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# **JUNE**, 2015

# Women Powering Change!

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,

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#### Zonta Member News

Kate Linscott's mother Charlotte Maas has passed away Friday May 29th. Her passing was peaceful. No 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! news of arrangements yet.

Please send cards to Kate and her family to her home address.

#### **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. She also can update your cards with the new ZI logos for the club!

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Welcome to our newly elected board for the Zonta Club of Denver!

Club Committee Assignments for 2015--2016

# ZONTA OF DENVER CLUB COMMITTEES

2015-2016

# **ELECTED COMMITTEES**

Nominating Committee: Olette Stanberry Barbara Pellegren Cathy Conley

# **STANDING COMMITTEES**

MEMBERSHIP: Chair: Marian Lee

Sheila DavisCathy ConleyLiz StewartLinda RheaKatie Wiencke(ex-officio)

Dottie Jenkins Judy Allen (ex-officio)

SERVICE: Chair: Nancy McWhirter

C.J. Long Penny Burke Olette Stanberry Debra Gridley Robin Jennings Katie Wiencke(ex-officio) Kate Linscott Mary Lou Edwards

Judy Allen (ex-officio)

FUNDRAISING: CHAIR; Nikki HeadleeEvie AshmoreJulie BradleyKathy HyzerCynthia HerndonKatie Wiencke (ex-officio)

Cathy Conley Gwen Fornia Judy Allen (ex-officio)

<b>PR/COMMUNICAT</b> Judy McNerny Katie Wiencke (ex-o	Helen Mulhern Judy Allen (ex-officio)				
LEGISLATIVE AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY; CHAIR: Judy McNerny					
Alexis Newton Katie Wiencke (ex-o	Mary Benoit fficio)	Judy Allen (ex-officio)			
SPECIAL COMMITTEES					
ARCHIVING: Sheila Davis, Chair					
Nikki Headlee	Barbara Pellegren	Joetta Williams			
AUDIT: Nikki HeadleeLiz CameronGwen ForniaKatie Wiencke(ex-officio)Judy Allen(ex-Officio)					
BYLAWS: CHAIR: Judy McNerny					
Judy Allen	Julie Bradley	Katie Wiencke			
HERSHEY CHARITABLE TRUST: CHAIR: Judy Allen					
Cynthia Herndon	Dottie Jenkins	Katie Linscott			
LONG-RANGE PLANNING: CHAIR: Judy Allen					
Julie Bradley Judy McNerny Katie Wiencke	Gwen Fornia Nancy McWhirter	Marian Lee			
NEW ZEE: CHAIR: Kathy Hyzer					
Sheila Davis	Nikki Headlee				

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Judy McNerny

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION: Katie Wiencke

# ZONTA CLUB OF DENVER FOUNDATION:

PRESIDENT VICE PRESIDENT SECRETARY/ TREASURER EX-OFFICIO/PRESIDENT-ELECT TRUSTEES Pam Dumonceau 2014-2017 Liz Cameron 2013-2016 Evie Ashmore 2015-2018 Olette Stanberry 2015-2018

Judy Allen Julie Bradley Gwen Fornia Katie Wiencke

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

Judy Mcnery



# **June Meeting**

#### **Meeting Details**

Date:

Thursday, June 11

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location:

Hacienda Colorado 4100 E. Mexico Avenue Denver, CO 80222

Advocacy Moment:

Marian Lee

Cost:

Menu Prices

Reservations to Marian Lee - email: mlee@bhfs.com by Monday, June 8th. We need to tell the restaurant how many people will attend so enough places are set.

Program: A representative from Second Chances, one of our grant recipients will be talking more in depth about the variety of programs for their clients. The goal of Second Chances is to work with individuals in all stages of recovery and tailor a plan for their success through their intensive programs.

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# **Committee Reports**

Service Committee

It's been a busy time for the service committee. The applications for the Jane M. Klausman scholarship were due May 8. This year we received 6 applications. The application evaluations by the selection committee are due June 13. The committee members include Olette, CJ, Robin, and Nancy



Olette led a discussion during the May Zonta meeting about our monthly Delores

dinners. It was very informative. The total cost of the food that our members purchase each month is \$200 or more. We always provide a delicious, well-balanced meal that includes quality protein. Since many of our members are unable to directly participate in the dinner, the Item of the Month for May was a cash donation to help defray some of the cost. We collected \$300 from the generous members in attendance at our meeting. Thank you!

On May 17 we served a salad bar at the Delores house. Marian, Liz S, Helen, Nancy, Olette, Mary, Julie, and Debbie G. provided all the food. The delicious dinner was enjoyed by all.

Our club is having a picnic dinner with Open Door Ministries on Thursday, July 9, in place of our regular meeting. The picnic will start at 6:00 p.m. at Cheesman Park. Penny is organizing this event and will have the sign up sheet at the June meeting.

The picnic planning committee will meet on Monday, June 1, at 6:00 p.m. at Village Inn. The committee members are Penny, Olette, CJ, and Nancy.

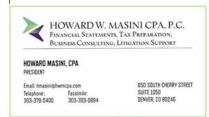
The Items of the Month that we will collect at the June Zonta meeting will be toilet paper and paper towels for Open Door Ministries.

~ Nancy

# Item of the Month: **Toilet Paper and Paper Towels** For Open Door Ministries Please bring to the June Zente Meeting

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# Fund Raising Committee

I feel very lucky to have this group of people on my committee to help put together another great Day of Film. I am hoping to have our first meeting in June.



The following is updated news from Kathmandu!

Zonta Club family of Kathmandu, Nepal made personal contributions of ten thousand US Dollars to provide relief assistance to the earthquake victims. Due to the earthquake the hospitals were overflowed with patients. So we distributed food items at the Patan and Kathmandu Model hospitals. We also distributed tents to the villages near Nagarjun area.

We will be initiating a rehabilitation project -building household and Community toilets at the outskirts of Kathmandu with the Sulabh technology. Sulabh organization is a NGO based in Delhi, India which has been declared as one of the Global Best Practices. We had signed a MoU with them one year back, as the local partner in Nepal.

We have identified sites where these toilets will be built. One of the site is Goldhunga which is about forty five minutes from Kathmandu. The community toilet will have two separate toilets for men and women, two urinals and one special toilet for differently abled people and two wash basins. The toilet will have 2 pits system as there is no sewage facility available.

The community toilet will help the women and children living in the area who have lost their homes and property. These toilets are built as samples to partner with other organizations in the near future.

Due to the urgent need of shelter and sanitation in many parts of the country, we feel this is the most appropriate time to begin our rehabilitation project. This project is being initiated with the contribution made by the Zonta members of Kathmandu, Nepal and Zonta Clubs from different countries.

~ Nikki

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MARCY KAUFMAN

#### Advocacy Committee

Please note the Women's Foundation Event on July 9th. As I am traveling this month I will have a report in the July Smoke Signal.

~ Judy Mc

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#### Membership Committee

The Membership Committee met on April 29<sup>th</sup> at Citron Bistro. The committee discussed the induction of our two new members, Debbie Gridley and Liz Stewart, and made plans for an orientation session over the summer. Mentors have been assigned to the new members, and they will be notified shortly. Upcoming

meetings include June 11<sup>th</sup> at Hacienda, where our speaker will be a representative of the "Second Chances" organization. On July 9<sup>th</sup>, the club will host a picnic with the residents and staff of Open Door Ministries. On August 13<sup>th</sup>, we will have the annual Garden Party at Liz Cameron's house.

~ Marian

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#### **PR Committee**

The PR and Communications committee will be meeting over the summer to plan ways to make our club known in the area. This is always an ongoing project as each touch we have in the public's eyes adds to awareness.

FYI: have you liked our facebook page? Right now we have 91 likes on our page and a milestone that we can easily reach is 100 likes! If you haven't gone to Zonta Club of Denver's page yet, please do! If you have go again and recommend the page to your friends. It is so easy to do.

Please also sign up for our Meetup Page which announces our meetings, fundraisers, and other get-togethers. The more members we have on the site, the more other outside individuals want to join our meetup and participate!







Lastly, we are now going to rotate the publishing of the Smoke Signal each month. Judy Mc, Wendy and I will be rotating putting together the Smoke Signal. Please make sure that every month you get your information to all three of us to make sure we get your articles and notes in our Smoke Signal!

~ Julie



# Minutes

# Minutes - Zonta Meeting - May 14, 2015

Mary Benoit, president - called the meeting to order and Introduced our guests: District 12 Governor Marcy O'Toole, Carol Mangold (guest from Douglas County club), Judy Beggs (guest of Sheila), Dee Regan (guest of Alexis and Mary Benoit), Lori DeSaia (guest of Alexis) and Laura Quintano (film event guest).

Olette Stanberry presented the Advocacy Moment, defining Advocacy as "public interest for the greater good" and coined "Boosterism" as her byword for ZCD Advocacy. Olette led members through 10 questions regarding Advocacy Through Service in the Denver Area, giving us some meaningful statistics, especially about our service at Delores House. She passed a sign-up sheet for Delores House, 2015-2016 and asked that we find 3-4 months to serve or donate a main course, or donate \$25- \$30 toward main course costs. Serving residents at Delores House a meal of Fried Chicken costs about \$80.

After dinner was enjoyed by all, Membership Chairman Marian Lee installed our two newest members, Elizabeth Stewart and Debbie Gridley.

Governor, Marcy O'Toole gave us information about Zonta International and passed out gifts to those who could answer questions about ZI and District 12. She stated that going to an international convention "hooks" people on Zonta and urged everyone to attend the next ZI Convention to be held in Yokohama, Japan in 2016. The District 12 Conference will be September 25-27, 2015 in Boulder, CO. Governor Marcy then installed our officers for 2015-2016:

- Nikki Headlee, Nancy McWhirter, Marion Lee & Judy McNerny as Directors
- Carin Paupore as Secretary
- Gwen Fornia as Treasurer
- Julie Bradley as Vice President
- Katie Boysen as Executive Vice President
- Judy Allen as President
- Olette Stanberry, Cathy Conley & Barbara Pellegren as Nominating Committee.

President Mary Benoit said she recently saw Autumn - our Jane M. Klausman winner from last year.

Committee Reports:

Membership, Marian Lee said the committee is getting organized for next year.

Public Relations, Katie Boysen has arranged PR for the garage sale this weekend.

Service, Nancy McWhirter read a "Thank You" letter from Delores House. The Jane M. Klausman deadline is May 8 - we have 6 candidates. CJ, Olette, Nancy and Robin Jennings are on that committee. Our July 9, 6 pm meeting will be at Cheesman Park with 20 people from Open Door Ministries. Nancy asked for a show of hands from people who think they will be able to attend that picnic. We will need to prepare typical picnic food and perhaps provide transportation.

Fundraising, Gwen Fornia said our film net was over \$12,000, and reminded members that pricing for the garage sale is Friday and to bring tables if you have them.

- Julie Bradley said she sent out e-mail reminders to people who have signed up to work the garage sale and asked everyone to please come help either Friday or Saturday or both as proceeds will fund our Jane M. Klausman scholarship.

Advocacy, Judy McNerny said she went to the 9 to 5 Equal Pay Day event and sat with other Zontians.

Governor Marcy won the 50-50 raffle and donated her proceeds to the Delores House dinners.

Julie Bradley is doing the Smoke Signal this month and asked that we send articles to her as soon as possible.

Incoming President, Judy Allen, presented Mary Benoit with a bouquet of flowers and thanked her for her service. Judy will not be in town for the May meeting as she is attending the Zonta Interdistrict meeting - so Katie will be presiding at the May meeting.

Treasurer Kathy Hyzer asked that people get vouchers to her as soon as possible so that she can close the books for this last year.

The District 12 member's only website password is "new3day". We can view the District Directory online.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 28New Board/Old Board meeting - place TBDJuly 9Picnic at Cheesman Park, 6 pm, with Open Door Ministries

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Lou Edwards



# **President's Message**

Thank you Mary for a great year. With you as president we have added 3 new members, worked on several projects that gave the club visibility. Now my job will be to continue what Mary has started.



One of the new projects the club funded is Zonta Wings. Pikes Peak club had started this project and asked other clubs to join this effort. The project

is to help women who have been subjected to trafficking to receive aide in acquiring transportation to a safe destination. Mary and Alexis will be working on more information and how the club will help in this effort.

I will be attending the North American Inter-District meeting in June. Katie will step in as president while I am at this meeting. I am looking forward to learning new ideas that I will bring back to the club. Always good to find out what other clubs are doing to Advance Women and their clubs.

See you all July 18th at the picnic. Sounds like a good time to inter-act with one of our Grant Recipients Open Door Ministries. And of course the good food our members will be bringing.

Thank you,

Judy Allen, President



# **Upcoming Events**



Join Us September 25-27, 2015 for the **Zonta District 12 Conference** in Beautiful Boulder, Colorado at the Millennium Harvest House Hotel 1345 28th Street, Boulder, Colorado We will celebrate **Conviction. Commitment. Courage.** 



# Calendar

Date	Event	Time	Location	Details
June 11	Club meeting	5:30 pm	Hacienda Colorado	Second Chances
June 12-14	ZI North American Inter- District Meeting	ТВА	Minneapolis, MN	Meet Zontians from around the U.S. and Canada http://juneconference.webstarts.com/
July 9	Club meeting	ТВА	Cheesman Park	Picnic with clients and staff of Open Door Ministries
September 24-26	2015 District 12 Conference	ТВА	Boulder - Millennium Harvest House Hotel	Mark your calendar!



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