



Smoke Signal



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ZONTA CLUB OF DENVER

DISTRICT 12, AREA 3

NOVEMBER 2004

Zonta International is a worldwide organization of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women

November General Meeting

When: Thursday, November 11th
Where: New Sheraton Four Points
 (formerly the Marriott SE.)
 please check in lobby for location in hotel
Time: 5:30 p.m. social hour
 6:00 p.m. dinner
Cost: \$23.00
Greeter:
Invocation: Judy Allen

Please RSVP to Kathy Hyzer at 303-282-1062 and leave a message. Remember—you must make your reservation **by Monday, November 8th at noon**. If you are on permanent reservation list you must call to cancel by noon Monday.

Menu
 Tuscan Salad
 Roast Pork with Lemon Sage & Rosemary
 Wild Risotto
 Chef's selection of dessert

Program
 Ann Creel—RN & Author of 5 books "Magic of Ordinary Days" to be aired in January on Hallmark Hall of Fame, speaks to us about her month in Africa this year.

It is Zonta's 85th birthday!



For Sale in November

- Get ready to do your Christmas shopping
- Enjoy browsing thru beautiful items made available by the service committee from UNICEF
- For sale: Christmas cards, note cards, educational toys, wreaths, puzzles, books
- Items for purchase will be available as well as catalogues to order items.

Bring your checkbook and be ready to support UNICEF



Happy Birthday to our November Birthday Girls!

Nov 22nd Dorothy Swindt
 Nov 23rd Minnie Lundberg

Permanent Reservation list:

- Judy Allen
- Evie Ashmore
- Mary Benoit
- Julie Bradley
- Nancy Koontz
- Cathy Conley
- Sheila Davis
- Nikki Headlee
- Cynthia Herndon
- Dottie Jenkins
- Kate Linscott
- Dolores Lowery
- Judy McNerny
- Marjorie Pickett
- Linda Rhea
- Dorothy Swindt
- Carmen Teufel
- Diane Twining
- Joetta Williams



Mission Statement of Zonta Club of Denver:

The Members of Zonta Club of Denver are committed to the support and well-being of our community, our club, and ourselves, by improving the status of women and children and upholding the Objects of Zonta International.

President of Zonta Club of Denver: Diane Twining

Editor: Julie Bradley

Governor of District 12: Evelyn Haskell

President's Message for November. . .

Hello To All My Fellow Zontians,

It appears that our Indian summer is over and we should be ready to jump into the busy holiday season. Personally, I'm keeping active preparing and participating in all of the Zontian activities.



I would be remiss as your president if I didn't remind all of you again, about our first "Let's Party" event on November 5 & 6. This is our major fundraiser and directly impacts our Club's ability to assist nonprofit organizations in improving our community and the world. Your Fundraising Committee has done a wonderful job of bringing this event together and we have over 20 vendors signed up and ready to participate. Have you signed up for at least one 4-hour volunteer shift? If not please contact a Fundraising Committee Member and offer your assistance. There are certainly a variety of tasks to do and we are planning on having a fun and profitable two days. While there you can see all of the products being offered and get a good beginning or even finish your personal Holiday shopping.

Another significant date is November 8th. This is Zonta International's 85th Birthday! We have a special agenda planned for our general meeting on November 11th to celebrate. Additionally, this is a members only meeting, as we will be presenting and voting on the recommended Service Grants. We hope to see you on this important night. The UNICEF products will be available again too; the products are so interesting and unique and hard to resist

I hope all of you have a happy and safe Thanksgiving. We have so much to be thankful for in this country and all of you are making a difference. Thank you all.
Yours in Zonta,

Diane

Zonta Club of Denver
2004-2005
Board of Directors
Monthly Meetings

Board will meet regularly on
the 4th Thursday of the
Month
At various member homes

- November 18th
at Nancy Koontz' House
- December 16th
- January 27th
- February 24th
At Sheila Davis' house
- March 24th
- April 28th
At Judy Allen's house
- May 26th

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**Smoke Signal Deadline for
the December issue is
November 19th**

Our condolences go out to our dear Zonta friend Mandy Ziegler in the sudden loss of her husband Warren Ziegler. Many of us were able to attend his memorial service Oct 30th. Many of us had only met Warren in passing when attending a meeting at Mandy's house but all were saddened by his loss.

Our prayer go out to Linda Rhea who underwent surgery on Monday Nov 1st for a lumpectomy for Breast Cancer. Linda is doing well and we pray that the surgery has resulted in being cancer free!

Business Card Space Available
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\$5 per issue
Business card size—you design,
use your own art or give info and
thoughts to Julie Bradley and I
will design.
Contact Julie at the above ad-
dresses.

Service Opportunities

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE DINNERS



November Monday, November 15, 2004
 Judy Allen, Coordinator starall2@comcast.net
 303-841-7202

- Katie Linscott clinscott@worldnet.att.net 303-795-0347
- Dottie Jenkins jenkinsdottie@comcast.net 303-694-3658
- Susan Davenport susan@jasminecompany.com 303-377-8977
- Kathy Hyzer Kathy.hyzer@hrh.com 03-282-1062

Please be sure to report your hours for RMcd and other service! Write in hours on the forms at general meetings, or e-mail Linda at hobmom@hotmail.com.

Grant Applications

The Service Committee has recommended grants to seven local non-profits as well as distributions to Zonta International. The recommendations have been approved by the Board and Trustees, and will be presented to the club at the November general meeting.

Bell Ringing for The Salvation Army at Park Meadows Mall (3 doors at Nordstroms) December 4th. We need 4 more people! Sign up, it's fun!!



10-12

Door 1	Door 2	Door 3
Cynthia Herndon	Beth Mundell	Judy Allen
Joetta Williams	_____	Richard Starlin

12-2

Door 1	Door 2	Door 3
Evie Ashmore	Linda Corssmit	Nancy Koontz
Nikki Headlee	Case Corssmit	_____

2-4

Door 1	Door 2	Door 3
Sheila Davis	Julie Bradley	_____
Steve Davis	Mark Bradley	_____

Please email julieqbradley@comcast.net if you wish to sign up (or sign up at the meetings) Don't forget Family members can help too! Bell ringing brochures available at the meeting!



Young American's Bank International Towne

Volunteers are needed for International Towne on Tuesday, November

23rd. As it turns out, the October session had enough parent volunteers so our help was not needed. The upcoming date will be a wonderful opportunity to help 7th graders from Skinner Middle School learn about world events by leading countries and working within a global community. Volunteers must attend a one-hour training session prior to the 23rd. Signed-up for this event so far are Nikki Headlee, and Sheila Davis. Please email Sheila if you would like to volunteer.

Denver Santa Claus Shop



- ⇒ Gives toys to over 14,000 children every year
- ⇒ Help set up and sort toys
- ⇒ Volunteers are needed Friday, December 10th, Saturday, December 11th, Monday, December 13th and Tuesday, December 14th, especially on the week days!
- ⇒ Please sign up at the November dinner meetings or contact Linda Rhea

SUNSET HOME PET CARE

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Fund Raising!!!

Let's Party Needs!!!!

☞ We need you!
Please come &
volunteer,
please come &
shop,
please come!



Shopping..... Shopping..... Shopping.....shopping.....

More Raffle tickets available if you need them!



Raffle tickets need to be turned in at our fundraising event at the Turnhalle in the Tivoli Center by Saturday morning so they can be drawn!

Call Julie Bradley if you need someone to pick them up. You must turn them in!
DO NOT MAIL THEM!



We need you to make our Web site registration campaign a success!

Our Goal: 14,000 members registered by 31 May 2005.

[Find out more about this exciting opportunity!](#)

Visit Zonta International's web site!

Save the Date

24th Annual Day of Caring for Breast Cancer Awareness Conference

Saturday, April 30, 2005

Denver Merchandise Mart

I-25 at 58th Avenue

2004 Campaign around the Sixteen Days of Activism against Violence against Women

The United Nations has adopted days throughout the calendar year to call special attention to issues of ongoing particular concern in the world and encourages social activists to use those days to create actions on that day that will address that concern.

In 1999 the UN adopted November 25th as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women.

In 2002, the Zonta International Board also adopted the November 25th UN Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women as part of our long-time focus on violence against women. Clubs are encouraged to organize service and informational programs that create awareness and action to eliminate violence against women.

This year the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) in its annual activities surrounding the UN International Day to Eliminate Violence against Women will focus on violence against women as a major factor in the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

UNIFEM, in its role as the lead agency in the UN system of efforts against violence against women, also encourages activists for women's rights to use the 16 days of Activism against Violence against Women as a time to create public activities that will draw attention to violence against women and promote programs to end violence against women.

The sixteen days of Activism against Violence against Women run from November 25th, UN International Day to Eliminate Violence against Women through December 1st, UN AIDS Awareness Day to December 10th UN International Human Rights Day.

It is hoped that this year those whose major focus might be HIV/AIDS activism, women's activism or human rights activism can join forces to focus on HIV/AIDS prevention in this context of drawing attention to violence against women.

Participants can either distribute either the standard red AIDS awareness pins or special red plus white ribbons, calling attention to men's roles in preventing violence against women and the spread of HIV/AIDS. The White Ribbon Campaign, begun by a group of Canadian men in 1991, urges men and boys to speak out against violence against women and wear a white ribbon as a personal pledge never to commit, condone nor remain silent about violence against women.

ACTIONS FOR HIV/AIDS AWARENESS AND 16 DAYS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

The campaign offers opportunity for each individual Zonta member as well as every club to have a role in promoting awareness of the connections between violence against women and the spread of HIV/AIDS.

- Distribute HIV/AIDS awareness ribbons to friends, colleagues and community members and use talking points to inform them about HIV/AIDS in the context of violence against women and women's human rights.
- Create postcards or bookmarks of talking points and distribute them widely.
- Organize a panel in your community with a focus on VAW and HIV/AIDS.
- Reach out to schools and offer to speak on this topic or enlist a group within a school to carry out the campaign.
- Create a poster campaign in the community or school to increase interest and knowledge of HIV/AIDS and VAW.
- Send information to local radio stations and offer to be interviewed on this topic.
- Submit articles to newspapers on HIV, violence and women's rights.
- Write President Bush and your Senators to urge release of funds pledged to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.
- Encourage donations to UNIFEM's Trust Fund for the Elimination of Violence against Women.
- In conversations, connect Zonta's International Service Project in Niger to worldwide AIDS prevention strategies.
- Link Zonta International programs-in Burkina Faso, Bosnia/Herzegovina, ZISVAW grants and your club's local service efforts to eliminate violence against women globally and locally

INFORMATION RESOURCES

WWW.UNIFEM.ORG

WWW.UNAIDS.ORG

WWW.UNFPA.ORG

WOMENANDAIDS@UNAIDS.ORG

WWW.WHITERIBBON.COM

WWW.GENDERANDAIDS.ORG

- Women and HIV/AIDS: Confronting the Crisis- UNIFEM,UNAIDS,UNFPA
- 2004 Report on the global AIDS epidemic- UNAIDS
- Violence Against Women and HIV/AIDS: Setting the Agenda (World Health Organization)

- Not a minute more: Ending Violence against Women-UNIFEM

RIBBONS

Self sticking red AIDS awareness ribbons are available from Jackie Shapiro

- Bags of 50-\$12.50
- Bags of 100-\$25.00
- Make your own ribbons-Use 3/16" for intertwined red and white ribbons; any width for red only.

Strategies That Work to Reduce HIV/AIDS Prevalence Rates

- Challenging the social norms and values that contribute to the lower social status of women and girls and condone violence against them
- Increasing the self-confidence and self-esteem of girls
- Strengthening the legal and policy frameworks that support women's rights to economic independence
- Ensuring access to health services and education, in particular life skills and sexuality education for both boys and girls
- Empowering women and girls economically

Strengthening the response by expanding the capacity of communities and those working on HIV/AIDS programs

- Expand the pool of gender experts who can conduct gender analysis and design responses to the different requirements of men, women, boys and girls
- Address the fears and resistance that surround gender
- Support and strengthen local women's movements and organizations
- Increase public awareness about the relationship between gender inequality and HIV/AIDS
- Address the causes of gender inequality not only the consequences

Key recommendations to reduce women's and girls' HIV rates

- Collapse the bridge of infection between older men and younger women and girls
- Protect female enrollment rates
- Protect women and girls from the DIRECT and long-term risks of HIV infection as a result of violence
- Protect the rights of women and girls to own and inherit land
- Address gender norms, violence, stigma and discrimination as potential barriers to women's access to care and treatment.

Adopt a family! Our family this year is a young black mom with 4 children. Her income is very limited at this time due to low paying job and failure to get court-ordered child support.



- Crystal—29** (mom) would like pajamas and slippers
- Aluntae—11** boy, non-violent Game Cube game (Nintendo—the game not the system)
- Deandrea—10** boy, Game Boy Advance-game
- Tajhae—7** boy Gundam (action figure)
- Najah—3** girl Ethnic doll

Full list of needs will be at the November meeting. Please call Julie Bradley to sign up for items and get sizes. We try as a club to purchase one shirt, pants, coat, shoes & underwear per child. Staple foods as well as items for a holiday dinner, gift cards and gift wrap are needed too!
Julie: 720-841-7728 cell

Holiday Party!
Keep the date open—December 9th at Landry's restaurant. More details to come in the December Smoke Signal. For those members who have not been to a holiday party, this is held during the regular meeting date with spouses, friends or significant others invited as well. This is a FUN TIME!



ZONTA CLUB OF DENVER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 14, 2004

MINUTES

President Diane Twining called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Invocation was given by Linda Rhea. Linda McBurney introduced her guest Marilyn Worthington, assistant Director at Temple Manuel Religious School. Nikki Headlee introduced her guests Sheila Becker and Myrna Rivera. Also introduced were speakers Becky Boudreau from Recording for the Blind and Willie and Priscilla Jones.

MINUTES - of the September membership meeting were approved as printed in the September Smoke Signal.

DENVER KIDS MOMENT - Donna Hultin gave an overview of the Denver Kids programs, historically and in particular the teen moms program.

PROGRAM: Becky Boudreau spoke about the Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, Rocky Mountain unit located North of I-25 on Colorado Blvd. She gave an overview of the programs along with a video showing the national organization. The Rocky Mountain Unit produces textbooks for their clients and always needs volunteers who show a promise of a good speaking voice and wanting to commit a regular time of volunteer service. More information can be had on their web site: http://www.rfbd.org/Denver_Unit.htm

TREASURER'S REPORT - Treasurer Judy Allen reported that the audit was finished and the budget will be presented at the next meeting following board approval. She also stated that the bank accounts have been moved to the Parker branch of American National and all service charges previously charged to our accounts have been refunded as we have changed accounts to a non-profit status. We have also opened a raffle account.

ZONTIAN OF THE YEAR - Cynthia Herndon was presented to the club as our Zontian of the Year. The official presentation was at the District 12 conference in Lamar. Cynthia was very surprised; the award is very well deserved. Cynthia not only does many things for Zonta (including President in 2001-2002) but some members were surprised to learn that Cynthia volunteers her services in Haiti at an orphanage as well as has an adopted child in Mexico.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Past President Evie Ashmore gave her official President's report to the club giving an overview of the past year and then handed out the printed Annual Report which contains the audited financial reports for the past year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UN/International Report Evie Ashmore gave an update on the United Nations, mentioned the history of Zonta's affiliation with the UN as an NGO and gave a brief report of the new International project: Care International and HIVAids in Africa. She also reported that Oct. 24th is UN Day; Zonta Rose Day is in March. She reminded the club of the UNICEF sales going on at this meeting as well as the meeting in November.

Membership: Our next month's program is Anne Creel who has published many books and her latest book will be made into a Hallmark Hall of Fame Movie. She will be speaking on her mission trip to Africa.

Service: Sheila Davis reported that the volunteer opportunity in Oct at International Towne fell through and we have been asked to help with Nov 23rd instead. Linda Corssmit noted the sign up sheets were being passed for: Ronald McDonald dinners, Anchor Sales on Nov 10th, and Salvation Army bell ringing. Service Hour forms were passed out and she noted that someone is needed to pick up cell phones near City Park. The service committee will be making site visits and will meet on Oct 25th to make recommendations for grant distribution.

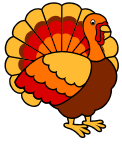
Status of Women: Committee is meeting shortly to send out letters for the Young Woman in Public Affairs application. Linda Corssmit lined up the speaker for this evening.

Fund Raising: Raffle Tickets were passed out to members. Nancy Koontz and the committee talked about the upcoming fundraiser and asked that members be sure to sign up and help. A reminder was made that participating in the fundraiser is expected for membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Denver Kids thanked us for our help at the golf tournament. They raised over \$31,000.
- Bobbie Razee turns 94 in October, please remember her with a birthday card.
- Sue Anne Flaherty's husband is fighting cancer and is on his second round of chemo; please keep them in your prayers. Sue Anne told of us a horse show that her daughter is participating in "WesternAires" on Oct 30th & 31st \$7 / ticket
- We had an invitation to Laramie's Fashion Show on Nov 20th. Please RSVP to Laramie by Nov 5th.
- Cathy Conley mentioned that you can go to Rocky Mountain News.com to create your own ballot to help you vote on Nov 2nd.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 P.M. Respectfully submitted, Julie Bradley, Secretary.



November Smoke Signal

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SMOKE SIGNAL

Nov 3rd	Fund Raising Committee at Linda Rhea's house 5:30	Feb 21st	Ronald McDonald Dinner
November 5-6	"Let's Party" Fund Raiser!! At Tivoli Turnehalle	Feb 24th	Board Meeting
Nov 8th	Zonta's 85th Birthday	Mar 10th	General Meeting
Nov 11th	General Membership Meeting/ UNICEF Sales, Grant Application presentation, Members only meeting, sign up for service projects, Santa Claus Shop, Bell ringing, Adopt-a-family, Ronald McDonald dinners, International Towne	Mar 21st	Ronald McDonald Dinner
		Mar 24th	Board Meeting
Nov 15th	Ronald McDonald Dinner see p. 3	Apr 9th	Area 3 Meeting at Spice of Life Center in Boulder
Nov 20th	Zonta Club of Laramie's Fashion Show	Apr 14th	General Meeting
Nov 23rd	International Towne Volunteer Day for DPS see p. 3	Apr 18th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
Nov 25th	Thanksgiving	Apr 28th	Board Meeting
Dec 9th	Holiday Party at Landry's Restaurant, Bring adopt-a-family items to party	April 30th	Day of Caring
Dec 20th	Ronald McDonald Dinner see p. 3	May 12th	General Meeting
Dec 25th	Christmas	May 16th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
January 20th	Amelia Earhart Dinner (Area 3) at Wings over the Rockies	May 26th	Joint Board Meeting
Jan 13th	General Membership Meeting	June 9th	General Meeting
Jan 17th	Ronald McDonald Dinner see p. 3	June 20th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
Jan 27th	Board Meeting	June	Board Meeting (Retreat)
Feb 10th	General Meeting		