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Margarette Golding Award Recipients 2016-17
Successful MGA recipients have provided ongoing, regular service over an extended period of time which is unconnected to any service supported due to Inner Wheel membership and involves great personal sacrifice for the benefit of others.

Reinete Eckert – Germany
Grief counselling

Alexandra de Carneri – Italy
Fight against disease

Sarah Clifford – New Zealand
Caninopire charity

Maya Chausheva – Bulgaria
Disadvantaged children

Brigitte Osthues – Germany
Youth protection

Lillian Hopkins – GB & Ireland
Prison and orphanage

Nona Dart – Australia
Community service

Dora Morana Piccione – Italy
Community service

Ingrid Landen – Germany
Multiple Sclerosis

Ursula Schild – Germany
Dementia care

Mala Weerasekera – Sri Lanka
Girls rehabilitation

Margaret C.N. Nwaogbo – Nigeria
Special needs

Edda Kohnke – Germany
Orphans and refugees

June Martin – GB & Ireland
Community service

Yordanka Nencheva – Bulgaria
“To Preserve the Women”

Christine Rottland – Germany
Asante eV Charity

Patricia Jean Stafford – Australia
Community service

Lady Ifeoma Atuegwu – Nigeria
Community service

Dear Friends in Service

Wha... it’s incredible how time flies. It’s like savouring a super taste of chocolate, licking it slowly not wanting it to disappear. The throat will ask the tongue to draw it to the stomach. The licking will have to stop. So also, my time of service. It has been a year of a life time opportunity. As much as I have travelled in the past on a personal basis, the Inner Wheel travels have been a magnificent difference. I have had the opportunity to meet a huge number of members and government functionaries in many countries personally; which it would not have been possible to do ordinarily. The difference in the execution of personal service is peculiar to different situations in various countries. Members have been able to identify the gaps in environmental and social obligations and have addressed them accordingly. I am very proud to be a member of this organisation and the objectives it stands for.

My experience in the management of conflicts and peaceful resolution has been increased. I want to continue to reiterate that our focus should be to promote true friendship and encouraging the ideals of personal service. This will create an enabling environment to think of helping others not so fortunate like us to serve. We need harmony amongst members, which brings a greater advantage to us in particular, and the served in general, and we shall be fostering international understanding at the same time.

Membership of Inner Wheel is a life insurance against loneliness. We are each other’s keepers for emotional supports in time of distress. I want to thank all Inner Wheel members in various countries for the great receptions, gifts and the trouble taken to receive me. For the occasions, I got invited and did not attend, this may be due to circumstances beyond my control. Movement around the world for Nigerians is restricted.

A lot of time and money goes into applications to obtain visas, which at times are denied. Be that as it may, I have tried to be in communication with as many Clubs/Districts that wanted speeches from me and I was able to visit 21 countries and covered over 85,000 miles in the air and 5,500 miles on the road.

Once again, my immense gratitude to members for the opportunity to serve you. My appreciation to all National Representatives and Protocol Officers for the planning and easy movements in and out of airports. For the precious gifts I received and all the warm handshakes and hugs exchanged I say...

...A BIG THANK YOU.

Oluyemisi Alatise
IIW President 2016 -2017

A Slate plaque to mark the birth place of the founder of Inner Wheel, Margarette Golding, was unveiled in the Gard Encl in Blaenau Ffestiniog on 2nd May 2017.

Members of the IW Club of Porthmadog in District 18 were present at the plaque was unveiled by Liz Savile Roberts, MP for Dwyfor Meirionydd.
Touch A Heart
Service Projects

A selection of the Touch A Heart Service Projects which have been visited by IIW President Oluyemisi Alatise during her year visiting clubs around the world. Each of these projects demonstrated the President’s theme of “Touch A Heart” during the 2017-18 year and have touched the hearts of all involved.

- Burkina Faso - Rama Foundation for displaced women suffering with vesico vaginal fistula
- Finland - Liệu Education Trust National Project
- India - Solar Street Lamp project on Arsamhala Campus
- India - Inauguration of Braille Library for visually impaired persons around Mumbai
- Kenya - A wheelchair for child in need
- Mauritius - School for deaf and dumb
- Mauritius - Building a house for a great grandmother and her family
- Mexico - Helping out at feeding time in Mother Theresa Home
- Mexico - WI Pre-school where a minibus has just been supplied
- Mexico - Warm clothing provisions delivery
- Mexico - Sewing workshop for mothers
- Morocco - IIW Pre-school where a minibus has just been supplied
- Nigeria - Free eye screening exercise
- Nigeria - At the Lagos Transit Home donating sandals and stationary
- Pakistan - Donating medical equipment Hijaz Hospital
- Pakistan - Giving Polio Drops in Islamabad
- Pakistan - Karachi School for Hearing Impaired
- Nigeria - Bina Foundation for Visually and Physically challenged people
- Uganda - Wamukisa Youth Centre for sexually abused girls
- Uganda - Visiting Nagura Remand Home
- Nigeria - Happy school inaugurated in Kolkata
- India - Wheelchairs for physically and mentally challenged children in Puri
- India - Inauguration of Karomajiji Primary School where desks and chairs were donated
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Presidential Visits

A snapshot of visits to 21 Countries, travelling more than 90,000 km.

Turkey: With Inner Wheel Members

Pakistan: Islamabard Monument with D342
Pakistan: Mausoleum of Quaid-e-Azam, Muhammad Ali Jinnah, Father of the Nation

Australia: Gala Dinner Cord Blood Grants recipients
Australia: IWA Conference opening

India: D326 Prem Prateek - A Meet to ENJOY - official welcome
India: D306 Club presidents exchanged club flags
India: Golden Jubilee Celebration - IW Club Bombay West D314, Welcome
India: Gala Dinner Cord Blood Grants recipients

Nigeria: Participants at the 2016 WFA 3 Conference Awaka, Anambra State Nigeria
Nigeria: District 604 District Assembly
Nigeria: Greetings at the Airport in Lagos

Pakistan: Wagha border, the border between Pakistan and India with D341

Mexico D418: Visit to the Xochicalco Archaeological site
Mexico D418: Receiving A Distinguished Guest Award for City of Cuernavaca from Mayor of the City
Mexico: D314 reception
Mexico: D317 Canal trip

Denmark: Skagen, Nordic Rally

Finland: IIW Club Tapiola meeting

India: Golden Jubilee Celebration - IW Club Bombay West D314, Welcome

Pakistan: Wagha border, the border between Pakistan and India with D341

Nigeria: His Excellency, Chief Willie Obiano with IW NGB at Gvt House Anambra
Nigeria: National Representative, Uche Agbim, being decorated during the WAf 3 Conference

Mexico D417: Receiving A Distinguished Guest Award for City of Cuernavaca from Mayor of the City

Mexico: D317 Canal trip

Turkey: With Inner Wheel Members
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Italy: Singing the Nigerian Anthem

Italy: Italy - with Clubs Presidents in Padova

Nigeria: Enugu, 30th Annual National Conference Rally

Burkina Faso: Annual General Assembly with D909 members

Burkina Faso: Courtesy visit with Prime Minister

Morocco: School Bus donated to preschool

Morocco: At the gala evening

Morocco: Sightseeing with club members

Sri Lanka: Presenting Margaret Golding Award to Nush Weerakera

Sri Lanka: Visit to D322 32nd conference - Lighting the Candle of Friendship

Sri Lanka: Presenting Margarette Golding Award to Mala Weerasakera

GB & Ireland: Distribution of Coffee Table Book

GB & Ireland: Friends from Nigeria come to support IIW Pres Oluyemisi at the national conference

Kenya: IIW Club of Mombasa book giving

Uganda: Welcome at the Airport

USA: IWUSA Friendship Luncheon

Mauritius: President of Mauritius

Mauritius: IIW Members

Mauritius: IIW Members
A selection of service projects that demonstrate how Inner Wheel members have chosen service projects that demonstrate the President's theme "Touch A Heart" this Inner Wheel year.

Australia - Cord Blood Research National Project
Bulgaria - In Vitro charity fund supporting IVF treatment
Canada - Served brunch as a fundraiser at McCully's Hill Farm
Egypt and Jordan - Delivering Ramadan parcels to those in need
Greece - IW members Touch A Heart in their local communities
Germany - Blue Bus Mobile Youth Centre
GB & Ireland - Garda party to support Devon Freewheelers
GB & Ireland - Heart shaped pillows for breast cancer patients
GB & Ireland - Princess Massima Pediatric Oncology Centre
Guyana - Baby Heart Program supporting Hospital Paediatric ward
Guyana - White canes for the blind
Italy - Touch A Heart With A Smile, supporting Autistic children
Italy - Touch A Heart With A Smile, supporting eyes
Italy - Supporting Clown Doctors bringing smiles in hospitals
Netherlands - Princess Massima Pediatric Oncology Centre
Netherlands - Touch A Heart quilt for an elderly lady in the community
New Zealand - Touch A Heart quilt for an elderly lady in the community
Philippines - Flood relief
Reunion Island - HandiSport event for the disabled
South Africa - Providing soup kitchens and safe places for abused children
Turkey - Supplying coats and boots for students in need

Germany - Blue Bus Mobile Youth Centre
Greece - IW members Touch A Heart in their local communities
Guyana - Baby Heart Program supporting Hospital Paediatric ward

Touch A Heart 2017 Calendar for victims of the Italian Earthquake

Lebanon - Gift of life to child with heart surgery
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Philippines - Flood relief
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Turkey - Supplying coats and boots for students in need

Nepal - School bag distribution

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A selection of service projects happening around the world by clubs, districts and countries that demonstrate the wide range of charities and causes that Inner Wheel members globally have supported this year.

Albania - IW Club of Korce supporting the work of the Dorcas relief and development foundation

India - Mission on Wheels promoting service of IW clubs in India as it drove through the country

Malaysia - Supporting Nanthisar Home with stationary and school fees

Norway - Supporting Safe Motherhood Ambassadors in Ethiopia

Romania and Moldova - Raising funds for first childrens cancer hospital

GB & Ireland - Supporting Bees Alive project in Uganda

Guyana - Hat Festival raising funds for National Park Playground

India - Masala Project, delivering spice grinding vocational training

Croatia: Assisting speech therapy

India - Menstruation awareness project in Dhaka

USA - Prosthetic limb project

Bulgaria - Infusion pump for pediatric hospital

Canada - ND Club Quebec raising funds for local childrens charity

Egypt and Jordan - Providing fresh water supplies

Cyperus - Supporting the Paediatric Autism Intervention Centre

Egypt and Jordan - Distribution of Ramada supply bags

Netherlands - Free concert for elderly and disabled

New Zealand - Supporting Sexual Assult Society

Philippines - Stop Violence Against Women

Egypt and Jordan - Providing fresh water supplies

Switzerland and Liechtenstein - Supporting Swiss Red Cross Holidays for Children

Switzerland - Queen Silvia Scholarships for Health Education

Jamaica: Supporting Jade

Malawi: Donating Maize

France: Sensory wall

Turkey - Aladag Womens Refuge Shelter

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11th - 14th April 2018
Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

G’day Inner Wheel friends. We are waiting to welcome you to the IIW Convention 11-14 April 2018 in Melbourne, Australia.

It has never been held in MELBOURNE before... and might never be again! Renew old and make new and lasting friendships from around the world.

Join the party. Share hugs, dance, sing and dine in a continuous celebration of International Inner Wheel friendship!

Be inspired, motivated, challenged, stimulated!

Help create change. Be a part of the discussion shaping the future direction of Inner Wheel.

Share ideas. Promote your projects.

Melbourne is a memorable and magical city which will cast her spell over you. Take time to explore Melbourne is a remarkable city which will cast her spell over you.

Save the Date in your diaries now, if you haven’t already and start planning your 2018 holiday in MELBOURNE Australia ...HOW EXCITING!!

To attend the 17th International Inner Wheel Convention of course REGISTRATION IS ALREADY OPEN. It is very easy to register online or download the Registration Form from the convention website. All Districts have been mailed a Registration Pack for each Club, so please contact your District for your Club’s copy if not yet received.

Early Bird Registration closes 10 October 2017.

The venue, our Convention home, is to be the Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre (MCEC). It is spectacular! Such a special venue ‘commands’ special people like you to be there! The MCEC is located in the CBD along the banks of the Yarra River, MELBOURNE, Victoria, Australia close to a phenomenal host of Melbourne icons and attractions. So much to see and do. So much to see and do.

Convention Hotel and Accommodation? Hilton Melbourne South Wharf, plus the availability of numerous options to suit every budget, within a very comfortable walking distance.

For the opportunity to meet IW friends from around the world, to be actively involved as a vital part of the Convention team, to experience and to enjoy International Inner Wheel at work and play, right here in Melbourne, Australia!

Visit our IIW Convention website for all you need to know about tours, day trips, the convention programme, location and accommodation options and of course, to REGISTER NOW!

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