



MINI SMOKE SIGNAL

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We survived....

With the District Conference bee-hind us...I just wanted to thank everyone who did anything (large/small) to make it happen...ya'll know who you are. Take a big deep breath, rest up and bring your smiling bee-selves to the November Meeting on the 12th...our last one at the Doubletree. One note, if I may, I asked via email (apologies Dorothy, Dolores & Marjorie) what Zonta Denver could "toot their own horn" for the last year. I appreciated every answer. Briefly, we did some great things, made important strides and had some fun...one member said it well, "I love that we are friends and we care about one another."



—With much appreciation, Beth

NOVEMBER MEETING DETAILS—

- When:** Thursday, November 12, 2009
5:15pm – Social Hour
6:00pm – Dinner
- Where:** Doubletree Hotel Denver
3203 Quebec Street
Denver, CO 80207
Crystal I Room
- Menu:** Chef's Choice
Vegetarian available (please tell Kate)
Salad & Dessert
- Cost:** \$30
- Cocktails:** Can be purchased in the bar near the meeting room
- Greeters:** Linda Rhea and Judy Allen
- Inspirational Moment:** Alice Borodkin

RESERVATIONS:

Please RSVP to Kate Linscott, at 303-520-8136 (cell) or clinscott14@msn.com no later than **Monday, November 9th, at noon.**

PROGRAM:

We have invited the two organizations who were our grant recipients for 2008-2009 to give us an update on how the funds they received have helped their organizations. Both of these organizations do so much to help women and their success stories are very uplifting. They will have time to answer any questions you may have.

A.J. Alejano-Steele from the Polaris Project Colorado will update us on their project called "Enhanced Coordination of Services to Victims of Human Trafficking" which helps to provide services to victims of human trafficking in Metro Denver and Colorado.

Carolyn Lease, Executive Director of the Empowerment Program, will update the members on "The Chrysalis Project," which improves the lives of women who are or have been involved in street level prostitution.

Don't forget to invite a guest or two!

Zonta Club of Denver October Dinner Meeting Sheila Davis' Home 10/22/09

Zonta Club of Denver October 2009 Monthly Meeting

On October 22, 2009 the monthly dinner meeting was held at the home of Sheila Davis. This month's meeting was actually a mini-meeting so members could prepare and assemble items for the District Conference the club is hosting Halloween weekend.

The social hour and shopping with Susan Davenport of Addis Heywet Necklace Sales started at 5:15 p.m.

Vice President Kathy Hyzer led the meeting in Beth Mundell's absence by asking for and receiving approval for the September meeting minutes.

Kate Linscott, Co-Chair of the Membership Committee, reported plans are moving ahead for the holiday party.

Service Committee Chair Mary Benoit reported the recommendations for distribution of service dollars. One third of the funds go to International projects. Locally, Joy House will receive \$10,000 and the Delores Project will be awarded roughly \$17,000. The club will vote on this at next month's meeting. Club members will work on putting together holiday gift bags for women at the Empowerment Program as a

December service project. Mary will be sending out sign up information shortly. Presents will be brought to the holiday party. The Service Committee will put the bags together and deliver at a later date. Mary did have sign up sheets available at the meeting for other upcoming service projects.

Kathy Hyzer, Fundraising Chair, announced coffee and handbags will be sold at our table at the District Conference. The Committee will be picking a film soon for the 2010 Film Festival.

The Public Relations and Communication Committee wasn't represented.

Treasurer Nikki Headlee gave her quarterly report. She will be happy to furnish a copy to anyone who wants it.

Evie Ashmore presented the 3 voting issues our President, Beth Mundell, will have to vote on at the International Convention in San Antonio next year. Each issue was discussed, a motion was made to approve recommending to Beth to vote yes, motions were seconded and approved by all. They are as follows –

Dues increase – none since 2007
for the District
Streamlining documents – to

make it easier to put on a District Conference –
preserve awards

By-laws be amended regarding committees appealing an international committee's decision – reconsideration of board decisions

Judy Allen suggested going in with other clubs so we would have more clout with our decisions.

District 12 directories are available now. Need to order ASAP thru Beth.

New member Alice Borodkin gave a mini presentation regarding the United Nations Association and the Women's College at DU's recognition of the 10th anniversary of the International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women collaboration. Alice asked to be added onto the monthly agenda to report on advocacy.

The Z Rock and Z Bee awards will be given out next month.

All official business having been tended to, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. Members moved on to assembling goodie bags and making name tags, etc. for the District Conference.

Respectfully submitted by Carroll Allen, Secretary

ZONTIANS IN THE KITCHEN

KOOL-AID PLAYDOUGH

2 pkgs. unsweetened Kool-Aid (same kind)	1/2 cup salt
3 cups flour	2 cup boiling water
1 Tbsp. vegetable oil	

Mix dry ingredients. Add boiling water and oil. Stir. Cool and knead until smooth, adding flour when needed. Store forever in an airtight container

Prepare for Thanksgiving celebrations with kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews, but DO NOT EAT!

SHARE THE BOUNTY

- Look at the October-November *Smoke Signal* for the Delores Project wish list, or just bring some coffee or other beverage to the November meeting.
- The Service Committee will be assembling 22 Christmas gift bags for the Chrysalis Project clients—you can sign up at the meeting to provide a few or 22 of a gift women with very little would enjoy receiving.
- Sign up for bell ringing, Santa Claus Shoppe, necklace sales!

ZONTA CLUB OF BOULDER FUNDRAISER

Sugar Plum Fair

crafts, baked goods, silent auction

Saturday November 7th

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Spice of Life Events Center
5706 Arapahoe Ave, Boulder, CO

Great way to start your holiday shopping!

District Conference Highlights

Despite the weather, 97 Zontians from all corners of District 12, 5 from Pierre-Ft. Pierre and 4 from Lamar, attended the 58th District 12 Conference at the Red Lion Denver Central Hotel this past week-end.

Highlights included the assembly of 950 birthing kits that will be sent to Haiti, India and Africa and a panel discussion of advocacy featuring experts from within and outside Zonta.

Zontians in attendance were able to get to know our International Representative, Virma Vergel de Dios from the Zonta Club of Mandaluyong in San Juan, Philippines, as well as other District 12 Zontians, presenters and, at social events, guests.

Social events included a costume party on Friday night and a more elegant dinner on Saturday night at which the Legendary Ladies performed.

Thank you to the many members of our club who helped make the Conference a success (see hard-working members of the Zonta Club of Denver in the photo below), including Cathy C., Joetta, and Minnie who attended the Conference but worked through almost all of it, the Conference team members, Beth, Carroll, Dorothy, Evie, Judy B., Kathy H., Mary, and Nikki, and Pam, whose company, Consistent Values, was a corporate sponsor.

—Co-chairs, Sheila and Judy





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Upcoming Calendar Events—Save the Date!

Nov 12th	General Meeting—Doubletree Hotel, 3203 Quebec Street	Dec 25th	Christmas
Nov 22nd	Dorothy's birthday	Jan 31st	Amelia Earhart Brunch—Fiske Planetarium, Boulder
Nov 23rd	Minnie's birthday	Jan 14th	General Meeting
Nov 26th	Thanksgiving	Feb 11th	General Meeting
Dec 1st	Barb's birthday	Mar 11th	General Meeting
Dec 6th	Evie's birthday	April 8th	General Meeting
Dec 8th	Diane's birthday	April 10th	Area 3 Meeting
Dec 10th	Holiday Party/General Meeting	May 13th	General Meeting
Dec 15th	Nikki's birthday	June 10th	General Meeting
Dec 17th	Cathy C's birthday	June 25th—30th	International Convention—San Antonio