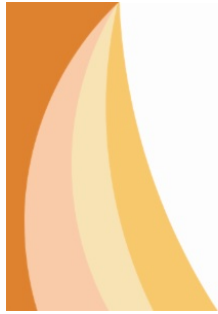


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Zonta News

Build a Better World for Women and Girls



Dear Megan,

It is hard to believe that 2024 is drawing to a close. As I reflect on what we have accomplished since the beginning of the biennium in July, I am filled with pride. I invite you to take this opportunity to think about what has been most meaningful to you and to recognize how your commitment to Zonta truly build a better world for women and girls.



President Salla Tuominen and Executive Director Megan Radavich climbed the Story Bridge in Brisbane, Australia.

I am inspired by the unwavering support our members and clubs have demonstrated for our mission. **More than 400 heartfelt responses** were submitted by members who flipped the narrative and shared messages of hope for International Day of the Girl in October. Below, you will see how our united efforts have built a brighter future for women and girls through the **Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women campaign**, the **Every Member Every November campaign** and beyond. With each action a Zontian takes, our communities grow more informed and aware of the challenges women and girls face and are hopefully encouraged to take action themselves.

As we close out 2024, I want to express my immense gratitude for your invaluable contributions to Zonta and to women and girls around the globe. I wish you and your families a holiday season filled with meaning and a vibrant, healthy start to the upcoming new year. In this season of giving, let us be fully present for those around us, as even the **simplest gifts** can make a profound difference for the beneficiaries of our projects. I am excited to see us continue our journey together, building a brighter future for women and girls in 2025.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to Zonta's mission and goals.

Warm regards,



Salla Tuominen
President 2024-2026
Zonta International and Zonta Foundation for Women

200+

Zonta Says NO
actions reported
globally

360+

actions reported
globally

400+

videos submitted
during International
Day of the Girl

45

clubs in formation

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clubs have charted
this biennium so far

US\$229K+

Raised during Every
Member Ever November



Access recordings from the Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women Online Summit

Did you miss the Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women Online Summit on 10 December? It is still not too late to break the silence and speak up! Purchase the recordings from the summit, featuring three inspiring speakers who shared their unique insights and expertise, to expand your understanding of gender-based



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Zontians in Action

Zontians are taking action to create a better world for women and girls! Read the stories below highlighting how Zonta clubs and student clubs are making an impact in their communities and beyond.

Zonta Club of Parma explores female integration in UNESCO MAB biospheres

The Zonta Club of Parma, Italy, recently hosted Dr. Fernanda Moroni, an executive with the Po River District Authority, for an engaging session on women's integration in UNESCO MAB (Man and the Biosphere) biospheres and sustainable development.



Fernanda addressed critical topics, including the impact of climate change on populations, strategies to support communities, and the vital relationship between women and the environment. She highlighted the role of biosphere reserves, the MAB-UNESCO program, and the Po Grande reserve in promoting sustainability and community resilience.

Zonta Club of Atlántico Sur makes contributions for change

The Zonta Club of Atlántico Sur, Uruguay, reaffirmed its commitment to gender equality by organizing a series of four talks. The events, held in Punta del Este, coincided with Uruguay's upcoming presidential and parliamentary elections.



As part of the initiative, the club presented a final document with a gender perspective to all political parties, the president and the President of the Parliament. The document outlines recommendations for integrating gender equality into public policies, aiming to shape a more inclusive future for Uruguay.

Prominent experts from UNESCO, UN Women, FLACSO and the Justice Department generously shared their insights on gender issues, including Uruguay's CEDAW report.

Click on the buttons below to be inspired by Zontians taking action within their own communities. Then, tell us how you are changing the world by sharing your story!

[Local Service & Advocacy](#)

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We proudly highlight our
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See the steps our members have taken
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Celebrate the remarkable legacy of Amelia Earhart by joining
inspiring Amelia Earhart Fellows in an engaging online webinar

REGISTER TODAY



Attending CSW69/ Beijing + 30?

The next Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) will take place from **10-21 March 2025**.



Are you interested in learning more? Let us know you are coming to CSW this March to be [included on all our communications about the events](#).

Join Zonta UN Committee Chair Pamela Morgan and the UN Committee for the next Conversation Circle. This series covers the 12 points of the Beijing Platform. Discuss with other Zontians about these important topics before attending CSW69/Beijing +30 to be well-informed. Future Conversation Circles links are posted on the [Zonta International Events page](#).

Zonta at CSW

Meet November's Remarkable Women: Natalie Jobe & Dr. Ang Jury



A 2024 Young Women in Public Affairs Awardee, **Natalie Jobe** is deeply committed to addressing gender-based discrimination and violence by developing comprehensive educational initiatives and promoting equitable legislation.

In the upcoming academic year, Natalie will continue her educational journey at Portland State University. Under a pre-law track, she will



major in political science with minors in Spanish and women's studies. She aspires to pursue a career as a civil rights attorney, steadfast in her mission to combat gender-based violence within her community.

Listen to Natalie's story on the go | [Spotify](#) | [YouTube](#)

Dr. Ang Jury has worked within the Women's Refuge movement since the 1990s and fulfilled every role within Women's Refuge, from a volunteer to advocate to management to board member. In addition, she has been instrumental in developing cross-agency collaborations regionally and nationally. Her history through the 1990s included teaching, researching, writing and speaking in the areas of gender and domestic violence while completing doctoral research, an exploration of the role of shame within abusive relationships, at Massey University.



In January 2022, Ang received an ONZM for her services to women from Queen Elizabeth II in the New Year's Honours List.

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The NEW Zonta Women in Business Leadership Award and Zonta Women in STEM Award application materials will be available in **January 2025**. Please continue to visit the Education page on the Zonta International website to learn more in January.



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**celebrates this month's
club anniversaries!**

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Congratulations to our club anniversaries this month:

Zonta Club of La Salle-Peru Area
USA, District 6
100th anniversary

Zonta Club of St. Catherines
Canada, District 4
95th anniversary

Zonta Club of Bartow
USA, District 11
65th anniversary

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 December, visit [Zonta News](#).

Join the Zonta Says NOW Intercontinental Think Tank

On 26 January, Zontians from Asia and Oceania warmly invite you to the Zonta Says NOW Intercontinental Think Tank, themed "Empowering Change: Women's Health and Environmental Sustainability." Join inspiring speakers like Dipisha Bhujel, a passionate menstrual health advocate from Nepal, and Dr. Jessica Kind, a dynamic climate scientist, environmental consultant and artist, as we engage in a powerful dialogue on climate justice.



[Click here to see the event flyer.](#)

Register

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Art and story connect us to the issue and each other.
Submit your art to express gender-equal climate action.



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Celebrating Zonta International Headquarters

This month, we celebrate the work anniversaries of two staff members at Zonta International Headquarters!



Martina Gamboa

Programs Senior Coordinator
31 years

Shannon Reilly

Programs & Events Manager
1 year

Important Dates

- 1-31 January: Amelia Earhart Month
- 8 January: [Conversation Circle - Women and the Economy](#)
- 11 January: Amelia Earhart Day
- 15 January: [Conversation Circle - Women in Power and Decision-Making Positions](#)
- 16 January: [New Member Orientation](#)
- 16 January: [AE Month - Aerospace Advancement in Your Daily Life webinar](#)
- 22 January: [Conversation Circle - Institutional Mechanism for the Advancement of Women](#)
- 24 January: [International Day of Education](#)
- 26 January: [Zonta Says NOW Intercontinental Think Tank](#)
- 29 January: [Conversation Circle - Human Rights of Women](#)
- 11 February: [International Day of Women and Girls in Science](#)
- 20 February: [World Day of Social Justice](#)
- 8 March: [International Women's Day](#)
- 8 March: [Zonta Rose Day](#)
- 10 -21 March: [CSW69](#)



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