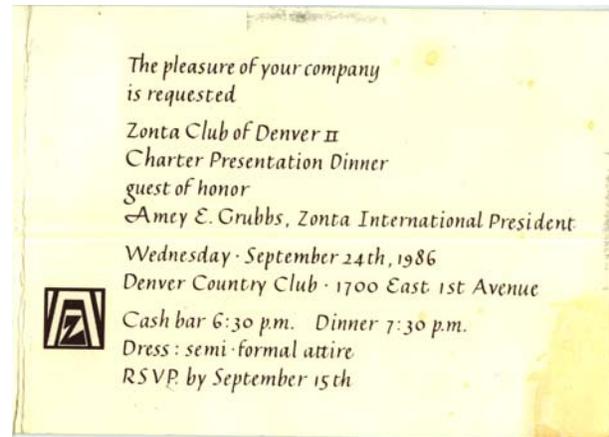
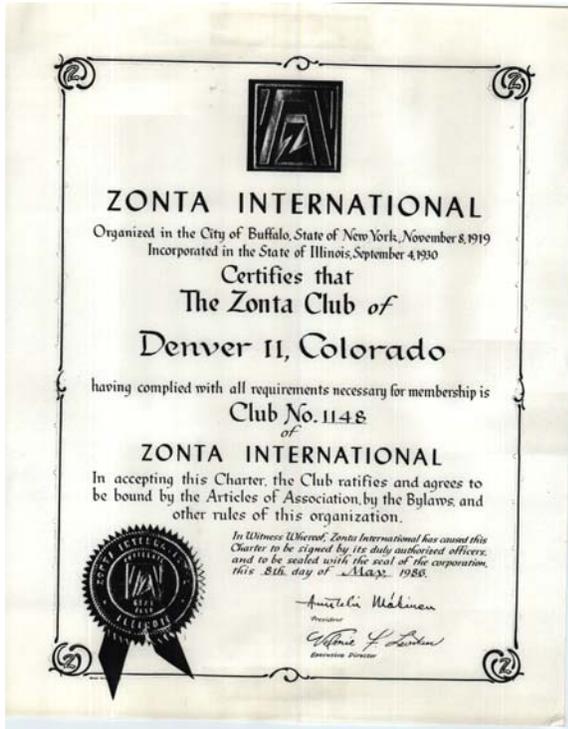


On November 27, 1985 our club opened our first bank account. We held an election at our October key committee meeting to elect our officers. We were not chartered yet, but we felt certain that would achieve that goal soon.

Our charter members were

Anderson	Sally	
Carranco	Teresa	
Coffey	Patricia	
DeCroce	Olivia	
Fowler	Shirley	
Gotier	Yolanda	
Grantham	Shirley	
Kaley	Kathy	2 nd Vice President
Kriss	Marie	
Kuhr	Daila	
Lange	Susan	
McAlonan	Kiki	Treasurer
McCaffree	Jamesina	
Meininger	Candy	Vice-President
Moritz	Lorna	Secretary
Moser	Mary	
Netting	Leslie	
Otley	Terri	President
Parker	Pat	
Phipps	Teri	
Price	Gayle	
Schetrompf	Tara	
Vestal	Yolande	

Our charter became officially accepted on May 8, 1986. Our Charter Presentation dinner was at the Denver Country Club on September 24, 1986. Then International President Amey E Grubbs, was our speaker and guest of honor.



Our club started with 23 members, our membership has reached as high as 42, but continues to maintain a minimum membership of 20.

We had our first club planning session at the Westin Hotel in June, 1987 to lay our club goals for fundraising, service hours and projects and general club policies.

Our first fundraiser was the sale of holiday plants and greenery. We opened our Service Account on 12/12/1986 with our first deposit of \$350. It was a big step toward independence for our club from our sponsoring club, the Zonta Club of Denver. We have continued this fund raising project throughout the years, expanding it to include confections and nuts.

The first local recipient of our fundraising efforts was Safehouse Denver. Established in 1977, SafeHouse Denver operates the only shelter in the City and County of Denver that exclusively serves victims of domestic violence. It began as a 16-bed shelter providing a safe place for women and their children. On Nov 3, 1987 we wrote them our first support check of \$2,520.56. We have continued to support this program throughout our existence in many different ways.

On 11/30/1989, we opened our Apparel account. Candy Meininger and Terri Otley had attended our first Zonta International ("ZI") Conference in Helsinki, Finland in 1988 and found out how important it was for our club to participate in this international event. At the time the club only had \$400 which to give our delegate to travel to the meeting and it was decided that we needed to figure out a way to fund it regularly. After much discussion, it was decided that we would sell Zonta apparel and the funds from that would pay for our attendees. We needed special permission from the ZI Board to be able to put the logo on things, which during President Grubb's term was granted to us.

Candy Meininger was the first ZI District 12 Area 3 Director. Kathy Dean was the first ZI District Secretary from our club. Joanne Herlihy was the first ZI District 12 Parliamentarian from our club. Marcy O'Toole was the first ZI District 12 Lieutenant Governor from our club. Terri Otley is the first Zonta International District 12 treasurer from our club.

In 2001, our club hosted our first ZI District 12 conference. In 2012, we hosted the first ZI District 12 Governor's Seminar. Our biggest goal as a club was to win the ZI District 12 Service Award. In our tenth year, that honor was finally achieved, to the great delight of our membership.

In 1994, our club received the best recognition for our efforts to serve when we were honored as the "Outstanding Service Organization" at the National Philanthropy Day awards here in Colorado (*Presented to a service organization, association, or community service group that has demonstrated outstanding commitment through financial support and the encouragement and motivation of others to take leadership roles in philanthropy and community involvement. This category does not include nonprofit 501(c)(3) public charity organizations providing direct services*).

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Organization of the club: including dates of Charter and Charter presentation;
name of SOM club; number of charter members;

Development of the club: growth or fluctuation of membership and current numbers;

Club service programs; club participation in District service projects and ZI/ZIF service projects and scholarship programs;

Special achievements, e.g. host Area Meeting or District Conference, Club members who have served at higher levels of ZI.

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