



Zonta Club of Pikes Peak Area

Member of Zonta International

Zonta International & the United Nations

Zonta International service has been closely linked with the United Nations since Zonta expressed support for the fledgling UN in 1946. As an international non-governmental organization (NGO), Zonta brings women's concerns to the UN, suggests solutions, draws public attention to issues and encourages its members to participate at the local level.

Zonta maintains representatives of its United Nations Committee at UN sites in Geneva, New York, Paris and Vienna. Committee members attend UN conferences, and UN agency, committee and commission sessions.

Accredited NGOs, like Zonta, participate in these sessions by providing written statements and oral presentations on issues being considered. NGOs also may organize panels relating to the general debate.

UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

Since 1985, Zonta has had general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), one of six principal bodies carrying out UN work.

ECOSOC is responsible for two-thirds of UN programs, in particular, those concerned with economic issues such as trade, industrialization

and development, as well as social issues such as women's rights, children and social welfare. ECOSOC makes recommendations on how to improve education and health conditions and to promote respect for and observance of the human rights and freedoms of people everywhere.

Commission on the Status of Women

One of nine functional ECOSOC committees, the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is the leading policymaking body concerned with women's rights and the equal status of women. Since 1946, the CSW has convened an annual conference, now attended by thousands of women worldwide, to discuss issues of paramount concern for women.

Department of Public Information

Zonta is one of many NGOs associated with the United Nations Department of Public Information because of its strong programs on issues of concern to women. The UN provides NGOs access to information and materials and the NGOs agree to disseminate information to their membership.



Status of Women Information

http://www.zonta-district12.org/pp_status/status200702/StatusofWomenMain.htm



From Around the World
 Courtesy of Lee O.
 Status of Women Committee
 Don't miss this in-depth resource regarding current information about women around the world!
 Included in the Asia/Pacific section:
 Three Female Trekkers to Scale Mt. Everest in May
 [GMA news.tv, Philippines] It's now the turn of Filipino women climbers to scale the 29,035-foot Mt. Everest. The Philippine Coast Guard said three Coast Guard officers will to duplicate the feat of

three male climbers to reach the world's highest peak in May last year: Heracleo Oracion, Erwin Mata and Romy Garduce. Oracion became the first Filipino climber to scale Mt. Everest on May 17, followed by Mata on the 18th and Garduce on the 19th. Incidentally, Oracion and Mata are both from the Philippine Coast Guard. In May this year, Coast Guard chief Vice Admiral Carlos Damian said Noelle Wenceslao, Carina Dayondon and Janet Belarmino will join the Mt. Everest Expedition. All three have the rank of seamoman first class.

Musings of a Past President

1992-1994 by Rosalie D

*"Men, their rights,
 and nothing more;
 women, their rights,
 and nothing less."*

– Susan B. Anthony

This was a very important time for the Colorado Springs Zonta Club and the Pikes Peak Area Zonta Club as we became one club. When we voted for officers, we made sure that both clubs were represented. It didn't take long until we got to know each other and to realize that we would become stronger because of the merger.

Our meetings were held at the Penrose Library in one of their conference rooms and we took turns bringing in refreshments. The meetings were informative and we had some wonderful speakers. In January of 1993, we had a presentation about career dressing. We also started our tradition of the International potluck where each member would bring a covered dish from a country she selected, and would tell about the status of women there. We also established the "Zontian of the Year" award. I had the honor of being a recipient of the award in 1994. Our membership was approximately 17 and our goal was to add 3 new members each year. Our fund raising projects included sales of wonderful fresh nuts from California headed up by Pat Kosley (sound familiar?), and a bake sale, and we followed a tradition of the Colorado Springs Club to have a Fashion Show at the Broadmoor in the Penrose Room.

Phyllis Z., our Amelia Earhart Chair set up a day on 1/13/1994 at the Air Force Academy where 14 of the members had a chance to learn and experience flight training simulators. We lived through the experience and had a great time.

We were involved in a test study for AAUW's task force called, "Girls Count" which was gathering statistics on how girls perceive themselves. It was endorsed by Zonta International. And yes, we did have lots of fun at our meetings. Liz presented the "ZIPPER" and just as we do today, we had many laughs and "hugs" a long with our serious conversations on how we could do more to improve the status of women throughout the world.



Featured Link of the Month

Council of Europe

<http://www.coe.int/>



“Zonta” is derived from a Lakhota (Teton Dakota), a language of the Native-American Sioux peoples, word meaning honest and trustworthy. It was adopted in 1919 to symbolize the combined qualities of honesty and trust, inspiration and the ability to work together for service and world understanding.

Quotation of the Month

"My wish isn't to mean everything to everyone, but something to someone."

-Javan, Iranian born American inventor

Dates to Remember

- March 19, 2007 General Meeting 5:00pm Giuseppe's Old Depot Restaurant
Speaker, Melanie Lindsay-Brisbini TESSA
- March 31, 2007 Area 3 Meeting Denver Club
- April 14, 2007 Area 1 Meeting Pierre-Fort Pierre
- April 21, 2007 Area 4 Meeting Lamar
- April 28, 2007 Area 2 Meeting Cheyenne
- Sept 29–30, 2007 District 12 Conference Spearfish, SD
- June 28–July 3, 2008 59th Zonta International Convention
Rotterdam "Global empowerment through local action."



Zonta Founders.



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"ADVANCING
THE
STATUS
OF
WOMEN
WORLDWIDE"



Zonta International
Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

Our Mission...

To advance the status of women and serve our community through local and international contributions, and to achieve personal and professional growth in a nurturing and supportive environment.

About Our Organization...

The Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area has been serving our community since 1949 by advancing the status of women. Our club has devoted funds to scholarships for women returning to the workforce as well as to high school seniors seeking to further their education in Public Affairs or Aeronautics and other highly technical fields. Many funds as well as hands-on service hours and mentorships have been dedicated to TESSA, Intercept, Full-Circle, and support of the locally-placed Liberian refugees.

We're on the Web!

www.zontadistrict12.org/pikespeak.html

Member Information

Nearly 33,000 members belong to more than 1,200 Zonta Clubs in 68 countries.

Fulfilling our mission locally and globally.

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