



District 9 Newsletter

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ZONTA DISTRICT 9

HONOR AND EMPOWER

Centennial Anniversary Biennium

The work of our Centennial Anniversary Biennium started with the closing ceremonies of the 64th International Convention in Yokohama, Japan where over 2000 members and over 200 guests were in attendance. International President Sussane von Bassewitz introduced the 2018-2020 Service Projects and Programs. For more information on the convention visit the District website at <http://zontadistrict9.org/convention-highlights>.

This is a special time in Zonta's history as we bridge Zonta International's first century to the next!

Honor the Past—Empowering the Present—Shaping the Future

This is our District theme for this biennium. District 9 members can look forward to various service, advocacy and fundraising activities to celebrate and honor Zonta's past as well as recognizing local people and organizations that have helped to empower women in our communities. More information to come regarding the Centennial Anniversary Grants.

New Scholarship

Women in Technology is a pilot program that will be available to encourage women to pursue education and opportunities in technology.

District 9 2018-2020 Leadership Team

District 9 Board

Governor	Ann Banks
Lt. Governor	Brittany Vaughan
Treasurer	Janis Cotton
Secretary	Wendy Weeks
Parliamentarian	Gwen Black
Area 1 Director	Edie Ignacio
Area 2 Director	Deb Blackmore
Area 3 Director	Laura Gordon
Area 4 Director	Cris Peterson
Area 5 Director	Debbie Angwood

District 9 Committee Chairs

Advocacy	Gloria Salas
Amelia Earhart	Ella Sciamma-O'Brien
Bylaws	Cindy Kittle
CAEC/Historian	Nickie Bonner
Conference	Carroll Gerow
Finance	Janis Cotton
JMK	Jackie Carley
L & D Coordinator	Linda Weiland
Membership	Brittany Vaughan
Nominating	Mele Spencer
Public Relations	Lori Montigel
Service	Becky Cutler-Gunn
United Nations	Ela Pandya
WIT	Jackie Carley
YWPA	Melissa Figge
Z & Golden Z	Jennifer Teske

Foundation Ambassadors

Area 1	Open
Area 2	Barbara White
Area 3,4,5	Nickie Bonner

Thank you for your service

Centennial Anniversary Grants

Excitement is building as Zontians around the world get ready to celebrate Zonta's 100th birthday in 2019. In District 9, it's time to start making plans for how we will mark this historic occasion. We began our work with a workshop at the 2017 Tempe conference which yielded many ideas for clubs. We will continue to brainstorm at the district board meeting in October and will publish the results on the D9 website after that. The D9 website has a landing page for the Centennial Anniversary. Check it out: www.zontadistrict9.org/history It will be updated and expanded as activities ramp up.

Zonta International has announced an exciting Centennial Grant Program. These grants will be available to like-minded charity organizations who partner with a Zonta club.

The grants will be awarded in amounts up to a maximum of \$5,000. This will provide a great opportunity for Zonta clubs working with another charitable organization to directly improve women and girls lives in their communities. The online application is now available. The application period is September 2018 to March 31, 2019. Learn more (link here to <https://www.zonta.org/centennialgrants>)

A new website has made its debut to help members and the world celebrate Zonta's 100 years of empowering women. Find tools and resources developed for this once-in-a-lifetime celebration at www.zonta100.org

Save the Date!

2019 Zonta International District 9

10/4—10/6/19



19th Amendment Celebration

Our club was represented by several members on Sunday, August 26, where we heard dynamic addresses by two women who are making a difference in the Status of Women. ASU professor Dr. Melissa Wilson-Sayres of the Biodesign Institute talked about the importance of STEM in girls' education, and after her talk, her young daughter came up on stage to say how proud she was of her mom and stated that she wanted to grow up to be an "artistic scientist," so Art is included in STEM to make it "STEAM."



Next was Dr. Gail Dines from Manchester, England, whose message was educating our children to avoid pornography, which leads to the enslavement of women and girls in prostitution. Blaming prostitution and sex trade activity on men, Dr. Dines quipped "They say prostitution is the oldest of all occupations, but no so. First there were the pimps." What a dynamic speaker.



Dr. Gail Dines



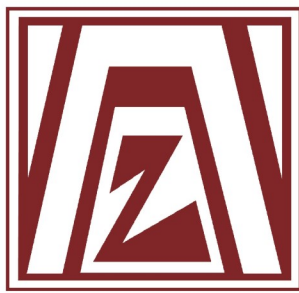
Marching is NOT enough.
Women need to GET OUT AND VOTE!!

Parade of Runners:
Arizona Women running for office in this election.



More people over the past year have come to believe the country would be better off with **more women in office.**

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ZONTA
CLUB OF
PHOENIX/EAST VALLEY
MEMBER OF ZONTA INTERNATIONAL
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY



Celebrate

the work of our hands

Labor Day

Dates to Remember

September

- 1 Nile Institute South Sudanese Diaspora
1:30—5 p.m.—Gateway Community College
- 3 Labor Day
- 13 Special Dinner Meeting at Save the Family
6 p.m.
- 27 Board Meeting

October

- 11 Celebration of UN Day at *Feed My Starving Children*—packing facility on Alma School Road
in Mesa—5:30 pm
- 13 **UNIQUE BOUTIQUE** fundraiser
Need shift assignments at September meeting.
- 24 United Nations Day



ZI ADVOCACY DAYS

8 March

International Women's Day

8 September

International Literacy Day

21 September

International Day of Peace

11 October

International Day of the Girl Child

15 October

International Day of Rural Women

17 October

International Day for Eradication of Poverty

24 October

United Nations Day

25 November

International Day for the Elimination
of Violence Against Women

25 November-10 December

Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women and 16 Days
of Activism

1 December

World AIDS Day