

Wonder Women

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PAKISTAN

BATTLES FLOODS



AND WONDER WOMEN OF INNER WHEEL BROUGHT HOPE



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The last in-person International Governing Board (IGB) meeting was held in October 2019, and I was then present as a Board Director. Fortunately, this year, I could again attend the IGB meeting, but this time I felt honoured to be the President of the Board Meeting.

It brings great joy to see the IIW Officers and Board Directors, who all came with much wisdom and passion, so together, we were able to discuss and decide the various concerns affecting the affairs and funds of IIW efficiently. The IIW Editor was also invited to the meeting as she took photos and videos of the proceedings and has written notes for articles to be featured on our Magazine. After the meetings, we had time to bond as we had dinner together. It was so much fun during the "Night of Wonders" when each presented her talent to sing or dance to everyone's delight.

Please read the Travel Diaries featured in this eNewsletter to learn more about my memorable encounters, in-person or virtual, with members from various countries.

My gratitude to our International Editor, Prabha Raghunandan, for creatively producing this November eNewsletter. Thanks also to all those who sent their articles because we were able to know the great activities, they have done to fulfil their mission to Work Wonders.

Greetings to all the Wonder Women of International Inner Wheel (IIW)!

Now that borders have opened, it is heart-warming to see and feel the excitement and enthusiasm of the Inner Wheel (IW) members as they conduct activities they traditionally organize, such as Changeover and Installation rites, Charter Presentations, Rallies, Symposiums, Trainings, and many more. I have been regularly requested to send written or video messages to different events worldwide. Thanks to various technology tools such as Zoom, Google Drive, Dropbox, and many more, I could attend IW events, even if virtually only, and be able to give an inspirational message and convey to the members the thrusts of IIW.

In my visits to different countries, I am awed and inspired by the dedication and hard work of the IW leaders and members I met. Despite the distance, the IW Ladies find time to join in activities and projects. Most of those I encountered have been members for more than 20 years and are still active and involved in their clubs and districts. And you will see on their faces that they are thrilled to be reunited with their friends after a long time that they have been on the pandemic lockdown. Truly, IW brings joy to the people we serve and to us because we are serving with our long-time friends.

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BANGLADESH

District : 345
Club : IWC of Dhaka North West
Project : FOOTBALL

IWC of Dhaka North West Club signed a Memorandum of Understanding with LEEDO Peace Home, to support the vulnerable children. 12 children from LEEDO will participate in the World Club for street children where air tickets for 2 will be provided by IWC of Dhaka North West. Players jersey with IW logo (for Branding) also be sponsored by the club. District Chairman who was present at the event along with NR, PNR, Dist EC Body and other members of the club greatly appreciated the project and thanked everyone. Date - 2nd September 2022 Beneficiaries



District : 345
Club : IWC Dhaka Buriganga
Project : HELP BRING HOPE

IWC of Dhaka Buriganga did their mega Joint Project at the National Cancer Research Institute & Hospital in collaboration with all IW clubs of District 345. They donated wheelchairs, 3-seater chairs and milk powders for the poor patients. District Chairman Dr. Mallika Biswas was present on this occasion. Together we can make everything possible and work wonders.



District : 328
Club : IWC Lotus Bogura
Project : RESILIENCE OF OLDER PERSONS IN A CHANGING WORLD

The 32nd International Day of Older Persons October 1. Inner Wheel Club of Lotus Bogura visited "Apon Nibaash Biddhyashram" which had 85 senior residents, who were sadly neglected by their families and some were victims of autism spectrum disorder. The donation included 2 bags of rice, potatoes and lentils, bed sheets, curtain, blanket and clothing for regular wear, 100 packets of fruit and sweets and small amount of money were given as a token of love. They spent some time with the women with the hope that they could bring smiles to their faces.



BULGARIA

District : 248

Project : BULGARIA SENT FOUR AND A HALF TONNES OF MINERAL WATER IN AID TO THE DISTRESSED VILLAGES OF KARAVELVO, BOGDAN AND SLATINA

The ladies from the IW clubs in District 248 Bulgaria, united under the call “together we can”, opened their hearts in sympathy to the distressed villages in Karlovo region. After the devastating floods destroyed the water supply network, drinkable water was needed the most. Although aid was collected in a short time and water was donated, it was used up the fastest. So, the Clubs from the District united around the idea of sending a ton and a half of mineral water to the three most affected villages - Karavelovo, Bogdan and Slatina. The ordered water is in 1.5 l portions, so that it is convenient for the elderly. They provided transport to each of the villages. The ladies of IW believe that any help gives hope and warms the hearts of people who are in trouble. #WorkWonders#StrongWomenStrongerWorld



CROATIA

INNER WHEEL CLUB ČAKOVEC SHARES ONE TRUE STORY

Since the tragic event in 2020, in which her husband was killed, Inner Wheel club Čakovec has been in touch with the young widow. 26 years old, with two very small daughters, faced with an emotional and existential loss. At the same time the young mother was faced with participation in the court process. Hopelessly sad and discouraged without any will to fight and live – that's how she was at the beginning.

Through continuous visits she was offered financial support, for necessities. Though helpless, she did not want anything. Experienced club members, professional social workers and psychologists, managed to involve her in psychological counselling. They taught her how to deal with loss, how to provide comfort to kids, how to strengthen herself and live independently.

Once she became close to the members she revealed that she regretted not finishing her studies. Through conversation, practical advices and finally, financial payment for the semester, club members encouraged her to enrol. She is currently preparing for the three remaining exams with great willpower. She knows, upon graduation, she will be able to compete for much better jobs, but even more important is what she is not yet aware of – more self-esteem and self-confidence that will lead her through life. We are all so very proud of her.

As a club we are trying to make “Strong women stronger world”.

BREAST HEALTH DAY – OCTOBER THE 15th Let's be responsible to ourselves!

Breast Health Day held to inform women of all ages that life style factors play important role in the prevention and recurrence of breast cancer Inner Wheel club Slavonski Brod joined to raise awareness of this day. Therefore, on October the 17th 2022 the club member Ljubica Fuštar Preradović, Ph.D., a clinical cytologist, gave a lecture about breast self-examination. The event was held in Matija Antun Reljković High School was organized as an education for high school girls about the importance of breast self-examination and early detection of malignant breast disease. After the lecture, breast cancer patients of the association “Nada”/“Hope” shared their experiences with this malignant and common disease.. Women are role models for their children. By helping ourselves and taking care of ourselves, we help both the people around us and society as a whole. This IW club activity was supported by the cancer League of the country.



Inner wheel klub
Slavonski Brod



NORTHERN PART OF CYPRUS

District : 222
CLUB : Inner Wheel Club of Kale
Project : DONATION TO HAYDARPAŞA HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE

The President of IW Club of Kale, Nilüfer Nailer visited Haydarpaşa High School Of Commerce together with the Immediate Past President of the club, Tijen Korahan and delivered the materials required by the school, which were mostly kitchen essentials to be used in the practical lessons.

The Tourism and Hospitality Department of the school plays a significant role interns of the country's tourism and the students who are educated there, as trainees, generate labour force for the sector of tourism.

During the visit, the School Headmistress and a teacher accompanied the President and IPP of IWC of Kale and provided information about the school.

President Nilüfer Nailer congratulated the Headmistress, all teachers and students for their dedication and hard work



District : 222
CLUB : Inner Wheel Club of Kybele
Project : ART WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

On the 24th of September, IWC of Kybele organized an Art Workshop for the less privileged children living in Kafesli, Old Nicosia, Northern Cyprus. Under the guidance of Kybele members one of whom is an artist, children painted colorful pictures expressing their vivid imaginations.



11 children, chosen by the local Mukhtar (headman) attended the activity.

The art materials, snacks and drinks were provided by IWC of Kybele. The children eager to learn, enjoyed the activity and painted beautiful pictures.

IWC of Kybele plans on repeating the workshop until April 2023, which is the month, when the National Children's Day is celebrated. An exhibition will be organized where children's paintings can be sold to raise funds for sponsoring

two talented children with their education to continue with ART SCHOOL.



EGYPT AND JORDAN

District /Country : 95 : Egypt & Jordan

Project : A Free medical day at Al-Talbiah Refugee Camp/ Jordan

Inner Wheel Club of Amman Philadelphia D95 Egypt & Jordan presided by Mrs. Duha Abdulhadi and in collaboration with The Abdulhadi Hospital and Sana' optical center and in cooperation with the local community rehabilitation center in Al-Talbiah refugee camp in Jordan, did an optometry and audiometry examination for the children of the camp.

A general health checkup was made, and eyeglasses were presented to 70 male and female students who were in urgent need.



Project : IWC of Al-Gezira Sporting D95 Egypt & Jordan sustainable project

IWC of Al-Gezira Sporting sponsored a sewing workshop at Nahdat Al-Mansouriah Association in Al-Mansouria village in Egypt.

The club donated all the necessary sewing machines and equipment to teach women the art of sewing and crochet. The club bought their products and donated the total of 180 sets of clothes to needy students at Fatima Alzahra' public school in Imbaba Village.

The club also celebrated the graduation of 19 women who finished their sewing course and organized a bazaar where their products were sold.



F.A.M.A.T

Country / District 69 : France

Club : Inner Wheel Club Royan

Project : Aide-Esprit-Inde-Madagascar:AEIM



Aide-Esprit-Inde-Madagascar, AEIM, is a small French humanitarian association. It takes care of family mothers, widows or left alone by husbands. It supervises the schooling of about 350 children, from nursery school to higher education. AEIM has 3 establishments: Pondicherry (India), Antsirabe and Majunga (Madagascar). In each branch, two local salaried assistants take care of about 50 to 60 families. The mothers regularly work according to their abilities: housekeeping, street vendors, daily workers in rice fields, on building sites. All children go to school. Regular family sponsorships totally transferred to the family, ensure about 40% of the total monthly income of the family and must be primarily used to pay school fees. Regular or exceptional gifts are dedicated to the family health and home improvements. Each year, the god families receive a detailed report about the family, the studies of the children and can view photos of the family. In Europe, volunteers get neither compensation nor honoraria.

During the past three years, Inner Wheel Royan and AEIM cooperated to buy adapted pedagogic equipments during the school closing (COVID), to buy specific tools for street vendors, to prevent feminine cancers and to grant higher scholarships to particularly deserving students.

Each gift is dedicated to a specific project and is monitored to the donor through an implementation report.



FINLAND

Project : INVITATION FOR NEXT EUROPEAN RALLY

My warmest greetings from a still colourful and slightly chilly Finland. I started my term as president of the National Governing Body and National representative quite fast in the summer, planning a trip to Berlin to bring an invitation to the Rally in Finland in 2025.

In Berlin it was wonderful to see people I already knew, even though I only had time to have conversations with a few. In a situation where we are fighting for the continuity of our clubs, one of our greatest strengths is meeting colleagues from other countries. Meetings and discussions gave joy and pride in being part of a great international women's organization and faith that IW will live also after us.

Save the date October 11th We invite you all

The pandemic hit our clubs and some of them very hard. When pandemic moved aside there was a time to bring the members together again. This gave rise to the idea of all members of Finnish clubs getting together one day a year at the same time to spend an outdoor and socializing day. This helps us to remember who we are and which common family we belong to. We chose International Day of the Rights of the Girls on 11 October as that day.

The time could not have been more apt: the women of Iran had begun the struggle for the rights and future of their daughters. We succeeded excellently. Now we Finnish IW members invite you to join us next year to celebrate a day of outdoor activities and spending time together. Save the date October 11th.



Raija Partanen,
President of the Finnish National Body

GREECE

Project: Club of Ilioupolis–Donation of food supplies for the relief of poverty to the local social grocery service.

On Sunday, 2nd October the members of IW Club of Ilioupoli donated food supplies such as olive oil, condensed milk, pasta and many more for the relief of poverty of the less privileged citizens in the Municipality of Ilioupolis. Our Club bought supplies of total value 500 euro. The supplies were delivered by the Club's president Penny Alexatou, the Treasurer Evi Giri and 3 more members to the local authorities. In a special concert event dedicated to Mikis Theodorakis songs was organized for this cause by the Municipality of Ilioupolis with the participation of many singers & the local children's' choir. All supplies will be given to citizens in need through the local social grocery service.



Supplies collected by our members



Supplies offered by the members



Donation of the supplies by members of our Club to the Municipality authorities



The concert event

GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND

District : 12

A new Medical School opened its doors in Kent back in Sept 2020. District 12 members of Inner Wheel took up an opportunity of offering a £500 prize to the best two students studying woman's health matters each year for a period of five years. The would-be doctors would have placements throughout Kent in its hospitals and GP surgeries, so any one of District 12 members could be meeting them in a medical setting close to them. What a great way of Inner Wheel working within the community and recognising achievements.



District : 12

“What a small world when Inner Wheel are involved”

District 22 Secretary Yvette was contacted by Sarumathy President of Inner Wheel Club of Calicut Midtown District 320 in India. She and her friend Rajeswari from Singapore were flying to the UK to play in an International Hockey tournament at Nottingham University and wanted to know if any of District 22 Executive Committee members would like to meet up for a meal. Four members agreed to meet up at Petite Paris in Nottingham and they had a lovely meal with lots of laughter and chat from start to finish. All are now friends on social media and are exchange messages – the true friendship of Inner Wheel.



INDIA

Zone : NORTH Project : MEDICAL CAMPS

A Mega Health Check-UP Camp was organised as part of North Zone Meet on 3rd September 2022 in association with Apollo Hospital. The Camp was inaugurated by Association President Dr Surjit Kaur and Chief Guest PIIWP Abha Gupta. More than 300 patients got checked and tested by Oncologist, Cardiothoracic surgeon, Gynecologist, Physician, Optometrist, Dentist and Physiotherapist. PAP Smear Tests and thyroid Tests were conducted blood sugar tested, blood pressure and BMD checked.



Dietician guided the people regarding healthy eating habits. Cervical Cancer vaccine was given to 20 underprivileged women and girls and PAP Smear test was conducted on 30 women and girls. Screening was done for PAP Smear and Cervical Cancer. Covid Vaccine was given to 58 persons. More than 40 doctors, technicians and health workers provided their services at the camp.

More than 5000 medicines that included calcium, iron and folic acid and B - complex tablets /capsules were distributed amongst people present at the camp. Mammography Discount Card given by Apollo Hospital was unveiled by Association President Dr Surjit Kaur.

People suffering from various health issues put forth their queries and problems before the doctors and were given all possible medical advice.



Zone : WEST Project : MEDICAL CAMPS

Cancer Detection in women and HPV Vaccination camp was organized on 10th September 2022 at New BYTCO Hospital, Nashik, inaugurated by Assn President Dr Surjeet Kaur, which witnessed the presence of Commissioner, Medical Officer and Health and Reproductive Child Health Officer of Nashik Municipal Corporation.



HCG Manavata Cancer Research Centre's team checked all the patients and referred patients for free Mammography, USG and Pap smear tests to their institute benefitting in all 70 women of whom 1 was suspected breast lump. They also gave above 90% Discount Coupons for the above tests to all the IW delegates attending WZM valid for 3 months. Blood tests were undertaken free of cost on the beneficiaries for Haemogram, Haemoglobin, Blood Sugar Random, Blood Urea, Serum Bilirubin and Serum Creatinine.

HPV Vaccination were given to 24 girls through donations received from all 7 participating districts. Since girls of 14 years require only 2 doses instead of 3, more girls would be vaccinated from the donated amount.

IWC Nashik, which helped in organization of the camp provided lunch for all the working people of this project, did publicity to bring in patients and also sponsored the OPD charges of the patients.



ITALY

INNER WHEEL CLUB OF TERRAE SINUS D 211 ITALY DOMINA TERRAE SINUS AWARD

On Friday, August 26, in the beautiful location of Villa Adriana in Cinisi was held the 2nd edition of the "Domina Terrae Sinus Award."

The Domina Award was conceived and strongly desired by the President of the IWC Terrae Sinus Tina Iacopelli Thomsen, to acknowledge those women to whom life has given very arduous tasks, whether a profession or a choice of daily life dedicated to others.

These women, unafraid of the often even insurmountable difficulties, firm in their principles, discretion, kindness, and dignity, aim straight at achieving the goal.

The Inner Wheel Terrae Sinus Club was honored by the presence of IW District 211 Chairman Lucia Di Paola Guzzardi, who congratulated the Terrae Sinus Club Members. She stressed that Inner Wheel was taking vigor from activities based on Love and Harmony and incited the Inner Wheel Members to pursue their commitment following the International Theme of the year 2022/23, "Work Wonders."

In the end, Chairman Lucia pinned two new members and welcomed them into the Club.



MALAYSIA

District 330, Malaysia

IWC of Butterworth conducted a joint project with Penang International Dental College for 15 pre-schoolers and 27 primary students on basics of oral hygiene and good nutritional habits.

Theclub organised a full day Bread & Pastry Course for 20 women to encourage them to start a home-based baking business.

IWC Klang Dr. Sree Kala conducted a webinar titled 'Inclusiveness of UN's sustainable developmental goals within social projects' detailing how Inner Wheel clubs can do this effectively. In collaboration with IWC of Ipoh and National Cancer Society Malaysia held a Virtual awareness Talk on Breast Cancer, given by IWC Klang President Dr. Theyveeka, IWC Ipoh member Dr Sumithra and Dr Thasha from NCSM.

IWC of Kuantan/Indera Mahkota contributed 20 packs of essential items to elderly folks and single mothers.

IWC of Kuala Lumpur raised RM9800 in cash and kind to buy daily essentials distributed to 61 poor students from 5 kindergartens and their families.

IWC of Petaling Jaya presented activity books to under-privileged students at a tuition centre. They brought joy to 15 economically challenged single-mothers, at Gurdwara Sahib in Klang, presenting RM150 cash and gift worth RM50. The IWC of Klang also supported the project with President Dr Theyveeka doing free health screening and giving referral letters for follow-ups.



Participants and organisers of the Bread and Pastry



Digital Brochure of Webinar

Virtual talk e-banner on breast cancer



IWC of Kuantan Indera Mahkota ready to distribute



IWCKL members, children & families



Dental students engaging with the pre-schoolers from



Happy students with the activity books.



President Navarani welcoming the recipients

IWC Penang distributed daily essentials at the Women's Centre of Change, to fulfil their Deepavali wish list and handed-out Deepavali 'angpows' of RM200 to a few single mothers.

IWC of Subang, Selangor initiated proposal to help SMK Taman Sri Muda in Kuala Lumpur affected by floods. Funds were raised with the help of Rhythm Foundation to assist the school. After six months, the students have now a well-equipped room to access counselling and other activities.



A space for counselling

NIGERIA

INNER WHEEL CLUB OF ILUPEJU D 911

Succour to children at Idi-Araba Home.

IW Club of Surulere distributed food items to Children Correction Center for girls in Idi-Araba, Lagos Nigeria.



District 912 -

Nigeria celebrated International Day of Girl Child on the 11th October 2022 in Lagos. Lecture given by Rotarian A. Oseni was on Opportunities & Challenges facing a girl Child. DC. Olushola Ashipa & Project Coordinator Kikelomo Babalola were in attendance.



IW Club of Awka D-914 -

Nigeria. Empowerment of Widows. NR/P of Council Prof. Ezinma Nnabuife was present to grace the Day.



Work Wonder Sisters of Effurun GRA D-916 Nigeria.

Together with DC. IWM Tobi Adeoye & her Executives carried out a Project to put smiles on the faces of the less privileged school children in the Community.



NIGERIA

D 910

IWC of Garki in conjunction with Inner Wheel Club of Bida empowered 10 women today during the Installation ceremony of those from Suleja as communicated to us through PIIWP Yemisi Alatisé, two have children of school age who had dropped out for lack of funds. Two requested for grinding machines, one of the women has a girl child who would like to learn hair dressing and the remaining 3 women requested for support in order to start small scale business of charcoal, fish, provision, foodstuff etc.

IWC of Bida funded acquisition of one grinding machine for and paid school fees of the two children who had dropped out with a promise to see the children through Secondary School while IWC of Garki presented the remaining 4 women with a grinding machine, N50,000 for remaining three and also paid the fee for training of the girl who wishes to learn Hair Dressing.

A bag of rice, bag of beans and bag of garri was shared for the 5 women in addition to all mentioned above. A sum of twenty thousand naira was also handed over to Mrs Stella to transport these five women to the venue and back to Suleja.



STAR PROJECT D 911

The WORK WONDERS District 911 Chairman and her executives empowered 28 students after 6 weeks of intensive training in various skills with tools on at the Innerwheel Vocational center at Raji Rasaki Estate Amuwo Odofin Lagos. The six computer students went home with laptop each, while nine students got industrial ovens, six make-up and Gele tying students went home with make-up boxes each, eight fashion designers went home with sewing machine each and other tailoring material.

This laudable project cost the District 911 Three million, five hundred thousand.



PAKISTAN

Pakistan Floods 2022

Pakistan is one of the countries which are considered most vulnerable to climate change. This was evident in this year's floods which affected around 33 Million people in all provinces of Pakistan raising several challenges for its people. With loss of around 2000 innocent lives and destruction worth of several billion dollars to infrastructure, housing, crops, livestock etc, Pakistan's state institution called out social organizations to step in and play their part.

In this regard IW Pakistan with all its Districts and Clubs fully mobilized and answered the call for rehabilitation of distressed communities. Fund raising activities were conducted and teams mobilized to help affected people with the short term issues being faced namely lack of shelter, clothing, food and medication (water borne diseases). These past few months have been difficult for Pakistan, we have survived as a nation but we are still not out of the woods. With millions now homeless and without means to support their livelihoods upcoming time shall also be difficult and IW Pakistan is determined to still play its role for these upcoming challenges.



PHILIPPINES

Sisterhood Project Turned Over Two Units of Newly Repaired School Buildings

Believing THE POWER OF SISTERHOOD, STRONGER TOGETHER, District 386 Inner Wheel Clubs of Cebu Central led by Club President Daisy B Toledo, Cebu Generation Club Club Secretary Romelyn M. Llenos and Cebu Toledo Club member Josephine Trocio, in collaboration with the DPWH Cebu 6th District Engineering Office Asst District Engr Wilma B Campos , turned over two units of newly repaired Marcos Type school buildings to seven teachers and 127 learners of Lanipga Elementary School on September 24, 2022 after the blessings and ribbon cutting. . Finally, the sisterhood project “Bangon Lanipga” (Rise Lanipga after the wrath of super typhoon Odette) was realized, despite its distance from the national road (14.3 km) and location 237.8 meters above sea level. In celebration, IWC of Cebu Central had its first BUSOG LUSOG (feeding program) to 127 learners. The Club requested the end users to take good care of the school. With the assistance of 12 mothers, chicken arroz caldo were served while the rest had boodle fight lunch.



LAUNCHING OF PINK OCTOBER 2022

At the Mactan Shrine in Lapu-lapu City, the Inner Wheel Club of Cebu Central District 386 in partnership with DPWH Cebu 6th District Engineering Office and collaboration with the Local Government of Lapu-lapu City launched the Pink October, Cancer Awareness Campaign. The first part was the formation of the human Pink Ribbon by the 28 wonder women of the club, 46 ladies of DPWH Cebu 6th DEO, 10 officials of Lapu-lapu City and 8 breast cancer survivors who are members of the ICanServ Foundation/Women Of Mandaue against Breast Cancer (WOMB). Despite the rain, Lone Representative of Lapu-lapu City Legislative District Congresswomen Cindi King Chan graced the affair by welcoming the ladies all under their pink umbrellas. The celebration was more meaningful with the participation of breast cancer warriors sharing their testimonies and



inspiring story of hope. During the launching, the First Lady and Representative of Lapu-lapu City Legislative District Congresswomen Cindi King Chan led the count down for the PINK lighting of the Lapulapu Shrine. Believing that cancer is treatable when diagnosed at the earliest stage, IWC of Cebu Central in its second year initiated the help increase the level of awareness and widen information dissemination. The 2 bridges connecting Mandaue City and Lapu-lapu City, were lighted with PINK. More than a dozen members registered and joined the fund raising Cebu Pink Virtual Ultramarathon 2022 @ ₱1,500.00 per participant. The Wonder Ladies of IWC Cebu Central walk and run not only for physical fitness and wellness, but also run for life, hope, and significance.



World Bamboo and Clean up Day

In the campaign on climate change, materials like bamboo are now being sought out to improve sustainability across many industries (from textiles to even building materials).

On September 18, the World Bamboo Organization established World Bamboo Day to foster awareness about this plant's still-untapped potential. Members of Inner Wheel Club of Cebu Central joined a massive bamboo planting event at Barangay Kabankalan, in the coastal area of Tuburan, Cebu. Around 11,000 bamboo seedlings were planted from a wide variety of species.



The seedlings came from donations as well as discounts from suppliers. The members joined the representatives of Tuburan's 54 barangays, as well as members of DENR, DepEd, DAR, DPWH. Leading the project was Mayor Aljun Diamante, who hoped that the endeavor would soon pave the way for future tourist attractions and more livelihood opportunities for the local community. Members of the IWC Cebu Central led by their dynamic president, Engr. Daisy B. Toledo, also took part in a large coastal clean-up that was organized alongside the bamboo planting. Like many municipalities outside Metro Cebu, Tuburan depends on a clean and all-natural environment to sustain its tourism program.



District 302 (India) Branding Idea

Little Free Library is a movement fast catching up in India and we at Inner Wheel can spread know how about our organisation through this medium. An IW member can host a Little Free Library in her home / apartment block / colony / any visible locale where she can legally and safely install the library. The concept is simple – drop in, pick a book, and share a book. Details are readily available on the Google browser.

Inner Wheel branding can be done by slipping bookmarks in the books with the club name, logo, and theme on one side and an inspiring quote on the other. Small flyers or pamphlets on upcoming projects like health check-up camp, tree plantation can also be kept inside. The club members can take turns hosting the Little Free Library so that we can effectively brand Inner Wheel while nurturing the habit of book reading.



SINGAPORE

The ongoing project of **IWC Singapore West** is distribution of food to the needy.

On distribution day, the residents were overwhelmed on receiving items like eggs, tin foods, rice, coffee, and bottled drinks, etc. A Samaritan donated 60 packets of coffee for distribution. They provided a one-time contribution of milk powder and diapers to 15 needy families with young children. Groceries and fresh produce distribution for about 75 pre-registered residents took place one week. Unsold left-over vegetables like cauliflowers, cabbages and kailan and Japanese yam were given to the residents too.

Inner Wheel Club of Singapore East Ladies had arranged a Fund Drive for Rohingya Refugees at Johor Bahru Malaysia. 14 ladies went to visit the place and met with volunteers and refugees. They met with the organizer of Rohingya Community Club who explained their goal for supporting the refugees kids' education. **IWCSE Club** had given a club donation and Goodie Packs for the kids.

Inner Wheel Club Singapore held a workshop where IPP Sita demonstrated and supervised the making of bracelets using memory wires and Agate stones. 20 members attended the session, contributing \$10.00 for the workshop, where they made colourful bracelets for themselves. The proceeds were donated to the Club's main project for the Marymount Children's Centre.

FRIENDSHIP OVERSEAS

Both IWC Singapore and IWC Singapore West hosted members from different D 304 and 329 of India



BEAD BRACELET IWC SINGAPORE



IWC SINGAPORE EAST RELIEF TO ROHINGYA



SINGAPORE WEST FOOD FOR NEEDY SECOND COLLAGE IF SPACE PERMITS



FRIENDSHIP OVERSEAS (IWC SINGAPORE WEST WITH DC, D 329 INDIA)



IWC SINGAPORE WITH D 329 INDIA

Non-Districted Clubs

KENYA

Non-Districted club of Mombasa in Kenya

A sewing machine was presented to the young girl on the completion of her sewing course, to empower her to start her own business.



LEBANON

IWClubs of Lebanon (NDCs)

Meeting of the Presidents of clubs of Lebanon

The Presidents met to discuss the challenges since the explosion in Beirut on 4 August 2020. The topics discussed are: how to strengthen the friendship between members, to get real communication, to activate and maintain real social activity, to help the community with good assistance to the young children, to assist the elderly in their basic needs, to help the disabled who need technical medical support and how to raise awareness among the youth. The Presidents fully agree to continue their efforts. IWC of Batroun is organizing a lunch on 2 November, IWC of Al Koura is planning a screening of a Lebanese film to support Lebanese cinema and IWC of El Mina is planning an inter-club at Tripoli citadel and old souk to improve the communication between members.



LITHUANIA

Kaunas in Lithuania

For IW club Kaunas the new year started with visit to State Opera Theater. It was the premiere of G. Verdi opera "Rigoletto". The next meeting our club ladies spent in a nice garden "Obelyne". This was organized as an apple festival with lectures about types of apples and how to grow apple trees, and tasting of apples. For the 3rd meeting club members had organized a walk along the paths of Lithuanian painter's creative places.



Non-Districted Clubs

MEXICO

INNER WHEEL IN NORTHERN MEXICO

On February 23 2022, Patricia García, IIW Board Director 2021-2022 and, the District Chairman María Elena Oliva, organized meetings on Zoom to give us some information about Inner Wheel.

The Inner Wheel Club of Monterrey was founded on Wednesday March 16th, as a Non District Club since they are very far from the clubs of the center of the country, but with strong friendship bonds between us. They had the advice of the IIW Board Director, Kirsten Moller.. That founding meeting was the first time that some would meet personally and also on behalf of INNER WHEEL a Club was formed in the Northeast of México Thanks to the willingness of t friends we are taking small but safe steps: having monthly meetings inviting interesting speakers cultural visits, community and our social projects, such as the donation of hundreds of liters of purified water for a group of unprotected elderly, through volunteers from the University of Nuevo León. This is due to the unusual drought in the State that forced the authorities to ration water for use. The Inner Wheel Club of Monterrey is about to formalize its activities shortly, in the formal Charter's Day. We are truly aware of the importance of IIW presence in this part of the country due to our long Mexican history of Inner Wheel.



BENIN

WEST AFRICA BENIN

ACTION DONATION OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The Inner Wheel Club of Cotonou carried out on Saturday, October 8, 2022 an action of donation of school supplies to the orphanage CLAUDIO MEGNICO of AGASSA GODOMEY located at 20 km from Cotonou.

This action of a global cost of 741,14£ allowed the Club of Cotonou to encourage the best students of the classes of the course of initiation (CI) to the middle course 2nd year (CM2).

Some packages were also given to encourage the five best students of the CM2 class admitted to the Primary School Certificate (CEP) exam.

Other lots of supplies consisting of khaki cloth, 100-page notebooks, practical workbooks (TP), academic boxes, boxes of chalk, pens and bags of food were given to the management.

The ceremony ended with a snack offered to the 206 orphans and the whole administration of the orphanage.



MALI

WEST AFRICA MALI

MORGUE RENOVATION DONATION ACTION

The Inner wheel members of the two clubs in Mali, Bamako Amitié and Bamako Koulouba made a joint action during the visit of Governor Gisèle ENIANLOKO MARTIN

It was October 05, 2022 at 4 p.m. at CHU Gabriel TOURE

In addition to the complete renovation of the morgue l

The friends also offered maintenance and cleaning equipment for a value of 4,716.35£

The donations consist of two large freezers, 5 bins of 100 liters, 5 water tanks of 100 l, 5 brooms, 5 squeegees, 10 mops, 2 boxes of bleach, 5 packets of 50 sachets of powder detergent etc. ...



Non-Districted Clubs

WEST INDIES

INNER WHEEL CARBET FRENCH WEST INDIES

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INNER WHEEL CARBET OFFERS SACHELS TO CHILDREN

The Inner Wheel Club of Carbet a non-profit charity association went to the headquarters of the association Culture & Egalité to offer satchels and school supplies to 27 children from families in difficulty. This help was particularly appreciated because of the increase in prices

Under the leadership of Isabelle Herry, president of the Inner Wheel club of Carbet, school bags, pencil cases and other school materials were handed out to children aged from 7 to 8, accompanied by their mothers. School bags will also be given to four high school students. The event took place at the headquarters of Culture & Egalité. This female association, composed of nine members, is based at 158 rue Victor-Hugo in Fort-de-France. Trained volunteers are here in this place for access to rights, a place to listen and talk.. One of their objectives is to get women to change their perceptions and to be involved in citizenship actions.

A few months ago, we were approached by the Inner Wheel Club Carbet, which wanted to have more information on us," says Rose Bonheur, a member of Culture & Egalité. That's how we met them and how we set up this very nice event for the benefit of the families that we assist in our programme "Kay Fanm". That is the origin of this beautiful new school year story. "A hand stretched out to keep your head up".

Giving out school bags, kits and books has allowed the children to go back to school with a smile on their faces, especially since all the material offered are new," says Erika, one of the mothers. » I am very happy to see that the Inner Wheel Club of Carbet is donating all this. Also, the Culture & Egalité association is very interesting because it allows us to be accompanied and helped when we are isolated. There, we see women who reach out to us, who give us the wish to hold our heads high ».



SLOVENIA

IWC MARIBOR SLOVENIA

Kaiserschmarrn ("Emperor's Mess")

The members of the Inner Wheel club Maribor actively participated in the traditional humanitarian event

"Rotary Pisker" on Trg svobode. At the stand on Trg svobode, we prepared delicious Kaiserschmarrn ("Emperor's Mess").

We were visited by many of our friendly fellow citizens who supported our humanitarian activities with voluntary contributions. With the collected donations, we are going to help children who live in lower income families.



LUSAKA

Donation of toys at the Children's Cancer Ward -08th April 2022

Inner wheel Ladies donated various soft toys and books to children suffering from cancer.

Newly born premature babies ward- 21st July 2022

Inner Wheel Lusaka visited the D-Block ward sat the University Teaching Hospital in Lusaka.

Donated soap and clothing for the mothers who stay in a mother's shelter until the baby is discharged. Also donated baby clothing at Chainama Mental Health Facility Inner wheel Ladies donated assorted food items to the rehabilitation facility.

Inner wheel Ladies had fundraising barbeque and social event where we meet together with our family and had a Sunday family gathering afternoon. Managed to raise K13, 500.00 (USD\$900.00) in total.





ZONAL MEETS

SYMPHONY OF FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE ZONAL MEETS OF INDIA

North Zone Meet Symphony

The very successful North Zone Meet Symphony was hosted by District 312 on 3rd and 4th September 2022 at Lucknow.

The shopping arcade - Lucknow Haat and Sight seeing - Lucknow Darshan were major attractions for all delegates. Eco friendly Jute bag as kit was liked by one and all. Shaam-e-Awadh witnessed the delegates flaunting their shararas, gararas and lehngas. The North Zone District Chairmen felicitated Association President for her wonderful leadership and contribution to Inner Wheel. Dr Surjit in her inspiring Presidential address emphasized upon the need of taking care of mental and physical health through preventive measures and regular Checkups. Motivational speaker, Sutapa Sanyal, former DGP, UP, in her speech touched upon the issue of Gender Sensitization. Newsletters of District 312, 311 and e-bulletin of District 307 were released along with the Souvenir published by the Hosts.

Cultural evening Shaam-e-Awadh was very well conducted by PIIWBD Renu Baljee. Drapes of India, a grand fashion show by District Officers; Colours of India, Dance Performances and Sabrang-a talent show for Past District Chairmen by the participating Districts was enjoyable Service during Fun where 8 e-rickshaws were donated by various clubs of the Host District to needy women and girls to earn their livelihood and to be self dependent and empowered.

Chief Guest PIIWP Abha Gupta in her address inspired everyone to remain self motivated and self encouraged no matter what the circumstances be.

PIIWBD Patricia Hilton conducted Impromptu story telling competition on the IIW themes. IPAP Saroj Katiyar moderated the session on 'Prevention and early detection of Cervical Cancer' by Prof Dr. Uma Singh

Woman entrepreneur, founder editor of Global Digital Magazine WOMENSHINE, PP Aparna Mishra hosted Chat Show with woman achiever Renuka Tandon who has empowered hundreds of women and girls.

AT Archana Bajpai hosted the session for District Secretaries and District Treasurers to express their views on 'Inner Wheel of my dreams in the Centenary year and beyond'.

District Chairman Dr Versha Kumar, Convenor PAP Nandini Bhargava, Co Convenor & MoC PAT Archana Agrawal along with team of District members gave a memorable North Zone Meet to all delegates who went back with memories to cherish forever.





ZONAL MEETS

SYMPHONY OF FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE ZONAL MEETS OF INDIA

West Zone Meet Symphony

'SYMPHONY' - West Zone Meet hosted by Inner Wheel District 303 on 10th and 11th September 2022 at Express Inn, Nashik was perfect example of micro management capped with team work. The hub which kept the spokes of activity right from compering to dress code revolving was Convener PAP Dr. Rashmi Sharma. The aroma of personal touch reverberated throughout the Meet be it about receiving at stations, making rooms available at arrival, welcome gifts, decor of hall and photo booths to saying good bye with dinner packets touched the hearts of all delegates which reached the highest peak of 419. The Maharashtrian theme attained uniformity from back drop, welcome dances, host members attire, felicitation...

Some delegates made it to the wineries at Sula otherwise the visit to the wine capital would have been in vain.

'Towards a Better Tomorrow – Inner Wheel Changing Lives' who else could have given justice to this topic than the person who crossed 60 years in Inner Wheel, none other than our Chief Guest Founder Association President Rakshaben Mehta. The presence of IIW Treasurer Sarita Lunani was an added feather in the cap. Touching the hearts of delegates was keynote speech by Cancer Survivor Dr. Namita Kohok on 'Surviving Cancer' and dance performances by special children. Non-Inner Wheel doctors felicitation and the talk show of doctors providing latest information about health care were highly appreciated. Entertainment program was very professionally conducted keeping all engaged and involved. For environment, delegates in hotel rooms were given seedballs with agenda on it to be thrown away after the Meet enabling planting of trees. Association President Dr Surjeet Kaur was all praises for the having maximum delegates – 419 and zonal meets ending with good memories.



Berlin
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A small informal dinner after arrival in Berlin at Eva's



Happy Birthday to Jun Farcon at Spanish Dinner



IIW President and chef of the Franciscan Monk's Soup Kitchen for homeless



Edda Biermann, European Rally Coordinator, greets 500 friends at the Welcome Dinner

"Stay Connected" at the first worldwide European Inner Wheel Meeting since the outbreak of the Pandemic. Three days were not enough. An extension was necessary to satisfy the enormous interest to participate. Therefore, on Thursday the Spanish Dinner was organized. Eva Schaefer chaired the event for 150 participants who enthusiastically celebrated this first get-together, which was attended by IIW President Zenaida Farcon and her husband Jun. Both were also present at the Welcome Evening Dinner at the famous KaDeWe Department Store's Wintergarten Restaurant under the Stars. Ms. Lilibeth Pono, CDA of the Philippine Embassy was their guest. 500 attended this fantastic evening as did the same number the Gala Dinner at the Grand Hyatt. The Presidential couple were also present. This made the Rally a real festive celebration.

On her first day in Germany she visited the Soup Kitchen for the homeless of the Franciscan Monks. A project of IWC Berlin-Tiergarten. "These people need our support! Let's get active to help in times when the poor are threatened to become poorer!" Following Rotterdam's last Rally in 2019 under the theme "Move to Connect", Edda Biermann, Coordinator of this year's Rally and her team were able to gather almost 600 IW friends from 22 countries, from September 9-11, under the motto "Stay Connected".

The Symposium's program on the second day in the "House of World Cultures" underlined the idea of women's strengths and how they can be used and activated through networking. Outstanding speakers Katharina Wolf, Jessica Libbertz, Joya Silva and Terhas Andezion brilliantly contributed their ideas. The keynote speaker IIW President Zenaida Farcon accentuated her motto "Work Wonders", not by miracles, but with every one's individual strength which is generated when helping others.

The participants of the symposium voted on various possibilities for a European Rally Project:

A project which would keep the spirit of this Rally sustained and alive. After the ballot count it was official:

"Women and technical Skills" was the winner. Everyone interested can participate. A first meeting is planned this Fall. Should there remain a surplus from the Rally, it could be used as a first financial support. The Rally will stay alive until the next one in 2025 in HELSINKI!

Sightseeing excursions by boat and bus also found great interest and resonance. The Farewell Lunches at the TV Tower and Pan Am Lounge ended this unforgettable weekend, as many exuberantly appreciatively wrote.

The Organization Committee headed by its Coordinator, Edda Biermann, with her two close supporters, Eva Schäfer and Maike Middelman, who were at her side constantly the entire three years, as well as 30 other members received Standing Ovarions for a job well done.



The Symposium: Strong women stay connected



Sightseeing on the Riverboat Tour



The Philippines, Italy and Germany connect at the Gala Evening



The team at the Gala Evening



Internationality at its best



Farewell Lunch in the revolving TV Tower



From Berlin to Helsinki! See you in September 2025!



IIW President's Travel Diary

The journey then continued through the Rhone Valley and along the Lake of Geneva to Nyon. The IW Nyon Club committee took the couple on a guided tour of Nyon and they ended the day with a tasting of a variety of Swiss cheeses and wines. On the 14th of September, the last day of the official visit, a festive lunch meeting – to which all the French-speaking members of the IW were invited – was organised.

Our IIW President made an impressive speech. Marlis Chanton and Isabel Caduff made both a brief but heartwarming speech. Jeanny Berlie, President of the IW Club Nyon, overhanded an inscribed traditional pewter wine jar to our IIW President. After this delightful and stimulating time, our members said goodbye to Zenaida Farcon and her husband with their best wishes for the future.

We got to know Zenaida Farcon as an outgoing, pleasant and modern person who will lead Inner Wheel into the the world of new technologies with a steady and competent hand. With her handover ceremonies, which IW members worldwide were able to follow via Zoom, Facebook and Instagram we already had a preview of her leadership qualities.

We hope that our IIW President and her husband will carry home happy memories of their visit to our District 199 and that they will always remember fondly their stay in Switzerland. Our members were able to prove once again that IW Switzerland-

Liechtenstein knows what true IW friendship is.

Angelika Walde, Past Board Director

Our International Inner Wheel President, Zenaida Farcon, and her husband, both from the Philippines, answered positively to the invitation of our District 199. We therefore had the pleasure to welcome them to Switzerland on September 11th, after their participation at the European Rally in Berlin.

They arrived at Zurich Kloten airport and were greeted by IW Swiss National Representative, Marlis Chanton, and other Swiss IW members. Marlis put together an interesting three-day program. A special schedule was also organised for our IIW President's husband while she was at official IW members' meetings.

The trip took our visitors through Switzerland by train – ecology being a priority for us – from Zurich to Geneva, via Bern, Visp and Nyon. The next day, a visit of Bern with its famous Zytglogge tower and its bear pit took place. At noon, IW members from the German-speaking part of Switzerland had the opportunity to meet Zenaida Farcon and to exchange ideas.

Our Governor officially welcomed the President of the IIW who thanked for the invitation and reminded us of how enriching it is being part of IW. We were also able to discuss with her the membership situation of our District 199.

The next day, the 13th of September, the trip through Switzerland by train continued. It first went from Bern to Visp, where a tour of the old town and a wine tasting awaited our President and her husband. Sunny weather allowed them to enjoy a lovely journey through our alpine world and to discover the different sorts of wines at the Chanton wine cellar.



AUSTRALIA

President Zeny visits Australia for the Inner Wheel Australia 53rd Annual Conference

The IWA Conference was held 12-15 October, 2022 at West HQ, Rooty Hill, Sydney. Inner Wheel Australia members were so happy to be able to attend an in-person Conference this year, the first one since 2019 due to Covid, and it was made even more memorable with the presence of IIW President Zeny. President Zeny, accompanied by her husband Jun, arrived in Sydney on 12 October and were greeted at the airport by NR Susan Chisholm. Following a casual lunch with IWA President Lynne Davine, Vice President and NR Susan, Secretary Pauline Brewster and Treasurer Lorraine Hyde and their husbands, President Zeny attended the Registration desk and received her Conference Bag, made by members of District A53 using fabric with an Aboriginal design. That evening she attended an informal dinner with a number of Australian Past Presidents and IWA President Lynne. This dinner is something that is organised every year at the Conference and is an opportunity for the Past Presidents to catch up and enjoy their friendship



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The Welcome Dinner that evening was a colourful celebration of friendship and members were thrilled to meet and talk with President Zeny. The following night was a cocktail party for Past IWA Executive and their partners, and this gave President Zeny another opportunity to meet new friends and re-connect with old friends in a very relaxed setting. Then it was on to the Friendship Dinner where members once again had the opportunity to speak with President Zeny and have many photographs taken! Many members now know how to make 'finger hearts'!



On Thursday 13th October, President Zeny attended the Breakfast for DC/VC/JVC where she inspired all those present with her talk about sharing Inner Wheel with others. Next, it was on to the Opening Ceremony where each District Chairman proudly presented her District's Banner and NR Susan presented the IWA Banner, to IWA President Lynne and President Zeny, before the banners were hung on the stage where they could be seen for the rest of the Conference. President Zeny gave a short talk and declared the Conference open. President Zeny also made a very special presentation of the 50- year Presidential Collar to the members of IWC Gosford North who were present at the Conference. IWA Past President and National Project Coordinator Robyn Gillespie gave a presentation about our National Project, Cord Blood Research, and we learned about a little girl whose life was saved using just 20ml of Cord Blood.

IIW President's Travel Diary



A U S T R A L I A

On Saturday 15th October the Business Session was held and then, that night, the grand finale – the Gala Dinner, where the annual presentation of Cord Blood Research Grants is made. This year, IWA members raised enough money to be able to present three Cord Blood Research Grants to Australian scientists, two of whom were present at the dinner, and presentations were made by IWA President Lynne and National Project Coordinator Robyn. Inner Wheel Australia members are extremely proud of their involvement with Cord Blood Research, and work tirelessly to raise money to fund the grants.

President Zeny gave her Conference address and spoke about the motivation behind “Work Wonders”, leaving all members very inspired and motivated to put action into working wonders. National Representative and IWA VP Susan presented President Zeny with a gift which will remind her of all her new friends made in Australia. President Zeny's attendance at the IWA Conference was very much appreciated by all IWA members, who all now have very happy memories of meeting her.





INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

Australia

District A70 (South Australia) celebrates International Day of Peace

IWC North East Sunset - On 21 September 2022, a wet Spring day, some 19 Inner Wheel ladies and three husbands from IW District A70 celebrated International Peace Day in the Adelaide Botanic Gardens. Together, they recognized the installation of a new IW plaque for a magnificent Golden Cypress known as 'Adelaide Gold' originally planted on 10 January 1978 (World IW Day) by District A70 Chairman Alice Bowie.

The tree had grown and grown until the plaque could not be seen anymore. The plaque had also deteriorated and was no longer legible. The then A70 District Committee decided to replace it. Each Club donated to this cause together with the Rotary Clubs of Tea Tree Gully and Campbelltown. On the 75th anniversary of IIW - 10 January 1999 - District Chairman Hilary Gardner and Vice Chairman Melva Hall visited the tree and the new plaque was celebrated by members.

Unfortunately, some 20 years later during 2019, the plaque was stolen and over the past almost four years the A70 District Committee has been working to replace it.

Today in 2022, current District Chairman Rosalie De Lurant unveiled the new plaque which we all hope has a long and happy life together with this wonderful tree – now large

enough for all the ladies and gentlemen attending to shelter under. The plaque will let the public once again know which organisation is responsible for this tree which enhances the community, and provides a place for adults and children alike to celebrate and enjoy peace.

All attending the plaque unveiling ceremony then enjoyed much friendship and chatter over lunch out of the rain.



India

District 325 organised a special Zoom event on the occasion of International Peace Day called "WORKING WONDERS FOR PEACE"

More than 380 members from all over the world participated .

Our International Inner Wheel President Zenaida Farcon graced the occasion as Chief Guest and Guest of honour was our Association President Dr. Surjit Kaur. Pres Zeny as usual spoke excellently. There was a perfect mix of speeches, videos of peace messages by DEC and PDCs . Dances by D and club ISOs; posters made by D Editors and Club President were shown and enjoyed . The peace candles lit by District ISOs and the Multi Religion prayers for peace video were greatly appreciated. Zoom Spotlight Discussion on Peace moderator was IIWED/ MM Prabha Raghunandan. The speakers were Gabrielle Schruempf PBD Austria spoke on Peace of mind in oneself improves Peace outside.

Peace brings Positive Energy Dr Surjit Kaur, Assn. President India

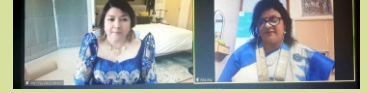
Peace brings Prosperity Mohsena Reza National Representative Bangladesh

Peace can be spread through our actions Fola Ajeyi DC District 911 Nigeria. End Racism Build peace

Seema Jha Dist Chairman D 350 Nepal

DISO Priyaka Kumar anchored the program well. Welcome address and introduction of IIW President by DC Dr Rita Jha was crisp with a personal touch.

Members from Nigeria, Bangladesh, Pakistan, North Cyprus, Albania, Italy, Austria, France, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Australia, Nepal, and of course India were present.





INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

PAKISTAN

International Day of Peace or World Peace Day is celebrated every year on 21 September. The day is established to strengthen the ideals of peace among different nations, communities, societies, and people.

With the same spirit, IWC of Islamabad Cosmopolitan has celebrated Peace Day. President IWC Ichia Asim, club members, and senior executive members Mrs. Farhat Sarosh and Mrs. Tabassum were present and participated fully. The entire team's presence tells itself about the bonding and harmony between the members. On this occasion, friendship bands were also exchanged.



Singapore

Celebrating World Peace Day

The Inner Wheel Club of Singapore Central (IWCS) gathered to celebrate World Peace Day 2022. The theme for the day was for all members to dress in white as the colour white represents peace as it is a symbol for purity and innocence.

Members shared some quotes for peace which were meaningful and in the spirit of the Inner Wheel Club.

“Peace is not absence of conflict, it is the ability to handle conflict by peaceful means”

“Because we all share this planet earth, we have to learn to live in harmony and peace with each other and with nature. This is not just a dream, but a necessity.”

“Make Peace with broken Pieces”



Sri Lanka

International Peace Day

Sri Lanka is a predominantly Buddhist country and as such, statues of Lord Buddha can be found all over the island. Lord Buddha is often depicted seated on a lotus flower. The lotus flower symbolises purity, rebirth and strength. The pink lotus in particular symbolises enlightenment.

With this in mind, ladies of the Inner Wheel Club of Colombo travelled to Galle for a few days of fun and fellowship. Members dressed all in white and each one carried a pink lotus to celebrate International Peace Day.



In a country that has gone through much turmoil, Sri Lankans truly understand the value of peace, not only for the country as a whole, but peace of mind for each and every

individual. It is only through enlightenment, through understanding our fellow human beings, that we can come to live in peace.

Our hope for the world over is for all nations to live in peace and harmony regardless of race, gender, caste, creed, financial or social background. Let us all work together as one to make this dream a reality.





INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

Philippines

Inner Wheel Philippines Celebrates International Day of Peace

“End Racism, Build Peace!” This was the theme of the International Day of Peace on September 21, 2022. Inner Wheel Philippines celebrated this event in three separate locations.

The main celebration was held at Quezon Memorial Park in Quezon City, where 8 Districts were represented attended by almost 100 Inner Wheel members.

IIW President Zeny Farcon was the Guest of Honor and Keynote Speaker in this event. Inner Wheel Philippines National President Emily Duterte and International Peace Day Chairman, Past District 383 Chairman Christine Charmaine Marco led the activities. As a tradition, origami cranes were exchanged among members as a symbol of friendship, doves were released by the National Board of Trustees as a symbol of peace and love, and peace bells were rang as a symbol of hope.

Inner Wheel Philippines National President Emily Duterte, in her Inspirational Message, made an appeal to “have a united stand as human beings, shaped in the likeness of an omnipotent GOD, to break the shackles of animosity and get down to the business of building a kinder, better and more peaceful world.”

International Inner Wheel President Zenaida Farcon during her keynote speech on the other hand, encouraged all members “to continue our mission of bringing service to our communities with the sense of joy in our hearts, working wonders to make our world a happier place to live, and spreading peace for a lifetime”.

Simultaneously, members of the Inner Wheel Club of Valencia, District 385 celebrated the event with special children of Valencia City Central School.

In the afternoon, IWC Cebu Central, led about 50 members of District 386 to celebrate the International Day of Peace at Fort San Pedro, Cebu City.

District 386 Chairman Carmela Malagar and event chairman IWC Cebu Central President Nida Toledo, led the members in the releasing of doves, ringing of bells and lighting of torch, which symbolizes hope, freedom, knowledge and unity in attaining peace in the midst of racial discrimination and social injustice.

Past National President Sylva Paderanga in her Inspirational Message emphasized that “We can only achieve a stronger world in a world at peace, free of racial and social discrimination, of sexual abuses, domestic violence, social and judicial injustice. We can only be strong women if we are women of peace, love, joy, compassion, kindness and goodness...only women who are at peace from within can be strong! And only a world at peace can really be stronger!”





Margarette Golding on 15th Nov. 1923 started the First Inner Wheel Club in Manchester. Twenty-seven Rotary wives, led by Mrs. Golding, met in a Cooling Room (because it was free of charge) at Herriot's Turkish Baths, St Mary's Street, Deansgate, Manchester; they discussed the possibility of forming an independent ladies' group run on Rotary lines. The objects of the Club, they explained, would be twofold, to foster friendship and to offer much more in the way of service.

Jay French writes – "it was a curious first meeting place, held in the Cooling room of baths, On being asked much later why such an extraordinary 'choice of venue' had been made, Mrs. Golding admitted naively That it had been the only room that they could get for nothing. This thriftiness has always been the guiding factor of Inner Wheel. Even today the Inner Wheel members are faced with similar problems.

From the carefully preserved minutes – the First inaugural Meeting of the First I. W. Club for the world, we know that the objects were clearly defined as "Friendship & Service". The next meeting, held at the Social Club in Lower Mosley Street, Manchester, which became their regular meeting place, was on 10 January 1924, and marked the actual commencement of Inner Wheel with the formation of the Manchester Club.

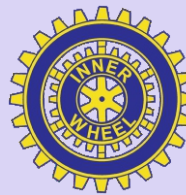
President Helena Foster (1969-1970) came up with the idea for a special day for a special organisation, so she wrote a letter to all clubs worldwide.

"I would like to ask all members of clubs throughout the world to link together in ACTION

ON JANUARY 10th. I have chosen this special day because it was on January 10th 1924 that the Mother Club, the Manchester Inner Wheel club, England, first adopted the name INNER WHEEL. It can be interpreted in any way you think fit- in a group or as individuals - giving personal service to someone who needs you - planting a tree or flowers to beautify some corner of your land or just the simple act of writing a letter. I am sure that there are inspiration and encouragement to be gained by the knowledge that your fellow members throughout the world are at that moment joined together to extend service and friendship"

The response to the first celebration of Inner Wheel day was magnificent-

Since 1970, January 10th has become universally recognised as WORLD INNER WHEEL DAY, when we celebrate the anniversary of that first meeting.



EDITORIAL



Inner Wheel Greetings!

First quarter of the Inner Wheel year has seen interesting events, multitude of far reaching service projects globally. It is my privilege that I get the pictures and reports

and every day I whisper a word of congratulations to my fellow members and pray that God gives us all more strength to do more. Our members from Pakistan have borne the brunt of the devastating floods but have been the leaders to assist the less fortunate. We stand with you in this hour of distress.

This edition has President Zenaida's visits to European Rally, Switzerland and Australia. The pictures and articles make one feel the joy and friendship our members derive from their badge of Membership. This is probably the biggest present we have given ourselves.

I remind all, that through the months, all mails of Service projects will be uploaded on Facebook and Instagram. Please keep sending so the world can see your work. The links are shared live on the website too. Any media coverage will be shared on Twitter, if you can send me the link. I am glad that our Facebook page is getting more hits and reaching more people, but Friends please tell all your members to see regularly and appreciate others work with just a simple like!

I look forward to continue sharing more of our stories of Friendship and Service through our publications and Social media channels.

Enjoy Inner Wheel

Prabha Raghunandan