

Outreach

Area 2 Meeting—Special Edition

Governor's Message

March, 2010

The Area 2 Meeting was our kick-off Area Meeting for D12. The opportunity to interact with Zontians from within the Area is extremely uplifting and rewarding and the content of the presentations and discussions provides new ideas and next steps. Congratulations to the Zonta Clubs of Cheyenne, Converse County, Fort Collins, and Laramie for organizing and facilitating a Meeting full of fun, fellowship, and valuable information!

I highly encourage those of you in Areas 4, 3, and 1 to mark your calendar with the date of the Meeting in your area (see below). Your participation will be well worth the time and effort involved and will enable you to learn more about ZI, District 12, and your Area. Think about asking a

Zontian from your Club to attend your Area Meeting with you. Once you return, be sure to provide your Club an overview of the Meeting. Don't hesitate to sign up today!

Also, below are friendly reminders regarding the ZI Convention:

1. Have you registered for the 60th ZI Convention in San Antonio? I hope that you take the time to review the wonderful program and the ZI Convention website. Also, please note that Convention registration fees increase on April 1! <http://www.zonta2010.org/>
2. Remember that your respective clubs will want to select your club delegates for the ZI Convention during

one of your March meetings. From the ZI website ... Electronic Voting (for delegates): It is imperative for delegates to attend the Delegate Training Session on Saturday June 26 - please be sure to be here. We will be using small, state of the art electronic voting machines. While easy to use, delegates do need to understand the process so that business activities will flow effectively.

3. Finally, are you interested in purchasing some lens cloths to take to the ZI Convention as trade items? Check out this link and make your purchase as soon as possible! <http://www.zontadistrict12.org/lenscleaner.html>

Priscilla Romkema
D12 Governor

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Schedule of Remaining 2010 Area Meetings

Area 4 (Pikes Peak Area, Prowers County, Royal Gorge)
March 26-27
Area Director
Rosalie J. Dorland
Hosted by the Zonta Club

of the Pikes Peak Area
Area 3 (Boulder County, Denver, Denver II, Douglas County, Foothills Boulder County, Lakewood-Golden)
April 10
Area Director

Diane Twining
Hosted by the Zonta Club of Foothills Boulder County
Area 1 (Billings, Black Hills, Gillette, Glendive, Pierre-Fort Pierre, Southern

Black Hills, Spearfish, Sturgis Area)
April 30—May 1
Area Director
Tracy Manning-Egge
Hosted by the Zonta Club of the Southern Black Hills

2010 Area 2 Meeting Report

The 2010 Area 2 Meeting was held in Laramie, Wyoming, at the historic Laramie Plains Museum's Alice Hardie Stevens Center on March 12-13. The event started Friday night with a Pizza & Bunco Party. Nancy M. English, President, Zonta Club of Laramie, provided Bunco instructions, snacks and St Patrick's Day decorations to create a festive and fun night. Sixteen (16) Zontians with representation from Cheyenne, Converse County, Fort Collins, and Laramie vigorously rolled the dice and counted points. Shelia Davis and Kris Johnson were the winners!

Saturday our numbers increased to thirty (30) attendees. The weather cooperated and was perfect and made travel safe—soooooo different from last year's snow storm. The meeting was 'jam packed' with information. Nancy English welcomed all to Laramie and read excerpts from a book about famous women. Priscilla Romkema, D12 Governor, provided a very inspirational message on Zonta and why we do what we do. Kay Meyer, Lt. Gov. focused on membership, new committee alignment, and the completion of a member satisfaction survey. [It will be

**"How to be a SUPER Woman"
and "Leading Zontians to
Success."**

interesting to learn the results!] Denise LaRue updated all on the ZI Foundation, and Bev Morrow

described the importance of the nominating process at the International, District and Club levels. She also stressed that Area Meetings are extremely important. [One goal we all should try to achieve is increasing the number of club members attending this annual event.] Heidi Lukowski refreshed our knowledge of District and International scholarships and due dates for applications. Bev Morrow reported on the Cheyenne Z Club program "Get Mugged," and each Club president gave a five-minute report on the activities in their Clubs.

The main attraction of the Saturday program was two presentations by Mechelle Beddoe, a member of the Fort Collins Club, motivational speaker, and very busy mom, wife, and community volunteer who addressed "How to be a SUPER Woman" and "Leading Zontians to Success." Both presentations were humorous, informative, and encouraging. The audience participation was great and the animal herding exercise will linger in our memory forever. Hoink! Hoink! We were all amused with Kay, Priscilla and Bev's invitation to the ZI Convention in San Antonio. Nancy and Deedee Boysen are wondering whoooooo will come to Laramie for the District 12 Conference, September 30 to October 3, 2010.

All the Clubs had items such as aprons, tee shirts, vests, rose pins, lens cloths, etc. for sale. Also, each Club contributed items for a Silent Auction. Following tradition, proceeds from the auction will be

donated to the District 12 Scholarship Fund. The meeting ended at 3:00 pm, and all were provided cookies, water, and mandarin oranges for the trip home.

I personally want to thank all the D12 Board members, Club presidents, and the members that attended and especially the Zonta Club of Laramie for being such gracious hostesses. The two days were fun, and it was great to get to know our Zontian sisters and to share time together. Also, I want to take this time to say I have really enjoyed being the Area 2 Director. Thank you all for your support.

Patricia (Pat) Kiovsky
Area 2 Director (Laramie)

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Membership Matters

Many thanks to the Members of the Laramie Club who hosted both a fun & thought-provoking meeting! I was going to send a 'membership missive' to our Club Membership (OMC) Chairwomen, but since membership is a subject of importance to all of us, here is the **Matter** for all:

1. **D12 Membership Survey** – Input regarding your views & priorities is being gathered at each Area Meeting. I'm still working on 'survey monkey' to be able to send out a version to all, but your best bet for input is to *attend your area meeting*. The feedback **will be used** to guide the District for the coming biennium. The input from Area 2 Zontians included some intriguing guidance for District priorities; I'm really glad we're doing this!
2. **Club Membership Prizes** – The 'Lotto 600' prize was won by the Denver II Club. District 12 now has 605 members. The \$50 'Best Deal in Town' Prize' (for % new members) and the \$50 'Valued Member' (for % renewing members) will be based on the membership reports submitted through your club treasurer for May 31. Since

Zonta Clubs usually do not sign up new members for the last 2 months of the year, all **you** have to do is help to retain members from this year to next!

3. The **Area 2 Outreach (SOM) Committee** –Pat Kiovsky, Deedee Boyson, Marcie Woolworth, Kris Johnson, Sheila Davis & me– met for some very focused work right after the Area 2 Meeting. Plans are now in place to personally contact potential charter members to launch the **Greeley Club**. *Don't forget ... if you have a contact in Greeley, please let one of the above people know!*
4. **Member Recognition** at the Zonta International Convention—Recognition will be given to Zontians who have recruited two or more members. **Presidents**, please see the following link to find the e-form to submit: www.zonta.org/site/PageServer?pagename=mr_clubmembership HQ must receive the completed e-form by 15 April 2010.
5. **ZI Convention 2010** – We're headin' us up & movin' us out! At the Area 2 Meeting, the party **mooood** for San Antone

was building! Let me assure you a Zonta Convention is occasion you will remember fondly for the rest of your life. Make time in your life for one! Please **e-mail me** the following info if you are attending:

Club, Name, E-Mail, Cell Phone, Hotel, Roommate, Arrival & Departure Dates

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We send this info back to you so it is possible for us all to stay in touch during Convention.

All Zonta Districts will hold District Meetings, including the installation of the new District Board Members, on **Friday PM, June 25**. (We will also be trying to **corral** District 12ers for other camaraderie sometime that week—stay tuned on that!)

Happy St. Pat's & Spring!

From your District OMC Chair
Kay Meyer

<http://www.zontadistrict12.org/>