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IIW theme

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The spirit of Inner Wheel is:
to be resilient
to adapt
to find solutions

~ Ebe Panitteri Martines
IIW President 2021-22



2021-2024

Social Projects

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All clubs from District 248 in Bulgaria joined in with donations and aid for the refugees from Ukraine. Meals, food and basic necessities, clothes and shoes, were provided to the families. Some clubs gave cash to pay for electricity, water, and also internet so that the refugees can connect with their relatives who stayed back in Ukraine.



Message from IIW President Ebe Panitteri Martines



Time flies! My Presidential Year 2021-22 is rapidly approaching its conclusion. All over the world, our Clubs, Districts, and National Governing Bodies are working hard to formalise their final project activities and thinking ahead to get ready in view of the "future engagements" which will turn "current" on the first day of July 2022.

The activities of the IIW President slightly changed during the last two Inner Wheel Years 2020-21 and 2021-22 as a consequence of the spreading coronavirus all over the world — a very dangerous pandemic which could not be stopped, thus invading all countries from north to south, and from east to west.

Our lives have been greatly affected by this serious illness which resulted in many deaths, hospitalisations and serious health consequences.

But the spirit of Inner Wheel did not change its characteristics and IW members all over the world learnt to be resilient, to adapt to this situation and find solutions to face this new reality and way of living.

Face-to-face meetings began to be replaced by virtual ones, thus involving a greater number of members. By clicking on a link, they had the chance to attend meetings, to participate in forums, to listen to interesting conversations, to celebrate various events. So meetings of Clubs, Districts, and National Governing Bodies turned international with members willing to connect from other IW countries. The internationalism is reinforcing our desire to meet friends living in other countries, and thus, why not also establish contact and agreements for mutual engagement in each other's country when this period of isolation ends.

Since the beginning of this IW Year, I was invited by National Governing Bodies, Districts and many Clubs all around the world to attend events, ceremonies,

District or National Governing Body Meetings, Charter ceremonies, and Club anniversaries. I participated in many of these ceremonies virtually and, often, sending video-recorded messages or just written messages for their "souvenir" programmes.

Travelling has always been dangerous during the current IW Year. So I limited most of my visits in person within Italy, when the COVID-19 situation proved to be less dangerous.

In the last two months of this IW Year, I dared defy the virus and travelled to Switzerland & Liechtenstein to attend the District 199 Conference in Bern and Friendship Days in Angouleme, District 69 (FAMAT). In Angouleme, I lived an extraordinary experience of IW friendship, high quality organisation, warm welcome and knowledge of their programmes.

I am proud to let you know that since the beginning of my presidential year I got in touch with many Clubs, Districts, and National Governing Bodies. I had sent written or video-recorded messages and/or attended virtually. I will list all of them here while trying not to forget any.

It is clear that Zoom meetings allowed me to meet and work together "face-to-face" when meeting in person was not possible and gave me the chance to visit "virtually" a greater number of Clubs, Districts, and National Governing Bodies; and to attend supplementary Executive Committee Meetings. This is the power of digital technology!



JULY 2021

- Message for **Association of IW Clubs in India** President/NR Mrs Saroj Katiyar.
- Virtual attendance at 75th Anniversary of **IWC Singapore** – IIW President's speech.
- Installation of **IWC Cochin**, President Gita Krishnan – IIW President's virtual attendance and speech.
- Message for first **D328** programme in Bangladesh.
- Message for President's Installation/Handover of Ysabel Careto and Gladys Dermigny from **IWC Le Lamentin** of FAMAT.
- IIW President's virtual attendance and speech — Installation of President Kavitha Gireesh, **IWC Parur, D320**, India.
- Joint virtual installation of President Annette Mawejje from **IWC Kampala** and President Immaculate Mbonye of **IWC Gaba**, in Nigeria.
- Installation of **IWC Ootacamund, D320** (India), President Sree Chandrika Anil – IIW President's virtual attendance and speech.
- Written message to **IWC Francavilla Fontana Terre degli Imperiali** in Italy for Club Presidents' installation/turnover.
- **IWC Coimbatore North, D320** in India – Installation of President Mita Shah – IIW President's virtual attendance and speech.
- IIW President's letter to **IWC Oamaru**, New Zealand for their 50th Club Anniversary.
- **D302** Chairman and Executive Officers and members of **IWC Vijayawada** – Installation of District Chairman P. Yasoda – IIW President's message.
- **IWC Central Ortigas, D380**, Philippines – Induction of Club President Helen D. Prado.



"Journées de l'Amitié à Angoulême" meaning "Days of Friendship in Angoulême" celebrated in District 69, part of Inner Wheel FAMAT, Association of Inner Wheel Clubs of France, Andorra, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia.



AUGUST 2021

- **Association of IW Clubs in India**
"A Step towards empowering women" National Webinar and App release by Association President cum NR Saroj Katiyar – coordinated by D313. IIW President's virtual attendance and speech.
- **D383 Philippines** Induction/ Turnover Ceremonies of District Chairman Jovita Bing de Jesus – IIW President's attendance and speech.
- Article for the first Magazine 2021-22 published by **IW Association Editor for GB&I**, Angela Williams.

Standing by the "Inner Wheel Forever" rose at Sassovivo Abbey, planted on 17 June 2017 by IWC Foligno..

SEPTEMBER 2021

- Attendance and speech at the Charter presentation of **IWC Padova Specola 4.0**, D206, Italy, at Arquà Petrarca.
- IIW President's attendance and speech at the Charter ceremony of **IWC Venezia Mestre**, D206, Italy.



- IIW President's Report at the **15th European Meeting** "Together towards the century of Inner Wheel" – at Rimini.
- IIW President's attendance and speech – induction **IWCPI D380** District Chairman Caroline Q. Entote and handover by Past District Chairman Noimee Verano.
- IIW President's virtual report at the 1st Meeting of **D211**, Italy, at Enna.
- International Day of Peace celebrated on 21 September in the **Philippines** as virtual keynote speaker.
- International Day of Peace – **D341**, Pakistan – IIW President's virtual speech.
- International Day of Peace **IWC Chittagong, D345**, Bangladesh IIW President's virtual speech.
- IIW President Report, First Meeting, **D206**, Italy at Riva del Garda.



Spectacular welcome by a Quintana Drum performance on the visit to the Inner Wheel Club of Foligno.



- Guest of Honour at the webinar coordinated by **D304** and organised by India's Association President Saroj Katiyar. The participants were introduced to three young women who shared their stories of disability and learning of how to live with it.
- **IWC Makati, D383**, Philippines induction/turnover ceremonies and celebration of the Club's 25th Anniversary – IIW President's virtual attendance and speech.

OCTOBER 2021

- Attendance at the first meeting of **D204**, Italy in Milan – Report and slides illustrating the Presidential theme "Pink First".
- Contact ceremony between **IWC Mestre, D206** and **IWC Valsamoggia Terre d'acqua, D209** in Venice (Italy) – IIW President's attendance and speech.

- Guest of Honour at 40th Anniversary **IWC Palermo, D211** in Italy – IIW President's attendance and speech.
- First **D210** meeting in Battipaglia – Slide presentation of IIW Presidential theme "Pink First".
- Video recorded message by IIW President sent to Club International Service Organisers of **D330** in Malaysia on the occasion of Diwali Night 2021.
- Induction of National President Yolanda R. Wycoco of Philippines at Okada Hotel in Manila – IIW President's virtual attendance and speech.
- Letter to Club President and members on the 40th Anniversary of **IWC Catania, D211** in Italy.
- Message of IIW President to members at the Club ISO meeting of **D328** in Bangladesh for their publication.

NOVEMBER 2021

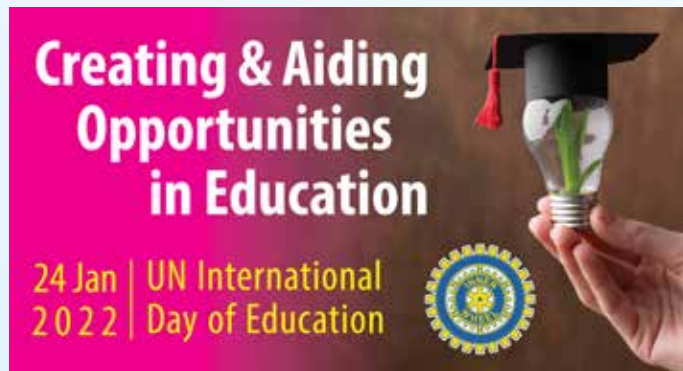
- IIW President's virtual participation in Friendship Day and News from **New Zealand**.
- **Inner Wheel Clubs of Philippines Inc.** "Wheel can Cerv" Cervical Awareness Project, Quezon City Memorial Circle – IIW Presidents' attendance and speech.
- Christmas Greetings at the **National Governing Body** ad hoc meeting in Rome.
- IIW President's Message to Members all over the world on the occasion of the **International Day for the elimination of violence against women**.
- Attendance at the Charter Ceremony **IWC Napoli Reale, D210** in Italy and Welcome Message to the President and Members.

DECEMBER 2021

Written message to District Chairman Hala Hagrass **D95**, Egypt and Jordan, on the occasion of their Golden Jubilee.



Charter of the new Inner Wheel Club of Aversa,
District 210 in Carf, Italy.



JANUARY 2022

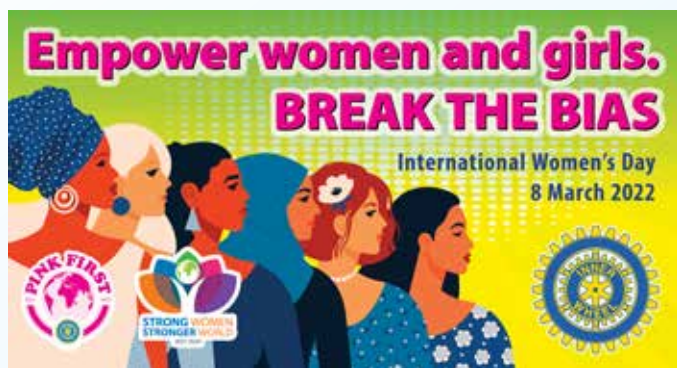
- Video recorded message for Cervical Cancer Seminar, **IWC Dhanmondi**, D328 Bangladesh – IIW President's message.
- 52nd IW Day **D330**, Malaysia and Singapore – IIW President's message and virtual attendance
- 52nd IW Day **D81**, GB&I – IIW President's virtual attendance and message.
- 52nd IW Day **D136**, Iceland – IIW President's virtual attendance and message.
- 52nd IW Day **D328**, Bangladesh – Video-recording of IIW President's message.
- 52nd IW Day **D192**, Austria & Czech Republic – IIW President's message and virtual attendance.
- IIW President's message to Members all over the world on **International Day of Education**, January 24th.

FEBRUARY 2022

- **Nigeria National Conference/Rally** "Oyemekun 2022" – goodwill message from IIW President.
- 52nd IW Day by **Association of the Inner Wheel Clubs of Philippines Inc.** – Message from IW President.
- IIW President's message to Members all over the world on **International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation** on 6 February.
- IIW President's message to all Members on the **International Day of Women and Girls in Science** on 11 February.
- Written message to the President of **IWC Caloocan**, D380, Philippines, on their 60th Anniversary.
- IIW President's message for the inauguration of the 36th Conference of **D322**, Sri Lanka and Golden Jubilee of **IWC Negombo**.
- IIW President's message for the Annual General Meeting of **D915** at Yaounde, Cameroon.
- IIW President's message for the **D320** Conference souvenir programme in Pollachi, India.

MARCH 2022

- IIW President's speech for the Forum and Gala Dinner of **D211**, Italy at Hotel Diodoro in Taormina.
- Letter of thanks for the invitation to attend **D909** Senegal Meeting in Saly Portudal, in which I could not participate.
- IIW President's message on 8 March to all IW Members on **International Women's Day "Break the Bias"**



- Participation in the virtual meeting organised by **IWC Napoli Reale** to discuss prevention of cervical cancer.
- Signing of contact agreement between **D204** and **D206** in Venice. IIW President's speech.
- IIW President's congratulatory message for the 56th National Conference **IW Clubs of Philippines Inc.** at Pasay City.
- IIW President Message on the occasion of Triennial Conference of the **Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India** 11-13 April in Varanasi. Kindly invited by Association President-NR Saroj Katiyar. I could not join due to the COVID travel restriction.
- Message from IIW President for the Conference of Club ISOs in Chittagong, **Bangladesh**.
- Message from IIW President for 56th National Conference programme of **IWCPI** "The power of sisterhood – Stronger together", in Manila.
- IIW President's message for **Inner Wheel Clubs of Philippines Inc.** on International Women's Day celebration, "Gender equality for sustainable tomorrow, Break The Bias" at Makati City.

APRIL 2022

- IIW President's address at the virtual Conference on 5-6 April of the **Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in Great Britain & Ireland**.

- IIW President's Message at the Triennial Conference in Nashville, Tennessee of **Inner Wheel USA**. I was invited to attend but could not participate.
- IIW President's address to **IWC Foligno**, D209 in Italy by invitation to attend a discussion on the status of women.
- IIW President's attendance and address at the 30th anniversary of **IWC Citta' di Castello**, D209, Italy
- IIW President's participation in the Inter-Districts Forum "When there's a will, there's a way" of **D206**, Italy and D2060 Rotary.
- IIW President's speech at the Charter ceremony of **IWC Aversa**, D210, Italy.
- Attendance at a round table about nuclear risks organised by **IWC Napoli Ovest**.
- IIW President's attendance and address at the 30th Anniversary **IWC Arezzo**, D209, Italy.
- IIW President's attendance and speech at Charter ceremony of **IW Roma Castel Porziano**, D208, Italy.
- Participation and IIW President's speech in the contact agreement ceremony between **IWC Venice**, D206, Italy and **IWC Lille Metropole Europea**, D67 of FAMAT, in Venice.
- IIW President's attendance and speech at the 40th Anniversary of **IWC Trapani**, D211, Italy.

MAY 2022

- IIW President's message for the Annual Meeting of **D920** of Reunion and Madagascar.
- IIW President's attendance and speech at the Meeting of **D199** of Switzerland & Liechtenstein in Berna.
- Virtual attendance as Guest of Honour at the International Forum on "Medwomen, Empowerment & Green Transition – The Inner Wheel Impact" organised by both **D204** and **D210** of Italy.
- IIW President's participation and speech at "Friendship Days in Angoulême" organised by **District 69** of FAMAT. My entourage included NR Donatella Nicolich, BD Gemma Pirondini, Elena Briguglio Basile, IWC Milano San President Carlo Naviglio Grande, and D204 Past Chairman Barbara Milella.
- Congratulatory letter to the President of **IWC Mombasa**, Kenya, on their 61st Anniversary.
- Participation and speech at the 40th Anniversary of **IWC Padova**, D206 (my Club!).
- Participation and speech at the Charter ceremony of **IWC Napoli Matilde Serao**.
- Participation at the 40th Anniversary of **IW Trento**, D206.



I have received some invitations to attend events in June and I will do my best to accept them.

I wish to say thank you and goodbye to IIW IPP Bina Vyas, a good friend and was a capable IIW President. She has left us a number of "lasting legacies", among which are the concept of leadership and a virtual convention.

After one or two years of shared collaboration, many thanks for their important contribution to Board Directors Mamta Gupta from India, Feeroza Avari Byram from Pakistan, Seetha Lakshmi SNK Narayanan from Malaysia, Patricia Garcia Gonzales from Mexico, Phebean Alade from Nigeria, Catherine Ineichen from Switzerland & Liechtenstein, Marjorie Jones from USA, Gemma Pirondini from Italy, Laila El Aswad from Egypt & Jordan, Karin Van Helden from the Netherlands, Carol Haskett from New Zealand, and Diana Rahaman from Sri Lanka.



I am very pleased to welcome the newly elected Officers:

Dot Anderson Lee from New Zealand, Kirsten Moeller from Denmark, Marie Françoise Pignard from FAMAT, Ingelög Wyndham from Sweden, Beatrix Von Fassong from Germany, Cinzia Tomatis from Italy, Elizabeth Tooke from Australia, Marlies Arnoulds-Luiten from the Netherlands, Liv Elin Broberg Lewin from Norway, Uche Agbin from Nigeria, Gillette Broadway from USA, Fe Victoria de Guia from the Philippines, and Shanta Jayalath from Sri Lanka.





I am sure they are eager to live this extraordinary new experience and would like to thank them in advance for their cooperation.

To Board Directors Zhivka Stoyanova from Bulgaria, Kaija Keijola from Finland and Zena Coles from GB&I, who are serving for the second Inner Wheel year, I will appreciate working together with all of them.

Last but not least, I want to say goodbye to IIW Editor/MM Yeok San Cheng and thank her for her outstanding capacity and wish her the best success in the years to come.

A hearty welcome to Prabha Raghunandan from India, who will be IIW Editor/Media Manager in the next IW Year.

Many thanks to our Office employees, IIW Administrator Alan Phillips and Assistant Elaine Hathaway for the indispensable daily work they do at our IIW Office in Altrincham.

And now it's time to thank all the Members of the Executive Committee 2021-22, IIW VP Zeny Farcon, IIW IPP Dr Bina Vyas, IIW Treasurer Sarita Lunani, Constitution Chairman Sissel Michelsen. These are my colleagues with whom I shared the duties and responsibilities of the current IW Year, which is also characterised by the persistence of the coronavirus pandemic and the outbreak of the war in Ukraine. I will have the privilege to continue to work with most of them in my capacity as IIW Immediate Past President.

We will all "Work Wonders"!

I heartily thank all IW Members, all around the world, for the many ways they honoured my Presidential Theme "Pink First" and for giving me the chance to live this wonderful experience as IIW President.

Long Live Inner Wheel!

Ebe Panitteri Martines
President 2021-22,
International Inner Wheel 2021-22



It has been an unforgettable year for all of us all around the world and we, Inner Wheel women, have been capable, to be resilient and able to adapt to situations which could not be foreseen, in achieving our goals.

Many important projects in favour of women and girls have been developed in many countries to empower them in many fields. An important number of new IW Clubs have been formed, thus strengthening our world voluntary organisation.

I wish Zenaida Farcon, incoming IIW President 2022-23, a very successful year of service as key leader of our beloved international organisation.

The Executive Committee 2022-23 welcomes the IIW Vice-President 2022-23, Trish Douglas from GB&I, who is going to be the IIW President of the centennial year in 2024.



**Health + Education + Opportunity + Empowerment
of women and girls**

is the catalyst for the achievement of all sustainable development goals



IIW COVID-19 Disaster and Vaccination Fund

by **Zenaida Farcon**
IIW Vice-President 2021-22



International Inner Wheel started in April 2019, the campaign to send contributions to the IIW COVID-19 Disaster and Vaccination Fund. Numerous affiliate countries heeded the call and sent donations until the drive ended on 31 December 2021. To date, IIW has received the amount of £55,600.

Out of this amount, £10,000 was released in October 2021 to the Hôpital Albert Schweitzer, Haiti (HAS-Haiti) in support of their vaccination campaign. HAS-Haiti was the beneficiary chosen by IIW upon the recommendation of an IW member from Switzerland, Raphaela Maibach. Raphaela and her husband, Dr. Rolf, are volunteers at HAS-Haiti.

We thank all the generous contributors to the fund and acknowledge the top 5 countries:

ITALY	£16,753
GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND	13,674
GERMANY	6,284
USA	5,158
PHILIPPINES	3,496



HAS acknowledged IIW's donation by displaying tarpaulin signages at the vaccination sites. They also purchased special solar vaccine freezers to preserve the vaccines, including carriers used to bring vaccines to the health centres in the remote communities in the mountains.

An interim report submitted by Jessica Laguerre, Chief Financial Officer of HAS Haiti, detailed the extent to which IIW's financial support ensured the continuous vaccination efforts of HAS. (See next page.)



Special vaccine freezers, purchased using the IIW COVID-19 DVF.



Some of the HAS-Haiti Medical Team led by Dr Maurice Toussaint (1st on the right) together with Dr Rolf Maibach (3rd from right).



International Inner Wheel COVID-19 DVF



2022 Interim Report – International Inner Wheel Support of Covid-19 Vaccination Efforts Hôpital Albert Schweitzer Haiti June 2022

Hôpital Albert Schweitzer Haiti (HAS) and our patients in the Artibonite Valley thank International Inner Wheel for generous support which is allowing HAS to respond to one of the most challenging years in Haiti's history and to continue in our ongoing efforts to provide health services to a population of 350,000. The situations Haiti faced in the past year truly have been unprecedented. Last June brought a dangerous resurgence of COVID-19 at a time when Haiti had not received even one dose of COVID vaccines. Haiti's President Jovenel Moïse was assassinated in July, sending shockwaves around the world and spiraling the country into uncertainty. In August, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake hit in Haiti's southern peninsula leaving more than 2,200 dead and 12,200 people injured, followed immediately by a destructive tropical storm.

In the midst of it all, HAS continued to serve the health needs of the many people who are counting on us, while being a leader in Haiti's COVID-19 vaccination efforts. Since 2021, the HAS team has administered over 21,000 COVID vaccines, one of the most successful vaccination campaigns in all of Haiti where still just 1% of the population is vaccinated. Our community health centers and community health workers continue to play a major role in HAS' vaccination efforts.

We are grateful to International Inner Wheel for supporting our continued vaccination efforts for 2022, allowing us to broaden access by maintaining a small team on staff for routine COVID-19 vaccination at our health centers, as well as increasing vaccine access for hard to reach remote communities in the mountains through mobile vaccination campaigns.

COVID-19 Vaccination

In order to lead a successful vaccination effort for 2022, we have to focused our efforts on holding supplemental training sessions for our teams, awareness building in the community for COVID-19 vaccination, increasing our cold chain capacity, while continuing to maintain our mobile team approach for hard to reach communities.

HAS' 48 community health workers were provided with the latest information regarding all available COVID-19 vaccines. In 2021, all of our doses administered were Moderna. With the increased access to the Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson Janssen vaccines through COVAX, training sessions were needed for our staff on administering the new vaccines. Shortly after the training sessions, our team launched community awareness campaigns through churches, youth bases, public markets, and schools and held meetings with local community leaders to inform them on vaccine availability.

In hard to reach mountain communities, our teams used our mobile vaccine clinic approach. Residents were informed of upcoming vaccination days via local community leader and a calendar was shared with the community for scheduled COVID-19 vaccination dates.



International Inner Wheel COVID-19 DVF



HAS rolled out mobile vaccine clinics to bring protection to people throughout the hundreds of miles in our service area. With vaccine teams at the HAS hospital, four community health centers and mobile teams dispatched throughout our area to sites including many local churches, HAS is able to reach vulnerable, under-served communities in the farthest reaches of our service area. Mobile vaccine teams often walk for hours to reach mountain communities.

From January to May 2022, HAS administered 2,661 doses.

Moderna	232
Johnson & Johnson	1,728
Pfizer	701

We are pleased in 2022 to have been able to offer Johnson & Johnson vaccines now that they are available in Haiti, which require only one dose rather than two doses.

In order to be successful in our vaccination efforts, HAS had to strengthen its cold chain capacity. New vaccine carriers, the blue cold boxes pictured above, were purchased for the community health workers. The vaccine carriers play a critical role in all of our vaccination efforts. Community health workers start from the community health center base where vaccines are stored in solar powered vaccine freezers, but then often walk hours to reach the communities that they serve. By investing in new vaccine carriers, we ensure that all standards and requirements for cold chain are met. Additionally, with the funding from International Inner Wheel, HAS is able to continue the maintenance of our solar powered vaccine freezers.



Challenges

There are days, though, when strikes, road closures and concern about COVID keep people with non-urgent health needs at home, thus some people continue to defer routine care such as COVID-19 vaccination.

In addition to the local security challenges, vaccine availability has been low throughout Haiti in 2022. When anticipated mobile vaccine clinics have to be re-scheduled due to difficulty accessing the vaccine from the state department of health, it is at times challenging to re-mobilize and gather interest in hard to reach communities.

Conclusion

International Inner Wheel's financial support is vital to ensure uninterrupted operation of these critical efforts. We greatly value the very generous support from International Inner Wheel which has enabled HAS to continue its efforts for COVID-19 vaccination.



Message from

IIW Immediate Past President Dr Bina Vyas



INTERESTING AND FRUITFUL VISIT TO PAKISTAN

17-24 March 2022

On invitation from National Representative Nariman Siddiqui,
I visited Pakistan between 17-24 March 2022.
A wonderful visit to Pakistan and fruitful meetings and Interactions.

PAKISTAN

I was invited as Chief Guest for the District Conference of D341 on 20 March at Sahiwal.

Provided intensive training sessions to District Executives of 5 Districts about Duties & Responsibilities and District Administration;

- Provided training to Club Presidents, Club Executives & Members of all Clubs about Club Administration, Duties & Responsibilities, Leadership, Membership and many other topics;
- Addressed gatherings about changes in Inner Wheel in the last 5 years;
- Provided information about forming National Governing Body;
- Created awareness about the sanctity of District boundaries and addressed other Constitutional matters.

Nearly 21 Members of Pakistan were present at the Wagah Border to receive me, comprising DNR, PIIWBDs, PNRs, PDCs, District Executives and Club Presidents.

LAHORE

- Had exhaustive meetings with nearly 18 PNRs, PIIWBDs, PDCs and a few District Executive Officers. Got an insight into their working and problems.
- Visited Medicare Health Foundation & Women Empowerment Centre at Lahore.
- Addressed Training Session for Club Leaders & Members of all 8 Clubs in Lahore attended by over 90 Members.
- Addressed a meeting with District Chairmen and District Executives, PDCs of Districts 341, 342 and 343 at Sahiwal.
- Addressed D341 District Conference attended by nearly 300 Members of 22 Clubs of 3 Districts.

KARACHI

- Meeting with D327 District Team.
- Visited JS Academy, IWC Karachi School, and PANNAH (a Women's Shelter Home & Women Empowerment Centre).
- Provided Training for Club Leaders, Executives & Members of 12 Clubs along with Interactions on their queries & problems.
- Separate Meeting with District Chairman, District Executives, DNR, PDCs of D 344.





VISIT TO D222, 242 AND D244

8-18 APRIL 2022

On invitation from National Representative Siren Toksoy and District Chairman of District 222, I visited 3 Districts in 2 countries.

D242, ISTANBUL, TURKEY

- Meeting, Interactions with 242 District Executives, Club Presidents of 9 Clubs.
- Meeting with District Executives.

More than 35 District Executives, Club Presidents and Members of D242 and 244 accompanied me to D222, in the northern part of Cyprus.

Addressed a full day of training sessions about Club Administration, Soft Skills, Leadership, Membership, and Protocol. More than 120 Members of all 3 Districts 242, 244 and 222 attended and actively participated – very fruitful and open sessions

D244, IZMIR, TURKEY

- Training Sessions for Club Presidents, Executives, Members of all 6 Clubs of D244.
- Intensive Training for District Executives on Goal Setting & How to achieve Targets. More Interactions with Members. Meeting with District Chairman and incoming DC.

More than 10 Members of D222 received us at the airport and proceeded to Girne. Had interactions over dinner with about 45 Members of all the 3 Districts 242, 244 and 222.

Addressed training sessions for District Executives of all 3 Districts 242, 244 and 222. 21 District Executives participated and engaged in long open sessions.

D222, NORTHERN PART OF CYPRUS

Very enthusiastic, enterprising and lovable Members. Members in D222 are thrilled that they have their own District. They are doing lovely projects and continue forming New Clubs.





**Training programme for District Executives
and members of
Districts 222, 242 and 244**





FURTHERING NEXT GENERATION (or NEW GEN) CLUBS

Membership is the life and blood of our Organisation. If we want to sustain ourselves and survive, we need young, dynamic and vibrant members.

After every 2 or 3 years, members leave clubs. Generally, only a few members propose new members and about 20% of members carry out 80% of Club work.

For more than 50 years, only spouses of Rotarians could join Inner Wheel. Later, membership opened to lady family members of Rotarians and Inner Wheel Members.

However, from 2012, Membership is open to ladies from the public.

In spite of this relaxed provision, we do not have the required increase in Membership. We need to grow at an increased pace. We need to increase our Membership and we need to increase Clubs.

This concept of Next Generation Clubs is vital for our development and progress.

Next Generation is the next (or new) generation comprising young, intense, progressive and active women. Today, young women are looking for opportunities to serve society and make their lives more meaningful. Many young women want to contribute and share their talents and knowledge, contribute to the community, and widen their fellowship. We need to seek out such women and either invite them to join our Clubs or form a separate NEXT GEN CLUB for them.

WHAT IS A NEXT GEN CLUB?

The name of the Club should be, for example: "NEW GEN CLUB OF ANAND (city name). Any name they wish to take.

This is an Inner Wheel Club for young women.

- Comprises young, energetic, talented women.
- Can be formed in colleges, hostels, Working Women's Hostels.
- Age group of 18-30 (extendable to 35).

- After the age of 30+, members should join any neighbouring IW Club.
- They have to pay the International Inner Wheel (IIW) Dues as prescribed by IIW from time to time. However, they may take very reasonable Club Membership Fees, so as to send IIW capitation fees and still manage their Club administration.
- Next Gen Club should organise Club Meetings and Executive Meetings every month. Sponsoring Club should continue to remain a Mentor

and Advisor to the Next Gen Club for as long as possible, without imposing themselves or dominating them.

- The Club can plan activities and projects in schools, colleges or hostels.
- Sponsoring IWC should include the Next Gen Club as partner in their Projects and Events.
- Sponsoring IWC should form a Committee of dedicated, knowledgeable Members who should always monitor their progress, membership, activities, projects and Meetings

By encouraging Next Gen Clubs, we would be able to:-

- Increase our Membership and Clubs.
- Provide Young Members a platform for showcasing their talents.
- Get new energy, new ideas in the development of the Club.
- Bring changes into Inner Wheel to help make our Organisation
- Be transparent and flexible.
- Remain relevant to the current world situation.

Dr Bina Vyas
Immediate Past President 2021-22
International Inner Wheel



IIW Treasurer, Sarita Lunani: Inclination & Determination = Self-realisation & Growth in Inner Wheel

And so the journey begins...

I was born in the metropolitan city of Kolkata. In 1983 I married Sankar who is from Eluru, a small town in Andhra Pradesh. While I hailed from a nuclear family with a cosmopolitan outlook, my in-laws were an orthodox joint family that included my husband's grandparents, parents, four sisters and four uncles with their families, all living together! I had to cover my head, keep standing in the presence of elders unless asked to sit down and was not allowed to speak with my husband in public. At that time, Eluru was a tiny township that did not boast of any fancy cars, beauty salons or restaurants. I reconciled myself to being a home maker, cooking and caring for my children.



I distinctly remember in 1995, my friend Iris invited me to attend a Rotary meeting which I thoroughly enjoyed. I asked the PDG of the club whether I could join Rotary. He pointed out that as I did not have a vocation, I could not do so. He suggested that I join Inner Wheel instead. But to do that, my spouse had to be a Rotarian. My husband was not inclined to join Rotary. But I soon convinced him to become a Rotarian and lo behold! I was an Inner Wheel member in 1996. When I was the President of my club, I was eager and enthusiastic with many ideas and plans. But living in a big joint family it was difficult to leave home, attend club & District functions and projects. I had to do some smart thinking. I invited my mother-in-law to accompany me to the functions and partake in the projects. She showed keen interest in the proceedings and very soon she joined Inner Wheel as the mother of a Rotarian. I was the

winner of the Outstanding President award that year.

A few years later my mom-in-law expressed her desire to become the President of the club. Her education was limited to the 7th grade as she had been married at the tender age of 13! She did not know either English or

the local language, Telugu. She was conversant only in Hindi. It was up to me to write her speeches in English which were then translated into Telugu by my father-in-law and my mother-in-law in turn wrote them down in Hindi. It was an uphill task but wonder of wonders she came out in flying colors! Outstanding President of District 302!

Friends, both our experiences bring home the fact that inclination and determination are the key factors to self-realization and growth in Inner Wheel. If you have the will, zeal, and passion, YOU CAN DO IT! Besides, one should be positive and confident that every problem has a solution. The setbacks we face in life should become our stepping-stones to success. Today, I am happy indeed to be the IIW Treasurer!

My sincere thanks to Media Manager Yeok San for giving me the opportunity to recapture and share some valuable moments of my life.

With Pink love,

Sarita Lunani
Treasurer 2021-22
International Inner Wheel



IIW Constitution Chairman, Sissel H Michelsen shares about *Our wellbeing, Our humanity*

Dear Friends,

It seems such a short time since I and the rest of IIW's Executive Committee were asked to contribute to our first issue of our Magazine 2021-22, and now the second issue is already on the go! Nearly five months have passed with days to remember and celebrate, tasks fulfilled and tasks not yet completed, passing eruptions of all kinds, hopefully a-soon-to-end-COVID, break-through, though people in Oslo seem to think that it has already happened the way they are sharing hugs and kisses! **The world is on the mend**, at least where there have been enough vaccines. This unfair distribution of help is not mending or reducing the gap between the rich and the poorer countries.

Good things have happened in Inner Wheel worldwide lately, we've been able to meet up with our club friends again, the bigger meetings have been arranged, new clubs have been chartered, but unfortunately we have also lost some. And we have lost Inner Wheel friends to COVID without being able to say goodbye or even thank them for endurance and engagement.

Some clubs are struggling to keep their heads above the water. If we notice this, can we give a helping hand to save what is left? Do we care, or don't we think that our second objective can be meaningful in our own midst? Is there an unhealthy competition between clubs of being the best in the district and thus add stress to Club life and engagement? Perhaps getting re-acquainted with our friends is part of the healing process? Doing things together with a neighbouring club is another. **When a club disbands it isn't because all its members want to leave IW.** Those who want to remain in IW must be received in other clubs with open arms, still to enjoy themselves and enrich others.



In the previous issue I gave a detailed account of what I and my fellow members of the Constitution Committee work. I won't repeat that here, only remind myself and my readers that it is **important to keep the well-being of both our members and our widespread organisation in mind all the time.** If our Constitution doesn't suffice when we are having challenging work, we have to use healthy and constructive thinking in addition.

Back to the current situation! And what is more current, devastating, unnecessary, and inhuman than the war in Ukraine? Today's news reported that 6 million people have fled the country, more than the whole population of my own country, Norway! What about the rest of the population living in constant fear and agony? Innocent children are among the victims in this brutal war, too. What about those left behind? Will the scars on body and soul ever be mended?



Good neighbours are a gift, and Ukrainians have experienced this on the humanitarian aspect of this war, also our own Ukrainian members. The political aspect is not my concern in my writing today, though I am very concerned about the war, and as we know the first to fall victim in any war or conflict, is the truth!

Good neighbourhood relations have constantly been shown from day one of the war by IW members and clubs in Moldova/Rumania, Bulgaria and Austria supported by IW clubs from the many countries of Europe and also through friends in Poland. The refugees are spread all over Europe and other parts of the world, and IW clubs are engaged there as well. **IIW contributed to the international Red Cross's work inside Ukraine, and the generous amounts of money sent to the newly established IW RELIEF FUND** by IW friends all over the Globe, will be distributed to the districts in the neighbouring countries after application. This money will only be a kind of first aid for survival. What worries me is that people with bad intentions may start using vulnerable girls and young women for their own ends in trafficking. Therefore having women with experience in checking and asking the difficult questions where refugees may meet up is both highly appreciated and necessary.

Then when the war is over, what is left of their proud homeland, their pretty cities, their fertile soil, their homes, their institutions? The international society must dig deeply into their pockets when that mending is going to start!

At the end of June the IIW Executive Committee will be able to meet up face to face, be able to speak so we can see the reactions on our friends faces, a nearly forgotten approach after two years of talking into a computer. That will be the easiest thing to mend, and it is even free!

It is also free to amend our Constitution. Remember **THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS IS 9TH NOVEMBER.** The form is on our website and Alan and Elaine at HQ are always willing to help.

I would also like to take this possibility to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to continue my work also the coming year. At the end of this IW year I would also like to give my gratitude to my friends on the Executive Committee, President Ebe, Vice-President Zenaida, Immediate Past President Bina, our Treasurer Sarita and the one who gives us the possibility to write, Editor Yeok San, our Administrator Alan and Assistant Elaine, so good to have to make our Wheel not only turn around but moving forward, too! I'm so pleased that we can all meet up very soon, mending in itself!

With Pink love,

Sissel Michelsen

Constitution Chairman 2021-22
International Inner Wheel



The white magnolia and pink Japanese cherry tree in my garden in Sweden, in bloom now.



Mombasa, Kenya

A beautiful Inner Wheel destination!

by Board Director Feerooza Byram Avari

I cannot describe what a wonderful and interesting visit my husband Byram and I had to the Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa, the non-districted club in Mombasa, Kenya. From the President, Memuna Aboo to the members, everyone made us feel special and welcomed. I had never met any of them before but from the moment I landed in Mombasa I was surrounded by the members and when I left 5 days later we were best friends!!

We reached Mombasa late evening of May 20 from Dubai via Nairobi. The President met us at the airport and took us to the hotel I had requested that they book us in. It was on one of Mombasa's beaches, Nyali, and we had a fabulous view from our room balcony of the Indian Ocean.

MAY 21 Club Secretary Poonam Thapa took us on a tour of Mombasa which include Fort Jesus built in 16th century by the Portuguese, which is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site; Old Town where the Omani Arabs came and built houses; the Mombasa Club built in 1897 where Queen Elizabeth resided in 1963; Mombasa Golf Club open to seafarers and boasting a collection of shields from various ships; the Tusks on Moi Avenue built in 1952 to commemorate the visit of Queen

Elizabeth and various animal sculptures on every roundabout in the city.





Then we had a sumptuous lunch at the residence of IW member Mumtaz Pasta, where IPP Mumtaz Jiwaji and Club Treasurer Sukesha Dabholkar were also present. This made for great fellowship!

In the evening the function of the 61st Inaugural Anniversary of the Club was held at Baobab Chinese Restaurant where I was the Chief Guest. This was the reason for my trip to Mombasa! President Memuna outlined the Club projects, viz boreholes, breast cancer research, education and vocational training of girls, donation of wheelchairs and food to the needy.

Then I, as IIW Board Director, passed on the message from IIW President Ebe to the Club President and the members. I thanked everyone for inviting me to their lovely city and country.

I spoke about my 48 long years in IW and how much I have enjoyed every minute of it. Then President Memuna introduced her members present there and thanked all donors, IW members and her family for their continued support.

The evening ended with a raffle draw with fantastic prizes and a huge delicious Chinese spread. Truly a memorable evening for me and my husband.

MAY 22 This was a full day of visits to various projects. The first project was the opening of a Borehole at village Vidubiini. The area Chief and local women welcomed our group of ladies.

The borehole was commissioned and the running water was sweet. The locals clapped, smiled and chanted thank you. Their smiles said it all for us (photos 8-10).





The second stop was a Leper Colony in Tumbe Village which houses 14 families. Luckily, their offsprings have not been affected. The old people are left to fend for themselves while the youngsters have moved on to better pastures. They were given a Borehole many years ago which is still running so the club decided to assist them with food rations along with small cash donations.

The last stop was the Mentally Challenged School in Kwale. It has 180 students, both boys and girls. It has units for Cerebral Palsy, Autism and physically impaired. 23 students are orphans and the rest are poor and vulnerable. The classes run from foundation level along with vocational training. A meal of cooked pilau, bananas, milk, juice and biscuits were served to the students. A wheelchair and sanitary napkins with panties were donated while another specially made to measure wheelchair was pledged and handed out a few days later. The students were so happy to see us and performed a dance sequence for us.

Finally after a long hectic day in the heat we all went to President Memuna's home in Kwale to enjoy the late Biryani lunch and then went back to the hotel.

MAY 23 A few older founder members of the club who could not attend the dinner function on May 21 came to the hotel with the President to meet me. They talked about their long years in the Club and I encouraged them to bring in younger members into the club and start training them to take on club posts. We had a great 2 hours of chatting and talking about IW.

MAY 24 This being our last day in Mombasa I did some shopping of local artefacts with a couple of IW members and then enjoyed lunch at the Mombasa Club.

MAY 25 It was time to say goodbye to Mombasa and my dear Club members and take our flight to Nairobi.

It was a lovely trip and I wish to thank IIW President Ebe and IIW Vice-President Zenaida for giving me permission to visit the Inner Wheel Club of Mombasa. A truly fabulous trip and one I will cherish forever.





AID TO UKRAINE BY INNER WHEEL CLUBS

IIW and Member clubs worldwide have taken quick voluntary action to give aid to Ukrainian refugees especially to women and children. These are just four stories among many untold.

INNER WHEEL CLUBS IN DISTRICT 248, BULGARIA by National Representative Mariana Stoeva

Friendship in action are the words that motivate the activity of the clubs to help refugees from Ukraine, who are mainly women and children.

All clubs from District 248 joined in with donations and aid for the refugees from Ukraine. Meals, food and basic necessities, clothes and shoes were provided to the families. Some of clubs gave cash to pay for electricity, water, and also internet so that the refugees can connect with their relatives who stayed back in Ukraine.

The Inner Wheel Club of Burgas organised art therapy for children from 3 to 7 years old. The Club members were happy to inform that they were able to help in the birth of two Ukrainian babies in good health, at the crisis headquarters for refugees.

The Inner Wheel Club of Plovdiv is taking care of 20 women and children accommodated in a hotel, such as purchasing glucometers, medications, heating stoves, and household equipment.

Photo shows a member of the Inner Wheel Club of Balchik with supplies. The winter snow did not stop members from extending their hand in aid.



INNER WHEEL CLUB
OF BALCHIK



INNER WHEEL CLUB OF YAMBOL



INNER WHEEL CLUB OF KAVARNA



INNER WHEEL CLUB
OF SOFIA

INNER WHEEL CLUB
OF BURGAS



AID TO UKRAINE BY INNER WHEEL CLUBS



The Inner Wheel Club Varna Europe organised three art workshops for children ages 4 to 8, arriving from Ukraine. Members were inspired by the project of the Inner Wheel Club of Burgas to organise such an event.

The first art workshop saw the children beaming with creativity, laughter and happy chatter. Members met children from Odessa and Kyiv who told their favourite stories as they painted together.

On 5 April 2022, another workshop was organised. The theme was Easter and together, the members and children made pictures of sheep and chickens. The animals were named by the children who thanked the members for the fun day.

Shortly after, a third workshop was held. This time, everyone painted pictures of mermaids, knights and teddy bears, and made "butterflies" which magically flew away to the delight and happy squeals from the children!



INNER WHEEL USA by IIW Board Director **Marjorie Jones**

On the 21-26 April 2022, Inner Wheel USA held their Tri-Annual Conference at the Drury Plaza Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee. The programme was filled with enthusiastic speakers, testimonies of friendship, the story of Inner Wheel, installations, training and workshops. The last event was a dinner cruise on the General Jackson, a showboat, along the Cumberland River. The second day was the meeting of IWUSA Foundation. IW USA is proud of the Foundation which provides a myoelectric limb for young people born without upper body limbs or have lost them due to accident or disease. Inner Wheel Foundation is "Turning Possibilities Into Realities"!



Members were touched by the war in Ukraine which has caused three million women and children to escape to neighbouring countries. With the encouragement that strong women are stronger together, IWUSA President Linda Daniel, asked Clubs to raise funds. At the Conference, a last minute raffle raised \$1,410 USD within a short period with forty gift prizes donated by members. In addition, IWUSA is matching funds up to \$5000. Thus, shortly, IWUSA will be sending at least \$10,000 to the Ukraine fund and more with the raffle and other donations. Inner Wheel members in action for sure!



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INNER WHEEL MEMBERS IN CROATIA & MOLDOVA

by National Representative **Snježana Petrović-Tkalčec**

Touched by all the shocking news on all media about the horrors happening in Ukraine, the members in District 191 responded immediately and cohesively – LETS HELP!

It has been over 30 years since the war in our country, Croatia, but the memories of the painful years have remained fresh. It is this fresh reminder that united our response.

People who suffer need to be given a strong message, "You are not alone, we can help."

We sent a letter of support to each of the 6 email addresses of Inner Wheel Clubs in Ukraine. Soon, we received two answers. They replied that they were trying to leave Ukraine and settle temporarily in one of the neighbouring countries which is closest to their home. They will contact us as soon as they arrive.

At the same time, on Whatsapp group, the District committee members were searching for information, discussing and analysing the possibilities of how to act, to help effectively and efficiently, that is, to act urgently.

The number of refugees was growing in all surrounding countries. We were watching Moldova as a small and not rich country that cares for the growing number of women and children. We saw Inner Wheel members selflessly providing their own homes, organising all possible assistance to the people... we saw that they know what, how and to whom and we knew their forces and sources are limited too...

So, the decision was made – let's make them stronger. Let's make their effort easier and share the care. Let's take advantages of our organisation – our friendship, our trust and understanding and our desire to help and support.

At a prompt meeting of the District Executive Committee, it was decided to urgently organise a fundraiser to help Ukraine refugees in Moldova. Each member was asked to donate according to their capacity, as soon as possible.

Our contact there in Moldova was Natalia Vavilina, Past President of the Inner Wheel Club of Chisinau Elite Europea. She sent 2 bank account numbers. First a trial payment was made, and after that 2 more payments, in total 9.000 euro.

We received feedback from Natalia in pictures – shopping carts full of necessities, large rooms filled with beds in a



small hotel 15 km from Chisinau where 60 people were settled... sad images showing interrupted lives.

Meanwhile, more and more Ukrainian refugees arrived in our country too. Within a very short time, we collected all necessities from a list and drove to deliver them: clothes, toys, household appliances, hygiene items, a playground, children's bicycles... etc Our members were involved daily, in socialising, helping mothers, introducing them to the city, planning the activities for kids, helping with health care, birthday celebration... including all the seemingly trivial little things of a normal life. Such as, all that we women will do in giving help to others: spoken and written words, positivity in hugs and laughter. We want them to feel safe and protected, adapted to the community, accepted by the people with an increase sense of confidence.

There is a verse in a Croatian children's song, "When small hands come together anything is possible." In other words, in the spirit of Inner Wheel – Strong women – stronger world. We continue to help with deep faith that these times will soon be gone.



AID TO UKRAINE BY INNER WHEEL CLUBS

Reaching out to the people under occupation

INNER WHEEL MEMBERS IN BANGLADESH

by National Representative **Nayar Islam**

Inner Wheel Year 2021-2022 is coming to an end. During this very fast-moving year, I as National Representative (NR) of Inner Wheel in Bangladesh had the opportunity to translate the core values and actions of the International Inner Wheel (IIW) to two different Districts under Inner Wheel Bangladesh. It was a different kind of challenging yet pleasantly exciting job to create the bridging between IIW and the Districts and various clubs under the Districts. This role allowed me to understand the vastness of the Inner Wheel even more during my tenure.

In a functional role, I was a vehicle to facilitate more ideas and executions of different projects so that the projects are in line with the vision of IIW President Ebe Martines. When I now look back, it is a great comfort that I find to see that the majority of the clubs embraced what I translated to them and acted to steer their projects in line with the expected norm of President Ebe Martines.

Inner Wheel Bangladesh did many projects during this tenure of 2021-2022 out of which one has carved a special niche in my heart; arranging relief funds for the distressed people in Ukraine. In March 2022, I received an appeal from IIW to contribute towards the relief fund for the people of Ukraine who are completely shattered due to the war created by the Russian aggression on a sovereign Ukraine. This appeal came at a time when the last part of Inner Wheel year was in the process and most of our clubs were busy completing their projects in Bangladesh. In other words, their budget got tighter and they didn't know what to do although everyone felt the pain of the Ukrainian people.

I must salute Inner Wheel District 328, the largest District under Inner Wheel Bangladesh. They came out with the fullest conviction once they came to know that Ukraine has a Inner Wheel clubs and the sisters of Inner Wheel in Ukraine are also under duress due to this war. I arranged



several meetings over zoom to make them understand what the people are facing and how even a little contribution we could do would help the people in a tremendous critical situation. It only took District 328 (I am also from District 328!) 2 weeks to collect funds for the relief fund by cutting off some of their local projects. I can proudly tell that District 328 raised almost USD2,800/- and we were able to send it to the Inner Wheel relief fund for Ukraine bypassing local challenges. I am deeply satisfied and happy that I was instrumental in making District 328 understand that this noble cause could be more rewarding than many of the projects they completed.

It was not easy but at the end of the day when we were sending the fund to IIW, there was a sense of great accomplishment among all the members of District 328. This experience is PRICELESS.

I sincerely hope that the war in Ukraine will end soon. We, from Bangladesh, would like to stand with our Inner Wheel sisters in Ukraine with full solidarity. Nothing would give us more satisfaction this year to see that our little contribution had some effect on the lives of the Ukrainian people. Our prayers are for them. Long live Inner Wheel.

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Dear Inner Wheel Friends

The 2024 Convention Committee are looking forward to welcoming you to Manchester for the 19th International Inner Wheel Convention. With the launch of the Convention Logo you will all have access to the Convention website where you can learn more about the venue and immediately register your interest in attending the Convention. Do join us and celebrate 100 years of Inner Wheel Friendship and Service.

Let me introduce the **2024 Convention Committee.**



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... and I am the Convention Co-ordinator

Looking forward to meeting you all in 2024.

Pam McConnell
Convention Co-ordinator



Strong women, stronger world



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At the starting block of 1 Jul 2022 to 30 Jun 2023 On your marks! Get ready...

By IIW President **ZENAIDA Y. FARCON**
Inner Wheel Year 2022-23

Every year, International Inner Wheel (IIW) declares a theme reflective of our calling during the times we are facing. As we head to the centennial year of IIW, it is fitting that we prepare and meet head-on the current challenges and immense problems that the world and our beloved organisation face.

After two years of COVID-19 pandemic, a new reality is presenting itself. As an international women's organisation, we are expected to make a global response to address all the challenges in our clubs, districts, countries, and the world. More importantly, we need to adopt the best practices done worldwide as they are already proven and time-tested to promote our advocacies.

We need to rally our team of wonderful women whose expertise and sphere of influence are not just confined in the comforts of our homes and offices. We need to unleash our inner power to make this world stronger and a better place for humanity.

Our theme for Inner Wheel Year 2022-23 is

"Work Wonders"

"**WORK**" refers to the activities involving mental or physical effort to achieve our purpose, or accomplish a result. "Work" is **our exertion of efforts, our God-given strengths and faculties to produce or perform.**



On the other hand, "**WONDERS**", refers to something amazing, surprising, beautiful – **something that inspires.**



So when we say "**WORK WONDERS**," we mean **work that is so meaningful, so valuable, so significant and authentic to the world, that our work inspires and creates wonders for the greater community.**

In Inner Wheel, "Work Wonders" mean:

- 1. In our homes:**
We strive to take care of ourselves and our families because we are strong and capable mothers and wives.
- 2. In our communities:**
We strive to look after those who are not as blessed, because they also deserve to live with us.
- 3. In our clubs:**
We must do everything to make our clubs stronger and vibrant, contribute our efforts, strengths, resources and faculties, in our order for our clubs to thrive.
- 4. In our district:**
We must support our district and its leadership and give our best in terms of time, talents, and resources.
- 5. In our world:**
We must strive to be the best in our fields and disciplines, and do our part in making this world not just safe but a better place for all.

Thus, in our "Work," we will inspire "Wonders" in our home, our community, our club, our district, and the world!



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Zenaida Farcon
President 2022-23
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from **Cheng Yeok San, IIW Editor/Media Manager 2021-22**

*Thank you to all who have made contributions
in these publications. They showcase our pride of
service and joy of friendship.*



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Friendship in Inner Wheel is precious. I learned how precious it is in this Inner Wheel year as Editor/Media Manager. I started my year with only a plan and a strategy for action, and a set of duties and responsibilities. Now, at the end of the year, I can say for sure that it is the friendship among members which makes dreams, plans and strategies come true. "Together We Can", "Lead the Change", "Pink First" and many other themes of the past years are truly the result of understanding, care and cooperation among Inner Wheel members. Thank you to all the contributors of the newsletters, IIW magazines and website articles.

Special heartfelt thanks to each and every member of the IIW Executive, Alan and Elaine. (Real huggggs are coming when we meet in Manchester 2024!)

To my successor, PAP Prabha Raghunandan, my best wishes for an enjoyable year. It will be wondrous!

In friendship,
Yeok San