



# Zontabloid

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## Zontians Celebrate Birthdays:

- Debbie Bandemere May 10
- Emmy French May 27
- Joanne Warner June 21

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!!**



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## President's Message

As outgoing president I have mixed feelings. I am excited for our Vice President Bev to move into this exciting position and think she will be a great president. Over the past two years I have learned so much about Zonta and had the opportunity to meet some amazing women. The presidents meetings were very informative, allowed me to obtain some good ideas for our own club, share what our club is doing and has accomplished, hear about the awesome things other clubs are doing and make some lifelong friendships. As president you feel somewhat obligated to attend District and Area meetings. Now that I have attended both, I will try to attend as many as possible. These events are wonderful opportunities to expand your knowledge about Zonta, mingle and make friends with like minded women, be entertained, shop (at club Zonta stores) and hear from guest speakers that will touch your heart and change your life. At the Area 3 meeting we talked about some of the area and district accomplishments. As a district "WE" contributed over \$177,000 to local service projects, over \$70 to Zonta International projects, totaling over \$247,000 to local & international scholarship & service projects in 2010-2011. Isn't that fantastic? As a small local club, the Zonta Club of Lakewood Golden has accomplished a great deal over the year. Here is a summary of year's fundraising, service and advocacy accomplishments:

**Fundraising:** Two fundraising events (pancake breakfast & Beautiful Hat Tea) and selling our new beautiful Zonta merchandise (jewelry, badge ribbons), as well as the iGive URL ([www.iGive.com/ZontaFoundationLG](http://www.iGive.com/ZontaFoundationLG)) for online purchases King Soopers gift cards made it possible to fund our service projects.

**Advocacy:** Spread awareness on heart disease (Go Red for Women) though handout and distribution of free Red Dress pins. On International Women's Day yellow roses were given to over 100 female teachers.

**Adopt-a-Teacher Program:** Three grants were awarded to teachers at Stein and Moholm Elementary to assist with educational tools for their classrooms.

**TAZ:** an award of grants for transportation assistance for women at Jeffco Center for Mental Health and Family Tree

**Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA):** scholarship awarded to a very deserving young lady for her volunteer work and accomplishments in helping improve the lives of teenage girls.

**Grub Club:** help for homeless school girls in Jefferson county, bags are filled with personal items

**"Personal Items & Clothing Drive"** held to help women in need at the Action Center; Worked with area domestic violence shelter to provide personal items and toys to women and children

Zonta has become an important part of my life and I am honored and proud to be part of a community who work hard to make a difference in the lives of women and girls worldwide. ....Always remember!

Zonta Blessings,

Kari



# Our "YWPA" Award Winner !

**Dana Kiel** of Golden, Colorado, was named the recipient of the 2012 Zonta Club of Lakewood Golden Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Award on April 1, 2012.

The goal of the YWPA award is to encourage more young women to participate in public affairs by recognizing a young woman's commitment to the volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leadership achievements and a dedication to the advancement of the status of women.

Dana was given this award be-

cause of her extensive volunteer work and advocacy awareness around dangers of drugs, bullying and drunk driving. Ms. Kiel has proved to be a leader and mentor at a young age and has aspiring goals to continue to make a difference in her community and schools in impoverished areas of the United States. Ms. Kiel intends to pursue a degree in languages, economics, history and/or international relations. In addition, Ms. Kiel is an advocate for programs that increase the self-confidence of teenage girls.



**Congratulations  
DANA!!!**

## Beautiful Hat Tea Luncheon/Fundraiser



**IT'S TIME .....  
TO MAKE PLANS to attend**

the Lakewood-Golden annual Beautiful Hat Tea to be held on Saturday May 5, 2012 from 1-4 pm at the Faith Community Church at 6226 S Carr Ct., Littleton CO. As our largest fund-raiser each year we invite all friends of Zonta to attend and help us raise money to fund our Adopt-a-Teacher program and other projects support-

ing women in need in our community. In addition to tea and lunch we will be offering raffles, auctions and prizes, as well as friendship and conversation.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$12 for children 10 and under.

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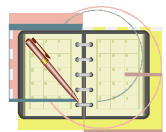
## Area 3 Annual Meeting

The Zonta Club of Douglas County hosted this year's Area 3 meeting on March 31. "Seize the Z" featured updates on Zonta International projects by Mary Lou Edwards and District 12 updates by President Kay Meyer.

After a wonderful buffet lunch the speaker Karen Sugar founder of Women's Global Empowerment Fund talked

about her work in Uganda helping women start businesses. In the afternoon our own Kari participated on a panel discussion about ways to recruit and retain members. A second panel discussion dealt with the importance of Public Relations and branding. Members who attended enjoyed fellowship, networking and renewed zest in the Zonta expe-

### UPCOMING ZONTA EVENTS:



May 1—Monthly Meeting &  
Installation of Officers

May 5—Beautiful Hat Tea 1-4 pm  
Faith Community Church

June 16— 2nd Annual Women's Expo at  
Bandimere Speedway (11-4)  
free admission

July 7-12—International Zonta Convention in  
Torino Italy

# Do You Know...Bev?



Beverly (Bev) Myers is known in our club as a reliable, “always ready to pitch in” member. She became a Zontian in 200\_ because she wanted to do more to help unwed teenage moms and abused women. Since then she has expanded her giving nature to Zonta service projects such as The Action Center and Adopt-a-Teacher . She was named Zontian of the Year for 2010-2011.

Bev has been so thoroughly involved in service and fundraising for L-G Zonta that she has accepted the leadership role of President for the upcoming 2012-2013 year. In the past she has also been club

Secretary and Board Director.

Bev is a native Coloradan, born at Fitzsimmons Army hospital. She recently retired after 31 years at Qwest as a central office technician. She and husband Bob have a son Robbie along with Bev’s 2 other adult children, David and Lisa. In her spare time Bev runs half marathons, enjoys hot yoga, loves to read and would love to start a Zonta book club. She and Bob also love to travel.

We look forward to assisting Bev as we move forward adding new members to our club and continuing our many projects advancing the status of women.

## THIS AND THAT...

**MARION KING** was recognized by District 12 President Kay Meyer for her 34 years of Zonta Service. **You Go Girl!!!**

**Z HOUR** was held at a local restaurant and hosted by Zontians Kari & Marion. Prospective members were invited for a casual “get acquainted” discussion about Zonta and the benefits of membership.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** at Appleby’s on March 24 raised money for our service projects and provided an opportunity for members to enjoy fellowship while working as wait staff for the guests who attended.

**2012 Zonta International Convention** will be held this year from July 7-12 in Torino Italy. The keynote speaker is

Michelle Bachelet, Under-Secretary-General of the U.N. and Executive Director of UN Women. Prior to her work at the UN Ms. Bachelet served as President of Chili from 2006-2010. A long-time champion of womens rights she has advocated for gender equality and womens empowerment throughout her career.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW CLUB OFFICERS

### 2012-2013 Officers

**Bev Myers—President**

**Kari Winter—Secretary**

**Deb Beatty—Vice President**

**Marion King—Treasurer**

### Foundation Directors:

**Kathie Dillon**

**Barbara Ludwig**

**Emmy French**

**Debbie Bandimere**

