

Dear Friend,

One of the many things that makes me proud to be a Zontian is that we do not wait to act when someone needs us, and we ensure that no one stands alone in the face of adversity.

The Zonta fellowship is a unique bond that we all share. We represent the best in humanity when we motivate and inspire our fellow members to empower women, our community and each other through service and advocacy. Last Friday, we had the humbling opportunity to hear from a member in Ukraine during an **NGO**

**CSW66 Forum: Women in Ukrainian War and UN Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security** which was hosted by Zonta International and Zonta District 27. Luba Maksymovych from the Zonta Club of Lviv-Zamok shared her first-hand experiences of women and children fleeing their homes to take refuge and accept resources from Center Women's Perspectives, a non-governmental organization in Lviv which she founded. Luba was bravely candid about the extreme challenges, heartbreaking deaths and nonstop hardships the people of Ukraine are facing, especially women and children.

In her own words, Luba also told of her bond with Zonta. She spoke of the sisterhood as members have reached out to support her and offer her solidarity. Messages poured in the chat assuring Luba that she is not alone. It is because of this bond that Zonta is so strong. We step in where needed and give all we can to make a difference.

Despite the hardship and uncertainty of current events, I know Zonta is a beacon of hope: the love and care our Zontians have for one another and beyond shines brightly even in these darkest of times. Thank you for all that you do, and for being a part of the Zonta fellowship.

Below in this newsletter are so many other examples of this shining light of Zonta. We have many avenues for you to connect not only with our Ukrainian sisters but with all members across the globe. Please take time to discover these opportunities like our newly **launched mobile app** and this year's **Add Your Voice campaign**. If you have a friend, colleague, or business leader passionate about gender advocacy, I invite you to reach out to them and tell them about the difference Zonta is making. Share our videos, newsletters, or even just our name and say that we are the organization that does not back down and will speak out until all voices are heard.

Warm regards,



Sharon Langenbeck, Ph.D.  
President



**Zonta condemns  
aggression and acts of war  
and stands with our  
members in Ukraine**



# NGO CSW66 Forum: Women in Ukrainian War and UN Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security

Please see below for the recording of the NGO CSW66 Forum.

NGO CSW66 FORUM HOSTED BY ZONTA INTERNATIONAL and ZONTA DISTRICT 27



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## Zontians In Action

Clubs and members have made great strides to empower other women and their community and build each other up. Read the stories below that highlight their fantastic work.

### Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey celebrates International Women's Day and Rose Day

On 8 March, the Zonta Club of Harrisburg-Hershey, USA, celebrated International Women's Day and Rose Day with women whose husbands are students at the U.S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA. Many of the women who attended the celebration came from abroad.



The club provided an amazing array of food, told their Zonta stories and gave the women Zonta yellow roses. They also gifted Good Bears of the World teddy bears to the children.

Special messages of love and hope were shared with Kateryna Antonova from Ukraine. The club enjoyed their time together, especially during this period of international conflict.

### District 30 climbs to the top

During the District 30 conference, Zontians climbed the Breithorn, a mountain in the Alps, from 24-25 September 2021. Along the way, the climbers carried the Zonta International flag to the peak. The climb symbolizes that together with their differences and similarities, members can achieve the goals of Zonta with stamina and determination. The climb also honors the first ascent of the Matterhorn by a female climber, Lucy Walker.

The Zontian climbers were accompanied by their associates and guides.



## 2022 Club Mailing

All members are welcome to [view the club mailing](#) which is used to prepare for convention and the next biennium.



## Add Your Voice Global Membership Campaign

Zonta's voice becomes stronger when we recruit great individuals to work with us.

April and May is the month that you are encouraged to invite friends and colleagues to join Zonta as part of the Add Your Voice membership campaign. To learn more, [click here](#).



Thank you to all those who participated in the 2022 Rose Day campaign. Every 8 March, we have the opportunity to reflect and give tribute to the individuals who have empowered us.

This year, more than 350 donors made gifts totaling more than US\$77,000 to the Zonta Foundation for Women on behalf of someone who has made a difference in their life or the lives of others. Every donation to the Foundation gives a woman or girl a chance, an opportunity and a voice toward her own empowerment.

**Now available on your mobile device!**  
**The Zonta Connect App**

Download it today in the Google Play or Apple App stores by searching "Zonta International"

Google Play App Store

The advertisement features a smartphone on the left displaying the Zonta International app interface. The background is a light blue gradient. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold and regular fonts.

We are excited to already see the interaction between so many members on the Zonta Connect mobile app. The app, which launched at the beginning of the month, is fully connected to our iMIS membership database so your login will be the same. Take advantage of all the app's features, such as a dedicated newsfeed, discussion forums tailored to your Zonta role and special interests, easy access to member resources, a member directory with instant private and group chats, and a calendar of Zonta events. Check out the User Guide below and click on the links to get started today!

To get the app, search for "Zonta International" in your app store or follow these links:

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**Congratulations** to the Zonta Club of Schenectady, USA, District 2 on celebrating its 95th anniversary this month!

To see which other clubs are celebrating a milestone anniversary in March, please visit [Zonta News](#).

**Watch now on-demand:** Meet our next Remarkable Women, Nahid Shahalimi. Nahid is an author, human rights activist, international consultant on gender and an award-winning filmmaker of *We the Women of Afghanistan: A silent revolution*, which was released in 2018.

**Watch this recap video** of our Zonta Advocacy Series on women in the workplace.

**Register for convention today:** 31 March is the last day to register for Convention at the Early Bird Registration Rate.

Take advantage of the discounted price while you still can!



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