



# Zonta Zephyr

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## Zonta Club of Pikes Peak Area

*Member of Zonta International*

### 2008 Glass Slipper Ball

**ZONTA raises funds for local and global service projects!**

Women's equality is not yet a reality. Women worldwide face systemized discrimination - they lack opportunities to live healthy lives, free from legal, social, economic and political inequality. Zonta International empowers women to overcome barriers to their equal human rights through its International Service Projects funded by the Zonta International Foundation.

**\$3500** was donated to our international service projects which, this year include:

**CARE INTERNATIONAL** Mata Masu Dubara (Women on the Move)  
Microcredit and Health Education for HIV/AIDS -Affected Women in Niger

In sub-Saharan Africa, 57% of adults with HIV are women, and young women 15 to 24 are more than three times as likely to be infected as young men.

Globally, more than 80% of women do not have sufficient knowledge about HIV/AIDS and many women do not have the power to say no to sex with an infected partner.

**AFGHAN INSTITUTE OF LEARNING (AIL)** Developing Community-based Efforts to Educate Afghan Women and Girls **PROJECT FOCUS: Women's Education and Health**

About 530,000 women die annually in pregnancy or during childbirth, mainly due to lack of access to health care.

**CARE INTERNATIONAL** Education and Leadership for Girls and Young Women in Bolivia **PROJECT FOCUS: Women's Education, Health, and Economic Self-Sufficiency**

More than 59 million school-aged girls are not in school and female illiteracy rates remain higher than men.

**UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (UNIDO)**  
Support for Revival of Rural Community-based Self-Help Initiatives in Sri Lanka **PROJECT FOCUS: Women's Economic Self-Sufficiency**

**\$2500** was donated to another of our international initiatives:

**ZISVAW - Zonta International Strategies to Prevent Violence Against Women PROGRAM**  
**GOAL: Reduce the incidence of violence against women and girls by supporting prevention and advocacy strategies locally and internationally.**

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## Victory Boxes

The Victory Box project was a great success. Pam S. picked up the boxes that we filled with goodies for the soldiers in Iraq to hand out to the children. Many Zontians responded with generous money and gifts for the boxes. A big thank you to all! Those that attended the actual "stuffing" of the boxes were our hostess, Shannon R., Laura S., their husbands and Laura's two boys (we put everyone to work!), Helen S., Karen G., and Pat D. We filled 14 boxes. Way to go.

It was very satisfying to visualize our soldiers making many children happy with our gifts of toys, school supplies, underwear, socks and candy.



*"Men, their rights,  
and nothing more;  
women, their rights,  
and nothing less."  
– Susan B. Anthony*



## District 12 Conference



From the 2007 District 12 Conference in Spearfish, SD

The Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area will host the Annual District 12 Conference October 3-5, 2008 at the Crowne Plaza hotel on South Circle Drive in Colorado Springs.

Plan to attend! Registration and schedule information will be available soon.

### Josephine G. Cook (1931-2008)



Betty E. Josie Cook and Fran S.

Josephine G. Cook died on March 4, 2008. In 2000, "Josie" attended the District 12 Conference in Colorado Springs where she spoke to the assembled Zontians and participated in the Big Zipper contest. "Josie" Cook was Past International President (1996-1998) and instrumental in the formalization of Zonta International Strategies to Prevent Violence Against Women (ZISVAW).

## Featured Quotation and Link

*"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle."* - Philo

Polaris Project – For a World without Slavery: <http://polarisproject.org/>  
Under "Local Programs" see "Colorado"



## Zonta Service Projects

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**\$1000** was donated to one of our international scholarships:

### **AMELIA EARHART FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM:**

The Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowships were established in 1938 in honor of Amelia Earhart, famed pilot and member of the Zonta Clubs of Boston and New York. The Fellowships are made annually to women pursuing graduate PhD/doctoral degrees in aerospace-related sciences and engineering.

**\$8500** was donated to:

**TESSA, A Community Without Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault FOCUS:** Create a program of Life Skills classes for the women living in the Safe House.

**\$1000** to:

**YOUNG WOMEN IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS SCHOLARSHIP:** Recognizes a young woman's (age 16 – 20) commitment to the volunteer sector, volunteer leadership achievements and dedication to the advancement of the status of women.

## Dates to Remember



June 2, 2008	5:30 PM Board Meeting Caspian Café
June 6-8, 2008	Transitional District 12 Board Meeting
June 16, 2008	General Meeting Location: Youth with a Mission Garden of the Gods <u>Fellowship:</u> 5:00 PM <u>Dinner:</u> 5:30 PM
June 27-July 2, 2008	Zonta International Conference Rotterdam
September 20, 2008	Nola Theiss Presentation
October 3-5, 2008	District 12 Conference, Crowne Plaza Colorado Springs
March 7, 2009	Third Annual Glass Slipper Ball

**\$1000** to:

**THE WOMENS RESOURCE AGENCY OF COLORADO SPRINGS Intercept PROGRAM** Mission: The InterCept Leadership & Mentoring Program exists to empower young women (8<sup>TH</sup> grade) to develop the skills and courage to make healthy life choices. InterCept does this by encouraging young women to realize their value so that they create positive life changes that reach their peers and community.

**\$500** to:

**THE WOMENS RESOURCE AGENCY OF COLORADO SPRINGS** Our mission is to help women of all ages attain and maintain self-sufficiency. We do this through individual planning & consultation, classes, groups, a career corner, a school program and more.

**\$500** to:

**THE ZONTA CLUB OF THE PIKES PEAK AREA PROJECT** to support a grassroots effort to educate the public about human trafficking happening locally, to create and maintain a list of active resources for law enforcement to provide much needed services to trafficked victims, to advocate on all levels for the humane treatment of trafficked victims and the prevention of trafficking in the future.

More than 2 million girls between the ages of 5 and 15 are trafficked, sold or coerced into prostitution each year. *UNFPA*

Every year an estimated 4 million women and girls are bought and sold worldwide.



Kris Wells Scholarship recipient,  
Vivian Chow (second from left).



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"ADVANCING  
THE  
STATUS  
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### ***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.

During the May, 2008 General Meeting, Area 4 Director Susan S. inducted the new officers for the coming biennium.

### **Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area / 2008-2010 Officers**

Laura S., President  
Pam S., Vice-President  
Diane R., Treasurer  
Sonya B., Secretary  
Rosalie D., Director  
Patti D., Director  
Liz G., Sharon R., Shannon R.,  
Nominating Committee



### **Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area Foundation Board**

Betty E., Diane R., Betty H., Helen S., Kathy F.



May 19, 2008

Laura S. and Rosalie D.  
presenting \$8500 to TESSA  
representative for use in the  
Life Skills program.



**Zonta International**  
*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

### **We're on the Web!**

**ZontaPikesPeak.org**

### **Member Information**

Nearly 33,000 members belong to more than 1,200 Zonta Clubs in 66 countries.

**Fulfilling our mission locally and globally.**

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