

# Smoke Signal



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District 12, Area 3

October 2002

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

## October General Meeting

When: Thursday, October

Where: Marriott Southeast Hotel
Time: 5:30 p.m. social hour

6:00 p.m. dinner

Cost: \$23.00

Menu

**Tossed Salad** 

Roast Pork with Apple Stuffing & Vegetables

Assorted Dinner Rolls

Dessert

Coffee or tea

To make or cancel your reservation, call Kathy Hyzer by noon on Monday, October 7th, at (303) 282-1062 and leave a message.

If you wish to change your status on the permanent reservation list—please contact Kathy or Judy McNerny ASAP!

## <u>Program</u>

"My Life Experience"

Karen L. Thurman,

Mom, Mentor, Member of Colorado Governor's Staff, Entrepreneur, Community Volunteer, Commercial Media Figure & Public Speaker



District Board 2002-2004



Evelyn Haskell, Lt. Governor on Saturday night festivities

A fun time was had by all see age 7 for more photo ops of all the festivities of the 51st annual conference of District 12 in Cheyenne, Wyoming Oct 4-5!

## Permanent Reservation list:

Evie Ashmore

Mary Benoit

Norma Bettinger

Julie Bradley

Elizabeth Clinton

Cathy Conley

Sheila Davis

Margaret Fomer

Nikki Headlee

Cvnthia Herndon

Marianne Latz

Kate Linscott

Judy McNerny

Linda Rhea

Lvdia Scherck

Carmen Teufel

Diane Twining

YOUR NAME SHOULD BE HERE!



Mission Statement of Zonta Club of Denver:

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President of Zonta Club of Denver: Margaret Fomer Editor: Julie Bradley Governor of District 12: Mary Benoit

### President's Message for October...



One year ago the world changed forever with the attacks of September 11th. Their impact sent shock waves of horror and disbelief throughout the international community. Zontians around that world responded

with all kinds of support and goodwill. Today, more than 30 armed conflicts ravage the world. In these precarious times, we as Zontians should feel an even greater sense of urgency and purpose. The wounds from September 11th may never heal, but the tragedy should strengthen our resolve to fight terrorism and hate. An organization like Zonta, which should have no hidden agenda can accomplish more than a government in building world peace and goodwill. Zonta is a means to unite cultures under the umbrella of service.

Hopefully we members of the Zonta Club of Denver will do our share, starting at home and branching out to the uttermost parts of the world. We can begin by attending the District Conference October 4-6, proposing new members to attend the new members gathering on October 17th, participation in assigned committees, becoming actively involved in the various service projects, supporting our chosen fundraiser and attending the monthly business meetings.

In last month's Smoke Signal we noted action times that were recommended, by the retreat participants, for individual members to strengthen the membership of our club. The membership committee as well as the Board will be given items to address which will further individual as well as group participation. These will be noted in next month's newsletter. Have a wonderful time at the District conference!!!

## Margaret

## Community Information Update

- \* Just a reminder that the Colorado Women's Agenda is hosting the Women's Vote Candidate Reception on October 5th from 2:00-4:00.

  @ the Colorado History Museum Boettcher Auditorium at 1300
  Broadway. Free and open to the public. Come meet the candidates for local, state and federal office and ask them where they stand on the issues that you care about. Candidates for state-wide and federal office will be given a brief speaking opportunity followed by an opportunity for attendees to meet the candidates one-on-one.
- Denver Women's Commission; Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce: Colorado Lawmaker Awards Reception October 10,2002 5:30-7:30 at the Pinnacle Club 555 17th St, 3;7th Floor: \$10 prepaid by Oct 5th (\$15 at door) Call CSCC to register 303-458-0220

#### \* Breast Cancer Patient Bill Before Congress

There's a bill called the Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act which will require insurance companies to cover a minimum 48-hour hospital stay for patients undergoing a mastectomy. It's about eliminating the "drive-through mastectomy" where women are forced to go home hours after surgery against the wishes of their doctor, still groggy from anesthesia and sometimes with drainage tubes still attached. Lifetime Television has put this bill on their web page with a petition drive to show your support. Last year over half the House signed on. PLEASE!!!! Sign the

petition by clicking on the web site below and help women living with breast cancer get the care they need and deserve!! There is no cost or monetary pledge involved. You need not give more than your name and zip code number.

 $\underline{\text{http://www.lifetimetv.com/healthbreast\_mastectomy\_pledge.html}}$ 

# Convention 2004—New York City July 3-8, 2004

#### Marriott Marquis in Times Square

Join Zontians to discover first hand...the arts, culture, business, finance, economics, fashion, transportation and many other aspects of what makes New York City "tick"

District 12 Conference—Billings, Montana September 26th—28th, 2003 See you there!

All members are invited to the potential new member open house on October 17th. Reception to be held at the King Foundation Penthouse. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about Zonta.

# New Member Open House

## Zonta Club of Denver 2002-2003

Board of Directors
Monthly Meetings
4th Thursdays at
5:30 pm
Margaret Fomer's
home:
6279 S Iola Way,
Englewood, 80111

October 22nd
January 23rd
February 27th
March 27th
April 24th
May 22nd—joint board

To include information in the Smoke Signal please contact:

Julie Bradley 303-866-9273 wk, 303-866-9266 wk fax, 303-799-1801 hm, 303-792-5289 hm fax

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tionarmy.org

Smoke Signal
Deadline for the
November issue is
October 23rd



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HOUSE DINNERS
Service Coordinator:
Sheila Davis

THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH Please contact Sheila if you wish to participate—also, if you can't participate monetary donations are gladly accepted.

Visit Zonta Club of Denver's Web Site for all the news that's fit to print! Come visit us at

> www.zontadenver.org



Condolences go to
Judy Allen in the
passing of her brother
from Longmont this
past week. Phone calls
and cards will be appreciated I am sure.



District Cell Phone Project

Members are encouraged to turn

in their old cell phones to be reprogrammed to call 911 for women at risk for domestic violence,



#### UPCOMING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Christmas is coming and we are preparing for our annual service projects

Santa Claus
 Shop—look to
 sign up sheets
 at the October
 and November
 meetings





- 2. Bell-ringing for The Salvation Army once again at Park Meadows Mall
- 3. We will also be adopting a family through The Salvation

Army: family needs will be issued as soon as we are able to get the information

Have you visited the District 12 web site? You can go to the web site by clicking on the sidebar on our web site or go to <a href="https://www.zontadistrict12.org">www.zontadistrict12.org</a>

Update on Upcoming events and volunteer requests for the future club in Castle Rock:

1) Women's Crisis Center: 3rd Annual "Just Desserts" (plus light hors d'oeuvres) October 11th 6:30 pm -?

Need: Silent Auction Donations - gifts for men & women to bid on. You can submit brochures & other material that will help to display your donated item.

Also need: VOLUNTEERS to monitor the Silent Auction—you get FREE admission - all the desserts you can eat!

CONTACT: Nani Lindig 303-688-1094 NANI atWCC@aol.com

Thank you! Janell Will

## KOMENDENUERRACE FOR THE CURE. 10.6.02



In 10 years, the Komen Denver Race for the Cure has:

- > Raised and distributed \$12 million to help in the fight against breast cancer
- > Become one of the top 6 races of any kind in the nation
- Helped fund discovery of BRCA1 gene (through Komen funding)



#### During this time, Colorado has seen:

- > 17% reduction in the death rates from breast cancer in Colorado
- > 73% of breast cancer in Colorado women detected in the early stages

Zonta International Area 3 Team will be walking in the Coed Race at 9am. They will be gathering at the playgrounds in the Sunken Gardens with the blue swings & slides. (Bannock & Speer) Zonta Foothills is selling buttons that say "Zonta? If you ask, I'll tell" Funds from the sale of the buttons will go to Susan G. Komen Foundation. Contact Dare Rosebery 303-450-2403 if you wish to purchase a button.

#### Quiz in Women's History

by Julie Bradley, editor

American women have been contributing in the professional fields as well as in the nurture of family and community from before our nation was founded until today. Test yourself on how much you know about these wonderful women!

Q: Almost a century ago, she noticed the environmental problems associated with rapid urbanization. In She was the first woman admitted to a scientific school and 1873, MIT awarded her a Bachelor of Science. Unfortunately, she was never awarded the doctorate she earned. She remained an assistant at MIT and began teaching science to female schoolteachers at night. In a renovated MIT garage, she opened the world's first Science Laboratory for Women, where she began her study of ecology. Name the pioneer the field of sanitary engineering. DID YOU KNOW? Trashcans first appeared on streets in the mid 1890s. They were donated by the Women's Civic Club of Philadelphia.



A: Ellen Swallow Richards, a 19th-century advocate for public sanitation and good health, is now recognized as the woman who created the fields of ecology and home economics. MIT finally recognized her with a bronze plaque, installed in 1914, in a hall of the chemistry building.





A: Inspired by painters Bette Nesmith Graham, an executive secretary, painted over her typographical errors. She started her business, using her kitchen blender she combined paint with other chemicals to develop and refine her product, "Mistake Out." In 1975, the renamed company, Liquid Paper, Inc., grew to an employment of 200 people, and 25 million bottles of Liquid Paper were sold in 31 countries. She played a major part in the design of the company plant, which included a library, a child-care center, and a greenbelt. After Graham retired from the company, the Bette Clair McMurray Foundation (her maiden name) was established to support women's welfare and also to generate more efforts in business and arts.

Every now and then, Zonta Club of Denver receives newsletters from past Grant recipients and they often share their wish lists. For the next few months, we will share some of these wish lists and possibly they may spur individual service from various members of our club:

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### **Bridgeway (Pregnant Teens)**

#### Mothers:

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- \* Large Diaper Bags
- \* Disposable Cameras
- \* Baby's First Year Calendars or Photo Albums
- \* Back Packs
- \* Water Bottles
- \* Fuzzy Slip-on Slippers
- \* Pampering gift sets for moms

#### Babies:

- \* Baby clothes, all sizes
- \* Diapers-all sizes
- \* High Chairs

#### Early Child Development Center:

- \* Paper towels
- \* Anti-bacterial hand soap
- \* Baby Wipes

#### House:

- \* Day beds
- \* Laundry spot remover
  - \* Scrubbies for dishes
  - \* Paper plates
  - \* Toilet Paper
  - \* Cleaning supplies (dust spray, all-purpose cleaner, glass cleaner, sponges)
- Hand tools: screw drivers, monkey wrench, pliers, hammer
  - \* Fresh or Canned Fruit
  - \* Canned chicken or tuna
  - \* Carpet shampoo for Bissell
  - \* Regular kitchen & 30 gallon trash bags
  - \* Plastic forks, bowls, cups
- \* Tissues
  - \* Lawn tools

To contact Bridgeway: 303-969-0515 85 S Union Blvd,

Ste 204 in Lakewood <a href="http://www.bridgewayhomes.org/">http://www.bridgewayhomes.org/</a>

#### LEGISLATIVE ALERT!!!

The U.S. Senate is preparing to vote on CEDAW, the Convention for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. This treaty is crucial in protecting the rights of women around the globe and has received enormous support internationally. It's time the U.S. adds its name to the list of 170 nations that have already ratified this treaty. Act today!

BACKGROUND: Last fall, many were shocked to learn of women in Afghanistan being severely punished or killed for exercising basic freedoms, such as leaving their homes by themselves, while living under the Taliban rule. Additionally, everyday thousands of girls are sold and trafficked into the sex slave trade against their will. Sadly, these problems are among the myriad human rights abuses committed against women and girls on a daily basis worldwide who suffer rape, battery, "honor" killings, acid burnings, genital mutilation and more.

The U.S. Senate has the opportunity to address some of these abuses when it votes on the Convention for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). This treaty is an international tool for protecting and promoting basic human rights for women and girls. Of key significance, the treaty protects women from violence, makes sure girls are allowed to go to school, and helps save women's lives.

CEDAW has been ratified by 170 nations to date. The United States stands alone as the only industrialized nation that has failed to ratify the treaty and joins I ran, Sudan and Afghanistan on the list of countries that have not ratified. However, we are anticipating that this treaty will be voted on before the full Senate in the upcoming weeks, and THIS POTENTIAL VOTE IS THE CLOSEST THE TREATY HAS EVER COME TO BEING RATIFIED!

SENATORS CAMPBELL AND ALLARD NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU TODAY! Please respond by asking them to support the ratification of CEDAW and women's human rights around the globe!

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Service Committee Meetings upcoming this year:

- Oct 7th @ Linda Rhea's house 5:00 pm
- Nov 4th @ LePeep (York & 18th) 11:30 am

#### Zonta Club of Denver Members:

Thank you so much for the honor you have bestowed upon me to be your Zontian of the Year for 2001-2002! Wow was I surprised and shocked! You guys are great. I have always felt that my Zonta club deserves all I can give to it—it is an privilege to help and provide service to others in need.

Thanks again Julie Bradley

Don't forget, October is UN month!

Please visit web site: www.un.org/womenwatch/ or www.zonta.org for up to the minute news and information concerning women throughout the world and the project of zonta worldwide.

# Area, District 12

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- November 4-8 Zonta International Week
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  - November 9th Zonta Club of Boulder County Sugar Plum Fair 9-4 at the "A Spice of Life Event Center" 5706 Arapahoe Rd in Boulder located at Flatirons Golf Course-gifts, collectibles, bake sale and silent auction—come and shop for Christmas!
  - November 23rd & 24th Zonta Club of Pierre - Ft. Pierre Craft Show

Please pass a copy of this form to any artisan, or business, that you feel might be an asset for the Club's international holiday bazaar. More information will be distributed within the next few months. Remember, your participation and support will make our fund raiser successful and fun!

#### ZONTA CLUB OF DENVER

Thank you for your interest in the Zonta Club of Denver International Holiday Bazaar. To expedite the processing of information, please print clearly.



Name		
Business Name (if used)		
Address		
City, State, Zip Code		
Telephone	<u>Email</u>	

Dates of the Bazaar are Friday October 10, 2003 & Saturday October 11, 2003. This will be a juried show with cost for a single space under \$300. Further information and a contract will be sent to you in the near future. Please access our web site for additional information; www.zonta-denver.org/

Send inquiries to:

Diane R. Twining, Fund Raising Chair Zonta Club of Denver PMB 209 303 16th St #016 Denver, CO 80202-5657

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# pistrict 12 Conference Highlights



Some of the Denver crew on Saturday night

Delegates Carmen and Linda on Friday night hoe-down!





Governor Mary practicing her new profession??? Bartender extraordinaire!



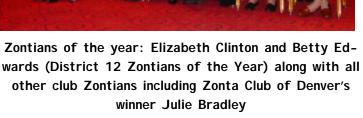
Past Governors Marjorie Pickett, Dorothy Swindt, Amey Grubbs( past International President) and Toni Watkins



11 past Governors attended the conference this year!



Honorary Zontian Richard with one of the dancers who were Sat. evening entertainment.





Friday evening fun!

# October Smoke Signal

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Fri, Oct 4—Sun 6th	District 12 Conference in Cheyenne, WY at Little America see page 8
Sun, Oct 6th	Race for the Cure—Area 3 clubs participating
Mon. Oct 7th	Service Committee 5:00 dinner at Linda Rhea's
Mon. Oct 7th	Status of Women Committee 4:30 @ Racines
Thurs, Oct 10th	General Membership Meeting
Mon, Oct 21	Ronald McDonald Dinner served
Tues, Oct 22	Board Meeting @ Margaret's house 5:30
Mon. Nov 4th	Service Committee 11:30 lunch at LePeep's (York & 18th)
Sat Nov 9th	Zonta Club of Boulder's Sugar Plum Fair
Thurs, Nov 14th	General Membership Meeting

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Mon, Nov 18th	Ronald McDonald Dinner served
S/S Nov 23rd & 24th	Zonta Club of Pierre - Ft. Pierre Craft Show
Thurs Nov 28th	Thanksgiving
Thurs, Dec 12th	Annual Holiday Party
Mon, Dec 16th	Ronald McDonald Dinner served
Weds. Dec 25th	Merry Christmas!
Weds, Jan 15th	Amelia Earhart Dinner—Harvest House in Boulder sponsored by Zonta Club of Boulder
Sat, Apr 5th	Area 3 meeting to be held
Sept 26-28	Next District 12 conference in Billings, MT
July 2004	International Convention in New York City