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Opening doors to the Zontians

who will carry on

INTERNATIONAL



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Zonta International Launches New Web Site



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Bylaws, Manuals, Policies, Forms

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Zonta International Advocacy

Zonta International's service and advocacy projects have been closely linked with the United Nations - the foremost organization in the world working for women's rights and the advancement of women - since Zonta first expressed support for the fledgling UN in 1946.

As an international NGO (non-governmental organization), Zonta collaborates with the UN, its agencies and NGOs who share similar objectives to address issues affecting women's rights and to effect positive change and improve the status of women worldwide. Zonta brings its concerns to the UN, suggests solutions, draws public attention to issues and encourages the political participation of its members at the community level.

Advocating for policies and legislation that address violations of women's rights and improve the lives of women in their local communities and around the world is an integral part of Zonta's activities at every level. Zonta International participates in the 16 Days of Activism and supports the ratification of CEDAW (the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women) and encourages all Zonta clubs, Zontians and friends of Zonta to do the same.

Zonta maintains representatives of its United Nations Committee at UN sites in Geneva, New York, Paris and Vienna where 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 may also organize panels relating to the general debate.

Zonta International is recognized as having general consultative status with the United Nations and participatory status with the Council of Europe. Zonta's consultative status and NGO affiliations with different UN funds and agencies include: New York

- * United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
- * United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)
- * United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)
- * United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)
- * Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- * Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)
- * Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)

Paris

- * United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- * UN NGO Committees and Working Groups

Vienna

- * NGO Committee on the Status of Women
- * NGO Committee on the Family
- * NGO Committee on Ageing

- * Human Rights Council
- * International Labour Organization (ILO)

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

Susan B. Anthony





















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March Membership Madness Meeting

Capitalizing on the momentum generated by the Glass Slipper Ball and the publicity surrounding it, our club moved forward with an event to further showcase who we are and what we do. Rather than focusing on a select group of potential members, we sought to cast a wider net to include all "friends of Zonta" and other members of our families, friendship groups and the general public who are simply curious about us. We exceeded our own expectations with an attendance of 45.

Part of that showcasing was to illustrate the fun and camaraderie that we experience as members as well as the serious nature of the issues that concern us. Each member and guest was registered and given a raffle ticket for door prizes that were awarded throughout the evening. Exhibits were stationed around the room representing our local and international service projects, the human trafficking efforts of ZONTA and the local task force and the Glass Slipper Ball fundraising event. A separate station highlighted the specifics of membership – our mission, our activities, the criteria for membership, the costs, etc. A cash bar was available so that guests could peruse the exhibits while enjoying a cocktail or glass of wine.

Tables for 10 were stationed around the room, each hosted by one or more ZONTA members. An enjoyable buffet dinner was served and table conversation was facilitated to further acquaint guests with one another and to answer questions about our club.

The best illustration of our mission was provided via our guest speaker, Penny from The Trampled Rose. Originated by Becky Kiser, a local woman, The Trampled Rose works in Ethiopia to support women undergoing surgery for obstetric fistula. She began with a simple intent to help a few women in thanks for the help she had received when she became ill while visiting Ethiopia several years previously. But once started, there was no stopping her. She now provides housing to women who often wait many months for their surgery, as well as education and training services to help them find a new place in their society after surgery. It is a perfect example of both local and international reach and a powerful message about making a difference in the lives of women.

The direct effect of this meeting has been the addition of two new members who are enthusiastic about our club. Additionally another three members have joined us within the past couple of months, and still another two are rumored to be waiting in the wings. We are very encouraged that all the elements needed for a dynamic organization are coming together thanks to the combined efforts of our members. We have exciting and meaningful service and advocacy efforts underway, an event that raises our name recognition and provides the funding for our mission initiatives and now membership in quantity and quality to advance our purposes without overburdening any or all of us.

It just doesn't get much better than this!!! -Sharon Roggy

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May 10	Board Meeting 5:30pm Panera
May 17	General Meeting 5:30pm Crowne Plaza
May 22	Zonta PPA Planning Retreat 9am-noon
June 7	Board Meeting 5:30pm *New Board
June 14	General Meeting 5:30pm Crowne Plaza

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60th ZI Convention, San Antonio TX

REGISTER: http://www.zonta2010.org/Registration.htm

September 30-

June 25-30

October 3 District 12 Conference - Laramie



ZI Convention in the USA!

June 25-30th 2010 Opening ceremony is June 26th. Make your plans for San Antonio!



http://www.zonta2010.org/

Area 4 Meeting a Success!



First Timers

See all the photos http://zontadistrict12.org/2010area4/

Zonta Club of the Pikes Peak Area

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"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 he 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 handson service hours and mentorships have been dedicated to TESSA. Intercept, Full-Circle, and support of the locally-placed Liberian refugees.

Find out more about Zonta:

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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