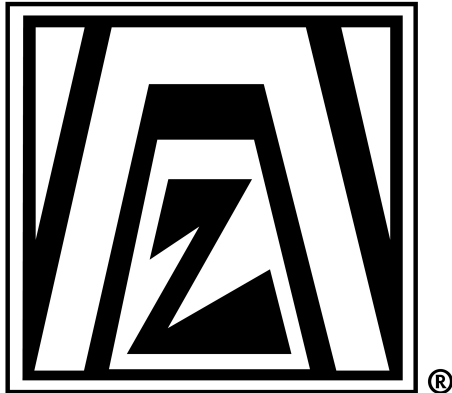


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EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY

Summer 2024 Quarterly Update

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

In this Quarterly Update:

Our 2024 Zonta Pikes Peak Award Recipients

Thank you to our Zonta Pikes Peak Members and Supporters!

Honoring a life well-lived: Betty Edwards, 35 Years of Service and Advocacy

Our Zonta District 12 to be honored at our 2024 International Convention!

Zonta Says NOW: Help us to collect thin plastics this month and year round!

Please consider helping us to raise funds for our good causes! If you own a business, we welcome gift certificates and goods for our online auction in the fall. Individuals are welcome to contribute, as well! Funds raised go towards our programs, scholarships, and service and advocacy. Email us at this [LINK!](#) Direct donations are also graciously received at our website: zontapikespeak.org. Thank you!





BUILD A BETTER WORLD FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

**Zonta of the Pikes Peak Area Foundation
is pleased to announce our fund recipients for 2024!**

Local Programs:

[Fostering Hope](#) is an enduring community of affirmation and support for local children and teens and their foster families. Our award, created to honor the life's work of our beloved #ZontaZister Shannon Rowan, goes towards helping young women moving from foster care into independent adulthood.

[The Haseya Advocate Program](#) is a Native woman-led organization that serves Indigenous survivors of domestic and sexual violence in the state of Colorado. Haseya empowers native survivors to overcome domestic and sexual violence by providing culturally sensitive and appropriate advocacy, including safety planning, access to resources, accompaniment, and problem solving.

[The Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado](#) works to prevent labor and sex trafficking through awareness and advocacy, and through intervening in the human trafficking cycle through collaboration with individuals, agencies and organizations. It also connects those impacted by modern-day slavery to restorative resources. The Task Force was founded by our beloved #ZontaZister, Betty Edwards, who passed away this spring. We support their

work through our Zonta Says NO campaign.

Our YWPA (Young Women in Public Affairs) award recipient is Meghan Taylor. The Young Women in Public Affairs Award recognizes women ages 16-19 for their active commitment to volunteerism, experience in local government, student government, or workplace leadership (paid or unpaid), and volunteer leadership achievements. Congratulations, Meghan! Learn more about this outstanding teen at this [LINK!](#)

[The Karen Possehl Women's Endowment](#) (KPWE) is a scholarship program at UCCS for non-traditional female students (age 25 and older) who have faced challenges completing their college education. These women are provided annual financial awards along with assistance with childcare and a volunteer community mentor, and professional development and career coaching. KPWE achieves a graduation rate of over 85% and has changed the lives of countless women in our community.

[The Leadership Pikes Peak-Signature Program](#) for women empowers participants to thrive through strength-based leadership, tapping into their true potential to make a significant impact in the community.

[Women Partnering](#) strives to improve the overall health and wellbeing of women and their children in the Colorado Springs community. The partnering approach focuses on empowerment and addressing the needs of the whole woman by creating concrete goals around economic sustainability, access to education, employment, access to health and behavioral health care and community connections.

Programs Overseas:

The mission of [Trampled Rose](#), founded by Colorado Springs' own Becky Kiser, is to keep Ethiopian girls from rural communities and small villages in school through college, providing each girl dignity, freedom, and love along the way.

The [Zonta International Rose Fund](#) supports our International Service Projects, which continue to help women in developing countries improve their legal,

political, economic, educational and health status. Current projects can be found in Peru, Madagascar, Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste, and past projects span the globe! We invite you to read more at the [zonta.org](https://www.zonta.org) website.



As we finish up our 2023-2024 Zonta Year, special thanks go to all our club members for their hard work, service and advocacy throughout the year, and to our officers, liaisons, and committee chairs:

Lisa Rice – President

Karen Malabre – VP/President Elect

Diane Riggs – Treasurer

Carmelita Hughes – Secretary

Samantha Bruzan – Development Director

Janet Stoddard – Director

Susan Saksa - Director

Foundation Board: Gail Kozhevnikov, Debbie Manzanares, Diane Riggs.

Marlene Rothzeit, and Sharon Roggy

And

Samantha Bruzan (District 12 Area 4 Vice Director; Scholarship)

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Liz Groothof Croddy (PR/Communications; Women's STEM Careers of Southern Colorado Committee; D12 Zonta Says NOW)
Gail Kozhevnikov and Marlene Rothzeid (Membership)
LuAnn Long (Programs)
Pat Meyer (Nominating Committee)
Susie Nulty (District 12 Webmaster; D12 Zonta Says NOW)
Jo-Ann O'Neil (Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado)
Lisa Rice (District 12 Leadership Development; International Women's Day - Colorado Springs Committee)

Friends of Zonta, consider joining our membership this year!
Email us at info@zontapikespeak.org to find out more!

Visit our Zonta of the Pikes Peak Area website!



Exciting news for our Zonta District!
We are so pleased to announce District 12 (serving Zonta in Colorado, Montana, South Dakota, and Wyoming) is one of three recipients of the Zonta Excellence in Service and Advocacy Award this biennium in

recognition of the hands-on opportunities for service and advocacy at the District 12 Conference. Winners will be announced on stage at our International Convention in Brisbane.

"Zonta International envisions a world where every woman can achieve her full potential, has access to all resources, is represented in decision-making positions on an equal basis with men, and lives without fear of violence."

Image: Zonta International President Ute Scholz - zontaclubwien1.org



Zonta PPA members Sharon Roggy and Pat Meyer, along with Susie Nulty, joined Betty Edwards for lunch in May 2024, where she was recognized for 35 years of membership in Zonta Pikes Peak.

Photo credit: Susie Nulty

Remembering Betty Edwards - a life well lived!

On behalf of Zonta Pikes Peak Area we want to express our sincere condolences to the family and friends of our dear Betty Edwards.

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At Betty's memorial service, members of our club and guests from all over Zonta District 12 participated in a Yellow Rose Ceremony in Betty's honor.

The yellow rose is Zonta's flower symbolizing friendship. Zonta is an international service organization that works to build a better world for women and girls.

Betty was inducted into Zonta PPA in February 1988. She served in all board positions, including as the Club President from 1990 – 92 and then as District 12 Governor from 2000 – 2002. Betty also founded the Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado and served as its chair for many years. Betty was so influential in our club that we voted to make her an honorary member for the last few years as a way to express our gratitude to her service over the years.

Zonta PPA President Lisa Rice led us in sharing many memories at the ceremony, as well as distributing yellow roses, and members of Betty's family invited all to choose a scarf from Betty's personal collection to remember her by. We also invited all present to view the book we had created in Betty's honor, filled with photos and memories, a copy of which is preserved at the Pikes Peak Library District, downtown.

Betty will be greatly missed, and her life's work and influence in our personal lives will continue to inspire us in the years ahead.

Discover the Human Trafficking Task Force of Southern Colorado

Learn more about our Zonta Says NO advocacy at this [LINK!](#)



SAY **NO**

TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN



[Click here to help us to collect thin plastics!](#)

Everyone in the Springs and nearby areas is invited to help us with our on-going service project, in collaboration with the Woman's Club of Colorado Springs!

Goals: To recycle thin plastics (see attachment for examples)
To increase awareness about thin plastics, and the harm they cause to our environment, and to reduce our dependency on them

How to help:

You'll need to weigh your plastics and email your totals each time you turn them in. You can weigh them at home or in the produce section at the store before turning them in. Email us at this [LINK](#).

When you take your bag of thin plastics into King Soopers, you can put it next to the box that most locations have for recycling plastic bags. If you don't see that recycle box, please take your bag to Customer Service. It's not necessary to write WCCS on it. The way we get credit is for you to email us the following information:

Your name

The date

The weight of your plastic(s)

The location (which King Soopers - street name is fine)

See examples of thin plastics in the image below. When we reach our goal, a third bench will be added to a location chosen by the Woman's Club of Colorado Springs!

Note: This is a year-round plastics drive - Please keep us in mind in the months ahead!

What can be recycled?

All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue.



Grocery bags



Bread bags



Bubble wrap



Dry cleaning bags



Newspaper sleeves



Ice bags



Plastic shipping envelopes



Ziploc & other reclosable food storage bags



Cereal bags



Case overwrap



Salt bags



Pallet wrap & stretch film



Wood pellet bags



Produce bags



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Your name

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OR THESE				
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The date
The weight of your plastic(s)
The King Soopers street location

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Check out the many books, articles, and more we've collected at our:

Zonta Says NOW! District 12 Resource Library

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!

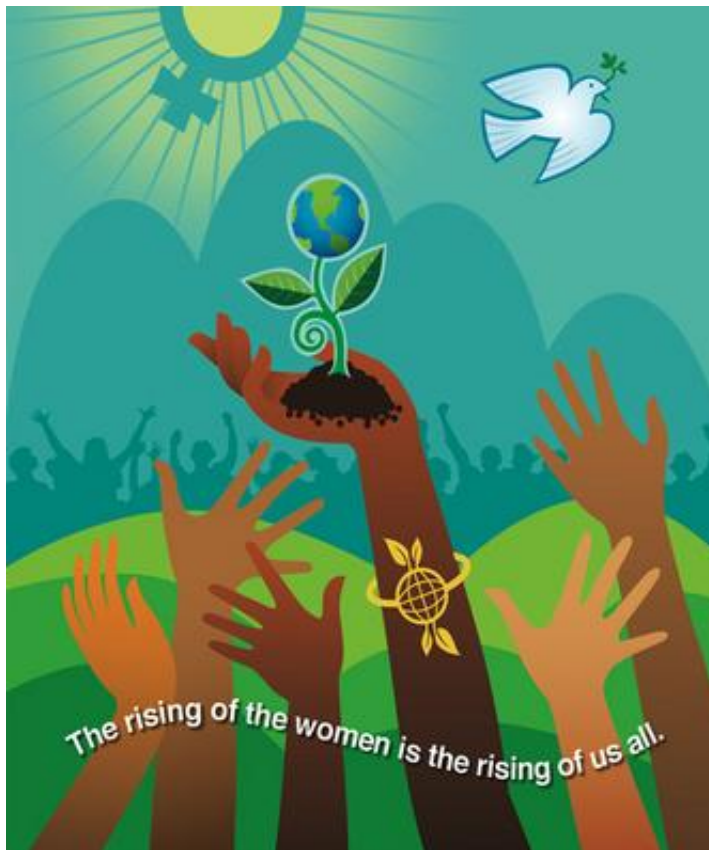
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Zonta D12 Action for Environment and Gender Equality



Colorado Montana South Dakota Wyoming





International Women's Day 2025 - Colorado Springs

Yes, we are already planning our next event - save the date for the first Saturday in March 2025!

Our 2025 Theme - *Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress!*

Check out our 2024 IWD event, past events, and more 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 2024 activities! Click this [LINK](#) to follow us!

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

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



Read more about ZI Women in STEM at this LINK!

Build a Better World for Women and Girls

Click to learn more about Zonta District 12 Members and Events


Click to learn more about Zonta International

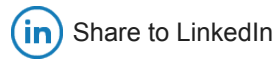
Email us regarding membership at info@zontapikespeak.org!

Below, from left to right:

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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