will give in December and asked if we could include notes of encouragement, too.

District Conference – Sheila Davis reported that out of 110 registered to attend, 97 made it in spite of the blizzard. The Conference was a big success. All scheduled speakers made it through the snow. The only casualty was the Thursday evening dinner, scheduled at Kate's, had to be cancelled. Sheila recommends having one of our dinner meetings there in the near future in appreciation of the manager's understanding of the cancellation. The Friday night costume dinner/party was a hoot. The Saturday evening dinner and entertainment was fun. The speakers were wonderful and inspiring. And the birthing kit service project was a huge hit.

Nikki gave an update on the chapel items being stored in her garage.

Minnie Lundberg, Evie Ashmore and Judy Bederman announced the 2008-2009 Zontian of the Year Award was presented to Sheila Davis at the District Conference. A gift and roses were given to her and roses were, also, given to last year's recipient Minnie.

Kate Linscott received the Z Rock last month and presented it to Judy Bederman. That was followed by Judy B., also, winning the door prize Dorothy Swindt brought.

Beth presented Z Bee awards to district conference workers.

All business having been tended to, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Carroll Allen, Secretary



Zonta Club of Denver

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Visit us at www.zonta-denver.org

Upcoming Calendar Events – Save the Date!

January 7th	Wendy's birthday
January 14th	January Club Meeting
January 15th	Marjorie's birthday
January 30th	Glass Slipper Ball—Zonta Club of Pikes Peak fundraiser
January 31st	Amelia Earhart Brunch—Fiske Planetarium, Boulder
February 5th	Carroll's birthday
February 11th	February Club Meeting

Mar 11th	March Club Meeting
Apr 5th	Baseball 2010 Opening Day
April 8th	April Club Meeting
April 10th	Area 3 Meeting
May 13th	May Club Meeting
June 10th	June Club Meeting
June 25th—30th	International Convention San Antonio, Texas