

Smoke Signal

ZONTA CLUB OF DENVER

THE ZONTA ZINGER WANTS TO KNOW—

Which famous honorary Zontian died in August?

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Anyone remember a time when we would make flower dolls from the blooms of Holly-Hocks? One afternoon, in my grandmother's garden, I was making several dolls of beautiful colors. There were bees buzzing around, and it became obvious that we both felt the other was an intrusion. I did what most of us do...swatting at the bees; afraid of being stung. My grandmother, a very wise woman, noticed my difficulty and came to sit with me. She told me that it was important to learn to share with the bees. They had as much right to the flowers as I did; I made pretty things, but they made honey with the pollen which was essential to the success of their hives. With her arm around my shoulders, she held her other hand quietly up to a curious bee; she said once they knew you are not a flower, they will gently move on. Then she quietly said, "Thank you for your visit, and enjoy the rest of your day." I have done that ever since then and have yet to be stung.

How does this relate to our little Zonta Denver hive? Sharing, working together, acknowledging each individual's goals as important...as well as finding unique ways to help each other towards success. We share or work together in a truly unique way; not always graceful in how we do this, but we usually manage to get the job



done. And I, for my part, have never, let me say that again, never felt unsupported or unacknowledged.

I say this because the Nominating Committee is officially now charged to find the next "Queen Bee" for 2010-2011. The other day I verbalized that a President should be president for 2 years...only because, it takes that long to really feel like one knows what is going on, how things are done, what the protocol is (and where to find it). That being said...you do not want me doing this two years in a row...I will make you all insane; check in with me again a few years down the road, though. I am serious...there is much fun in this commitment!! There are also responsibilities, and that is (I think), what members tend to find daunting. Dust off your courage and go for it...jump into being president for a year...you will find, oh so many Zontians, ready and willing to help you. You will make mistakes; they are

President, Beth Mundell

Smoke Signal Editor, Judy McNerny

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fixable. You will be busier than normal; but if you are at all organized, it is manageable. My biggest challenge is remembering to ask for help...certainly everyone else in the world is better at that than I am? So, not to belabor this...think about sharing the flowers in the garden...none of us gets the goodness of the flowers without sharing, supporting and appreciating all this Zonta garden has to offer.

Nuff said? "Thank you for your visit and enjoy the rest of your day."

-Respectfully, "Her Beeness"

Ж If you are not in this photo, can you guess where it was taken? How many women can you name? Ж



COMMITTEE NEWS

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee recently met to begin planning an exciting and productive year. Our speaker in September, Elizabeth Suarez, will give an excellent program so what a great time to bring a guest.

The committee will be handing out questionnaires at the September meeting so come prepared to give your input on some important issues. We need your help in making this year successful so please fill them out and return them to the committee before you leave (or you won't get dessert!)

SAVE THE DATE: The meeting date in October has been changed **from the 2nd Thursday to the 4th Thursday, October 22,** so that we can all work on the packets for the District Conference. We are planning a catered dinner at Sheila's home. Following our dinner, we will have lots of fun working together on the District packets. Details will be in the next newsletter so save the date! And I hope you are all planning on attending the Conference! The November General Membership Meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel on our regular meeting date of November 12th.

Plans are underway for the Holiday Party in December so look for details in the next newsletter.

The next Membership Committee meeting will be at 6 pm on Monday, Sept. 21st, at Linda Rhea's house.

-Kate L and Dottie J

DON'T FORGET!

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October General Meeting

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September Meeting

When:	Thursday, September 10, 2009 5:30pm – 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:	Judy McNerny and Carroll Allen
Inspirational	
Moment:	Diane Twining

RESERVATIONS:

Please RSVP to Kate Linscott, at 303-520-8136 (cell) or clinscott14@msn.com by Monday, September 7th at noon.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM: *Tools to Produce Results*—Elizabeth Suarez

Elizabeth empowers individuals and teams with essential tools to produce measurable results. She will help us understand today's marketplace realities and enable us to prepare for tomorrow's likelihoods. She is a talented and experienced communications professional who directs her well-developed skills set to key problem-solution scenarios. A Puerto Rican native, Elizabeth will help us plan how to succeed in today's competitive environment. In addition to her work and other community service Elizabeth is currently Secretary to the Girls, Inc. board.

An amazing speaker so be sure to bring a guest!

Permanent

Reservations

Should your name be listed here?

Carroll Allen Evie Ashmore Judy Bederman Mary Benoit Cathy Conley Sheila Davis Sheila Davis Pam Dumonceau Nikki Headlee Vuthia Herndon Kathy Hyzer Dottie Jenkins Kate Linscott Judy McNerny Wendy Moraskie

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Beth Mundell

Linda Rhea

Dorothy Swindt

Joetta Williams

Remember to call if you can't come, otherwise you will be billed for the dinner.

Reservations

• For each general dinner meeting, please remember to call if you aren't on the permanent reservation list. Because we are charged for the number we guarantee, we have to bill anyone who makes a reservation (or forgets to cancel a permanent reservation) but doesn't come to the meeting.

• If you plan on coming to every meeting—why not add your name to the permanent reservations list?

• If you are on the permanent list but tend to forget to call and cancel—why not take your name off the list?

• Please call Kate L or Dottie J, Membership Co-Chairs, with your request to be added or deleted!

Happy Birthday September babes

Lily Tomlin—Sept 1 Pam D—Sept 9 Sheila D—Sept 13 Agatha Christie—Sept 15 Liz C—Sept 22 Mindy C—Sept 22

Other member news-

Wendy's mom is ill. Let her know you are thinking about her, and what we can do to support her, during a difficult time. Marjorie is not able to attend many meetings and sorely misses her Zonta friends and involvement. If you have a chance to send a card or, even better, visit her, she would appreciate that.



Questions? Call 303-320-5056

www.warrenvillage.org

Mathias Lock & Key is a major sponsor of this event this year-how about a ZCD group going to this?

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ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION DISTRICT 10-2010 YA'LL COME! JUNE 25-30, 2010





San Antonio's Mission Trail links five 18th century missions established along the San Antonio River: San José, Concepción, San Juan, Espada and the Alamo. Combine going to the

Convention with a trek into early European-American

FROM THE ZONTA INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE

Amelia Earhart Fellowships

Did you know that Zonta International has awarded 1,262 Amelia Earhart Fellowships totaling \$7 million to women from 59 countries?

You can read about all of the 2009 fellows on the ZI website (click on Scholarships on the home page and go from there) but here are a few details about the *three* fellows, all Americans, who are working in the field of Aerospace Engineering at CU-Boulder.

Laura Beth Brower is continuing her studies in atmosphere/space boundary, including a planet's ionosphere and magnetosphere. This is important to the success of satellites and spacecraft, the interpretation of ground-based and remote-sensing observations and the transmission of certain types of

The Zontian

There is another reason to register on the Zonta International website—the *Zontian* magazine is available, in pdf, on the website. If you didn't receive communication. Laura also enjoys playing the flute, rock climbing and travel.

Christine Marilyn Hartzell is researching the dynamics of dust around asteroids. Her studies may enable scientists to protect spacecraft from the potential hazards of dust, as well as enhance scientific understanding generally and influence the development of technology. Christine likes horseback riding, dancing and learning languages.

Laura Ann Stiles is studying improvements in remote sensing for space imaging. She would like eventually to become a professor of aerospace engineering. Laura is learning Spanish and German and also enjoys skydiving, volleyball, broomball, and ultimate Frisbee. Ready to apply?

your copy for some reason, go to <u>www.zonta.org</u> and on the home page, click on the image of the *Zontian* cover. Presto—you can view the magazine online as if it were in your hands! Previous issues are also available in the archives.

DISTRICT 12 EVENTS

Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado

Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area

Youth With A Mission Strategic Frontiers

presenting

the Second Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Symposium

> October 10, 2009 8:30am - 4:00pm Youth With A Mission Campus 505 Pope's Bluff Trail Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

Lunch will be provided. Donations appreciated.

Featuring:

Nola Theiss Executive Director H. T. Awareness Partnership

Dr. Ann Janette Alejano-Steele Coordinator Polaris Project Lauren Croucher Human Trafficking Project Manager Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance

Phil Gazley Colorado Network to End Human Trafficking

RSVP: info@HT-Colorado.org

Please provide the following: Name: E-mail Address: Phone Number: Organization Affiliation: Victim Service Provider: Yes/No

Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado

- *Vision*: To end human trafficking, thereby reducing suffering and making our community safer.
- *Mission*: To build a collaboration of organizations and individuals to reduce human suffering caused by human trafficking, through advocacy, awareness, rehabilitation, and services for survivors.



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Zonta District 12 Conference The Zonta Club of Denver cordially invites you to Get the Zonta Buzz:

The Zonta Club of Denver cordially invites you to Get the Zonta Buzz with us at the 2009 District 12 Conference!

2 Conference Nights FREE at the Red Lion!

Register early for the full conference and BEE entered in a drawing for Friday and Saturday nights free at the Red Lion! Reserve your room now to lock in the Zonta rate. Winner will be notified in early October. October 30-November 1, 2009 Red Lion Denver Central Hotel 4040 Quebec Street Denver, Colorado 80216 (303) 262-7734 or (800) 733-5466 www.redlion.com

Program Highlights

Attire is business casual except where otherwise specified

Caring and Sharing

Thursday Night	<i>Spirited dinner for early arrivals—Kate's at 35th Avenue Restaurant</i> —\$25 per person (tax and tip included). RSVP on your registration form. Share a delicious meal with the D12 Board, Denver-area and other Zontians in a converted Victorian house decorated for Halloween		
Friday Afternoon Program	<i>Get the Zonta Buzz: Caring for ourselves</i> —Denver financial planner Carol Craigie-Williams and Regis University professor of finance Marilynn Force share ideas about how to take care of our financial lives and have more to share with others in a changing world <i>Get the Zonta Buzz: Sharing with others</i> —Help assemble 1,000 birthing kits		
Friday Night Fun	 First Time Attendees' Reception—Share the buzz with Lt. Gov. Kay Meyer, Area Directors, and other Zontians attending their first District Conference at a special, all-new, reception "Get the Halloween Buzz" Costume Party—BEE someone else for a night (costume optional but fun), enjoy a western buffet, win prizes for best costumes, and see a slide show about Colorado's Creepy Past—Colorado historian Thomas J. Noel 		
Saturday Lunch	<i>Too Buzzed? What to Do</i> —Dr. Michele Haney, President, Red Rocks Community College <i>Polaris Project Human Trafficking Update</i> —Dr. AnnJanette (A.J.) Alejano-Steele		
Saturday Afternoon Program	News from ZI —Zonta International Representative, Maria Victoria Vergel de Dios, Zonta Club of Mandaluyong in San Juan, Philippines, will bring greetings and updates from ZI Get the Zonta Buzz about Advocacy! Experts will share their passion for taking caring to the next level through advocacy; you will see Zonta advocacy in action and go Crazy about Dots!		
Saturday Night Black and Gold Zee Bee Ball	Ye be told:Come Zontians all, To the Zee Bee Ball. Ye Black & Gold, Young & Old, Shy & Bold, Hot & Cold, Rocked & Rolled,Yes, do come all to the District 12 Zee Bee Ball!	Black and Gold Zee Bee Ball—Get the Zonta fashion buzz: dress in black or gold or your choice of elegant attire The Legendary Ladies, "Purveyors of Women's History in the Old West"—enjoy portrayals of six unconventional women of the West, including temperance advocate Carrie Nation and suffragist Ellis Meredith	
Sunday Brunch	Awards, drawings, buzzing Zontians slideshow, resolutions, Call to 2010 International Convention in San Antonio, Texas, and District 12 Conference in Laramie, Wyoming		

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ODDS AND ENDS

ZONTIANS IN THE KITCHEN

Mary Benoit's Frog Eye Salad

1 c. sugar	2-20 oz. cans fruit
2 Tbsp flour	cocktail
$2\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt	2-20 oz. cans crushed
1 ³ / ₄ c. pineapple juice*	pineapple, drained
2 eggs, beaten	13 ¹ / ₂ oz. non-dairy
1 Tbsp lemon juice	whipped topping
3 qts water	or 2 c. heavy cream,
1 Tbsp salad oil	whipped
16 oz. Acini de Pepe	1 c. miniature
(or Soup-Macs)	marshmallows
3-11 oz. cans	(optional)
mandarin oranges	1 c. coconut (optional)
Combine sugar flour	nd one half teaspoon of

Combine sugar, flour and one-half teaspoon of the salt. Gradually stir in pineapple juice and eggs. Cook over moderate heat, stirring until thickened. Add lemon juice. Cool to room temp. Bring water, remaining salt and oil to boil. Add Acini de Pepe and cook at rolling boil until done. Drain, rinse, drain again, and cool. Combine egg mixture and Acini de Pepe; mix lightly but thoroughly. Refrigerate until chilled in airtight container. Makes 25 servings.

* Use juice drained from fruit. Refrigerate fruit overnight after draining.



Here is a picture of Mayan women with the first shipment of Zonta bags. **KEEP THE BAGS COMING TO MARY BENOIT!**

AWARDS

The Denver Post recently reported that Eileen M. Sharkey of Sharkey, Howes & Javer Inc., our financial adviser, has received the 2009 P. Kemp Fain Jr. Award from the Financial Planning Association (FPA). "The award recognizes an FPA member who has made outstanding contributions to the financial planning profession in the areas of service to society, academia, government and professional activities ... "

Eileen was also named Outstanding Woman in Business in the Professional category by *The Denver Business Journal* on August 27, 2009.

Congratulations to Eileen!

WOMEN'S ISSUES IN THE NEWS

Nicholas Kristof's July 29 New York Times column highlights the lack of attention paid globally to maternal health. "If men had uteruses, 'paternity wards' would get resources, ambulances would transport pregnant men to hospitals free of charge, deliveries would be free, and the Group of 8 industrialized nations would make paternal mortality a top priority," he says.

However, on his blog post of the same day Kristof also reports that The U.N. Population Fund is beginning to pay attention to maternal health and not just to family planning. For example, "fistula has gained more attention." Kristof states that "during World War I, more American women died in childbirth than American men died in war. Then, after women's suffrage became a reality, maternal mortality fell sharply. It seems that when women were accepted fully into the political system, then resources were also made available in the health system."

Zonta Club of Denver August Dinner Meeting Liz's Garden 8/13/09

During the social hour members of Zonta Denver II talked about their fundraiser at Mr. Biggs at 9760 Coal Mine Road in Littleton on Friday, 8/21, from 4 to 9 pm. They are selling discount passes/vouchers for this event and the passes are good for a year (until 8/21/10). Denver II members will be at the front door of Mr. Biggs on the day of event.

Call to Order was at 6:45 pm by President Beth Mundell and she introduced guests Anna Stebbins, singer Patsy Cline, Marsha Stevens, Sue Kruger, and Jennifer Thomason.

Mary Benoit introduced our 2009 Jane Klausman scholarship winner, Porsha Ridl and presented her with a check for \$1,500. Porsha, a senior in Marketing at Regis University, hopes to finish her degree in December.

Beth asked for approval of the July minutes. Joetta Williams presented the motion and Diane Twining seconded the motion – the July minutes were approved as submitted.

The finance report was tabled until September as Treasurer, Nikki Headlee was out of town and Co-Chair Sheila Davis was unable to also unable to attend the August meeting.

Committee Reports -

Membership – Kate Linscott announced the September dinner meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel on Quebec. The October meeting date is changed to October 22nd and it will be held at Sheila Davis' home. Last minute items will be handled that evening for the District Conference.

Service – Mary Benoit briefly explained the Delores Project which is the 3rd Sunday of each month. Members cook dinner and serve it to 50 to 60 homeless women. Sign-up sheets for Sept. & Oct. were passed. Mary announced the next service committee is next Thursday, 8/20, at 6 pm in her office on Delaware St. Julie Bradley reported the annual bell-ringing for the Salvation Army will be held at Park Meadows Mall on the first Saturday in December – details to follow later.

Fundraising - Kathy Hyzer indicated the Denver

Film Society is excited to work with our club on the film festival which will be in March. Initial meetings have gone well and possible films will be looked at soon. There will be a film presented at the Women in Film event at Starz on Sept. 3rd a Thursday evening. *Playground*, a great film on human trafficking will be shown – admission \$25. There will be a discussion and reception following the film featuring Libby Spears (*Playground* Director) and Amanda Finger (Director of the Polaris Project). If a number of Zontians attend, they will introduce us and talk about Zonta. E-mail Beth if you want to attend.

The wine tasting fundraiser at Solera turned out to be the biggest one of the summer and they will let us do it again next summer.

PR – Wendy Moraskie reported the committee is working on a strategic plan for the club. PR will put together a package for each event so other committees will then have a publicity "template" to guide necessary publicity for future events.

The 2009-2010 budget was presented by Judy McNerny in the absence of the Treasurer. Judy discussed one change that took place after previous Board approval and then asked for club approval – Jacki Sammons 2^{ad} the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Beth presented Z Bee pins to Barb Pellegren and Carroll Allen. Barb's diligent work on financial affairs over the last year is greatly appreciated. And Carroll's work on all the club's "minutes" is appreciated, too.

Minnie Lundberg brought the door prize and it was won by Judy Bederman.

Cathy Conley reported "can tabs" can be saved and used to help defray the cost for families with sick children to stay at the Ronald McDonald House. Talk to Cathy regarding this project.

Beth announced the next board meeting will be on 8/27 at Mary's office on Delaware.

All business having been concluded the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Carroll Allen, Secretary

MORE COMMITTEE NEWS

SERVICE

COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the Service Committee will be on Thursday, September 17th, at Mathias Lock & Key, 1123 Delaware Street, starting at 6 pm.

SERVICE HOURS

It is important for our reputation as a service club to report all service hours. These hours are reported at District Conferences and International Conventions and we want the Zonta Club of Denver to stand proud in our contributions of time and talent to our local service projects.

When working on or for a Zonta-sponsored service project service hours include time spent in:

planning (meetings)	wrapping
shopping	ringing
preparing	speaking
travel	selling
serving	mentoring

Projects Approved by Club to Date

American Cancer Society Bonfils Blood Center Center for Work Education and Employment (CWEE) Conflict Center Delores Project Denver Kids/Teen Moms Dress for Success Ethics Committee of the Colorado Bar Association Excelsior Youth Center Gathering Place Hewyet Ethopian necklace sales Hope Communities Imagination Library Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Lupus Foundation of Colorado Metropolitan Denver Homeless Initiative RAAP Race for the Cure Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic Rocky Mountain Parents as Teachers Rocky Mt. Public Broadcasting System (RMPBS) Ronald McDonald House Salvation Army Samaritan Counseling Center Santa Shop Seniors Inc. Women's Bean Project Work Options for Women

And please, if you volunteer for an organization not on the list check with the Service committee. Your organization may meet the criteria.

—Barb P

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

THE DELORES PROJECT

As most of you know the Zonta Club of Denver has been preparing and serving meals to the ladies at the Delores Project for about three years. We will continue to do so but the time has come to do more.

I requested a detailed list of wants and needs and received a three-page email.

We will start slow. It was suggested that members bring specific items for the ladies at The Delores Project to

monthly meetings. Currently they are very low on beverages. Please bring coffee, tea, drink mixes such as crystal lite or cocoa to the club meeting on September 10th.

I know the ladies appreciate it. I tried to imagine starting a day without coffee or tea and knew I could commit to making sure that the ladies at The Delores Project start their days out on a positive note.

-Mary B

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

The mission of Dress for Success is to advance lowincome women's economic and social development, and to encourage self-sufficiency through career development and employment retention. The program accepts gently used business attire for participants to wear to job interviews and work.

The Service Committee would like to make donations to Dress for Success a quarterly event, **starting with the September meeting.**

The following is a list of acceptable donations:

business suitshandbagsblousescostume jewelryslacksscarvesjacketsnew or lightly worn shoes

Please keep in mind that the clothing must be:

- on hangers
- in season (fall and winter starting in September)
- in style (within the last five years)
- in excellent condition
- clean

The current Wish List includes white button down shirts in all sizes, shoes, black slacks in sizes 16-26 and handbags.



Let us know what you think. If club members support this idea, the next collection will be spring clothes at our January meeting.

—Cathy C

FUND RAISING

WOMEN+FILM is a program of the Starz FilmCenter that shows films by, for, and about women.

Kathy H heard about the screening of this film about trafficking of children for commercial sexual exploitation in North America. She bought a block of tickets, making the Zonta Club of Denver a collaborating partner in this screening. We will be introduced and can hand out brochures.

This will give us the opportunity to get the word out about **OUR future film event** to a group of people who will now know ZCD is having a film event next year that they will want to attend. Amanda Finger from Polaris Project, one of our grant recipients, will be speaking.

This is the PERFECT pre-marketing plan EVER. Call Kathy first; if she has sold all the tickets she purchased, go to <u>www.denverfilm.org</u> and click on WOMEN+FILM to buy tickets.

—Beth

PLAYGROUND A film by Libby Spears

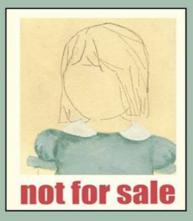
Please join us for a special Women+Film presentation with director Libby Spears in person.

September 3 at 7 PM Starz FilmCenter at the Tivoli (9th & Auraria)

General admission: \$25.00 Denver Film Society members: \$20.00

Tickets are limited. Reserve in advance at www.denverfilm.org

An undercover look at the U.S. sex trafficking trade



Filmmaker Libby Spears went undercover to infiltrate brothels in South Korea and Thailand. She held first hand interviews with victims, their pimps, and their abusers. She mapped the trafficking routes of the sex tourism industry and charted the commerce fueled by the purchase and sale of minors. What she was astonished to find was the involvement of the United States in this growing industry and the degree to which the U.S. is influencing the global demand and growth of the sex trafficking trade.

This is where PLAYGROUND begins.

A reception and discussion with Libby Spears and Amanda Finger, director of the Polaris Project, will follow the film.

Please contact Arpie Chucovich (303-589-9559) or Ali Greenberg (213-268-0030) with questions.





A year round program featuring films by, for, and about women Presented by Barbara Bridges. Sponsored by Caz Matthews and the Women+Film founding members



P.O. Box 2665 Denver, Colorado 80201

We're on the Web! Visit us at www.zonta-denver.org

Sept 9th	Pam D's birthday
Sept 10th	General Meeting—Doubletree Hotel, 3203 Quebec Street
Sept 13th	Sheila D's birthday
Sept 17th	Service Committee meeting—Mathias Lock & Key, 1123 Delaware
Sept 21st	Membership Committee meeting— Linda R's home
Sept 22nd	Liz C's birthday
Sept 22nd	Mindy C's birthday
Sept 24th	Board Meeting—Mathias Lock & Key, 1123 Delaware
Oct 22nd	General Meeting—Sheila D's home
Oct 30—Nov 1	District Conference in Denver!
Nov 12th	General Meeting—Doubletree Hotel, 3203 Quebec Street

Upcoming Calendar Events-Save the Date!

Nov 26th	Thanksgiving
Dec 10th	Holiday Party/General Meeting
Dec 25th	Christmas
Jan 24th (tentative date)	Amelia Earhart Brunch
Jan 14th	General Meeting
Feb 11th	General Meeting
Mar 11th	General Meeting
April 8th	General Meeting
April 10th (firm date)	Area 3 Meeting
May 13th	General Meeting
June 25th—30th	International Convention