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We have included the Zonta International clip regarding  **Zonta - Political, Not Partisan**.Please take the time to look at this very brief clip so that you are fully aware of Zonta’s stand on advocacy.  *See Advocacy article below with  link to video*.  It is now one year since the horrific and deadly blast that devastated Beirut. Your donated funds were greatly appreciated and are assisting the[Zonta Club of of Beirut](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=20362cd6d9&e=b2c0a7d414) to rebuild their city and house the homeless. However, it is also a time of celebration for them, as they have just had their 65th Zonta Anniversary.  We wish them well.    You will see elsewhere in this Newsflash a report from the Zonta Club of Koblenz in Germany.  Many communities in Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands have been devastated by unprecedented flooding. Members or clubs may wish to make donations to support the work Zonta Clubs in the region are undertaking.  Please do this as per the information provided.  *See International article below with link to information.*  I urge members to seek applicants for the [Zonta International Women in Technology Scholarship.](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=a1d08b79e3&e=b2c0a7d414" \t "_blank) Information is available on the ZI website.  Please provide this information to your local State universities as we would like to see young Australian women rewarded with this prestigious scholarship.   All members are invited to meet our Zonta International Liaison Florence Fischer-Heber and Zonta International Vice President Salla Tuominen on the next **Zonta Says Now Think Tank Zoom meeting** Saturday 14 August,  so sign up on the website. I do hope you have read the **ZI Statement on Climate Change and Gender Equality Issue.**If not, it is on the ZI website (*see link in Zonta Says NOW! article below*)  It was also sent out to all members.  Congratulations to all those clubs who have already contributed to **ZI Foundation for Women** this biennium.  ZI noted that 75% of our clubs have contributed so far and I encourage you to try to make your club contributions yearly rather than once a biennium.  I look forward to seeing so many of you in Bendigo.  The Conference Committee is ready to show you a great time.  ***Sandra***   ***Sandra Burns******Zonta International District 23 Governor 2020-2022*** *Zonta Club of Perth Inc.* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Zonta Foundation for Women**  *Eronwy Edwards - Foundation Ambassador* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Keep up the Good Work**  Logo, company name  Description automatically generatedThank you for your generosity! In June, we received over US$230,000 in donations supporting Zonta’s educational program and international service projects!   Congratulations to:   * Districts 4, 15, 16, and 23 for having 75% or more of their clubs make a donation to the Foundation. * Districts 10 and 12 for having 25% or more of their active members make a personal donation to the Foundation.   Have you remembered that the Zonta International Foundation (ZIF) now conducts its business as the **Zonta Foundation for Women**(**ZFW**)? This change of operating name is intended to expand awareness and visibility of Zonta’s charitable efforts worldwide.   It is through our contributions to this fund that Zonta is able to maintain our international service and education projects each biennium.  This biennium there is a fundraising goal of US$4,800,000 for our four major service projects and four major awards.  Remember the magic “4” for your elevator pitch.  **Read Eronwy's full report -** [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=6a322c2d85&e=b2c0a7d414) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Zonta International Endowment Campaign *Ann Horrocks - Zonta International Endowment Committee*** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Graphical user interface  Description automatically generated with medium confidenceMany thanks to all the D23 members and clubs, who have given to the Endowment Campaign over the last 12 months.  4 clubs and 15 individuals have donated $10,550 – a great effort.  A new initiative is to celebrate your special days with a present for the future!  Commemorate a birthday, anniversary or any other special occasion with a gift to the Zonta Foundation for Women’s Endowment Fund or Amelia Earhart Fellowship Endowment Fund.  Assistance with social media posts and creating a Facebook fundraiser are on the ZI website under [‘Your Support’](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=116578f715&e=b2c0a7d414)  Each gift supporting the Endowment Funds will ensure that Zonta will continue to have the necessary resources to meet uncertainties and carry forward programs and projects that will empower women and girls for generations to come.  *For more information, contact your Area Representative as listed in the current D23 Directory.*  ***Ann Horrocks* *ZI Endowment Committee*** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Advocacy**  *Lesley Sweetman - Chairman* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Zonta – Political, Not Partisan**  People often confuse being nonpartisan with being nonpolitical. Advocacy requires engaging with political systems and the individuals elected or appointed to serve in those systems. To be nonpartisan means that, when engaging in advocacy, you are not aligning that advocacy with one political party. This short video from the Zonta USA Caucus helps explain the difference.  [Zonta - Political? Partisan? Find Out Here! - YouTube](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=39d31c0da1&e=b2c0a7d414). | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Membership**  *Kay Stewart - Chairman* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing company name  Description automatically generated Congratulations to **Melbourne on Yarra**, **Mt Barker** and **Adelaide Flinders,** the District 23 clubs that were acknowledged in the Tier 2 level for membership growth.  [READ MORE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=1012b08efd&e=b2c0a7d414) about the results of the 'Add Your Voice' membership campaign. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Text  Description automatically generated **Remarkable Women Powerful Stories** is a leadership series hosted by Lynne Foley OAM.  Each month, hear a remarkable woman share her achievements and personal story.  [READ MORE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=620cf834ac&e=b2c0a7d414) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Zonta Says NOW!**  *Carole Theobald - District Futurist/Leadership Coordinator* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **A blue sign with yellow text  Description automatically generated with low confidence      BREAKING NEWS!**  **International Vice President to join our next meeting!** | |  | | We have had confirmation that [Salla Tuominen](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=563107bb6c&e=b2c0a7d414), International Vice President, will be joining us for our next Think Tank meeting - **which will now be held on Saturday 14 August.**   Salla led the team that developed the [Zonta International Statement on Climate Change: A Gender Equality Issue](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=aa71d109f6&e=b2c0a7d414) and will share the journey to develop it.     Salla is from the Zonta Club of Helsinki I, Finland, District 20, and on her Facebook page, she says:   *My main driver for being a Zontian is not to tolerate the existing injustice. As a Zontian, I can make a difference and do something to change the world to improve the status of women and girls—not just to think or talk about it. The icing on the cake is the possibility to meet women around the world sharing Zonta’s mission!*   We are honoured to put the 'icing on Salla's cake' and look forward to hearing more about her experiences.  It sounds like an opportunity to have cake at the Zoom meeting!   In recent months, we have noticed that clubs are ramping up their activities which is wonderful.  Therefore, from now on, Zonta Says NOW Think Tank meetings and newsletters will be bi-monthly to accommodate our overflowing diaries.    Many thanks to everyone who completed the survey that closed on 31 July.  The results are being collated and will be shared at the Think Tank meeting on Saturday 14 August, at 2pm in WA, 3.30pm in SA, and 4pm in Victoria and Tasmania.  The Zoom meeting link is [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89249502537](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=221d31689c&e=b2c0a7d414)  We also have a speaker from the team of [young activists](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=92b85e1c6c&e=b2c0a7d414) who took the Minister of the Environment to court seeking her to consider the consequences on future generations of expanding a large coal mine.    If you would like to go on the Think Tank mailing list to receive future meeting notifications, please email [zontasaysnow@gmail.com](mailto:zontasaysnow@gmail.com).    **Think Tank Zoom Meeting** **Saturday 14 August 2021**   **2:00 pm  Western Australia** **3:30 pm  South Australia** **4:00 pm  Victoria and Tasmania**   **Join Zoom Meeting** [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89249502537](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=ce4c874ff6&e=b2c0a7d414) **Meeting ID: 892 4950 2537**  ***Carole Theobald District Futurist/Leadership Coordinator*** | | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Amelia Earhart Fellowship**  *Jasmine Koch - District Coordinator* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **2022 AMELIA EARHART (AE) FELLOWSHIP**  The application process is now open for the 2022 Fellowship.   [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=3a659b7e7d&e=b2c0a7d414)  I encourage clubs to liaise with local universities to promote the program and connect with potential eligible applicants.  Since its inception, the AE Fellowship has been awarded to 1245 recipients across 75 countries, including 36 Australians.  A person smiling for the camera  Description automatically generated with medium confidence**Kaliope Vassilopoulos** is an AE Fellow and member of the Zonta Club of Melbourne’s West.  Kaliope is dynamic and inspiring.  From what she describes as a ‘traditional’ Greek upbringing in Melbourne - when her mum said, “Boys do engineering”, Kaliope’s reply was “So do I’ – to a successful career as an aerospace engineer at Ford in a male dominated industry.    It has been my honour and pleasure to interview Kaliope.  [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=a7a41c6575&e=b2c0a7d414)  to read the full interview.    ***Jasmine Koch District 23 Amelia Earhart Fellowship Coordinator*** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Young Women in Public Affairs**  *Yvonne Lockwood - Coordinator* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person smiling for the camera  Description automatically generated with medium confidence**WE HAVE A ZONTA INTERNATIONAL WINNER!** CONGRATULATIONS to our District 23 Young Women in Public Affairs Winner and one of 10 Zonta International winners.  **Eloise Amirtharajah** is from Ballarat, Victoria, and her application was submitted by the Zonta Club of Ballarat.   [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=05b049cbc4&e=b2c0a7d414)to read Eloise's full biography. | | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Public Relations and Communications  *Jo Wittorff - Chairman*** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Zonta International Elevator Speech Pitch**  A picture containing person, wall, standing, clothing  Description automatically generatedThe Zonta International Brand Awareness Campaign and the 'elevator speech' was introduced in News Flash Issue 5.  Hot off the press is the [**Elevator Speech Toolkit**](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=be78014e93&e=b2c0a7d414) which explains the campaign in detail.   District 23 Zontians, are you up for a challenge? Of course you are! Would you like your club's entry to be displayed on the Zonta International website and across all social media platforms? Of course you would!  Through club presidents, I will be contacting club PR & Communication representatives for a District Zoom meeting to discuss this campaign, so start thinking about and practising your elevator speech and be on the lookout for a District PR&C Zoom date. I hope all clubs will participate,    Link to [Elevator Speech Pitch](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=626ee9a770&e=b2c0a7d414) information and resources.  **Addition to District 23 Website** Zontians will be pleased to learn that a **Search Function** is to be added to the District 23 website for ease of use.  ***Jo Wittorff Chairman District 23 PR & Communications Committee*** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **District Projects - Birthing Kits Update** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Text  Description automatically generatedMore good news from the Birthing Kit Foundation Australia!**  Birthing Kits now contain degradable plastic sheets and logo bags.  Still $5! | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **International News** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **CATASTROPHIC FLOODS IN GERMANY**  Annemarie Loosli-Locher, Governor D28 2020-2022, ZC Schaffhausen/CH says:  "The flood catastrophe in parts of Germany is huge and will continue to have consequences for the people affected for a long time.  Zontians are heavily involved in the support.  My Area Director Kirsten has written to me and I will forward her mail to you (see below). From this you can see that Zontians are heavily involved in the support and we can support from the District with donations too.  In this sense I can say that solidarity plays among Zontians and I thank everyone for it. Warm regards Annemarie"  **How can we help?**   [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=bf93d64f30&e=b2c0a7d414) to read the message from Area Director Dr Kristen Fritsche | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Save the Dates** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **16th District 23 Conference 2021**  **10-12 September 2021**  A picture containing text, grass, outdoor, sign  Description automatically generated    **Bendigo, Victoria** Link to [conference newsletters](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=dacc48820b&e=b2c0a7d414)    [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=e11d15e066&e=b2c0a7d414) to go to the Zonta Club of Bendigo website | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **65th Zonta International Convention 25 to 29 June 2022 Hamburg - Germany  Diagram  Description automatically generated**  [CLICK HERE](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=8f4dbb9ba0&e=b2c0a7d414) | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Facebook](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=4e69695c1d&e=b2c0a7d414) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Twitter](NULL) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [Website](https://zontadistrict23.us5.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8768fff487017ab980483a15e&id=3de37a2b45&e=b2c0a7d414) | | | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *Founded in 1919, Zonta International is a global organisation of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy.*  This is the official newsletter of Zonta International District 23. **Governor: Sandra Burns Our email address is:**[zontadistrict23@yahoo.com.au](mailto:zontadistrict23@yahoo.com.au) Newsflash Editor - PDG Jane Smith: [jane.annaleey@gmail.com](mailto:jane.annaleey@gmail.com)  *Copyright © 2021 Zonta International District 23, All rights reserved.*  Want to change how you receive these emails? 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