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JULY, 2015

2015 LEGISLATION



Two bills that were supported by both the Women's Lobby of Colorado and the Colorado League of Women Voters were passed by the legislature and have been signed by the Governor.

Senate Bill 15-012 requires that child support paid by a non-custodial parent on behalf of children on Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) to be passed through to the family without a corresponding reduction in the custodial parent's monthly TANF grant. This change should help low-income single mothers become self-sufficient.

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Side Heading

I raise up my voice-not so I can shout but so that those without a voice can be heard... we cannot succeed when half of us are House Bill 15-1170 enacts measures intended to raise the level of postsecondary and workforce readiness that Colorado students demonstrate upon graduation from high school. It creates a post-secondary and workforce-readiness statewide coordinator position within the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment to work with schools and businesses to increase the number of high school graduates able to obtain skilled career positions in business and industry.

Unfortunately, other bills that could have been helpful to women failed to pass. A May 9 editorial in the Denver Post named poor women among the losers in the 2015 legislative session.

Failed measures included House Bill 15-1194, to continue funding for a Colorado program that has provided affordable access to long-acting reversible contraception, and House Bill 15-1122, to continue the Pay Equity Commission.

held back.

Malala Yousefzi

Business Cards

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

Women's Foundation of Colorado Event

The Women's Foundation of Colorado is celebrating Women!





Come Join Us in a Celebration of Women Powering Change!

Discover what Colorado organizations are doing to create a better world, locally and globally. This event is free and open to the public, however registration is required. Space is limited. Click here to register today.

THURSDAY JULY 9, 2015 EXDO EVENTS 4:00 - 7:00 PM 1399 35th Street, Denver, CO 80205

KEYNOTE SPEAKER Ambassador Swanee Hunt

Visionary, philanthropist and co-founder of The Women's Foundation of Colorado

Around the world there is a steady pulse of women working passionately to create change. We have a wealth of these women leaders and social changemakers right here in Colorado. Come join the conversation and find your place in accelerating social change, locally and globally. This expo offers you the opportunity to come meet the leaders of these social

changemaker organizations and hear about their plans and programs for creating a better world.

In every country women are stepping up and speaking out against our world's most pressing problems - including human rights, environmental sustainability, and social justice. In the space between their actions lies an opportunity for collective impact. Step into that space and be inspired by upwards of 100 organizations, connect with social changemakers, innovative leaders, and committed philanthropists. Become a part of this visionary movement. Feel free to share this invite with your friends and co-workers.

For organizations interested in registering for an exhibitor table at the event please click here. Registration for organizations is \$50.

Thank you to our sponsors!

This is the same night as our picnic with Open Door Ministries and we do have some members manning our exhibitor table at the event!

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Meetup with Zonta Club of Denver!

Meet up with Zonta Club of Denver online!

Our Zonta Club of Denver has a new way to connect with members as well as the community at large. Please join our Meetup Group to help make our club know throughout the Metro Denver area. We are posting our meetings online, fundraisers, and service projects online to encourage others to find us and join us. We have had a couple women attend meetigns because they have found us via Meetup. All you need do is go to Meetup and join our group! The link is listed below. Create a profile and you would be surprised the number of other clubs, organizations, small community groups and just place friends who create meetup groups on various interests. Join, respond that you are coming to show others we have members who want to attend our Meetups! Thanks.

(If you have questions or problems just let Julie Bradley know and she would be happy to help you get set up on your own computer.

Zonta International - SAVE THE DATE!

Located on the French
Riviera in Provence-AlpesCôte d'Azur, blessed by a
sunny, temperate climate,
with beautiful beaches, lovely
seaside promenade,
interesting museums, famous
city landmarks and other
tourist attractions, Nice looks
forward to welcoming you to
the Zonta International 63rd
Convention.

The Colline du Chateau overlooking the Baie des Anges and harbour offers a spectacular vantage point overlooking the city. Not much is left of its ruined castle besides crumbling walls. Still, climbing up the stairs to reach the platforms 90 metres above Nice is well worth the view.





2-6 July 2016 in Nice, France

Held at the newly renovated Acropolis Convention Center



Nice is also known for several museums such as the Museum of Asian Art, Musee Chagall, Musee Matisse, the Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art and the Musee des Beaux-Arts.

The old town (Vieux Nice) beneath the hill is a maze of streets and alleys, with many picturesque houses, boutiques and home to the daily flower and fruit market of the Cours Saleya.

Eating options are some of the best you'll find in France, the nightlife is buzzing and the art scene thriving. The Convention will be held at the completely renovated Acropolis Convention Center. Designed by architects Buzzi, Bernasconi, and Baptiste with gardens, fountains, and numerous works of art, the Acropolis was inaugurated in May 1985 when the prestigious Apollo auditorium was completed.

Come and discover or rediscover Nice, the city of multiple perfumes and flavors, gentle lifestyle, fantastic beauty and exceptional climate. Get ready for a wonderful Convention, empowering women - TOGETHER!

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July Meeting

Meeting Details

Date: Thursday, July 9

Time: 5:30 pm

Cheesman Park (near the playground at 12th & Location:

Humbolt)

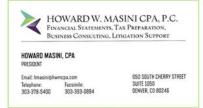
Fun and games with the clients and staff of Open Program:

Door ministries!

Cost: no cost - this is a pot-luck picnic

Please RSVP to Penny Burke by July 3rd at penny burke@hotmail.com or by calling her at 719-339-0531 so that a final count can be made! We think we have enough food from those who signed up online at SignUpGenius or at last month's meeting! Get excited - this is going to be fun. See you there!

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Committee Reports

Service Committee

The service committee met twice in June to plan for the upcoming picnic with Open Door Ministries.

The picnic will be held at Cheesman Park on Thursday, July 9, at 6:00 p.m. on our regular Zonta meeting night. Members were able to sign up for food items through Sign Up Genius.



The Jane M. Klausman scholarship winner has been selected. She is Edit Maszlaver, a graduate student at Metropolitan State University majoring in accounting/taxation. Edit will receive her

award at the September Zonta meeting. Thank you, CJ, Robin, Olette, and Nancy for serving on the selection committee.

A fried chicken dinner was served at the Delores Project in June. Thank you to all the members who contributed money to help us to purchase the chicken. The additional items were provided CJ, Julie, Gwen, Olette, Cynthia, Katie, Mary Lou, and Laura Quintana. Thanks, ladies!

Because of the July picnic, there will be no Item of the Month for July. The next service meeting will be on July 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Perkin's.

~ Nancy

Delores Project in June!!

The crew at the Delores Project for June dinner (on Father's Day no less!) Thanks all for a wonderful group of people and a marvelous time had by the clients at this great hands on Service Project!

Dinner was a great success - and we had plenty of fried chicken - The women came back for seconds and thirds! CJ - I'm not sure where you found those chicken breasts but they were huge. The women ate on them and saved part for their lunch the next day!





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Fund Raising Committee

Our next fundraising committee meeting is July 8th where we will start off our year discussing the planning of the upcoming film event in March 2016



~ Nikki

(this message was missed in the June Smoke Signal - apologies Cynthia!)

Thank you, thank you to everyone in the Zonta Club. having the items already priced made a wonderful difference to the sorting. Thank you to everyone who provided tables, we used every one and so we had most of the items off the wet grass! Thank you to all the wonderful workers both days. Everyone helped to make the sale a success.

~ Cynthia

PR/Communicatons Committee

Public Relations Committee will meet in July to get our schedule and plans for the new year in place with all PR related opportunities in the yearly plan. Once a month we will have an opportunity for broadening member's horizons for reaching out with Zonta.

Please see the article on joining our meetup group for Zonta Club of Denver where we will be posting meetings, events and informational pieces about our club encouraging others to join us. If you haven't joined meetup as yet - you really should!

Join us!

~ Julie

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Advocacy Committee

The Advocacy Committee will be meeting soon to discuss priorities for the new club year, including the Zonta Wings program which the club board has assigned to the Committee. Zonta Wings was started by the Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area in cooperation with the Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado and to provide funding for emergency transportation to victims of human trafficking.



Please let me, Mary Benoit or Alexis Newton know what you would like the club and the Advocacy Committee to focus on.

~ Judy Mc

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Membership Committee

Membership is busy planning the upcoming Garden party at Liz Cameron's home in August and working on the upcoming year scheduling. Mentors for new members are being notified and a plan for a new member meeting are in the works.



~ Marian

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Minutes

Minutes - Zonta Meeting -

AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING Thursday, June 11, 2015 - 5:30 pm, The Hacienda

Katie Wienecke, President Elect - call the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Introduction of Guests:

Laura Quintano (Visited because of Film, second time), Sarah Chapa and Dianne Sager (Second Chances), Patrice Groux? (Mary Benoit) Advocacy Moment - Katie Wienecke

• Spoke about World Denver (brings international speakers in on different topics) where she saw Dr. Kakenya Ntaiya speak. Dr. K is from a small village in Kenya. Inspired by a middle school teacher, Dr. K negotiated with her father that she would undergo Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) as long as he would allow her to continue through high school, which he agreed to. She was successful in HS and was inspired to find a way to go to college in the U.S., which she did. After graduating, she returned to Kenya and opened a school that requires all parents to sign a contract saying that they won't put their daughter through FGM if they want them to attend the school. Moral: no matter who we are, we impact peoples' lives in ways we don't know.

Dinner

Gwen Fornia, Treasurer - financial report.

- Working on the final review for year-end (scheduled for July 8.)
- We have money. Looking Good.
- Getting all the new signatures for the bank.
- Needs minutes from May meeting- Julie Bradley will send to Gwen Fornia.
- Had trustee meeting 6/10/15.

Carin Paupore, Secretary - approval of May minutes.

- Motion to Approve: Marian Lee
- Second: Cathy Conley
- Approved Unanimously

Speakers, Dianne Sager (Executive Director) and Sarah Chapa, Second Chances

- Spoke about Second Chances programming including information about the difficulty of social work and helping people break the cycle.
- Mentioned statistic: 20% increase in cases of DV in Colorado in the past year. More
 people are speaking out, and Second Chances helps them do this. They create exit plans
 for families to get out of the situation safely.
- Also partner with Wells Fargo for Financial Education and GAP to teach retail skills.
- Now hiring single dads as well to incorporate the whole family. Want to give people chances that no one else will give them.
- Shared 2 success stories illustrating the great work that they do.
- Special thank you to Cathy Conley, who learned about the SC and tracked down the people in charge and told them about ZCD Service Grants.
- Thanks to ZCD Service Grant, they have brand new computers for clients to use. Organizations like ours make a different in peoples lives.
- Can donate furniture to S.C. and they will pick it up at your house for free.
- Visit stores at 1511 W. Alameda (children's) or 209 W. Littleton Blvd. #A (furniture)

50/50 Raffle: Dianne Sager from Second Chances won \$30!!! (\$31 given to Treasury)

Committee Reports:

Advocacy, Judy McNerny

- Passed around Advocacy moment sign-up and opportunity to research and write an article regarding advocacy for the Smoke Signal.
- Would people be interested in knowing which bills have and have not passed? Yes! Will be in future Smoke Signals

Fundraising, Nikki Headlee

Meeting Scheduled for July 8 @ 5:30 p.m. Location T.B.D.

Membership, Marian Lee

See date below for next Membership Committee Meeting.

Public Relations, Julie Bradley

- Thank you to everyone who sent information for the Smoke Signal
- Judy McNerny, Wendy Henry-Moraskie, and Julie Bradley will start rotating Smoke Signal duties.
- Will have a meeting within the next month. Date and Location T.B.D.
- Hoping to have a new idea on how to do something for each meeting, including seting people up with Meet up and FB pages.
- Please like us on Facebook and join the meet up!

- Thank you for signing up for June at Dolores House.
- Craft Day with Second Chances? Information T.B.A.
- Penny Burke, July Picnic with Open Door Ministries.
 - July 9 at 5:30 p.m. at Chessman Park (Near the Playground by 12th and Humboldt) Map and Directions will be sent out.
 - Not a lot of space to sit, so please bring lawn chairs.
 - Set-Up sign up sheets- Need people to bring: Chicken (at least 8 pieces), Mac&Cheese, Potato Salad Pasta Salad (double Batches), Fresh fruit and veggies, Relish tray, Garden Salad, Rolls, Chips, Dips, Drinks, Bags of Ice, Butter Packets, Garbage Bags, games for the event. To sign up, E-mail Penny Burke at penny burke@hotmail.com

The District 12 member's only website password is "new3day". We can view the District Directory online. (Note: on 6/11/15, Secretary Carin Paupore could not access the District 12 website with the above password. Stay tuned for updated password.)

Adjournment: 7:20 p.m.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 28, 2015	Board Meeting: 5:30 pm Perkin's Restaurant
June 25, 2015	Service Committee: 6pm Perkin's restaurant
July 2, 2015	Membership Committee: 5:30 pm Citron Bistro

July 8,2015 Fundraising TBD

July 9,2015 Picnic at Chessman Park: 5:30pm With Open Door Ministries

July 11, 2015 Board Retreat

July 27, 2015 Service Committee, 6 pm Perkin's Restaurant

August 13, 2015 ZONTA Club meeting: 5:30pm Garden Party, Liz Cameron's

August 24, 2015 Service Committee 6pm Perkin's Restaurant Board Meeting 5:30pm Perkin's Restaurant

September 10, 2015 ZONTA Club Meeting: 5:30 pm Hacienda Colorado

September 25-27, 2015 District 12 meeting, Boulder, CO

Respectfully submitted, Carin Paupore

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Marian Lee Bank of Denver Cockriel Agency

President's Message

I had the opportunity to attend the North American Inter-District meeting in Minneapolis over the June 12th weekend. This meeting was attended by Zontians from around the United States. All of the sessions are conducted by Zontians who filled your brain with so much information.

There were four different tracks to follow and I chose one session out of each track. I was pleased that our club was on top of things. Attending these meetings is a valuable tool and we should encourage our members to attend for leadership skills that may be gleaned from

workshops like these. girls.

My second great attendance at an event was to hear Malala speak on June 24th. I had my two granddaughters, ages 18 and 16 with me. Both of them as well as myself were very impressed with this young woman. She was funny and witty. Telling

stories about her family, especially her 2 younger brothers. Think of this, she doesn't have a cell phone! She is articulate and adamant about education for young girls. Since the age of 10 she has campaigned for this cause with the support of her father, who is an educator, and encouraged her path. She spoke passionately about education being the most important course to help in the fight against terrorism around



the world and that young women should be able to achieve a life free from violence, forced marriages.

To learn more about Malala she has written a book, "I Am Malala"

One exciting thing that happened at this event was the attendance of 60 young ladies from 6 Non-profit agencies: Emily Griffin Opportunity School, Excelsior Youth Center, Girls Inc. of Metro Denver, Smart-Girls, Girl Scouts of Colorado and Women's Foundation of Colorado. Their attendance was made possible by the Denver Post, Bellco and Unique Lives & Experiences, through a program "The Denver Post Learn Today- Lead Tomorrow.

See you at the Picnic July 9th.

Judy Allen, President

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Judith Allen and Richard Starlin





Upcoming Events

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Calendar

Date	Event	Time	Location	Details
July 9th	Picnic in Cheesman Park	5:30	12th & Humbolt	Picnic with Open Door Ministries

July 11th Board Retreat 10a - 1p Judy Allen's home

August 13th Garden Party 5:30p Liz Cameron's home Potluck - details

meeting to follow

September 24-26 2015 District 12 TBA Boulder - Millennium Mark your Conference Harvest Hotel calendar!

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