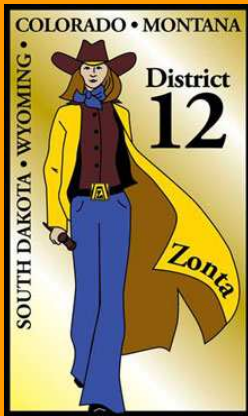


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## From Our President



Greetings!

Already summer has turned to fall and Colorado is awash in gold. It is truly a privilege to live in this state. As a club just completed the 2nd annual Women's Clothing Drive to benefit the Action Center. It was held on October 26th, which is also Make a Difference Day. We strive to make a difference in the lives of many women and girls through this collection. We also filled a number of "grub bags" that day. These bags, filled with personal hygiene products go to homeless teenage girls through the Action Center and Jeffco Schools.

Deb Beatty and I attended the District 12 Conference in Canon City, hosted by the Royal Gorge Club on Oct. 4th - 6th. (Note my article).

In August we held a Zonta Says No event at Bandimere Speedway raising awareness locally to the issue of domestic violence.

We are excited to welcome 2 new members to our Lakewood Golden club. They are Julie Schaefer and Lela Brown. They are enthusiastic and hands on already. We will need them because our small club is responsible for the Area 3 meeting on March 29th. details to follow as we move forward.

All our Adopt-a-Teacher grants have been picked and presented. have 2 male teachers this year which is a first for this grant.

We have a lot of things ahead, the BHT, Area 3, and our fun Christmas party to name a few. We need each and every member to step up and join in to make this a year of fun and service.

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**King Soopers Gift Cards** The King Soopers Neighborhood Reward Program has provided many non-profit groups a source of income that is not financially taxing. The Zonta Club of Lakewood/Golden has participated in this program for close to 10 years. Our club has benefitted by using the King Soopers gift cards. The members buy the cards for face value and use them to purchase items at King Soopers. Many of the family members also have the card and friends also benefit from the savings. The club earns money from usage of the cards and the reloading feature. When the club has earned \$5,000.00 or more, our club receives a rebate check from King Soopers for 5.00% of all the associated reloads. This allows our club to keep dues at a very low price. In District 12, our dues are far below what other clubs pay per year. The administrative costs of our club such as stationary, postage, membership recruitment expenses, Area Meeting and District conference registration and expenses for delegate and many other costs are paid through these funds.

You have to eat so why not also have the club benefit from this necessity. Thanks to all who have availed themselves of the highly effective program.



Zonta International has initiated the “**ZONTA SAYS NO**” campaign to end violence against women. This worldwide initiative will bring awareness to this issue by encouraging local Zonta clubs to hold programs within their communities highlighting the impact of violence against women. In August, the Lakewood Golden Club participated in a “Zonta Says No” Day at local Bandimere Speedway. Racecar drivers were involved by offering photo ops to fans with banners advertising the campaign “Real Men Hit the Track, Not Women and Children”. Bandimere provided a booth where orange logo bracelets were distributed as well as literature



including menus of options with hotline help numbers for victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. Victim Outreach Information of Golden provided the literature in coordination with the “ACT against Violence” program in Jefferson County. Throughout the day, the track announcer noted the widespread effects of domestic violence in our community and the need to help victims and and their families.

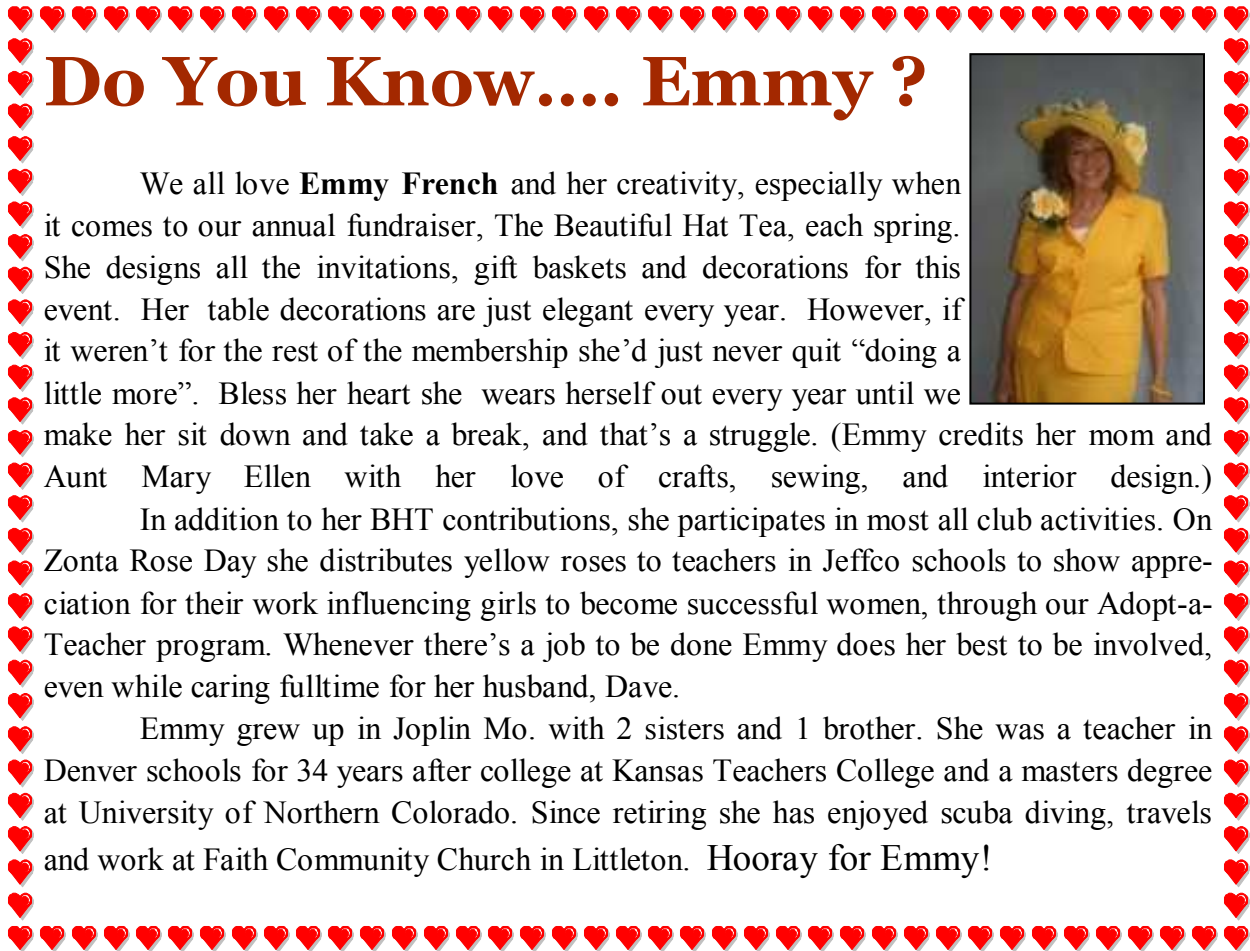
On Nov. 25 many Area 3 clubs are planning a fund raiser called “Empty Shoes” to continue this fight to end violence against women. (Flyer on page 6)

***Women’s Clothing Drive & Grub Bags for Teens***

Our 2nd annual WOMENS CLOTHING DRIVE was held at The Action Center in Jefferson County on Sat. October 26, coinciding with “National Make a Difference Day” which encourages volunteerism worldwide. The event was advertised in the community and on the internet. Zontians collected womens’ casual clothing for several months and drop-offs were included in this event.

At the same time we filled GRUB BAGS going to 6 Jeffco schools for distribution to homeless girls. Grub bags include personal care items as well as hats, and gloves for warmth this winter.





# Do You Know... Emmy ?



We all love **Emmy French** and her creativity, especially when it comes to our annual fundraiser, The Beautiful Hat Tea, each spring. She designs all the invitations, gift baskets and decorations for this event. Her table decorations are just elegant every year. However, if it weren't for the rest of the membership she'd just never quit "doing a little more". Bless her heart she wears herself out every year until we make her sit down and take a break, and that's a struggle. (Emmy credits her mom and Aunt Mary Ellen with her love of crafts, sewing, and interior design.)

In addition to her BHT contributions, she participates in most all club activities. On Zonta Rose Day she distributes yellow roses to teachers in Jeffco schools to show appreciation for their work influencing girls to become successful women, through our Adopt-a-Teacher program. Whenever there's a job to be done Emmy does her best to be involved, even while caring fulltime for her husband, Dave.

Emmy grew up in Joplin Mo. with 2 sisters and 1 brother. She was a teacher in Denver schools for 34 years after college at Kansas Teachers College and a masters degree at University of Northern Colorado. Since retiring she has enjoyed scuba diving, travels and work at Faith Community Church in Littleton. Hooray for Emmy!

## Zontian of the Year



Deb Beatty, an active member since 20 was named our Zontian of the Year at the District 12 meeting in October.

Deb is a very busy lady but always has time for Zonta. After joining Zonta, Deb served as Club Secretary and then accepted the position as By-Laws and Resolutions Chair for District 12. She is currently our Vice President and looks forward to accepting the office of President next year. Deb's also chaired the Beautiful Hat Tea, our major fund-raiser for 2 years.

**Thanks, Deb, for your commitment to Zonta!**

# District 12 Conference

Bev Myers, President, and Deb Beatty, Vice President, represented Lakewood Golden at the recent District 12 Conference in Canon City CO. The event was hosted by Zonta Club of Royal Gorge and was held at The Abbey Event Center, adjacent to the beautiful old Holy Cross Abbey. A wine tasting event was held at the Holy Cross Winery, also part of the Abbey grounds, on Friday night. Wine flowed and was accompanied by delicious appetizers. With the conference theme being "Blazing New Trails" many attendees were dressed in cowboy attire.

Saturday a variety of business meetings were held as well as the keynote luncheon with speaker, Kathy Henin. Her slide show highlighted women who have blazed new trails. Kathy was interesting and quite entertaining. The banquet that evening was a show of orange, highlighting the ZONTA SAYS NO campaign. "Zontians of the Year" were honored from each District 12 club. Our own Deb Beatty was part of that special group. Lakewood Golden was also honored with a certificate for 35 years of club service. The traditional Sunday Memorial Service honors Zontians who have passed away in the past year. Tony Watkins, a longtime member of Jefferson County club and then a member of Lakewood Golden club was honored in this touching ceremony. Tony was also a former District 12 Governor.



## Like us on Facebook !!

Have you checked us out on Facebook? If you are a Facebook user, "Like" us at <http://www.facebook.com/LGZonta> so you can receive information on events, advocacy and other activities of our club. Pictures of our major events, such as our Beautiful Hat Tea and Adopt-a-Teacher program are included on our page.

**Teachers Rule**

# Grant Awards

The 2013-2014 Adopt-a-Teacher grants were awarded in October to 5 Jefferson County teachers. Recipients for this school year are: Erlinda Kramer and Mike Guzetta from Stein Elementary, Brad DeCamp from Jefferson High School, Susan Linze from Pennington Elementary and Kala Munguia from Eiber Elementary. Checks and certificates were presented to each teacher at their respective staff meetings by Lakewood Golden Zontians.



## Anatomy of modern-day slavery

(submitted by Jillann W. Richardson-Rohrscheib)

NAIROBI, 18 October 2013 (IRIN) - More than two centuries after slavery was outlawed, 29.8 million people globally continue to be subjected to new and diverse forms of servitude, a new index ranking 162 countries shows.

Haiti, India, Nepal, Mauritania and Pakistan have the highest prevalence of modern-day slavery, according to the first edition of the [Global Slavery Index](#) (compiled by Australian-based rights organization Walk Free Foundation), while in absolute numbers, China, Ethiopia, India, Nigeria and Pakistan have the most people enslaved. In India, almost 14 million people are believed to be victims of modern slavery. Contemporary servitude, however, is “poorly understood, so it remains hidden within houses, communities and worksites”, it stated.

[According to Gulnara Shahinian](#), the UN special rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, its causes and consequences, “contemporary slavery... often occurs in hard to reach areas of the country or what is perceived as the ‘private realm’, such as in the case of domestic servitude... “In today’s world, slavery takes many different forms: human trafficking, forced labour, bonded labour, servitude... These people are controlled and forced to work against their will and their dignity and rights are denied.”

IRIN looks at some of the major forms of modern-day slavery.

**Forced labour:** The International Labour Organization (ILO) considers [compulsory or forced labour](#) any “work or service exacted from any person under the threat of a penalty and for which the person has not offered himself or herself voluntarily.” Common forms of forced labour can be found in under-regulated or labour-intensive industries, such as agriculture and fisheries, construction, manufacturing, domestic work, and the sex industry. A 2013 ILO [report](#), highlighted some of the brutal conditions under which people are made to work in the fisheries industry. This category can apply to multiple forms of slavery, with people being forced to work in a variety of ways, often including the threat of violence or debt bondage. ILO estimates that around 21 million people are victims of forced labour.

**Debt bondage:** This is the most common form of contemporary slavery, according to the London-based NGO [Anti-Slavery International](#), which says “a person becomes a bonded labourer when their labour is demanded as a means of repayment for a loan. The person is then tricked or trapped into working for very little or no pay, often for seven days a week.”

In Pakistan, the Asian Development Bank estimates that 1.8 million people are bonded labourers, primarily working in brick kilns as well as in agriculture, fisheries and mining. In Brazil’s rural sector, a [2010 UN report](#) found that many poor workers were enticed to distant areas by intermediaries, who charged an advance on their salaries, promising high wages. The workers found themselves paying hefty off loans for the cost of their transport and food, without any clear indication of how their debt or wages were being calculated. Similar practices occur [in Bangladesh](#).

**Human trafficking:** The [UN Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime](#) defines human trafficking as the “recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons”, through the threat or use of force or other means of coercion “for the purpose of exploitation”.

In Benin, the International Office for Migration estimates that more than 40,000 children are the [victims of trafficking](#). The Global Slavery Index notes that many of these children are trafficked to countries within the region, as well as from rural to urban areas within one country.

**Forced or servile marriage:** This occurs when an individual does not enter into a marriage with full and free consent. The [1956 Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery](#) considers illegal any practice where “a woman, without the right to refuse, is promised or given in marriage on payment of a consideration in money or in

kind to her parents, guardian, family or any other person or group”. Transfer of a woman by her husband in return for payment, as well as inheritance of a woman following the death of her husband, is also outlawed. While the definition only applies to women and girls (who bear the brunt of forced marriages) there have been calls for it to cover boys and men too.

**Child slavery:** Child slavery and exploitation, including the use of children in armed conflict, is another common form of contemporary slavery. The Worst Forms of Child Labour, defined by ILO include the sale and trafficking of children, compulsory labour, serfdom, and the compulsory use of children in armed conflict. In Haiti, children from rural households are sent to urban areas to work as domestic house helps for wealthier families and can then be exploited. Around 1 in 10 children in Haiti are exploited, according to the Global Slavery Index.

While child slavery remains a significant problem, the number in child labour around the world reduced to 168 million in 2012 from 246 million in 2000, according to ILO.

**Chattel slavery:** A situation where a person or group of people is considered the property of a slave-owner, and can be traded, is the least common form of slavery today. Slave-owners in these situations control victims and their descendants, and therefore individuals are often born enslaved.

Although slavery was finally criminalized in Mauritania in 2007, leading to the freeing of many people, few slave-owners have been convicted of the practice, and chattel slavery remains a serious problem. The Global Slavery Index estimates there are 140,000-160,000 slaves in Mauritania.

<http://www.irinnews.org/report/98964/anatomy-of-modern-day-slavery>

*Empty Shoes*  
An Art Event to Help End  
Violence Against Women

Join the women of Zonta and local & international artists as we raise money and awareness to:

**Say NO to Gender Violence**

November 25, 2013  
5 to 9 p.m.

McNichols Civic Center  
144 W. Colfax, Denver  
(Broadway and Colfax)

Tickets are \$30 at the door or \$25 in advance, available at:  
[www.ZontaDistrict12.org/ZontaSaysNo](http://www.ZontaDistrict12.org/ZontaSaysNo)

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**ZONTA SAYS NO**

**“Wine with a Zontian”**

**Tuesday August 13, 2013**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Southpark II Clubhouse**

We held a casual Membership Get Together on a warm summer evening with conversation and information for potential Zonta members.