



**ZONTA**  
**INTERNATIONAL**  
**DISTRICT 13**  
**EMPOWERING WOMEN**  
**THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY**



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## Governor's Newsletter no. 2

### District Committees

*Welcome to all the committee chairs and the other members of D13 Committees for 2018-2020*

To ensure more collaboration and mutual inspiration between clubs and areas in our district, we have now revitalized the district committees with members from all areas. With the long distances between our 4 countries, Skype and mail are vital instruments for our committees - as indeed they are also for the District Board. So a warm welcome to all the new Committee chairs, starting with 2 new committees:

*Z and Golden Z Committee:* Spiwe Rønning, ZC Sauda  
*Women in Technology:* Jane Andersen, ZC CPH I  
*Nominating:* Wenche Christensen Olstad, ZC Stavanger  
*PR Committee:* Xenia Nedergaard, ZC CPH II  
*Centennial Committee:* Ragna Karlsdóttir, ZC Embla  
*Membership Committee:* Jane Bordal, ZC Oslo I  
*Bylaws Committee:* Dögg Pálsdóttir, ZC Embla  
*UN and CoE Committee:* Hanne Friis, ZC Aarhus I  
*Advocacy Committee:* Siri Meling, ZC Egersund  
*YWPA Committee:* Biola Akinde, ZC Copenhagen I  
*JMK Women in Business Committee:* same as YWPA  
*Amelia Earhart:* Ljiljana Oosterkamp, ZC Haugesund  
*Service Committee:* Anne Kühnell, ZC Roskilde  
*Leadership Development Committee:* same as Service

We also now have more Foundation Ambassadors: Anne Kühnell is Foundation Ambassador for Areas 01 and 03, Ina Dageyte Mituziene for Area 02 and Mari Vangdal for Area 04. We hope to get one more soon.

### Happy Centennial Year!

We are now entering Zonta's Centennial Anniversary year, and many people - including the District Conference Committee - are working to make this a very special year, where we look both at what we have already achieved as well as what we want to achieve in the future. Happy New Year!



### Young Women in Public Affairs

All clubs in the district are encouraged to invite applications for the Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarships 2019. This program looks to the young women of today - 16-19 years old - as the leaders of tomorrow. There are 10 international scholarships of 4000 USD and 32 district scholarships of 1500 USD. There are plenty of resources at [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org) and there is also a YWPA Facebook page. Download application forms from the website and approach your local high schools to identify young women committed to volunteer leadership! If you need help, please contact YWPA Chair Biola Akinde at [akinde.zonta@gmail.com](mailto:akinde.zonta@gmail.com)

The deadline for submission of club winners to Biola Akinde and the YWPA Committee is April 1, 2019.

# Zonta and the UN

Zonta International works closely with the United Nations on projects advancing the status of women and girls. UN Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) no. 5 is *Achieve gender equality and empower women and girls*. ZI encourages all clubs to work on endorsing that goal which is completely in line with Zonta's mission of empowering women and girls through service and advocacy. More information on Goal no. 5 is [here](#). The District 13 UN Committee chaired by Hanne Friis from ZC Aarhus follows the work of ZI UN committee and has already published two newsletters on [www.zonta-district13.org](http://www.zonta-district13.org).

4 members are taking part in the Committee on the Status of Women (CSW) meeting in New York in March 2019. More information is on the ZI website [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

# News from Areas

Both Area 01 and Area 04 held very successful Area meetings in September.

Area 04, Norway, had more than 70 participants for the area meeting in Sauda on September 7-9, hosted by the ZC Sauda. The district board met just before this Area meeting in Sauda on September 6, and several board members attended the ensuing Area meeting and congratulated Zonta Norway with the new ZC Vigrestad og Omegn .

Area 01, Denmark, had an area meeting late in September, from 21st-23rd, in Karrebæksminde close to Næstved, hosted by ZC Næstved. More than 100 participants made this a very active and productive meeting, where also quite a number of initiatives for the Centennial celebration in 2019 were discussed in a workshop.

Areas 02 and 03 are planning Area meetings this spring.

# Remember ZIF

To celebrate Zonta's 100th anniversary in 2019, a special Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign has been launched. Zontians are called up on to consider a donation to this to make our organization stronger. Contact your Area Foundation Ambassador if you have questions!

All clubs are encouraged to donate at least one third of the funds they raise to ZIF, in order to support the important Zonta International projects and scholarships.

# PR Committee 2018-20



Berit Birkelund is our webmaster this biennium. Please submit news for the district website to [birkelund.zonta@gmail.com](mailto:birkelund.zonta@gmail.com).

The District PR Committee 2018-20 is chaired by Xenia Nedergaard and members are Berit Birkelund, Lena B. Mortensen, Ruta Jasioniene, Bryndis Valdemarsdottir and Randi Karin Holmen. All the four areas are thus represented in the PR-committee now, and we aim to have a more lively and vibrant District 13 website. Hopefully it should now become easy to access information on what is going on, everywhere in District 13. Information will be added on a running basis to the website, so please remember to check it regularly.

# Centennial Anniversary Grants

*Remember that clubs can apply for up to USD 5.000 for a like-minded charitable organisation that operates in their neighbourhood. The deadline is March 31, 2019.*

More information on how to apply can be found at [www.zonta100.org](http://www.zonta100.org)

# Membership Updates

## **Individual membership**

At convention in Yokohama it was decided to create a new pilot membership category: Individual Membership.

More information on this category is now on the ZI website. These members only pay international dues.

The ambition is to get many supporters of Zonta to become individual members. So members may think of asking husbands or other close relatives to join in this category.

## Jane M Klausman Women in Business District Winner

LineWedam Fruergaard from CBS, Copenhagen received the District 13 Jane M Klausman Women in Business award 2018. The award recognizes young women doing business studies and showing leadership potential. Line studies



International Marketing and Management and used her scholarship - including one from ZC Copenhagen I and one from Area 01 - to study for a semester in New York.

## **District Conference Copenhagen 2019 - save the dates September 12-15**

**The Centennial District Conference will be in Copenhagen from September 12th to 15th 2019. The venue of the conference is Scandic Hotel Sydhavnen. A centennial reception will be hosted by the Lord Mayor of Copenhagen at the Town Hall on September 13 from 18:30 -20.00. Do not miss out on our Centennial Conference ! We hope to see at least 200 Zontians at this memorable event .**

