

Zontians Celebrate Birthdays:

- Kari Winter
Jan. 19
- Barb Ludwig
Feb. 2
- Marion King
Feb. 3
- Pam McPhee
Feb. 24

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO ALL!!**



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Together we CAN make a difference!

2011 was a busy and exciting year. For a small club, we sure accomplished a great deal last year. Our Beautiful Hat Tea Luncheon was a success and helped raise much needed funds for the clubs many service projects. The club also raised funds through the sales of nuts and jewelry and other fundraisers. Here is a sampling of what our club was able to achieve with the funds raised:

Advocacy & Awareness:

- Go Red for Women – participated in sharing awareness around heart disease at multiple events
- International Women’s Day – shared information on International Women’s Day and passed our Yellow Zonta roses to teachers at multiple schools

Service Projects:

- Domestic Violence – Coordinated a dinner, donated toys and made bags of personal items for the Women’s Crisis Shelter
- Transportation Assistance - Awarded a grant to the Jeffco Center for Mental Health to be used for transportation
- Adopt-A-Teacher – Awarded three grants to teachers in the Jefferson County Area to be used for special programs
- Grub Bag Distribution – Put together personal item bags for homeless girls who attend school in the Jefferson County area
- School Supply Drive – Collected and donated school supplies to the Action Center for families in need
- Women’s Clothing & Personal Item Drive – Collected Women’s clothing and personal items for the Action Center

Zonta Blessings,

Kari

Lori Backer, a former Zontian and past president of the Lakewood Golden Club passed away on January 3rd of this year of leukemia. Lori was a multitalented, unique lovely woman who fully put to use her technical, creative and artistic abilities. She brought much of her energy and creativity to our club. Lori was responsible for the formation and success of our Adopt-A-Teacher program. Her beautiful smile touched the hearts of those around her and is missed by all who knew her. Services for Lori will be held Feb. 4 at 10:00 am at St. James Presbyterian Church in Littleton.





Our “Adopted” Teachers

Congratulations to four outstanding Jeffco teachers who were awarded grants from the Lakewood Golden club as part of our “Adopt-a-Teacher” service program.

Linda Gamble and Brenda Bartel from Mulholm Elementary were selected for their efforts to organize a student council program in their school. This program will promote leadership skills in these students as well as a knowledge of how government works. They plan to take these student lead-

ers for a “Day at the Capital” tour at our state Capitol.

Darla Aragon from Stein Elementary received her grant for higher level reading materials for students in the Advanced Learning Plan program. There has been an increase in these advanced students but not enough materials to keep up with their learning ability.

Michelle Medintz, also of Stein Elementary, needed more resources to help her students transition to English language .



Adopt-a-Teacher Presentation at Stein Elementary



Celebrating Amelia Earhart Day



January 11 is Amelia Earhart Day.

This courageous and spirited woman is celebrated by Zontians for her groundbreaking achievements. A Zontian, herself, Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly solo over the Pacific ocean.

This year Area 3 clubs, including Lakewood Golden, celebrated Amelia Earhart’s ideals by joining together for a group service pro-

ject assisting at Project C.U.R.E. This organization’s mission is to identify, solicit, collect, sort and deliver medical supplies and services to the world. Getting to know Zontians from other clubs while providing a hand up was most rewarding.



“Wear RED Day”

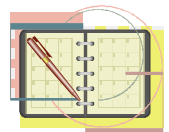
“Go RED for women” is a program of the American Heart Assn. to fight heart disease in women. **Feb. 3 is Wear RED Day** encouraging women to work together to promote heart health. Our club has provided the signature Red Dress Pins to members and friends for several years as a way of raising

awareness of this program. We have also promoted this program at other functions throughout the year.

This year we celebrate with a speaker from “GO RED” who will help us further raise awareness in our community of women for heart health.

ZONTA EVENTS:

- Jan. 11—Amelia Earhart Day
- Jan. 14 –Area 3 Service Project
- Jan. 17—Day at the Capital
- Feb. 3—National “Wear RED Day”
- March 24—Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
- Mar. 31—Area 3 Meeting
- May 5 - Beautiful Hat Tea
- July 7—July 12 International Convention in Torino Italy



Do You Know...Marion?



Marion Heads Up Our Beautiful Hat Tea

MARION KING is known and loved far and wide within Zonta. As a past District 12 president she has made many friends in the Rocky Mtn. west and as an attendee at several Zonta international Conferences.

This "southern lady" was born in Charleston, SC on Feb. 3rd. Her dad headed the Business Dept. at the Citadel and her mom was degreed in Home Ec and Nutrition. Marion has spent her career in Music Education with a Masters degree, teaching high school in Holly Hill SC and Syracuse NY. She directed and produced 9

Broadway musicals while in NY. Moving to Colorado with husband Frank the couple spent lots of time playing golf and enjoying life in the Rockies.

After 20 years of marriage she lost Frank to stomach cancer. Yet she has kept up a very active life filled with friends, golf, bowling, music and Zonta giving and sharing her spark and love of people. She participates in all Zonta functions and believes that Zontians should accept leadership roles "willingly and cheerfully".

Marion has a daughter, a grandson and 3 great grand-daughters.

THIS AND THAT...



Pancake Breakfast

MARCH 24 we will be serving a pancake breakfast at Applebee's Restaurant on S. Wadsworth Blvd. From 7:30-9:30. This will be our 2nd Applebee's Fundraiser. Tickets can be purchased from a L-G Zonta member or at the door for \$7.00.

Zonta Jewelry

Now available on our website:
<http://Zontadistrict12.org/lakewoodgolden.html>



(keychains, bracelets, necklaces, charms available)

Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV was the focus of our January meeting. Members and guests watched a video on the ZI service project in Rwanda, then made donations to Zonta International for this project. Governor Kay and guest Carole Poole attended as well

Jillann, an LG Zontian, currently living in Burundi will soon be visiting Rwanda and will have a first hand report on the status there.



Fun was had by all at our Holiday Party at Marion's house in Dec.

WANTED: A FEW GOOD WOMEN!!

We are proud of what we have been able to accomplish as a club since 1977.

This year we need your help. We are looking for like minded women in the Jefferson County area who are interested in making a difference in the community and worldwide through service and advocacy. If you are interested in hearing more about our club and membership opportunities, please email LakewoodGoldenZonta@gmail.com. You can also obtain more information about Zonta on our website at <http://zontadistrict12.org/lakewoodgolden.html>.

"It is the greatest of all mistakes to do nothing because you can only do little - do what you can!" ~Sydney Smith.