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## **Library Program Recognizes Women's History Month**

**Rapid City, SD – March 2, 2009** - "Women Taking The Lead To Save Our Planet" is the theme of the March Lunch & Learn Program offered by the Rapid City Public Library at their downtown location (610 Quincy Street) on Wednesday, March 18, at noon. The program will be presented by the Zonta Club of the Black Hills, in celebration of Women's History Month.

The Zonta Club will show a short film about Women's History Month. That will be followed by a presentation about women who have been important in environmental matters, including scientist and writer Rachel Carson, whose book *Silent Spring*, published in 1962, raised national awareness about the dangers of industrial pesticides. Lunch will be provided compliments of the Friends of the Library organization. Anyone who would like a lunch should RSVP to the library by noon on Monday, March 16 (call 394-4171).

The Zonta Club of the Black Hills was chartered in 1950 and is part of Zonta International, an organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. Zonta is a Sioux Indian word meaning "honest and trustworthy."

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The Black Hills Zonta Club puts on a national fundraiser, the Zonta Expo, every October at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center. Proceeds are distributed, through grants, to non-profit organizations who work to improve the lives of women and children. Learn more about the Black Hills Zonta Club by visiting their website at: [www.zontadistrict12.org/blackhills.html](http://www.zontadistrict12.org/blackhills.html), or visit [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org) to learn more about the international organization.

Find out more about library resources and events by visiting the Rapid City Public Library website at [www.rapidcitylibrary.org](http://www.rapidcitylibrary.org).

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*The Rapid City Public Library has served the Rapid City area since 1879, and now has two locations, the downtown library at 610 Quincy Street and the north library within General Beadle Elementary School at 10 Van Buren St. Both offer print and electronic resources for adults, young adults and children as well as computers and Internet access and a variety of programs and events.*

*Find video footage of RCPL events at: <http://www.youtube.com/user/rapidcitylibrary>  
Find photos of RCPL events at: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/rcpl/>*