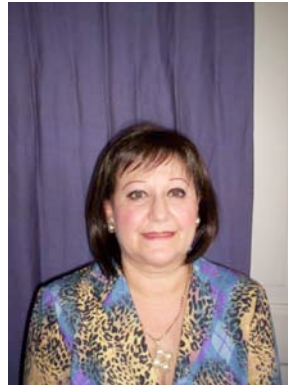


District 28 Governor's Newsletter



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Dear District 28 Zontians,

I am sending this my first newsletter later than I wanted but yesterday I was still missing the complete list of presidents' e-mails, specially Italians, and for once two different Governor's letters are leaving.

I was the only Italian of Area 03 attending the Convention and I needed to inform the Presidents of what happened in Melbourne .

I have asked LtDG. Regula Dannecker and PDG. Elke Johler Duriez to send a summary of the Convention to German and Swiss clubs in July with the addresses they had and I deeply thank

them for their letters to you.

So you already know all the names of the International Board, the finances report, the international services and the bylaws amendments accepted.

Yet Germany and Switzerland were well represented at the Convention and I've met some of you, but the working sessions were so busy that I couldn't spend the time as I wanted.

I'll try to meet you during the year and my house will be always open for those who want to visit me and Rome.

The first District Board meeting

The District Board met the 22nd of July in Luzern and it was a wonderful occasion to share ideas, better knowing each other and make programs.

As you have seen the mission statement has been voted : "Zonta International is a global organisation of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy". To emphasize that Zonta engages women in both service and advocacy in favour of other women less fortunate and against all forms of violence against women, makes our organisation unique and very special and we are even more proud of our "global" work. The Board chairs and the Foundation Ambassador are really inspired and competent women, ready to help members in any occasion. So, please, encourage your club committee chairmen to contact them if necessary.



The District Board 2006-2008 in Luzern

District 28 committees Biennium 2006-2008

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Your Area Directors received copies of the Governors Report due the 13th of October, so please take some time to give us all the information asked for in time (first days of September). Olivia Ferry wrote to all the club Presidents urging them to a quarterly report starting immediately, so please help me and the Ads to respect our deadlines.

The past two years our District did an excellent work (congratulations to the two new german born clubs!). Let us do even better this biennium keeping our mission in mind, helping women against violence, retaining our members, recruiting at least one more member for club, helping the Foundation with one third of all our fundraising, broadcasting news about Zonta scholarships and awards in schools and universities.

In Luzern we have considered plans for our 2007 District Conference and they are in a good point. Olivia Ferry gave us a choice of topics for our workshops and I choose "local and international projects" and "different labour laws concerning women in the 6 countries of our District".

Let me know your club projects, conferences and activity. I will see your Ads in Rome, November 11th, and they will give me news of all the Areas, but in the meanwhile put me in your mailing list and feel free to contact me in any moment.

You all have your permanent club e-mail. Congratulation!!! Meike Rieken, web master, is still with us, so please use our website:

www.zonta-district28.com

to share news and photos and make us become a big family.

Calendar :

02 September - Presidents training 28/02 in Mainz

22-24 September - Area 02 + Union Meeting in Kiel

13 October - Governor's Report due to ZI Board

24 October - United Nations day

04 November - Presidents meeting 28/04 in Basel

08 November - Zonta International Day

11 November - Second District Board Meeting in Rome

With warmest regards

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