



Dear Friend,

As Zontians, we are consistently working for a better future for women and girls. Every project, program and advocacy action is meant to change the world for future generations so that they can flourish with opportunities and fully realize their rights.

Reflecting back on this last year, look at what these young people have experienced together: learning remotely, completing their education outside of classrooms, entering their next phase of life in a global shutdown. Yet, despite these challenges, they have persevered. We admire and applaud their efforts.

In Zonta, I am continually amazed by the work of our Z and Golden Z student clubs. Their ingenuity and dedication to equality are remarkable. That is why this issue of Zonta News is dedicated to our student members. We kindly ask that you forward this email along to the students in your local Z and Golden Z clubs.

This time of year, which marks the middle of our 2020-2022 Biennium, also typically marks the end of important educational levels and graduation for students in the Northern hemisphere. For the students who are graduating and reflecting on your journey thus far — congratulations. This is an exciting time for you. I know our members around the world are just as proud of you as I am.

In addition to this being a joyous time, I know it can also feel like you are at a crossroads. I believe in your power to keep learning and to use your knowledge to make the world a better place for women and girls. No matter what route you have taken or what path you are on, remember that you can always be learning. As we recently heard from [Kendra Sharp's story](#) in our Remarkable Women Powerful Stories series, making decisions about your education can be challenging, but you have the right to prioritize your passions and decide what is best for you.

Your voice is important and I cannot wait to see how you use it to take action in your community. Let's join together and work to make the world an inclusive and equal space for all.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sharon'.

Sharon Langenbeck, Ph.D.
President



Highlighting the global impact of our student clubs

NPUST Golden Z Club hosts youth service event with Zonta Club of Kaohsiung Yu-Hisuian

The National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (NPUST) Golden Z Club, Taiwan, collaborated with the Sheng Gong Welfare Fund to host a youth service event at the NPUST Animal Farm. 36 single-parent children took a tour around the NPUST campus to learn and play games about the animals and anti-violence.



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Z Club of CNHS hosts virtual Women's Month Celebration Culminating Program

The Z Club of CNHS, in partnership with the TLE Girls Department and the Zonta Club of Tuguegarao, hosted a 2021 Women's Month Celebration Culminating Program via Google Meet. Members invited the Zonta Club of Tuguegarao president, Ms. Shelley Tungcul-Pascual, an alumna of CNHS, to be the guest speaker. The program highlighted the critical roles of women teachers in learners' lives amidst the pandemic.



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PantherZ Z Club, USA informs their community about the COVID-19 vaccine

Despite the challenges from the COVID-19 pandemic, the PantherZ Z Club, USA, has worked on a number of community service projects. The club's most recent project was a community education program to inform students, parents and friends about the importance of the COVID-19 vaccine. Members spent the last two months researching COVID-19, understanding the vaccine and community issues around it, and putting together an hour-long virtual training and bilingual handouts to be distributed in the community and posted on social media.



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University of Jamestown Golden Z Club recognizes Sexual Assault Awareness Month

In support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, the University of Jamestown Golden Z Club, USA had a "Wear Teal Day" to support victims of sexual harassment, assault or abuse. By wearing teal, students let others know that they are a safe person to talk to about being sexually harassed, assaulted or abused.



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Z Club of Colombo provides resources to help students with online learning

The Z Club of Colombo, Sri Lanka, put together a guide for online school. The project featured study tips, students resources and teaching pointers to help students navigate the transition into a virtual learning environment. With a thorough guide of resources, the Z club was able to help many students in their academic journey.



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Golden Z Club of St. Catherine's College hosts charity concert to raise money for birthing kits

The Golden Z Club of St. Catherine's College, Australia, hosted a Golden Zonta Charity Concert in April. The event featured performances by singers, dancers and poets. The evening also featured a raffle and other prizes. All proceeds went toward birthing kits for disadvantaged women that the club's volunteers will assemble and send to women in disadvantaged communities to help them maintain hygiene, health and integrity throughout their pregnancy.



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Avonside Girls' H.S. Z Club, New Zealand

The AGHS Z Club had Heart Kids Canterbury visit to hear from special guest speakers and collect donations. Peers shared their pride in the event's success and how the students were able to give back to the community.

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Students from Young Luxembourg's Golden Z Club join together for an International Women's Day campaign

The Golden Z Club of Young Luxembourg decided to hold a #choosetochallenge campaign in support of International Women's Day.

"A challenged world is an alert world and from challenge comes change. So let's all choose to challenge. How will you help forge a gender equal world? Celebrate women's achievement. Raise awareness against bias. Take action for Equality."

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Share Your Story

We are always proud to see what our student clubs continue to achieve. We encourage you to continuously send us your Golden Z and Z club stories so we can share your incredible work with clubs around the world.

Learning from our Remarkable Women Powerful Stories guests



[Click here to watch](#) Holly Ransom's story about the dynamics of being an impactful leader.



[Register now](#) to hear the story of Felicia Davis, President and CEO of Chicago Foundation for Women, on Wednesday, 28 July.

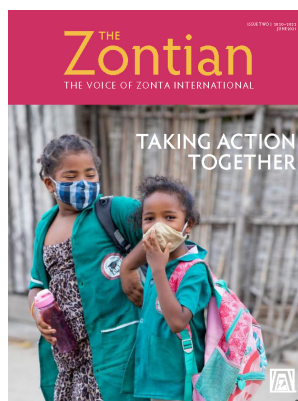


In our recently published statement: Climate Change: A Gender Equality Issue, Zonta International calls for action in favor of a fair and human rights-based approach to solve the crisis of climate change in the post-pandemic world and achieve greener, cleaner and equal societies.

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