Dear Megan,

This year marks the 85th anniversary of the Amelia Earhart Fellowship, named after our most famed Zontian. At a time when women received little to no recognition for their efforts, Amelia broke societal expectations and became a world-renowned aviator. Since then, she has inspired generations of women and girls to pursue their dreams. Today, her legacy lives on through the Amelia Earhart Fellowship and its recipients, who continue to break barriers and reach new heights.

Meet our 2022 Fellows: Top row (L to R): Vanessa Awate, Mahsa Taheran Vernoosfaderani, Maya Nasr, Leanne Su, Katerine Opacic, Adriana Mitchell

Amelia's bravery and Zonta Spirit serve as a reminder that every action, big or small, is a catalyst for change. When we stand together for women and girls, we build a better world for them and us. As you read ahead, this collective motivation is seen through our clubs' actions in their local communities and in our international service projects.

I am thankful for every member of our organization. We greatly contributed to Zonta's mission and vision last year, and I saw the impact of our efforts when I visited India in October. I am also grateful to hear through our partners at UNFPA and UNICEF USA the changes for women and girls happening in Papua New Guinea and Peru. I cannot wait to see what we will achieve in 2023.

Warm regards,

Ute Scholz
President 2022-2024
Zonta International and the Zonta Foundation for Women
The 85th anniversary of the Amelia Earhart Fellowship has taken flight, starting with Amelia Earhart Month! We cannot wait to share what we have in store for you, so be sure to follow us on social media to see how we will celebrate Amelia’s legacy throughout 2023.

To kick off this anniversary, we invited three Fellows for a panel discussion to explore the connection between climate, energy and the aerospace industry. If you were unable to join us last week for the panel, please watch it today on the Zonta International website.

Celebrate Amelia’s legacy by supporting the potential and dreams of our future Fellows. A donation to the Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund has a direct impact on the role of women in aerospace engineering and space sciences.

A special glimpse: President Ute's visit to India
Watch a special message and see photos from President Ute while she was in India on a site visit with the Global Programme to End Child Marriage. Our progress in ending child marriage would not be possible without your generous contributions.
Updates on Her Health and Dignity, Our Priority: A Day in the Life of Edna

In the video below, learn how Edna, a gender-based violence service provider, and her colleagues are helping survivors of gender-based violence in Papua New Guinea with the support of Zonta International and UNFPA.

To learn more about the project update in Edna's words, click here or the button below.

Updates on Adolescent Girls' Health and
Protection in Peru

In 2022, Zonta members had the opportunity to visit Ucayali, in the Amazon, to see their support for the Adolescent Girls’ Health and Protection in Peru in action. In the video below, learn how your support has been critical in addressing several issues affecting adolescents in rural Peru.

Zonta International Strategic Planning Member Survey Insights

Join us for a presentation on the results of the Zonta member survey conducted between October and November 2022. The presentation will also include a progress update on the strategic planning process. To learn more, visit the Strategic Planning information webpage.

Date: Wednesday, 8 February

Option I: 10 AM CST
Find your time: Meeting Planner

Register

Option II: 4 PM CST
Find your time: Meeting Planner

Register

Our financial impact in the last year: the 2021-2022 Annual Report

After COVID-19 restrictions relaxed around the world, Zonta members came together to provide the necessary resources to help women and girls realize their full potential. Through their generosity, our supports are building a better world for all women and girls.

Click on the button below to read the annual report. Find out how our financial resources allow us to continue Zonta’s mission.

Read the Annual Report
**Zontians in Action**

Clubs and members have made great strides in **making a difference for the women and girls in their communities and beyond**. Read the stories below that highlight their amazing work.

**District 31 gifts holiday boxes to Ukrainian refugees in Poland**

Members of District 31, the Republic of China (Taiwan) and Mongolia, gifted holiday boxes containing groceries to Ukrainian refugees in Poland. Since the Russian invasion, District 31 has launched several activities to assist the refugees – providing meals, daily necessities and medical supplies.

**Zonta Club of Engiadina Val Müstair inspires young girls about their future**

The Zonta Club of Engiadina Val Müstair, Switzerland, organized its first “future day” for middle school girls in collaboration with the Office for Vocational Training & Education Graubünden.

Thirteen girls met six inspiring professional women, participated in two workshops and also practiced self-defense. Key questions were "What could my life as an adult woman look like? What makes me happy? How important is my job? How do I choose a job that suits me? And what gives me self-confidence?"

**Did your club recently do a service or advocacy action?**

Share your story with us by clicking the button above!

**Will we see you in Brisbane?**

We cannot wait to see the adventure that awaits us in Australia for the 2024 Zonta International Convention. In the meantime, here is something fun for our art lovers to look forward to: Brisbane is home to several art galleries, such as the Queensland Art Gallery and the Queensland Gallery of Modern Art (GOMA), the largest modern art gallery in Australia.
Congratulations to the Zonta Club of Porterville, USA, District 9, and the Zonta Club of St Charles-Geneva-Batavia, USA, District 6, on celebrating their 75th and 70th anniversaries this month. We applaud your efforts in advocating for the women and girls in your community and beyond!

To see which other clubs are celebrating a milestone anniversary in January, you can visit Zonta News.