

ZONTA

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## Newsletter



*At the Mankato Fashion Show*

## ZONTA DISTRICT 7 GOVERNOR Shelley Schultz

### Governor's Message

**Greetings!** I wish all of you a very successful 2018-2019 year as we enter the Centennial Anniversary Biennium! These next two years will be filled with celebrations of *"Honor and Empowerment."*

In the words of our International President, Susanne von Bassewitz, "This biennium, let us work together to achieve our goals for women and girls locally and internationally and let us enjoy the opportunities that Zonta offers."

I am here to serve District 7 and I am asking for some things from you!

- **Strategic Plan:** Please read and understand the Strategic Plan, which the 2016-18 and 2018-20 D7 Boards wrote. This will be our roadmap for the biennium. I look forward to conversations with you about these goals.
- **Signature Projects:** Please share the dates and times of your signature projects. It would be wonderful to experience some of these events with you.
- **Webinar:** I am creating a webinar in order for all of us to connect. The dates are Thurs., **Nov. 15 (7pm-8pm)** and **Sat., Nov, 17 (9am-10am)**. A registration invite will come from Tania Hughes-Kremers, the Area 3 Director.
- **Newsletters:** Please send club newsletters to [zontainternationaldistrict7@gmail.com](mailto:zontainternationaldistrict7@gmail.com). This will assist me in truly knowing what is happening in the district.
- **Inter-District:** Please reach out with suggestion for workshops, speakers, or topics at the North America Inter-District meeting in Dallas, TX (June 7-9, 2019). I hope that many D7 members can attend as the 2018-20 Zonta International Board will be at this meeting.

Please let me know what you need and how we can work to make our service meaningful with lasting memories of friendship.



Yours in Zonta,  
*Shelley Schultz, District 7 Governor (2018-2020)*  
[ZontaInternationalDistrict7@gmail.com](mailto:ZontaInternationalDistrict7@gmail.com)

## Zonta International District 7

# ZONTA DISTRICT 7 STRATEGIC PLAN

## *Honoring the Past, Shaping the Future*

### Goal 1

#### Zonta Centennial Anniversary

Celebrate ZI Centennial Anniversary with 100% D7 club participation by July 2020.

How to make it happen:

1. Clubs will create special events/projects, materials, Facebook pages to call attention to the centennial.
2. Clubs will review and decide if they will apply for an Anniversary Grant with a like-minded organization.
3. Zonta District 7 Newsletter will be a communication tool to highlight the Centennial Anniversary and activities within District 7.
4. District 7 Conference (Sept. 13-15, 2019) in Kansas City, MO will be a BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY with 60 Zontians in attendance.
5. Attendance at Zonta International Convention (July 4- 8, 2020) in Chicago, IL will have 100% delegate attendance from every club in District 7.



### Goal 2

#### Increase District 7 Membership

District 7 will have more members May 31, 2020 than on May 31, 2018.

How to make it happen:

1. Each club will work on retention, increase membership and diversity of members.
2. For smaller clubs, use different strategies, such as partnering with bigger club, virtual, and physical attendance of D7 Board at events and with membership drives.
3. New member applications from website will be closely followed to completion.
4. "One day Area project" will be explored with the clubs during each calendar year.
5. Two club joint projects will be explored.
6. Individual member idea will be explored (e.g., snowbirds).
7. ZI Common Action Weekend (11/8/19) will have involvement of all of District 7.

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# Honoring the Past, Shaping the Future

## Goal 3 Communication

District 7 will communicate with club presidents and individual members, using current and up-to-date tools.



How to make it happen:

1. Virtual meetings will be explored with possibilities of webinars, podcasts, etc.
2. The website will have up-to-date information and “looking ahead” section.
3. Information for Area meetings and Conference dates will be shared with clubs earlier than in the past.
4. Clubs will be energized by the communication for the Centennial Anniversary celebrations.
5. District 7 Newsletter will be sent out on a timely schedule.
6. Area Directors will establish the best communication tools for their group.
7. There will be an “Area Director” column in club communications.

## Goal 4 Service & Advocacy

Promote ZI initiatives and educational programs that empower women and girls

How to make it happen:

1. Clubs will support *Zonta Says No*.
2. Clubs/Areas will support advocacy efforts to oppose child marriage.
3. Clubs will work with like-minded organizations and other NGOs to advance the Sustainable Goal #5: *Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls*.
4. District 7 will implement the pilot program: Women in Technology Scholarship.
5. District 7 will continue to support existing educational programs focused on young women leaders in service, women in business, and women in aerospace.
6. District 7 clubs will use and promote the US Caucus materials.

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## Meet Your Zister (From a Different Mister)



**Salla Tuominen**  
**Helsinki, Finland (District 20)**  
**Liaison to Zonta District 7**

Meet Salla Tuominen, a 3rd generation Zontian! She is the Zonta International liaison to District 7 and also currently serves as the Director of Zonta International & the Zonta International Foundation.

A member since 2005, Salla has held various positions with Zonta, including:

Member of the Zonta International  
Advocacy Committee

Governor

Area Director

District Secretary

Chair of District Centennial Anniversary  
Committee

Lt. Governor

Vice Area Director

Chair of Zonta Club of Helsinki I

Salla is an attorney at an international law firm where she specializes in corporate law, capital market transactions, and mergers & acquisitions. She is also the Head of Trainee Recruitment at her firm.

This position brings her joy because it allows her to coach law students at the beginning of their careers. She knows that a mentor's work is never *Finnish*-ed.

She loves the outdoors and her interests include skiing, mountaineering, ringette, taekwondo, reading, and travelling. She and her partner have two dogs, who engage in family leisure time activities! In summer, Salla also tries to grow giant pumpkins with no success worth mentioning (yet).



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# Young Women in Public Affairs Award

## Information for Zonta District 7 Clubs

**Goal:** To encourage young women to participate in public affairs by recognizing a commitment to volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leadership achievements, and dedication to empowering worldwide through service and advocacy.

Complete program materials are available at: [membership.zonta.org/Tools/Award-Scholarship-Fellowship-Tools](https://membership.zonta.org/Tools/Award-Scholarship-Fellowship-Tools). *Note: You will need to login.*



**Recent Changes:** Applicants can be in school or in the workplace. 10 international awards of \$4,000 are available and a district award of \$1,500.

### Timetable

**August 1st:**  
2019 YWPA info was posted on ZI website

**March 1st:**  
Application should be received by club

**April 1st:**  
Club recipients selected and applications forwarded to Laurel Haroldson, 701-269-9543, [LHarold813@gmail.com](mailto:LHarold813@gmail.com)

**May 1st:**  
District recipients selected and applications forwarded to ZI

**July 1st:**  
District & ZI recipients announced



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# Zonta Princesses

## *A Tale of Empowerment on the High Sea*

Following the 64<sup>th</sup> Zonta International Convention in Yokohama, Japan, Deborah Grant and Linda Linn from the Zonta Club of St. Cloud and Penny Breise from the Zonta Club of Jamestown embarked on an eight-day Princess Cruise around Japan.



While on the cruise, these ladies proudly displayed their Zonta attire. As a result, they began meeting other Zontians on day one! “We decided that we should try to set up a Zonta meeting on a sea day!” Deborah said. The District 7 Zontians spoke with the cruise director, who agreed to list the meeting in the program. It was listed as:

### **“Zonta International Empowering Women through Service and Advocacy”**

They had 22 women attend the meeting, including a non-member who saw the posting and wanted to learn more! Zontians from three countries were represented: Australia, New Zealand, and the United States.

Since 20 of the Zontians onboard are planning to attend Zonta’s 2020 Convention in Chicago, a decision was made to name themselves the “*Zonta Princesses*.” If you attend the 2020 Convention, you’ll be able to spot them because each Zonta Princess will be wearing a tiara to the opening ceremony!



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## GOLDEN Z CLUB

The Zonta Club of Jamestown is pleased to announce that the University of Jamestown's Golden Z Club (UJ Golden Z Club) received its charter! An official charter ceremony occurred on October 11, 2018 at the University of Jamestown. Officers were officially installed on this date.

The Board of Directors are:

President: Kenady Hanson

Vice President: Kim Bandy

Treasurer: Vicki McCrory

Secretary: Kylie Macaig

Director: Tatum Williams

Director: Amanda Arvay

Co-Advisors: Katie Roehm & Penny Briese

The UJ Golden Z Club participated in their first event on October 6th, tending an informational table at the UJ Homecoming street fair, where they handed out candy bags and information about the club and Zonta scholarships.



Governor Schultz sent her congratulations to the newest members of the UJ Golden Z Club! A Golden Z Club is a club formed on a college or university campus. These student clubs are designed to provide opportunities for young adults to develop communication and leadership skills, explore career alternatives, and increase their international awareness and understanding through service.

Governor Schultz wants District 7 members to know that chartering a Golden Z Club or a Z Club is considered a service project!

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## Invisible Innocence

### Zonta Club of Bismarck Sponsors Fundraiser



Pictured: Norah Sears, 7, and Kassy Hojian, 8

The Zonta Club of Bismarck members literally jumped into action for their community as the sponsors of the third annual *Invisible Innocence* fundraiser at Sky Zone Trampoline Park in April 2018.

*Invisible Innocence* helps survivors and their families by providing programs, information and resources to assist in their journey. The organization's "Let's Talk About It" project to promote awareness about human trafficking, reach over 13,000 people in its 1st month.

In 2017, Brandi Jude, *Invisible Innocence's* Executive Director, was recognized with an Honorable Mention Award from the U.S. Attorney's Office-District of North Dakota.

**"Zonta has been an incredible partner to *Invisible Innocence*. The group's passion, organization, and sense of purpose have been a major contributor to our fundraising success. Most importantly, the women who make up Bismarck's Zonta Club are intellectual and humorous, making every experience a joy!"**, said Jude.

Since *Invisible Innocence's* inception, the Zonta Club has been partnering with the organization to provide hope and a home for survivors of human trafficking. The organization's mission aligns with one of Zonta's objectives – to promote justice and universal respect for human rights, and fundamental freedoms.

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# ZONTA CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY GRANTS



Two Zonta clubs in District 7, St. Cloud and Mankato, have submitted Centennial Anniversary Grants! If your club intends to submit a grant, please let Governor Schultz know.

## CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY GRANTS

In honor of 100 years of Zonta service and Zonta International's centennial anniversary in 2019, Zonta International has launched its Centennial Anniversary Grants program. These one-time grants of up to US\$5,000 each will recognize charitable organizations working to improve the lives of women and girls in their local communities. Zonta International will award up to US\$300,000 in grants to deserving organizations from any of the **63 countries** in which Zonta currently has active Zonta clubs.

### ELIGIBILITY

Charitable organizations must partner with a local Zonta club to apply. The partnering organization must:

- Have registered charity/non-profit status, i.e. 501(c)(3) status in the US, or equivalent if outside the US, to prove the organization is allowed to collect donations and receive grants.
- Provide evidence that it complies with diversity standards.
- Provide evidence that it complies with health and safety standards.
- Propose a project that meets at least one of the objects of Zonta International - legal, political, economic, health, education, or violence against women.
- Propose a project that will be delivered in the Zonta club's local community.
- Have a high reputation for its work in the Zonta club's region/country.

Please see the **grant application** for full eligibility and application requirements.

### APPLICATIONS

**Applications will be accepted from 15 September 2018 to 31 March 2019.**

Applications must be made through a Zonta club and submitted using the online application form. Hard copy and email applications will not be accepted. An organization may make only one application and cannot receive more than one grant in one country.

Contact a Zonta club near you to get started.

For more information, please visit:

*[Foundation.zonta.org/  
Our-Programs/  
Centennial-Anniversary-  
Grants](http://Foundation.zonta.org/Our-Programs/Centennial-Anniversary-Grants)*

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# DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH

The St. Cloud Zonta Club annually invites golfers to participate in a “Diamonds in the Rough” golf outing and jewelry show.

***“No Golf Skills Required,” insists St. Cloud Zonta Club!***

It is a day of fun designed to support St. Cloud Zonta Club’s projects for the advancement and empowerment of women.



ZONTA CLUB OF ST. CLOUD DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH GOLF 2018



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*Pictured: Governor Schultz and a team of Zontians from Minneapolis joined in this fun event.*



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## COMMON ACTION

The weekend of **NOVEMBER 8, 2019** is Common Action Weekend for Zonta.

*What is your club planning?*

Zonta International will be providing an online presence and all clubs in District 7 are encouraged to have local events planned! If your club is planning an event, please let Centennial Anniversary co-chairs Deb Kellerman [debrakellerman@gmail.com](mailto:debrakellerman@gmail.com) and Cheryl Klueppel [cklueppel902@gmail.com](mailto:cklueppel902@gmail.com) know.

### 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM

Clubs are encouraged to add a project to the 16 Days of Activism (Nov. 25– Dec. 10). This

project could include a focus on the *Zonta Says No* campaign and incorporate ZI service project, *Ending Child Marriage*.



### ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE



### Announcements

- First *Zonta Talk* was held on Oct. 20th. It was recorded and will be posted on ZI website by the end of the month. The topic was the *Ending Child Marriage* project and it was very informative.
- Individual Zonta Membership Dues are \$95.

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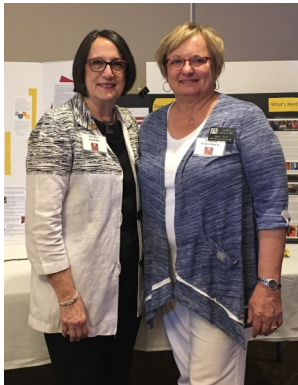
## SAVE-THE-DATES!



### WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT LUNCHEON

*November 16, 2018*

The Zonta Club of Cape Girardeau is hosting its annual *Women of Achievement* Luncheon, held at Ray's Banquet Center, with expo at 10:30 and Luncheon at 11:30. For tickets, visit: [capezonta.org/fundraising/woa/](http://capezonta.org/fundraising/woa/)



### AREA 1 & AREA 3 MEETING

*April 5-6, 2019*

Zonta International D7: Area 1 & Area 3 will have their Area Meeting on April 5 & 6, 2019 at the Country Inn and Suites in Mankato, MN.

The last Area 1 & 3 meeting was in April 2018. The Zonta members that attended

wanted to share these fun pictures with their fellow District 7 Zisters!



### AREA 2 & AREA 4 MEETING

*April 26-27, 2019*

Zonta International D7: Area 2 & Area 4 will have their Area Meeting on April 26 & April 27, 2019. The meeting will take place at the Plaza Marriott in Kansas City. Details to follow!

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**SAVE-THE-DATES!**



**NORTH AMERICAN INTER-DISTRICT MEETING**

*June 7– 9, 2019*

Zonta International District 10 will host the North American Inter-District Meeting in Dallas, Texas from June 7– 9, 2019. For more info, visit: [zontadistrict10.org](http://zontadistrict10.org)



**DISTRICT 7 CONFERENCE**

*September 13-15, 2019*

Zonta International District 7 will have its conference in Kansas City, MO on September 13– 15, 2019. It will be a **BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY** for all Zontians from District 7!



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