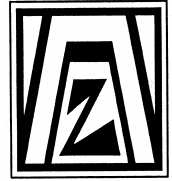


# Smoke Signal



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District 12, Area 3 October 2003

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 9th  
**Where:** Marriott Southeast Hotel  
**Time:** 5:30 p.m. social hour  
6:00 p.m. dinner  
**Cost:** \$23.00  
**Invocation:** Linda Rhea  
**Greeter:** Cathy Conley

Please RSVP to Cathy Conley at 303-673-1534 wk or 303-691-6926 hm and leave a message. Remember—you must make your reservation by Monday, Oct 6th at **noon**. If you are on the permanent reservation list you must call to cancel by noon Monday.

### Menu

Assorted Rolls & Butter  
Fresh garden salad with choice of  
Pepper cream or Red Wine Vinaigrette dressing  
Seared Tarragon Salmon topped with white wine sauce  
Pasta Primavera  
Raspberry Cream Cake

### Program

Presentation of our Zontian of the Year

Program this month will be sponsored by the Status of Women Committee—it's a surprise!



President Evie wearing the District 12 hat for greatest number of miles traveled and holding the bell for the most number of members attending district 12 conference in Billings, Mt this past week..

### Happy Birthday To our October Birthday Girls



Oct 5th Bobbie Razez  
Oct 24th Dottie Jenkins  
Oct 26th Dolores Lowery

### Permanent Reservation list:

- Judy Allen
- Evie Ashmore
- Mary Benoit
- Julie Bradley
- Nancy Bruner-Koontz
- Elizabeth Clinton
- Cathy Conley
- Sheila Davis
- Nikki Headlee
- Cynthia Herndon
- Dottie Jenkins
- Kate Linscott
- Judy McNerny
- Linda Rhea
- Carmen Teufel
- Diane Twining



### 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: Evie Ashmore

Editor: Julie Bradley

Governor of District 12: Mary Benoit

President's Message for October . . .



Our year is well underway and thanks to you all for being so involved. We had a wonderful speaker for our September meeting. Karen Sussman, National Speaker and corporate Trainer shared with us "Life Balance: How to Wear Many Hats and Keep your Head on Straight." One quote I vividly remember is "you can have it all, but not all at once". This is particularly relevant to me as I were raised during a time when we were told we could have it all. Thanks to Cathy Conley for arranging for Karen Sussman to be our speaker.

Diane Twining and myself are off to the District 12 Conference in Billings on September 26-September 28 as your delegate and alternate. We plan to give a report on the District Conference at our October meeting. The conference theme is - "Realizing Dreams, Reaching Goals Through Sharing". Several of our members are planning to attend as well.

Judy Allen has a wonderful raffle planned, and we hope to raise lots of money from this effort. Thanks, Judy.

I want to encourage you to refer to our Zonta International Web Site. Remember the user ID is - zontainternatl and pass word is Amelia. This Web Site is full of information.

A big welcome goes to our newest member - Trish Bloemker-Sowers who was inducted at our September meeting. In addition, Shari Dorton was installed as our newest Director. Welcome!

At our October meeting, the selection for our Edna Jean Hershey Award will be announced and Julie Bradley our recipient from last year will make the presentation. Our selection will be announced at our District 12 Conference in Billings and we hope to keep this a secret for our October meeting. Please plan to attend to hear the announcement. The winner is a well deserving member of our club!

October also brings our annual UNICEF sale. Sheila

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"

On page 5 will be excerpts from the Zonta International Web site concerning the New York Zonta International 57th Convention. Since not everyone can access the internet we will be featuring all sorts of things that you can find on the new web site at: <http://www.zontaconvention2004.com/>

Davis is in charge of this effort this year. Please bring your checkbooks to our October meeting in order to purchase nice gifts!

Yours in Zonta

E vie Ashmore, President

FYI: If you are in the habit of visiting Zonta International's web site, you will find that there is a new addition...on the member resource center pages you need a user ID and password.

After you enter the user ID and password it asks you for your name, email and club name (for the first time only) and then you are set to go!

The user ID is: **zontainternatl**  
password is: **amelia**

It is as simple as that! Enjoy visiting the web site - there is a wealth of information on it. Including *the new member classification system* - **and all about the New York Convention in July 2004!**

For Sale in October and November:



- Get ready to do your Christmas shopping.
- Enjoy browsing thru beautiful items made available by the membership 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.**



Zonta Club of  
Denver  
2003-2004

Board of Directors  
Monthly Meetings  
4th Thursdays at  
5:30 pm, at Evie  
Ashmore's House  
5795 S Danube Cir.  
Aurora, CO 80015

Thurs Oct 23rd  
No Board Meeting in  
Nov & Dec.  
Thurs, Jan 22nd  
Thurs, Feb 26th  
Thurs, Mar 25th  
Thurs, Apr 22nd  
Thurs, May 27th

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**Smoke Signal Deadline  
for the  
November issue is  
October 24th**

UPCOMING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE DINNERS**

Participating Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> are Trish Bloemker and Judy McNerny. November participants are Julie Bradley and Diane Twining. More volunteers are needed for both months.



**Race for the Cure**

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> when the club will again be participating in the Race For The Cure. Club members will walk together with other area clubs, wearing Zonta T-shirts, and supporting this worthy cause. Participating so far are Kate Linscott, Evie Ashmore, Trish Bloemker, Linda Rhea, and Sheila Davis.



**Dress For Success**

Sheila will be making a trip over to the Dress For Success organization on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> to deliver clothing collected from Zontian's fall closet cleanings. Dress For Success provides interview-appropriate clothes for low-income women. Items accepted by this organization are skirt and pant suits, blouses, scarves, purses, and unused pantyhose. Clothing should be clean, on hangers, and ready to wear. Please call Sheila if you have items to donate.



**Service Grants for 2003-2004**

Eighteen grant applications have been received as follows:

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|----------------------------|---|
| Damen House - At Marycrest | Cherubim Foundation                       |
| Conflict Center            | Work Options for Women                    |
| Family HomeStead           | CWEE                                      |
| Joy House                  | MiCasa Resource Center for Women          |
| Northeast Women's Center   | Rape Assistance Awareness Program         |
| Salvation Army             | Girl Scouts - Mile Hi Council             |
| Young Americans            | Samaritan Counseling Center               |
| Women's Bean Project       | Mile High Ministries                      |
| Dress for Success          | Day of Caring for Breast Cancer Awareness |
| ness                       |   |

Site visits will take place during October with recipients selected by October 20<sup>th</sup>. Recommendations will be given to the Board and the Trustees on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, and to the membership at the November dinner meeting.

# Service Thank You's

Family Pathways

Family Pathways hosted a golf tournament and silent auction fund-raiser on Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Inverness Hotel and Golf Club in the Denver Tech Center. Several Zontians participated and had a great time volunteering for this worthy cause.

Interim funding reports from Joy House, Marycrest Sewing Circle, Family HomeStead, and Young Americans can be viewed on our web site on the service activities page.

## New Member Reception

The Membership Committee is hosting a New Member Reception on November 6<sup>th</sup> at the King Mansion. Please contact the membership committee with names of potential new members to invite to this event. More information will follow—but please place this on your calendar.

**Don't forget, October is UN month!**  
Please visit web site: [www.un.org/womenwatch/](http://www.un.org/womenwatch/) or [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org) for up to the minute news and information concerning women throughout the world and the project of zonta worldwide.

## Congratulations to the newly elected District Board for the 2004-2006 Biennium:

Evelyn Haskell, Governor	ZC of Laramie
Beverly Morrow, Lt. Governor	ZC of Cheyenne
Denise Luckhurst, Treasurer	ZC of Pierre-Fort Pierre
Priscilla Romkema, Area 1 Dir.	ZC of Spearfish
Jane Page, Vice Area 1 Dir	ZC of Black Hills
Linda Bogart, Area 2 Dir	ZC of Cheyenne
Francie Claus, Vice Area 2 Dir	ZC of Converse Co.
Barbara Nelson, Area 3 Dir.	ZC of Lakewood-Golden
Julie Bradley, Vice Area 3 Dir.	ZC of Denver
Sharon Roggy, Area 3 Dir	ZC of Pikes Peak Area
Susan Miller, Vice Area 4 Dir	ZC of Lamar
Kate Brewster, Nominating	ZC of Pikes Peak Area
Elizabeth Clinton, Nominating	ZC of Denver
Stephanie Seymanski, Nominating	ZC of Billings

## Important Info for Oct. Meeting!

- \* Be sure to bring the names and addresses of potential members to be invited to the Reception in November to the October meeting so the membership committee can mail out invitations ASAP!
- \* There will be a vote on the January Fund-raiser (The Producers, Saturday Matinee on January 31, 2004) at the October Meeting. Additional information will be provided at that time.

Dear Evie and Members of Zonta

Thank you so much for all of the good thoughts and the lovely cards. They have definitely helped in brightening the spirits and have meant a great deal. Especially since I am such an absentee Zontian. I hope that by October I will be at the meeting—I am definitely counting on joining all of you that evening.

I am feeling much better and am back at work with just a little adjustment in my schedule. I go to dialysis early on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday and then straight to the office. The good news is I get lots of work done while the treatment is going on as it is great uninterrupted time.

Thanks again for your very kind thoughts. Don't give p on me—I will be joining you soon.

Sincerely  
Donna Hultin

**Don't forget to mark your calendar and watch for details concerning the Ameila Earhart Dinner coming up in January.**

**Date: January 28th  
Club in charge: Foothills Boulder**





**Convention  
Updates  
All Year Long!**

**The Hotel:**

- \* **What can be better than a magnificent hotel with all the amenities in New York City? A magnificent hotel with all the amenities that is located just steps from Times Square and right in the center of New York's theater district.**
- \* **The Marriott situates you near the hustle and bustle of the Fashion District and the wonderful shops of Fifth Avenue.**
- \* **The hotel is just minutes from Wall Street, Lincoln, the Empire State Building, Rockefeller Center, Carnegie Hall, Madison Square Garden and the Diamond District.**
- \* **The Marriott's nearly 2000 spacious guest rooms have individual climate control, cable TV, bath and shower facilities.**
- \* **For those who want to make sure the Marriott's delicious food is not going to cling to your hips, a newly renovated, state of the art, free health club is available for hotel guest use 24 hours a day different direction, a theater ticket desk, a tour-transportation desk, and a beauty shop are on site.**
- \* **There is also a business center, a multilingual staff, and a 1600 seat Broadway theater.**
- \* **The Marriott's outstanding continental cuisine restaurant, The View, is New York's only revolving rooftop restaurant with music and dancing in the rooftop lounge.**
- \* **The hotel also has JW's Steakhouse; the Encore buffet; Katen which features sushi and sashimi; and tapas in the Broadway Lounge.**
- \* **Get a true New York experience in one of the city's finest hotels, site of Convention 2004.**

**Fundraising Strategies  
from the Fund-Raising Committee**

All FR efforts should incorporate our community contacts from Club activities, e.g. request publicity and support from The Denver Kids, Ronald McDonald House, SOS, the Club's Grant recipients, etc. We need to be certain that those organizations we support also support us, especially in putting Zonta's name and Mission out to the public.

Several fundraising activities are suggested; the Committee Members believe that all of the Club's fundraising efforts should not be placed on one event or type of activity. Additionally, the Committee feels that with the exception of the International Holiday Bazaar, staging (up front) costs should be minimal. Therefore, the following Fundraising Plan is proposed for the Club's approval:

**2003 - 2004**

- \* Continue planning and implementation efforts for the 2004 the International Holiday Bazaar. (Much of the work has already been completed, draft contracts, cover letters, site selection, etc. However, vendor/artisan recruitment, establishing working relationships with the Metro sponsors, etc., for the 2004 event are still outstanding and will pursued through this fiscal year.)
- \* Hold another Theater Event (as the 2003 Holiday Party, or a 2004 spring event).
- \* Sell bulbs and unusual flower seed packets or yellow roses (roses can be purchased for \$2 and resold for \$5).
- \* Sell chances for a 'Money Box' for Area and Amelia Earhart events. (This is a decorated box that you place a roll of money/lottery tickets/gift certificates into and sell chances for winning. This box has a stated minimum value (perhaps \$50-\$100) with cost of tickets @ \$2 each.)
- \* Collect recipes for creating a Zontian cookbook for future sale.
- \* Find unique, consumable and/or durable items to sell (ornaments, wrapping paper, cards, specialty catalogs, food, etc.).

**2004 - 2005**

- \* Stage the International Holiday Bazaar with the Club selling the Zontian Cookbook and other unique items.
- \* Find unique, consumable and/or durable items to sell (ornaments, wrapping paper, cards, specialty catalogs, food, etc.).
- \* Stage a wine tasting party.
- \* Have a Club garage sale.
- \* Sell chances for a 'Money Box' for Area, District and Amelia Earhart events. (This is a decorated box that you place a roll of money/lottery tickets/gift certificates into and sell chances for winning. This box has a stated minimum value (perhaps \$50-\$100) with cost of tickets @ \$2 each.)
- \* Sell bulbs and unusual flower seed packets or yellow roses.
- \* Plan for 2005 - 2006 Fundraising projects.

**2005 - 2006**

- \* Evaluate past fundraising projects for profitability, success and work effort. Vote on continuing and/or replacing the 2003 through 2005 projects.

# District 12 Conference Highlights

Past Governors:  
Bev Augustine &  
Jacki Sammons  
Saturday evening



African Costume Contestants Fashion Show Sat. Eve...



Zonta Club of Denver wins most members attending for clubs under 40 (we had 12 out of 39!)

Zonta Store Sales



Converse County wins Service Award and the right to display flags for the upcoming year!



International VP, "BJ" and past governor Bunny at the Saturday evening festivities.



Zontians of the Year for District 12

Past Governor Marjorie Pickett and Area 3 Director Kate Linscott enjoys Sat (both ZCD members!)



Past Governor Dolores Lowery, Zonta Club of Douglas County President Janell Will and member Cathy Groves

## Smoke Signal

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### Zonta Club of Denver Monthly Members' meeting September 11, 2003 Minutes

President Evie Ashmore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Cathy Conley filled in for Linda Rhea with the invocation, a simple moment of silence in memory of the tragedies at the World Trade Center, Pentagon and in 2001. Members introduced guests, including Joette Williams, Rhonda Askaland, Helen DeWitt, Alice Barry, Shari Dorton's daughter, Heather, and Evie's daughter, Michelle Koch

Karen Murphy announced she will be working in Antarctica for 6 months. While she's there, her e-mail will be [karenonice@yahoo.com](mailto:karenonice@yahoo.com). She agreed to send tidbits about her adventure for inclusion in the Smoke Signal.

Cathy Conley introduced the speaker, Karen Sussman, who gave an inspiring presentation on the importance of slowing down and enjoying the richness of life. After the speaker, club members began the business meeting by approving the August minutes as published in the Smoke Signal.

Judy said she would submit the treasurer's report for publication in the Smoke Signal.

Dare of the Zonta Club of Foothills encouraged members to walk again in the Race for the Cure Oct. 12. She noted that 38 Zonta members walked together last year, wore Zonta shirts and buttons, handed out brochures and cards and raised over \$4200 for the Komen foundation. Coordinators are looking for an even larger group this year. Call Sheila Davis or check the website (Zonta International, Area 3 section) for details about where and when Zontians will gather.

*Membership* Cathy Conley reported the Nov. 6 new members' reception at the King Mansion. The membership committee is looking for more potential members to invite. If you haven't already submitted your names, or have more, contact Cathy. She also noted that it would be very helpful for monthly dinner meeting accounting, if members would call in by the noon Monday deadline to reserve a seat or cancel it, or sign up on the permanent reservation list. To balance the estimate and the attendance, club procedure allows for billing members who reserve a meal and don't attend the meeting, since the hotel charges for the meals prepared to match the reservations.

*Service* Sheila Davis encouraged members to turn their service hour forms in so she can complete the totals for submission. Sheila noted August activities included the school clothes shopping spree at Mervyn's, sponsored by the Salvation Army, and dinner at Ronald McDonald House. In upcoming activities, there are spaces to fill on the October and November RMD dinner lists, and the Oct. 12 Race for the Cure, in addition to the Seeds for Afghanistan project. Further on in the calendar Zonta Club of Denver will adopt a family for Christmas and participate in the Salvation Army bell-ringing, and the Santa Claus shop. Interim reports on the service grants are on the web site. Sheila said the service committee would soon make site visits, then make decisions about awardees and present them to the membership at the November meeting. Another issue that the service committee is considering over the next few months is the level of sponsorship we give to Denver Kids. The committee will present recommendations at the February meeting on that issue.

*Fundraising* Diane Twining said her committee has discussed short-term and long-term goals. The International crafts bazaar is scheduled for November 5-6, 2004 at the Turnhalle in the Tivoli on the Auraria Campus. The committee is still open to all ideas for short-term fundraising.

*Communications* Julie Bradley passed out new directories and offered to send an electronic version to anyone who needs it for home or work.

*Status of Women* Linda Rhea reported the status of women committee will include a few minutes in each monthly meeting about projects that Zonta's involved in. Her committee has tentatively planned to hold the March meeting at the Colorado Convention Center near the Women's History Wall, so we can all hear more about how the Zonta Club of Denver helped that monument come to be. Linda issued a call for nominations of outstanding high-school girls for consideration of the Young Women in Public Affairs Award. Please give any potential candidates to Linda. The award will be presented during our February 2004 meeting. Linda also noted that the committee is interested in hearing from the members about what they want the status of women committee to provide to the membership.

**Old Business** President Evie and Treasurer Judy raised the issue of the budget, which was recently adjusted to reduce the amount of deficit spending. An unanimous vote approved the budget. Another item was the increase in dues by \$10 per year to reduce the deficit. This committee recommendation also passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **New business**

- \* Shari Dorton was inducted as a new Board member, and Trish Bloemker-Sowers was inducted as a new member.
- \* President Evie reminded members of the District conference in Billing, Mont., and discussion ensued about carpooling.
- \* Following discussion about the November meeting being reserved for members only, and the conflict this causes after the new members' reception, a unanimous vote agreed to open the November meeting to non-members.
- \* Julie Bradley and Linda Rhea are to receive the 2003 Leader of Excellence Award presented by the Colorado Women's Leadership Coalition (CWLC). Julie will receive the award as a result of being awarded Zontian of the Year for our club. Linda is receiving the award from another organization that she belongs to.
- \* Denver Kids Executive Director Donna Hultin is a new member and will be inducted at the October meeting. She is undergoing dialysis and sent a thank you note to the club for our best wishes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Wendy Henry-Moraskie for Liz Cameron, Sec.

# October Smoke Signal

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Oct 2nd	Membership meeting @ Kathy Hyzer's House for planning new member reception	Jan 22nd	Board Meeting at Evie's House
Oct 9th	General Membership Meeting	Jan 28th	Amelia Earhart Dinner for Area 3
Oct 12th	Race For The Cure	Feb 12th	General Membership Meeting
Oct 20th	Ronald McDonald Dinner	Feb 16th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
Oct 23rd	Board Meeting at Evie's House	Feb 26th	Board Meeting at Evie's House
Nov 6th	New Member reception at Kenneth Kendal King Penthouse	Mar 11th	General Membership Meeting
Nov 13th	General Membership Meeting	Mar 15th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
Nov 17th	Ronald McDonald Dinner	Mar 25th	Board Meeting at Evie's House
Dec 11th	Holiday Party	Apr 8th	General Membership Meeting
Dec 15th	Ronald McDonald Dinner	Apr 19th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
Dec 25th	Christmas—Happy Holidays!	Apr 22nd	Board Meeting at Evie's House
Jan 8th	General Membership Meeting	May 13th	General Membership Meeting
Jan 19th	Ronald McDonald Dinner	May 17th	Ronald McDonald Dinner
		May 27th	Board Meeting at Evie's House
		July 2004	International Convention in New York City