We are in the Centennial Anniversary Biennium (July 2018- June 2020). “Honor and Empower” is the theme for our 100th anniversary. This 100-year celebration will take place Nov 8, 2019 but we will use the whole biennium to celebrate and honor empowering women and girls.

PLANS: The Zonta club of the Roseburg Area in collaboration with our D8 clubs will participate in a common project (yet to be decided) that focuses on empowering women. We will also be partnering with the DC Human Trafficking Task force to apply for a grant to educate girls and boys about how to not become a victim of trafficking. More details as they become available.

GOALS: We need to all promote our fundraising projects and/or come up with some new ones to provide us with the means to serve our mission and goals. We need to all try and each add 1 member to our ranks. And to do this may mean we need to look at other times for meetings. Many professional men and women can’t get away from their jobs at noon. So why not try to move the meetings around.

We need to constantly ask ourselves WHY? We are doing specific activities. Do they support our purpose? If not, then why do we keep doing them. We need to focus on relevance!

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

It’s time to rally your friends and family to participate since registration for Zonta’s 7th annual Iron Woman competition closes August 30, 2018! The September 8th Iron Woman is a team event, comprised of two women, over 21 years old, who combine their scores in target shooting, yard games, horseshoes, putting, and bowling. The fun begins this at Backside Brewery at 8:30 a.m. The Backside bus provides transportation for all the participants to each event. Don’t worry if you’ve never shot a gun before, since the instructors at the Roseburg Rod and Gun Club provide the guns and give each woman basic gun handling and safety instruction. Likewise, the Roseburg Horseshoe Club provides pointers for pitching horseshoes. For bowling, putting, and yard games, you use whatever skills you already may (or may not) posses.

The day concludes about 5 p.m. after Hors d’oeuvres, awards for the highest scores and best team T-shirt. Registration is $150 per team and includes transportation, the events, equipment, lunch, plus Hors d’ oeuvres, adult beverage, and awards. The Iron Woman is a major fundraiser for Zonta to reduce violence against women and the Hand Up program to help women to transition to a better life.

IRONWOMAN SEPT 8TH

For information and registration, visit the Roseburg Zonta website at: www.zontaroseburg.org
or contact info@zontaroseburg.org.
Zonta Social Media Places

The “web” is where it’s at! If you haven’t done it yet you need to go into Facebook and friend your local “Zonta Club of Roseburg”, “Zonta District 8” and finally “Zonta International”. Doing this will help you get an understanding of all the things happening in the World of Zonta on a more social level.

To get into more breadth and depth of the organization you will need to visit their respective web pages. First your local web page link for the Roseburg Area Zonta Club is https://www.zontaroseburg.org then the next level of Zonta governance is the Zonta District 8 web site at https://zontadistrict8.org and finally our parent organization Zonta International at https://www.zonta.org. When you open the Zonta International (ZI) home page LOOK in the upper left corner click on MY ZONTA.

It takes you to another screen where you see member login. Enter your email (it must be the one you use for all Zonta stuff) and create a pass word.

If you are still having trouble email Sandy and she will send you further instructions, even if you don’t set up your own profile on the ZI web page you can still view the many activities happening worldwide with other Zonta clubs.
Zontians Newsletter

SANTA RUN WINNERS!

10K Winners
William Byrd & Brittney Cannon

5 K Winners
Jeff Lehrbach & Annie Dannenhofer

The Christmas in July Santa Run successfully produced money for the club! Unfortunately, the Ho Ho spirit and participation fell short of our sugar plum dreams. The club moved the event to July in hopes of attracting more runners during warmer weather and a less frantic time of year. While December had runners worrying about holiday deadlines in addition to gray, cold, and stagnant air; July had them wondering about heat and potentially smoky air. While heat and smoke proved to be non-issues, attracting runners remained an issue.

Publicity started with the Eclectic Edge race calendar in January. It continued with Zonta and Roseburg Runners Facebook posts, plus flyers to nearly 50 businesses, the K to 8 schools, gyms, and daycares. Cross Country and Track coaches at the local schools were also sent flyers and the event was published on the Race Center NW, Wikido, KPIC, and News Review event calendars. The event even made the newspaper three times, the radio, and had crazy members in Santa suit’s holding signs and waving to cars in front of Fred Meyers. Still, only 21 runners registered.

Despite the low turnout, the club embraced the holiday theme and donned their Santa hats while the runners enjoyed the event. Each runner enjoyed a goodie bag, and the top 3 male and female runners in each event received awards. The event had post-event snacks and good comradery. Our THANKS to our sponsors and business who supported this event: Waddell & Reed, Umpqua Health, State Farm, Parkway Animal Hospital, Umpqua Oats, Perfect Touch Salon, Sheri’s Restaurant, Applebee’s, Red Robin, Makena Beach Tans, Sherm’s Thunderbird Market, Dutch Bros., Western Title and the Roseburg Water Store.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
► Sept 5 Board Mtg
► Sept 8 IRONWOMAN
► Sept 8 Literacy Day
► Sept 12 Business Mtg
► Sept 19 Team Mtg
► Sept 21 International Day of Peace
► Sept 26 Program Mtg
► Oct 3 Board Mtg
► Oct 10 Business Mtg
► Oct 17 Team Mtg
► Oct 24 Program Mtg

► NOVEMBER
Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women

Nov 25-Dec 10 16 days of Activism
District 8 Retreat- August on Anderson Island

Jeanie Martin, the new District 8 Governor, met with board members in early August to discuss goals and strategies. The meeting started with board members stating their “dream goals” which may be hard to attain but are still worth dreaming. Statements included:

- Eradicate violence against women so Zonta turns into an organization that focuses on educating and empowering women.
- People KNOW what Zonta means and Zonta is so well known that people come to us to become members and want to start new clubs.
- Zonta is so well funded that instead of fund raising, we spend more time on advocacy.
- Past Zonta members think so highly of the organization that they come back.
- All members are familiar with the Zonta websites.
- ZI creates a 30 second advertisement that is aired globally.
- The Zonta Centennial Celebration is advertised on billboards up and down I-5.

With District 8 action items, there will be a push to increase regular and e-club membership by 2020. E-clubs will need 15 members. Members who can’t regularly attend a club, may also become a satellite group with a local club via internet. To help increase membership, ask fellow members, “why did you join Zonta and why did you stay?” This might help provide insight on what people like about Zonta. Additionally, to teach people about Zonta, consider phrasing your answers as Zonta believes…. Belief statements tend to be direct and powerful. For example—Zonta believes in empowering women, versus Zonta is a club that is working to empower women. There is also interest in changing the “Zonta Says No to Violence Against Women,” to a more positive message. The District will also start publishing its newsletter three times per year: January, May, and September.

Workshop-wise, the District voted to have individual area workshops in spring 2019, then an all-area workshop in 2020. Check our calendar out, there will also be a District 8 Workshop September 27-28, 2019 at Little Creek Casino in Shelton, Washington and the International Centennial Convention starting July 4th, 2020 in Chicago. The District would love to have 100 district members attend Chicago. Also, TBA this October/November will be two, half-day District 8 Learning Academies via Zoom. The hope is that clubs will gather some of their membership at a Wi-Fi friendly location and join the training. Potential topics range from learning more about our electronic Zonta resources to officer training. These may be converted to a webinar series so that members who couldn’t attend could access the training later.

Clubs are also being asked to select a Centennial Chair. Terri Turi is District 8’s Centennial Contact and she’ll have a lot of information to feed to clubs about the upcoming celebration. Laura Jackson volunteered to be the contact for Roseburg since much of the material will be publicity.
Starting with the kickoff at Yokohama Japan, and continuing through the 2020 International Convention in Chicago, Zonta is celebrating its 100th Anniversary throughout this biennium. The motto for the celebration will be, “Honor and Empower.” There is also a new bright blue Centennial Anniversary logo! Not only will the logo help promote Zonta’s 100 years, neurophysiology research has shown the colors create a feeling of enjoyment.

Soon ZI will have its Centennial website ready so members can access Zonta100.org to find templates, award information, quotes, member stories, and action ideas to springboard festivities in their own clubs. Some of the activities which the celebration will feature include:

- Centennial Anniversary Awards for members and those outside of Zonta who have helped empower women. Awards will honor individuals or organizations within countries, districts and clubs. Profiles of these achievements will be posted on the website to help promote the remarkable work that Zontians and others have contributed during the last 100 years.
- Highlight Zonta’s Service and Advocacy mission and accomplishments.
- Provide Centennial Anniversary grants to our like-minded charitable partners. Not only does this further help women and girls, it also strengthens our partnerships and visibility within our communities.
- ZI will also pilot a new Women in Technology scholarship. This scholarship is intended to encourage more women to pursue leadership roles in technology.
- The Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign will be an intensive effort to create a solid funding base to ensure Zontian programs for future generations.
- In November, 2019—members and clubs across the world will be asked to participate in “Common Actions” to unify all Zontians and show how our strength can Honor and Empower. November 8, 2019 will be a focal day for action. As ideas are formalized, information will be posted on ONEZonta.

Much more information will become available as Zonta celebrates its Centennial Anniversary. It’s only fitting that the celebration will last two years, in recognition of a century of work across the globe to, “honor the past while heralding the future.”
The 64th Zonta International Convention was held in Yokohama, Japan June 29-July 3. The club members hosting this event worked tirelessly to make it the success it was. To open the convention the Taiko Drummers from Aviation High School performed two highly energized pieces. The crowd loved them! Following the drummers was the traditional posting of colors from all member countries and the U.N. Many of the flag bearers were dressed in traditional costumes depicting the culture of their country.

The first keynote speaker was Right Honorable Helen Clark, recently named a Zonta International Honorary member, joined by Past International President Val Sarah in a conversation on her remarkable journey to becoming the first woman selected as the prime Minister of New Zealand. The second keynote speaker who inspired attendees was Naoko Yamazaki who is an Amelia Earhart fellow who was the second Japanese women qualify as an astronaut and fly in space. The third and final keynote speaker was Holly Ransom, a 2010 district recipient of the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship, who motivated attendees to find their "why" in Zonta’s mission.

Many hours were devoted to discussing and voting on bylaw additions and changes. It was fascinating as to how many ways there are to look at something! The discussions and debates were always respectful and thoughtful. The new additions and changes are well documented on the ZI website.

The three new biennium goals are: 1. The elimination of early marriage, which is a global problem. 2. To increase membership in Zonta. 3. To enhance our profile around the world through our centennial anniversary activities. These goals are presented in the recent issue of the Zontian Magazine.

At every international convention a memorial service is held to remember Zontians who have passed away since the last convention. In true Japanese elegance, the service in Yokohama was simple and touching. Violinist Natsumi Tamai performed.

In addition to the business aspect of the convention there were many pre and post activities as well as evening events. Two of the highlights were the Foundation Cocktail party, which was by invitation, and another was the Empress Michiko of Japan who attended a meeting with Zonta leaders during the "Sayonara to Yokohama Grand Gala Dinner.

During the last day of the convention the 2018-2020 International Board was installed. This was a change from past conventions where the ceremony has traditionally taken place at the closing banquet.

The Japanese clubs deserve a huge "Thank You" for their outstanding organization and attention to detail and the outgoing President Sonia and her board and convention team for the well-planned business meeting.

The 2020 International Convention will be held in Chicago, IL. and will close the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Zonta. The new Zonta color and logo for the centennial celebration is ice blue over a good 100 Years logo.
New Member Focus: Emily McCurry

Emily grew up in the Canyonville-Riddle area. Although she spent most of her youth attending Riddle schools, she ended up graduating from South Umpqua High School. Emily has always been drawn to activities that involve giving to those in need. She has been a part of more food drives than she can count and has hosted Christmas Stocking Stuffers for the elderly and for children in need. It is her passion to help others.

Emily has spent most of her adult life working in customer service positions. She worked at Seven Feathers for approximately 17 years. There, she primarily worked in the food and beverage departments, but also worked in the “soft count” room for approximately 5 years. Unfortunately, she had to make a career change due to health issues.

The change led her into the Title and Escrow world approximately 5 years ago. Earlier this year she left Escrow to stay home to care for her mom. However, when she was able to return to work she was offered an opportunity at Harcourts Integrity Team Real Estate Services, LLC to join the property management team. She is enjoying this new venture!

Emily feels very blessed to have been married for 19 years. She and Gary have a large blended family of 6 sons and 2 daughters. They also have 15 healthy, beautiful grandchildren! They spend a lot of time focusing on their family and love and cherish every minute they get with them.

Emily also LOVES to scrapbook, but unfortunately does not get to do it as often as she would like. She also enjoys hiking into waterfalls throughout Oregon, no matter what season it is. Welcome Emily and thank you for the contributions you’ve already made to Roseburg Zonta!