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JULY, 2014

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2014



The 2014 Zonta International Convention, held in Orlando, Florida, concluded a few days ago. Here are highlights:

Click [here](#) to watch outgoing International President Lynn McKenzie's welcome video that was presented during the Opening Ceremony.

The 2012-2014 Biennium saw the Zonta International Foundation's largest fundraising total ever - US\$5.1 million! Lynn McKenzie acknowledged outgoing Foundation Development Committee Chairman Jackie Beaudry's extraordinary work for the Foundation and, as she steps down from that position, introduced her as the new chair of a proposed Zonta Centennial capital fundraising campaign.

Contributions were made during Convention, and runners and walkers rose bright and early one morning to celebrate and support the Zonta International Foundation by participating in the Rose 5k run/walk.

Perhaps most important of all Convention business were reports about the 2012-2014 International Service Projects and approval of the 2014-2016 International Service and Zonta International Strategies To End Violence Against Women (ZISVAW) projects.

Vice President Sonja Honig Schough shared reflections on her visit to the Liberia Fistula Project in February of this year as an introduction to the video that was produced during her visit. You can view the video [here](#).

Mira Ihalainen, Resource Mobilization Specialist for the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), then spoke about the Liberia Fistula Project and how continued support is necessary to fight obstetric fistula. President-Elect Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard presented the proposal for Zonta to continue to support the Liberia Fistula Project into the 2014-2016 Biennium, which the Convention overwhelmingly approved.

Lynn McKenzie, 2012-2014 Past International President, recently visited the Zonta-funded Edutainment Project in Benin City, Nigeria, to see how Oxfam Novib and the UN Trust Fund, in partnership with NGO Girls' Power Initiative, BAOBAB for Women's Human Rights, and the Association of Positive Youths Living with HIV/AIDS in Nigeria, are using edutainment to raise awareness of violence against women.

Watch a [video](#) shown at Convention that highlights the Edutainment project in Nigeria and how Zonta International's

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"Men won't easily give up a system in which half the world's population works for next to nothing... (and recognizes that) precisely because that half works for so little, it may have not energy left to fight for anything else."

Marilyn Waring

Help Needed

A secretary, treasurer assistant, data base experts, art organizers, a shoe contact, partners assistants, designers, and docents for the 2014 Zonta Says No event in October.

Email or call Mary Benoit.

support is making a difference.

The main focus for next biennium's International Service and ZISVAW Projects is preventing root causes through education. 2014-2016 International Service Projects and ZISVAW Projects:

- Eliminating Obstetric Fistula in Liberia in partnership with UNFPA
- HIV-Free Generation in Rwanda in partnership with US Fund for UNICEF
- Gender Responsive Schools in Vietnam in partnership with UN Trust Fund
- Delaying Early Marriage in Niger in partnership with UNFPA
- Voices Against Violence in 12 Countries in partnership with UN Women

Some detail about three of these projects appears later in this issue.

Business Cards

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

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Keynote speaker Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women, thanked Zontians for their unwavering support of UN Women and its mission, and inspired Zontians to advocate for gender equality.

"Through Zonta's support, we are able to make the world a better place for women and girls worldwide," Phumzile said. "We are the generation to make a change, and we must hold ourselves accountable. We have nothing to lose."



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The Convention featured a trade show: ZONTA STYLE.

Zonta Service Recognition Award winners displayed their award-winning service projects, Zonta Says NO projects, and membership and fundraising successes, and discussed them with attendees. In the photo are Zontians from the Zonta Club of Ibadan II, Nigeria, who won for their service project: Medical Outreach in Three Communities.



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The Golden Z Convention was attended by thirteen excited members from the United States, Philippines, Italy and Canada. The Golden Z attendees attended interactive workshops centered on three pillars:

The global world of Zonta
Challenges facing women and children worldwide
Professional life after college

Golden Z attendees also packed donations from Zontians for the Harbor House, a shelter in Central Florida for women and child survivors of family violence.

To hear reflections from Golden Z Club attendees, click [here](#).



Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard, Zonta Club of Copenhagen I, Denmark, assumed office as Zonta International President, and the 2014-2016 officers, directors and nominating committee were elected.



International Officers:

President-Elect: Sonja Hönig Schough, Kungsbacka, Sweden
Vice President: Susanne von Bassewitz, Dusseldorf II, Germany
Treasurer/Secretary: Bridget Masters, Greeley, USA

Zonta International Directors:

Sally Bean, Janesville, USA
Nadia Bianco, Alessandria, Italy
Sharon Langenbeck, Santa Clarita Valley, USA
Catherine McEwan, London II, England
Josephine Odedina, Lagos I, Nigeria
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The proposed goals for the 2014-2016 biennium were approved at Convention. The goals for next biennium focus on key challenges and position Zonta as one of the main players addressing women's issues. Living up to Zonta's mission with conviction, commitment and courage and strengthening every single link of Zonta will ensure sustainability and long lasting impact in the lives of women around the world.



Click [here](#) to read the 2014-2016 goals.

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Here is an improbable story.

One day a mother, typically known as a good mother, needed to find the birth certificates for her twins. The birth certificates were nowhere to be found. As any mother will tell you the birth process is unforgettable. Raising children is unforgettable. So no doubt these were her children. But no official agency had the certificates.

Well, the mother is Zonta International and the twins are Zee Clubs and Golden Zee Clubs. The board of Zonta International is considering a name change for these student clubs and in that process realized that the clubs had never been officially authorized or voted on by a convention. So they officially did not exist.

The delegates to this convention had to vote on a resolution to make the Zee Club and Golden Zee Club the legitimate "children" of Zonta International. After everyone got a little chuckle out of this the delegates were happy to vote for the resolution.

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Two new 2014-2016 Zonta International Service Projects:

Gender Responsive Schools in Vietnam

Violence against women and girls has been identified as a major problem in Vietnam. This issue is a result of deeply rooted traditional gender roles and stereotypes. Gender-based violence in and around schools is highly prevalent and is one of the main barriers to girls' empowerment and gender equality. A recent study carried out in high schools across three provinces revealed that 20% of girls experienced unwanted sexual touching.

Zonta is joining with the UNTF by giving \$644,000 to pilot a research-based model of gender-responsive schools in 20 schools across Hanoi, reaching approximately 30,000 adolescent girls and boys aged 11 to 18. The model promotes safe, accountable, and child friendly spaces where adolescent girls and boys receive a quality education in an environment free of violence. This includes safe and effective reporting and response channels, employing well-trained staff, and encouraging inclusiveness, participation, and partnerships. The project will also empower adolescents, engage teachers and parents as change agents and establish strong collaborations with the Government to institutionalize strategies that have proven to be effective.

Delaying Early Marriage in Niger

Niger has the highest child marriage prevalence in the world with 75% of girls married by 18 and 36% by 15. Health risks include the risk of maternal death and disability. In addition, high proportions of school-age girls are not in school and the vast majority of adolescent girls are illiterate.

Zonta International is giving \$1,000,000 in partnership with the UNFPA. This project is part of a 5 year (2013-2017) global UNFPA Adolescent Girls Initiative. Activities will be implemented to support the following goals:

1. Improve the health of adolescent girls.
2. Ensure an education for adolescent girls.
3. Protect adolescent girls from violence.
4. Encourage the leadership of adolescent girls by providing access to mentors and women leaders.
5. Use data for adolescent decision-making and advocacy.

An expected outcome is that 25,000 adolescent girls will be reached over 2 years with 400,000 members of their community benefiting from increased awareness.

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**Judith Allen
and
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2014 Zonta International Convention in Orlando-- Governor's View

The 2014 Zonta International (ZI) convention just held in Orlando, Florida was very exciting, busy, and exhausting! I arrived in Orlando on June 25th directly from a week long family reunion in Montgomery, Alabama. The governors needed to be onsite a day before the convention began in case of credentialing problems in our districts. (I'm glad to report that District 12 had no such issues.) After spending the next morning at the pool, the whirlwind began in the afternoon with a governors' update meeting, then a 2012-2014 governors' dinner with President Lynn McKenzie that evening. The following days were filled with business meetings, receptions, dinners, and rehearsals for various items on the agenda. I found myself constantly checking my schedule to see where I was supposed to be, and at what time.



On the first day of the convention, we had a very fun District 12 meeting. We were dressed in our finest cowgirl outfits patterned after our District 12 logo. Annoyingly, several Zontians outside of District 12 thought we were from Texas. Both Joy Orlich (in photo), ZI International Director and District 12 Liaison, and Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard, incoming ZI President, visited us during the meeting. There were 27 Zontians from District 12 in attendance at the convention. The 2012 convention in Torino had 32 attendees, so this was a good turnout for the district.

At the opening ceremony later that day, Phumzile Mlambo-NGCuka, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women, spoke to the audience. After the session, the governors were invited to a reception with her in the "green room." Although I didn't get to talk with her personally, it was a privilege just to be in the same room with her. (I also heard her speak at the Commission on the Status of Women in New York City last March.)

On Saturday, both District 12 and the Zonta Foothills Club of Boulder County displayed our service projects for the Service Recognition Award competition during the lunchtime Trade Show, as we had been selected as finalists. Neither project won an international award, but it was nice to be acknowledged for our service projects. On Sunday, both the Zonta Club of Pierre-Ft Pierre and the Zonta Club of Billings displayed their Zonta Says No projects during the Trade Show.

On Sunday, elections were held. I was so proud when Bridget Masters, District Treasurer during my biennium, was elected Zonta International Treasurer/Secretary. What an honor for our district! Also, six of the 2012-2014 governors were elected to the ZI board or ZI nominating committee.

At the memorial service on Monday, all Zontians who had passed away during the biennium were recognized. I was honored to place a yellow rose in a lovely vase on the stage when District 12's name was announced. As I walked across the stage, the names of D12 Zontians who had passed were scrolled across the big screens in the auditorium.

Following are some thoughts regarding the other business sessions held during the convention:

- I'm always impressed with the proposed upcoming biennium's international service projects.
- There were way too many bylaws amendments to vote on. To get through them, delegates had to forgo attending the workshops. I had planned to attend the Millennium Development Goals and the Women in Leadership workshops, so it was very disappointing to miss them.
- There were several bylaws amendments that after hearing both the pros and the cons, I was very undecided on how to vote - a testament to how good the comments are at the

convention on these complicated issues.

- Dr. Marilyn Waring, Professor of Public Policy in New Zealand, and the newest ZI Honorary Member, spoke on Monday morning. Her speech was astonishing. If it gets posted on the ZI website, be sure to watch it.

A highlight of the convention was the closing banquet and the installation of the 2014-2016 governors on Tuesday evening in which all of the outgoing governors give their governor's pins to the incoming governors. My pin has been passed down to each new District 12 governor since 2000. The pin was designed by July Allen, Zonta Club of Denver, and District 12 Governor 1998-2000. I will miss wearing this pin, but I know Marcy O'Toole will enjoy it wearing it as much as I did.

My only regret at the convention was that I didn't have more time to spend talking and hanging out with the District 12 members who attended. I stayed an extra day after the convention to lie by the pool, relax, and unwind. If you've never been to a ZI convention, I highly recommend it. You will learn so much and come back inspired and motivated to help your club. I hope to see all of you at the 2016 convention in Nice, France, and at the 2018 convention in Japan!

Sheila Davis
Past District 12 Governor
(I'm still getting used to my new title)

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Zonta International Convention: A Non-Delegate's View

Picture it: 2000 women from around the world gather in one huge room over a long weekend, voluntarily, because they care about issues that face women they don't even know in countries most haven't been to. Amazing. Although I find the Convention atmosphere electric and the discussions thrilling, my favorite memories from last weekend all include meeting new people, whether it was while making arrangements beforehand, or in sessions, shopping or meals at the Convention.



While I was deciding whether to go to Convention, two time-share condos amazingly became available for that week. It was a sign--I grabbed them, then let Zontians know they were available.

Arriving at my first Convention session, an usher informed me that delegates were assigned to sit in certain areas of the large conference hall to make sure they could hear the measures under discussion, and voting aides could get to them easily to assist. Non-delegates could sit anywhere past those assigned seats. In addition to allowing me to sleep in a little in the mornings, being a non-delegate meant I was sitting next to different people every day, and hearing different opinions about the agenda topics, area activities and all things Zontian.

A large meeting room nearby served as the official Zonta Store, selling all kinds of logo'ed materials and another room along the hotel's vast main hallway was set up as the "marketplace," where Zonta clubs displayed their wares for sale to other clubs. These were both great places to meet other Zontians, and hear about their clubs' projects.

Lunches were "Grab and Go," set up in another ballroom as four cafeteria-style lines offering deli salads and sandwiches. Much faster than plated lunches, and another opportunity to sit with Zontians I hadn't met yet. Themed dinners offered more chances to taste new foods and meet Zontians. An offsite dinner, arranged by Susan from Greeley and comprising D12 Zontians, was replete with very good food and really fun conversation.

This Convention featured a new element--workshops. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to clone myself and attend all of them, but I did attend the fundraising and UN millennium goals sessions. All the Zontian energy in those rooms was invigorating!

And I made two new friends while filling the spaces in the condos. Brenda from St. Louis, and Anita and her mom from Atlanta used the extra spaces. It was delightful to get to know them. Now I'm trolling the time-share website for Nice!

Wendy Moraskie

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Thelma and Louise Hit Florida and Attend ZI Convention

One of the advantages of attending a Zonta International Convention is to include side trips. We did that and traveled to the Keys - Key Largo and Key West - for a four-day visit.

We rented a car and drove from Orlando to Key Largo the first day. On the Florida Turnpike, we soon became "toll booth challenged." Did very well until the last big toll. Somehow we missed the toll booth and soon after saw the "Silver Alert" sign flashing above the Florida turnpike with a car description close to ours. We then noted flashing signs directing us to switch to an AM radio station for emergency information. We were convinced we were "wanted" by the toll folks and "they" were after us and thus the names of Thelma and Louise surfaced per a suggestion by Judy's husband Richard. This name stuck!



The Keys were wonderful and after 4 days it was time to return to Orlando to attend the Convention. Well, we missed the Rental Car return, circled around again and missed it a 2nd time. Not wanting to circle again took the next exit and ended up with the commercial vehicles and no way to turn around. Yikes what to do...Thelma and Louise followed a bus in and then could not get out. We used the phone to call for help! The perturbed attendant told us "you have 2-minutes to get out" after he raised the gate. We did!!!

I urge you to read the daily ZI emails highlighting the Convention. Our highlights were: Bridget Masters, Zonta Club of Greeley, was elected ZI Treasurer by over 70% of the votes. Marcy O'Toole, Zonta Club of Denver II, was installed as the District 12 Governor and we bid farewell and lots of rest to our outgoing Governor Sheila Davis. Met lots of fellow Zontians from around the world.

We left just as Hurricane Arthur was beginning his journey up the coast. Finally, we are awaiting the fines/charges for missing the toll booth.

Yours in Zonta, Thelma and Louise aka Judy Allen and Evie Ashmore

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Zonta International Convention was spectacular, inspiring, overwhelming, and just a bit intimidating. In other words, it was business as usual. I realize each of you received updates about the Convention so I will try not to be too redundant.

As members of District 12 we have a lot to be proud of. Kay Meyer, Zonta Club of Boulder Foothills, is the outgoing Advocacy Chair. Kay did an amazing job. Bridget Masters, Zonta Club of Greeley, was elected Zonta International Treasurer/Secretary. Bridget was my roommate and she is very excited about her new position. She gave a great speech. Our new president Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard's theme is the "3 Cs"--Conviction Commitment Courage. Bridget in her speech added another C, Currency. It was quite funny and got a good laugh. Bridget was a big winner with 590 more votes than her opponent.



Along with being your delegate with one vote, I carried 2 proxies for the Mount Isa Club in Queensland Australia. (See photo below.) This happened through the recommendation of Sheila Davis our outgoing governor. I was speaking with one of my Aussie friends and telling her about my proxies. She kept looking at me as if I were speaking Swahili. We finally figured out Isa is a long I and not short. OK, so I am the only person I know that can mispronounce a three-letter word.

The speakers were wonderful and inspiring, but here again you already have that information. It is wonderful to listen to the young women winners of scholarships and A E fellowships. It is great to listen to our leaders. My favorite speaker was Dr. Marilyn Waring from New Zealand. She was recently named an International Honorary Member of Zonta. She entered the New Zealand parliament at age 23; she is now 62 and going strong. I could go on but if you are interested, Google her, she is an amazing woman.

I know all of us have had concerns about Zonta: declining membership, lack of interest, lack of commitment, and no interest in volunteerism. Well let me tell you, Zonta is alive and well! Zonta experienced the first increase in membership since the 2003-2004 biennium. The YWPA Scholarship had 100% participation by District and almost 100% for the Jane M. Klausman Scholarship. There are many hopeful and exciting things about Zonta membership. Let's explore them.

Enjoy summer and I will see you at our garden party / Zonta meeting at Liz Cameron's home.

Mary

In the photo, members of the Zonta Club of Mount Isa and other District 22 Zontians pulled on overalls and boots, strapped on miners' belts and helmets, and switched on cap lamps to go underground at Australia's iconic Mount Isa mine during the Area 5 meeting on 26 April.

The host club, the Zonta Club of Mount Isa, has 43 members and they are already planning what they can do with those orange overalls for the next phase of the 'Zonta says NO' campaign!



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Service Committee

The Service Committee will meet for the first time on Tuesday, July 22 at the Panera on South Colorado Boulevard between Iliff and Yale, at 6:00 p.m.



For the June Delores dinner, our club served the ever-popular salad bar. Judy Mc, Jeannette, Julie, Nikki and her niece, Mary Lou, Helen, Gwen, and Nancy provided all the food. Thanks, ladies! And please read the lovely thank you note below from the guests at Delores.

A Heads Up for the August Zonta meeting: We will be collecting packages of wide and thin markers for Smart-Girl. There should be some good deals coming up in the Back to School sales.

Nancy

June 3, 2014
 Dear Amazingly Caring Giving People,
 We are ALL SOOOOOOOOOO
 VERY VERY VERY thankful,
 grateful and appreciative of your
 generosity. You all keep us alive.
 Thank you muchissimo for the
 shopping, unpacking, washing, cutting, cooking,
 baking that you do to make the Excellent
 HEALTHY - DELICIOUS meals that you
 deliver and serve us at Delores.
 We are SO lucky!! Every mealtime
 there are many ummms and WOWs and
 yummys.
 We can taste the LOVE you give us.
 Each of us would like to THANK each and
 everyone of you. GRACIAS!
 Thank You Muchissimo,
 The Delores Ladies and Staff

Membership

The Membership Committee had its organizational meeting on July 3, 2014. The Committee discussed upcoming ZCD meetings, their dates and venues. The Embassy Suites banquet facility will not be available for the February grant award meeting, so the Committee will investigate other possible locations.



The Committee also discussed ways to increase membership, and came up with a few ideas which will be announced over the next few weeks.

The Committee also discussed holding its meetings on the fourth Monday of each month. This may be subject to change, however, as Perkins already has groups booked for those days.

There is no Meeting in July - the next meeting will be our 'Garden Party' at Liz Cameron's house on August 14th with potluck items and a surprise!

Members will be asked to bring a dish and if possible a 'plus one'. This does not have to be a prospective member - just someone you wish to be exposed to our Zonta world in a beautiful garden setting. Don't you want to share our Zonta experience?

See you in August. In case you are into preplanning--the potluck dishes for NEXT month will be: A-D bring a dessert, E-L bring a Main Dish, and M-Z bring a salad.

Marian

Treasurer

Do you know that our club can get credit when you donate blood to Bonfils? Just tell them you are donating for the Zonta Club of Denver when you check in. This earns us a mention in their newsletter; a little PR for Zonta!

Also, did you know that Cynthia collects aluminum soda and beer cans to cash in for Haiti?

Kathy

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JUNE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 12, 2014; 5:30 - The Hacienda Restaurant

Call to Order 6:05 pm

Judy Allen, President---Elect

21 attended this meeting, including 2 guests.

Guests: Jeannette Newville introduced Brandi Jennings, a graduate of The Haven and Chrissy McNally who works at Friends of the Haven.

Katie Boysen gave the Inspirational Advocacy Moment telling us about human rights activist, Leymah Gbowee who was associated with the documentary, "Pray the Devil Back to Hell" about Liberian women who took on the warlords and the regime of dictator Charles Taylor in the midst of a brutal civil war and won peace for their country in 2003. She was asked what an everyday woman can do to help other women. She advised women to: 1. Join a support network; 2. Develop a solid leadership base; and 3. Reach out to the unconverted. We must speak to every woman, everywhere. Zonta's goals are Pay Equity for women, to end violence against women and to end Human Trafficking - Women's Rights are Human Rights.

The May, 2014 Minutes were approved

Mary Lou Edwards, Secretary

Financial Report Kathy Hyzer, Treasurer, not at meeting so no report.

Dinner & Program - Our Speakers were Brandi Jennings and Chrissey McNally from The Haven.

Chrissy - works for Friends of the Haven - the 501©(3) that supports The Haven. She appreciates all our help. We did an \$8000 grant in 2012-2013 and 15 out of 21 women passed (61%) their tests. Christmas at the Haven was one of the women's favorite events. The bra and panty help was very appreciated - it helped the women feel comfortable. We donated 59 bras, 150 panties, & socks. The current \$6,680 grant for the YMCA exercise program is a big help too. Exercise is a big anti-depressant - helps to get endorphins going. We bought weights and sweat towels and jump ropes, etc. She's very honored to come talk to us.

Brandi has become an amazing fireball, they call her rocket girl. She graduated from The Haven in 2010. She is a recovering addict. Grew up in a pretty normal home, Dad was very dedicated and she had a wonderful stepmom. She reconnected with Mom, but her Uncle raped her there and she became very promiscuous - she had 4 children beginning at age 15 - trying to fill a void. She married first at 16 - 2nd marriage at 20 was good, but her husband used drugs and she became an addict. She was drug trafficking and ended up in a DV situation so she took her kids with her to Seattle. Her drugs of choice were opiates. Ex-husband was crazy, connected to law enforcement and she lost her kids. She got very depressed & took more drugs. While in jail she learned to use heroin - went to prison 4 times - got married again and they moved to Colorado. She got busted on Colfax cutting copper pipe - that was the last day she used drugs (7 years ago). State of Colorado tested her and named her an "habitual offender". She was offered The Haven as an option. So she went straight from prison. The change happened very subtly at The Haven - but she was curious about women who looked like her who were not using drugs and she ended up working hard. The Haven is a Behavior Mod program. She admitted she was an addict, asked for help - learned again how to eat, sleep, bathe, and cook. Went to work. About a year clean she had to make a decision about her children and she decided to live. Two years clean she went back to Washington State to face her charges. She went back a changed person and spoke to the drug court and inspired the courts to make changes there. Brandi worked for a General Contractor in Denver and eventually started her own company - the name of her business is BFAB Construction. She had been out of her children's lives for about 10 years when her daughter contacted her. She got a lawyer and went back to Missouri to fight for some visitation days with her. She came back with custody of her daughter and a year later her son contacted her & he just left for basic training. She learned that 2nd chances are available - boundaries are important - and she promised her children that they never have to see their mother high again. She's still very involved with The Haven - lives her life as an example. She is starting a foundation with The Haven Peer One (men's program) as an outreach pgm. The goal is to stay connected with the graduates. They can connect with clients in ways maybe others can't. They're raising funds & getting a 501©(3) established. Have about 100 graduates interested right now. "The therapeutic value of one addict helping another is without equal."

Ex-Governor Dorothy Swindt installed Marian Lee as a Director.

Judy McNerny gave an overview of By-Law options to be voted upon at ZI Convention. Motion made to let our Delegate (Mary Benoit) and Alternate (Judy Allen) vote for our club on the By-Laws.

Mary sold tickets for the 50-50 drawing. Joetta won and got \$13.50

Judy Allen is ordering badges and will order one for anyone who needs a new badge - just let her know.

Committee Reports:

Membership, no report

Marian Lee, Chairman

- Looking forward to learning and getting her committee organized.

Service, Nancy McWhirter,

- Olette's husband has a medical emergency.

- Asked for volunteers to serve at Delores House and for help with the BBQ dinner in July - also a sign-up sheet for August. Gave information about Delores House and "item of the month" donations. In August we will collect markers for Smart Girls.

- Sterling from COVA contacted Nancy to tell her about a success there. There will be some service opportunities - she will tell us about them in the Fall.

- Committee meets at Perkins

- Collections for June: For Open Door Ministries (Laundry or DW detergent for Chayah House; Cookbooks or cleaning supplies for Treasurer House).

Public Relations, Katie Boysen, chairman

She has an awesome committee this year - Judy and Gwen are running the Smoke Signal - they will meet after ZI Convention to plan the updates for our brochure.

Fund Raising, Gwen Fornia, chairman

- We will have a meeting the end of July/first of Aug - probably at Perkins. Nikki has volunteered to take on the film event this year. They will be working on getting chapel items out of Nikki's garage and will send pics of some items to ZI.

Advocacy, Judy McNerny, Chairman

- Looking for a good time for the committee to meet. Wants someone to join her at the June 20 meeting about pay equity - maybe learn about how to raise our voices for that cause.

Cynthia Herndon read a letter from our adopted girl, Letisha. Her Mother has taken her out of the school so we will have to look for another child to sponsor. Letisha is five (5) and lives in Nairobi.

Wendy - photo of Mary and Wendy and one of our Metro State scholarship students. This year 3 students shared the money.

Congratulations to Laramie "Z" club for winning 2nd place in ZI

DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| - Women & New Economy | June 20, 7:30 - 9 am |
| - ZI Convention in Orlando | June 27 - July 1 - 5 going |
| - Katie's Shower | July 26, Kathy Hyzer's home |
| - Regular meeting | Aug. 14, 5:30 pm, Liz Cameron's home |

Adjournment 7:50 pm

~Respectfully submitted,
Mary Lou Edwards, Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS

WOMEN'S WORK, WISDOM AND WINE

Where Are The Women? What Are They Doing? . . . Why Do We Need Them?

Come join us for our 2nd annual women's festival to learn and celebrate all that women are doing!



Thursday, July 10th, 3-7pm

Redline Denver

(a non-profit space where art, education and community converge)

2350 Arapahoe Street

Denver, CO 80205

Come be inspired... Witness the possibilities...

Make new connections and friends...

Enjoy the gallery, appetizers and wine

All over the world there is a rising movement of women stepping up, speaking out and becoming a powerful force for change. We have a plethora of organizations in the Boulder/Denver area that are a part of this movement. What a wealth of resources! Witness the possibilities when seen through women's eyes and learn how you can become involved by visiting tables offering information about local, national and international efforts.

RSVP: <https://womensfest.eventbrite.com>

CALENDAR

Date	Event	Time	Location	Details
July 9	2014 Zonta Says No Committee meeting	3:00 pm	Mathias Lock & Key 1123 Delaware	Please come-many hands make light work!
July 22	Service Committee meeting	6:00 pm	Panera 2466 S. Colorado Blvd.	First meeting-please be there!
August 14	Club meeting	5:30 pm	Liz's garden	Pot luck and relaxation News from ZI Convention
September 11	Club meeting	5:30 pm	La Hacienda Colorado I-25 and Colorado Blvd.	TBA
September 19-20	District 12 Governor's Seminar		Cheyenne, Wyoming	TBA
October 9	Club meeting	5:30 pm	La Hacienda Colorado I-25 and Colorado Blvd.	TBA
November 13	Club meeting	5:30 pm	La Hacienda Colorado I-25 and Colorado Blvd.	TBA
December 11	Holiday Party	TBA	The Haven	TBA

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