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First Year Karen Dawson
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TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH, DINNER MEETING REMINDERS

**DINNER IS AT 6:00 P.M. SHARP IN THE
KING GEORGE BALLROOM
AT LIUNA STATION**

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, OR IF YOU ARE BRINGING
A GUEST, PLEASE ADVISE**

**LIZ NEWMAN AT 905-627-4292 OR
enewman6@bell.net**

**LIZ SHOULD ALSO KNOW WHO IS PAYING FOR A
GUEST'S DINNER**

**YOU WILL BE BILLED \$35 FOR YOUR DINNER
IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTACTED LIZ BY
THURSDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2017.**

***“People Power and Addressing
Climate Change”***

Grant Linney

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Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

APRIL DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH, 2017

MAY DINNER MEETING & AGM
TUESDAY, MAY 23RD, 2017

JUNE DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 27TH, 2017

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

ZONTA D.4 WORKSHOPS
STRATFORD, ONTARIO
SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH, 2017

ZONTA CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7TH, 2017

NORTH-AMERICAN INTER-DISTRICT MEETING
WASHINGTON, DC
JUNE 2-4, 2017

ZONTA DISTRICT 4 CONFERENCE
NIAGARA FALLS, ON
SEPTEMBER 21-24, 2017

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**April 15th—Jelaine Foster; April 19th—Marg Black
April 27th—Lena Marie Neil**

Membership Dues

*Annual dues will remain at \$185 for 2017-2018.
The fees are due to Sylvia von Ellm by May 1 2017.
Please give your payment to Sylvia at the April Meeting.*



April 2017 President's Report



Our Zonta year is coming to a close in the next two months with many activities taking place to prepare for our year-end and to work on our plans for the coming year.

The Zonta Says No award nominations have been submitted to Area 2 Director Claire Wallace and the club presidents in our area. I am confident the group will agree that these are excellent candidates. Thanks Sharon Haas, Trish Mongeon and Lena Neil for all your efforts in submitting these nominations.

On Saturday, April 8th, Karin Eckart, Patricia Gonsalves and I attended the Area 3&4 Spring Workshop hosted by the St. Catharines Club. Over eighty Zonta members attended making this event a great opportunity to meet and share information with our Zonta sisters, many of whom were from the United States. The workshop for Area 1 and 2 will be held in Stratford, on April 29th, hosted by the Stratford Club. You may recall that the Stratford club was chartered by Zonta Hamilton 1 through the work of Judy Lindsay. I encourage our Zonta members to attend for a day of learning, and fellowship.

The North American Inter-District Conference is being held in Washington, DC, June 2 to 4, 2017. The agenda for this conference and other pertinent information can be found on Zonta International's website.

Our District 4 Conference will be held at the Niagara Falls Hilton Hotel, September 21 to 24, 2017. The District 4 Board for the next biennium will be elected at this conference. We are able to send two delegates and will cover registration fees as well as provide each delegate with stipend towards her expenses. The delegates are expected to attend the business meetings and present a report to the membership in due course. The agenda for the Conference will be on our District's website in the next few months. Please let me know if you are interested in being a delegate at this conference and I hope that many members from our club will be attending the conference.

We will be finalizing our annual report at the end of April. Please make sure to forward your committee's report, if you have not already done so.

The June 7th Golf Tournament is fast approaching. I encourage each Zonta member to do her best in obtaining hole sponsors, silent auction items, and golfers to help us celebrate the 20th anniversary of our annual golf tournaments.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Marlene Balsdon, as she is dealing with some major health issues.

What you do makes a difference and you have to decide what kind a difference you want to make.

Jane Goodall

**Yours in Zonta
Renate**

April Dinner Meeting Reminders

We are meeting in the King George Ballroom which is on the lowest level of Liuna Station. Please access the entrance and parking from John Street.

Our speaker, Grant Linney is an outdoor and environmental educator who has received many awards for his contribution to the development of outdoor education in Ontario.



Fundraising

ZONTA CLASSIC 2017

Crunch time!

It is just under sixty days until this year's Zonta Classic (June 7, 2017). We need help from everyone in the club for our biggest fundraiser of the year.

How Can You Help?

- Sign up to golf or for dinner- bring a cheque to the next meeting, mail a form to Sandra, sign up on the Hamilton 1 website. You can also volunteer for the day.
- Suggest or approach companies or people that you know who might become a donor, advertiser, or sponsor.
- Gather some women friendly items for the silent auction or goodie bags and bring them to the meeting or to Karen Dawson's home or call Sandra to have them picked up.
- Donate a couple bottles of wine (or other adult beverage) for the wheel barrow of wine.



Thanks for your help! If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any member of the golf committee. The golf brochure, sponsor letter, and donor sheets are attached to this Tel-O-Zonta.



Karen Dawson has agreed to host a Dine-Around on Saturday May 27th. You will be welcomed to "Karen's Cucina". Please contact Dianne Moore at [905-549-1092](tel:905-549-1092) or mooredianne8@gmail.com. All members, family and friends are invited for an evening of fun, great food, and fellowship.

Club Roster Update

Member Update

Sheila Creighton—email cedarcr8ton@gmail.com

The newest roster was printed and distributed at our February meeting. There is an electronic version in the members only section of the Zonta Hamilton 1 website www.zontahamilton1.ca. It is difficult to print from there however because of the size but is available for information. If you have forgotten the password, please contact Sandra Cronk.

If any member requires a new yellow folder for the roster, has any changes to be made, or would like a copy mailed, please also contact Sandra by phone (905)-524-0188 or email at scronk@sympatico.ca.

PRIVACY- if you are replacing a previous roster, please shred it; do not just discard the old one.

The roster is only for use by our members and cannot be shared with anyone outside of the club for any reason.



Advocacy Matters



The Advocacy Committee asks all our club members to partner with the Hamilton YWCA in supporting “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes”. Please join the midday walk on June 20, 2017 by joining our club team at Hamilton City Hall. Registration will soon open at:

<http://ywcahamilton.org/events/79-walk-a-mile-in-her-shoes-2017-march-27-2017>

Sharon Haas will register our team as ‘The Zonta Club of Hamilton 1 Says No to Violence against Women’. If you are unable to walk please sponsor our team at the same web address. Here is more info courtesy of the YWCA website.

Every year, Walk a Mile in Her Shoes asks members of the community to step into high heels to raise awareness and funds to support YWCA Hamilton’s essential programs and services for women, girls, and their families. Join us in combating issues of homelessness, violence, poverty, and mental health.

Since its inception, Walk a Mile in Her Shoes has raised over a quarter of a million dollars to support YWCA Hamilton’s essential programs and services for women, girls, and their families in need.

Did you know?

Over 50% of Canadian women have experienced abuse or sexual violence, and thousands of children have been exposed to it.

- YWCA Hamilton’s Family Access Centre, a critical safe space where court-ordered visitations and exchanges between children and their non-custodial parent or other family members can be facilitated free of conflict, violence, or pressure on children, has a wait list of 6-8 months, which is expected to increase.
- Domestic violence remains the number one call for police service in Hamilton. On average Hamilton police respond to 20 domestic violence calls per day.
- In any given month, over 400 women are being turned away from emergency shelters due to a lack of space.
- The majority of women’s homelessness is invisible, meaning they live temporarily with others but without guarantee of continued residency or permanent housing.
- Hamilton’s single women have the highest poverty rate amongst all Ontario cities.
- Older women in Hamilton are two times more likely to live in poverty than older men.
- Nearly 12% of households in Hamilton report food insecurity due to income, meaning uncertainty over whether they can put food on the table.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is chaired by Margaret Black and the members are Marlene Balsdon, Judi Park, Kathy Kingsmill and Nancy Zilvytis. This Spring the terms for Directors Kendra Coats and Liz Newman and Recording Secretary, Susanne Crago will be coming to an end. On behalf of the committee and our club, thank you Kendra, Liz and Susanne for your service. The Proposed Slate of Officers is attached to this mailing.

B-I-N-G-O Schedule—Princess Bingo, 300 Fennell Avenue East

**Note: We have to be there no later than 5 p.m. to count cards.
Bingo is at 6:45 Friday and Sunday nights**

We would like some more Zontians to work BINGO.

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT,
PLEASE CONTACT PHYLLIS DEPTUCK [905-387-1485](tel:905-387-1485)
SPARE—Sharon Haas

Friday, April 21st, 2017

Irene Polidori
Patricia Gonsalves
Karen Dawson
Sylvia von Ellm
Sandra Cronk
Mike Sinclair

Sunday, April 30th, 2017

Marg Black
Phyllis Deptuck
Joan Heels
Jelaine Foster
Karin Eckart

Friday, May 19th, 2017

Irene Polidori
Nancy Zilvytis
Karen Dawson
Anita Isaac
Sandra Cronk
Mike Sinclair

Sunday, May 21st, 2017

Marg Black
Sandra Cronk
Joan Heels
Marlene Balsdon
Wayne Balsdon

Friday, June 16th, 2017

Irene Polidori
Nancy Zilvytis
Karen Dawson
Anita Isaac
Sandra Cronk
Sylvia von Ellm

Sunday, June 25th, 2017

Maureen Hayman
Lori Mizzi
Patricia Gonsalves
Marlene Balsdon
Jelaine Foster
Diane Stogiannes

Friday, July 14th, 2017

Irene Polidori
Nancy Zilvytis
Mike Sinclair
Sandra Cronk
Sylvia von Ellm
Phyllis Deptuck

Sunday, July 16th, 2017

Maureen Hayman
Karin Eckart
Jelaine Foster
Sandra Cronk
Phyllis Deptuck



Zonta International:
www.zonta.org
District 4 Website:
www.zontadistrict4.org
Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:
www.zontahamilton1.ca
For information, please email:
contactus@zontahamilton1.ca

Attached to this Newsletter please find:

- **March Dinner Minutes**
- **Service Budget 2017 Amended Option B**
- **Proposed Slate of Officers 2017-2018**
- **2017 Golf Tournament Brochure**
- **2017 Golf Tournament Sponsor Letter**
- **2017 Golf Tournament Donor Sheet**
- **Thank-you Letter from the BAC**



**The McMaster Golden Z Club
Sheroes Display at the
McMaster Student Centre
Atrium on March 6, 2017.**

Date	Event	Details	Contact
Friday, April 21	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, April 25	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Saturday, April 29	District 4, Area 1,2 Workshops	The Festival Inn 1144 Ontario St., Stratford, Ontario	Catherine Hardman 519-272-2023 charman@choicesforchange.ca
Sunday, April 30	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, May 2	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca
Friday, May 19	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, May 21	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, May 23	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Wednesday, June 7	Golf Tournament	Twenty Valley Golf and Country Club 3814 Yonge St, Vineland, ON L0R 2C0	Sandra Cronk scronk@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, June 13	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca
Friday, June 16	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, June 25	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, June 27	Dinner Meeting		Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Friday, July 14	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, July 16	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca