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#### March 2023

Welcome to the Pikes Peak Area Zonta Club Quarterly Newsletter, your source of information and inspiration throughout the Zonta Year!

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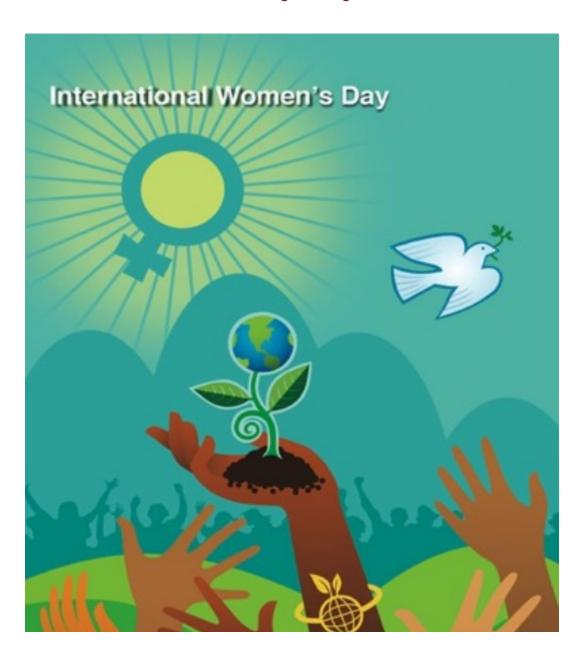
Get involved! Sign up for Zonta's Fast Action Friday!







Zontians, save the date! Our **District 12 Area 4 Meeting** will be on Saturday, April 22 in Colorado Springs! Arrive on Friday 4/21 to join us for a special dinner gathering!





Click to attend our International Women's Day Brunch Celebration!

#### **Together, Let's Celebrate IWD 2023!**

## Reserve your seat today for the 2023 International Women's Day Celebration in Colorado Springs!

We have more than 100 women joining us for this annual brunch celebration event!

If you've already purchased your tickets, thank you!!

The event will be held on Saturday, March 4, from 9:00am to 12:30pm at The Pinery At The Hill in downtown Colorado Springs.

The theme is:

#### "Gender Equality Today For A Sustainable Tomorrow"

Since the early 1900s, International Women's Day has been observed annually on March 8 to inspire women and celebrate their achievements. In Colorado Springs, we observe International Women's Day annually on the first Saturday in March. On this day, we take time to celebrate the power of women— our achievements, impacts, and commitment to gender equity here and around the globe!

Here's a brief intro to our speakers:

Simone D. Ross is CEO, CO Women's Chamber of Commerce, Denver, CO. She's a speaker for Economic & Leadership Equality for women today. Lucy Molina is an Environmental Advocate, TedX Presenter, and speaker for Environmental Equity, Commerce City, CO.

Allison Staley, MD, MPH, Gynecologic Oncologist, affiliated with the Sarah Cannon Cancer Institute at Swedish Medical Center. Speaker for women's health equity.

#### Click here

### for more information about our terrific speakers, special guests, brunch menu, and more.

Register now at this LINK - Space is limited!!

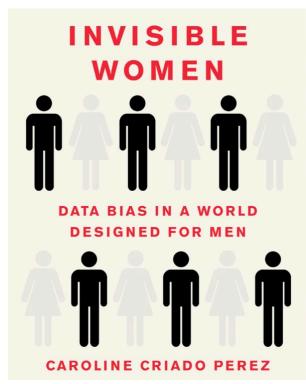
We welcome you to follow us at our Facebook page and website! International Women's Day - Colorado Springs Facebook page <u>LINK</u> International Women's Day - Colorado Springs website <u>LINK</u>

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#### GENDER EQUALITY TODAY FOR A SUSTAINABLE TOMORROW





Join us Sunday, March 19 at 7:00 pm for our next Online Book Club Event!

Invisible Women: Data Bias in a World Designed by Men

Caroline Criado-Pérez investigates the root cause of gender inequality, diving into women's lives at home, the workplace, the public square, the doctor's office, and more. This is the second selection of the Zonta Says NOW-District 12 movement, organized by the AEGE (Action for Environment and Gender Equality) committee. This chat is cosponsored by the grassroots Women's STEM Careers of Southern Colorado committee founded by Zonta Pikes Peak.

All are welcome to attend! Once you register, a Zoom link will be sent to you the morning of the event. Sign up at this <u>LINK!</u>

Image and book review at womenyoushouldknow.net

Click to attend our free online book discussion - All welcome!

#### WHAT IS ZONTA ABOUT?

by Pat Meyer

Zonta of the Pikes Peak Area (PPA) is one of over 1,100 clubs in 62 countries which make up Zonta International (ZI). At our February strategic goals meeting, Samantha Bruzan, our PPA Vice President, shared an outstanding presentation on the mission, structure and goals of ZI. It was helpful for many of our members, but particularly our newer members and guests, who learned that each biennium brings a new ZI President and new goals, but our mission and vision don't change—empowering women and envisioning a world in which women's rights are human rights.

ZI has identified the following five goals in line with our mission and vision for the 2022-2024 Biennium:

Stand Out for Gender Equity
Represent Global Citizenship
Develop Future Leaders
Celebrate Ourselves
Position Zonta for the Future

I will highlight one of the goals in each of five quarterly newsletters in this biennium, beginning with *Stand Out for Gender Equity*.

How can we *Stand Out for Gender Equity* as a club? ZI makes it easy by suggesting advocacy activities clubs can initiate to promote gender equity.

Some suggestions include: awareness building through public displays and demos; education sessions; petitioning to change laws and meeting with legislators; focusing on the workplace with initiatives around equal pay and women leading in board rooms and underrepresented industries; and elevating Zonta's presence and participation in the global conversation on women's rights.

Here's another ZI suggestion: Plan a community event for International Women's Day (IWD), partnering with other like-minded organizations and inviting partner organizations' members, community leaders and business owners. WE DO THAT! Saturday, March 4, 2023 is our 13th IWD event!\* Heartfelt thanks to those of our members who have faithfully participated in and led this amazing event which grows every year.

Zontians, look at the suggestions above and think about how our club can institute or re-institute many of them. Better yet, think of new ideas for us to *Stand Out for Gender Equity*. Let's align ourselves with Zonta International in order to meet this goal.

Next newsletter: Represent Global Citizenship.

\*Register for this year's IWD at the link at the top of this newsletter!

Zonta Pikes Peak 2022-2023 Internal Committees:

Bylaws ~ Fundraising ~ Membership ~ Programs ~ Public Relations

Scholarships ~ Service & Advocacy

In addition, we have founded these community outreach committees and programs:

Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado

International Women's Day - Colorado Springs

Women's STEM Careers of Southern Colorado

Zonta Wings

ZWIC (Zonta Women in Careers)

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Link to the Zonta of the Pikes Peak Area website

#### Zonta International Women in STEM Scholarship

by Susie Nulty

Zonta International presented 20 scholarships in 2019 and again in 2021 to Women in Technology (WIT). In 2022 the international membership voted to continue supporting this and expanding the program to include all STEM fields and allowing each Zonta District to submit one winner, so 31 District winners and one region winner will receive the ZI \$5,000 award.

I served on the 2021 WIT Scholarship Committee and was surprised at the number of world-wide applicants as all applications went directly to ZI. We had numerous meetings beginning in December 2021 with 7 committee members. There were committee members from Europe, Hong Kong, Texas, Uganda and other locals. One woman attended one meeting in bed as it was 3am at her location!

We reviewed 228 applications from 52 countries and the award was \$8,000. For many, the generous scholarship money would help them with their degree, their lodging and supporting their families. \$8,000 in some of the countries represented is a fortune. The 2021 winners were from Palestine, India, Jordan, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, the USA, Nigeria, Egypt, the Philippines and Mexico. It should make you proud to be a supporter of Zonta. YOU make an impact on women's lives all over the world. Bravo!



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I am proud to be a Latina woman involved in technology that is ethical, responsible and safe, ensuring that it positively impacts the lives of millions of citizens. ... I cannot express how grateful I am to Zonta International as well as to my mentors and professors for their invaluable support which was key to making this process come to fruition."

**Liliana Savage Pinto** 2021 Women in Technology Scholar



#### Interested in applying for the Zonta Women in STEM Scholarship?

The process begins by applying to your local club - if you live in the Colorado Springs area, Zonta Pikes Peak. Our award winner will then be sent on to District 12, and one District 12 winner will be submitted to Zonta International.

Application due date to Zonta Pikes Peak: May 31, 2023 Click this <u>LINK</u> to begin the process!

#### Read more about ZI Women in STEM at this LINK!

Follow the Women's STEM Careers of Southern Colorado at our Facebook page!

Our mission is to enlighten women in southern Colorado regarding careers and vocations in the disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

Stay tuned for 2023 activities! Click this LINK to follow us!

Wish to join us? This grassroots committee is open to anyone in the area!

Currently we are meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, at 6:30 pm, via Zoom.

Email us at info@zontapikespeak.org to learn more!



ISTRICT 12



#### **Zonta Says NOW - District 12**

Inspired by Zonta International's focus on how climate change impacts the lives of women and girls, and by the #ZontaSaysNOW campaign initiated by Zonta District 23 (Northern Territory, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia), we are working on climate issues in District 12 through our AEGE (Action for Environment and Gender Equality) Committee.

Visit our website at this LINK to access a wide variety of materials and links.

Follow us at this LINK on Facebook!

#### **#AEGE**

**Zonta D12 Action for Environment and Gender Equality** 

Read more about Zonta International and how climate change affects the lives of women and girls at this LINK.







# The Zonta Says NOW Think Tank consists of Zontians who are interested in progressing gender equality and climate action.

Think Tank members have online meetings via Zoom where they can exchange ideas and discuss what is happening at home and abroad about climate action.

Between them, members of the Think Tank provide the information for this website and explore ways to progress gender equality and climate action. We are all sharing our knowledge and experience – and learning by doing.

If you would like to join the Think Tank, please send an email to **Zonta Says**NOW so we can put you on the mailing list for the **Zoom** meetings.

Click this LINK to learn more and to view the May 7, 2023 Meeting

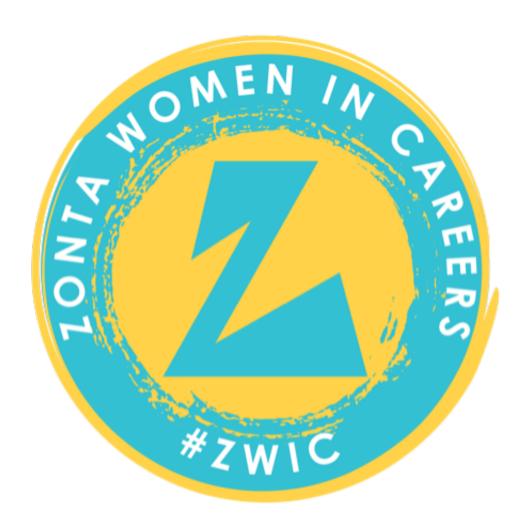
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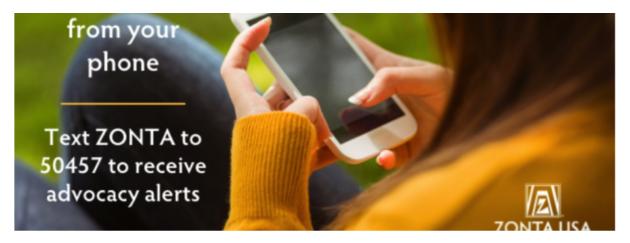
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Contribute to the Amelia Earhart Fellowship 85th Anniversary Fund



Click our #ZWIC logo to learn more about the workshops we offer! #ZontaEmpowers

**Build a Better World for Women and Girls** 



#### **USA CAUCUS GOALS**

- Encourage development, consideration and passage of appropriate legislation by the US Congress, its members and committees and by state legislatures.
- Take action in support of, or in opposition to, proposed or enacted legislation and executive orders and regulations that directly or indirectly impact the lives of women and girls.
- Promote women's representation in decision-making positions on an equal basis with men.

Click this LINK to follow the ZontaUSA Caucus

Make a difference every Friday:

TEXT ACTION FOR USA -TEXT "ZONTA" TO 50457 #FASTACTION

Click to learn more about Zonta District 12 Members and Events

Click to learn more about Zonta International

Email us regarding membership at info@zontapikespeak.org!









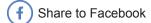
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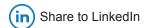
Links to the Facebook pages for Zonta Pikes Peak (1) and International Women's Day - Colorado Springs (2), plus Women's STEM Careers of Southern Colorado (3).











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