# **Zonta Club of Hamilton I** Member of Zonta International

Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

Tel-O-Zonta

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## January 22nd Dinner Meeting Reminders

#### DINNER IS AT 6:00 P.M. SHARP IN THE CONTINENTAL EXPRESS BALLROOM AT LIUNA STATION

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, OR IF YOU ARE BRINGING A GUEST, *PLEASE ADVISE* <u>DOROTHY RILETT</u> AT 905-628-5985 OR <u>DRILETT@COGECO.CA</u> BY <u>THURSDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 2013.</u>

YOU WILL BE BILLED FOR YOUR DINNER IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTACTED DOROTHY BY THAT DATE.

January Program:

A Transport Nurse's Experiences with Ornge Laura Cercado

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## 85th Anniversary Celebration

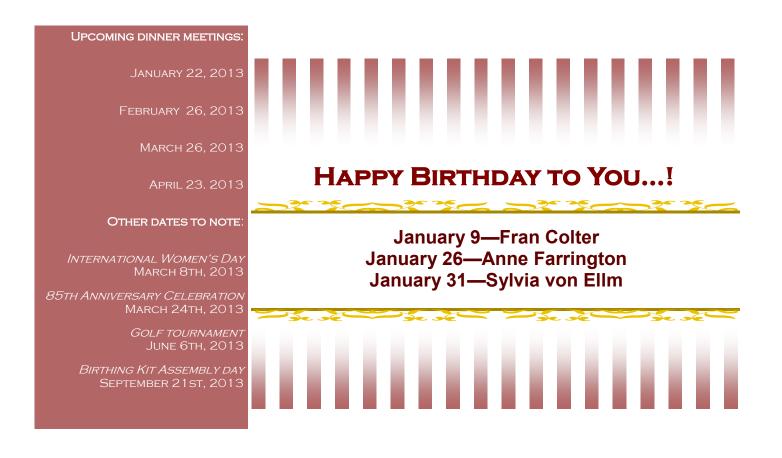
When: Sunday March 24, 2013, 11am to 3pm

Where: Hamilton Golf and Country Club, Ancaster, ON

Mark your calendars now to join in the celebration at our birthday luncheon. Posters/order forms will be sent by email and will be available at dinner meetings for you, your friends and family to participate.

We are very fortunate to have as our speaker, Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish whose topic will be "I Shall Not Hate: A Journey of Hope, Faith, Spirituality and Tolerance". Dr. Abuelaish will also be bringing his book entitled "I Shall Not Hate" for those who wish to purchase it and have it signed by him.

Please plan to attend this event to celebrate our club's eighty-five years of service in Hamilton and worldwide.





## January 2013 President's Report

Hello Zontians of Hamilton 1,

I hope all of you have enjoyed a wonderful Christmas and New Year with your family and friends. I enjoyed the holidays and tried to focus on the things that made Christmas memorable for me in the past. When I think back about the special Christmas times I have had, it really was about spending

time with those you care about, being thankful for today and yesterday, and taking time to show you care with acts of kindness. I did succeed in doing some of things but, of course, there were people I didn't connect with and good intentions that I did not quite meet. I suppose that is where New Year's resolutions and plans fit in.

For our New Year I hope to use our new club mantra to stay on track to get more done.

Thank you to Kathy Kingsmill for suggesting: "Attempt, Advance, Attain"

I hope in 2013 to **Attempt** to learn more things. I want to learn more about social media, more about the challenges other women have in our community and how I and our club can help. I want to attempt



to have more fun, be more considerate, and get to know members of our club better.

In 2013 I want to help **Advance** the status of women in our community. I want to advance the profile of Zonta in our community and help others learn and grow. I want to mentor more women at work and in our community.

In 2013 I hope to help **Attain** our strategic goals. I want to attain sponsorships for our golf tournament and attain a new member for our club. I want to attain better work/life balance and attain more skills to be a better president.

I hope that everyone in our club can use our mantra to reflect and plan on what can make 2013 a great year for you and our club. Zonta is a wonderful place to learn, grow, and find friends and purpose. I thank Zonta for that opportunity and thank all of you.

> Yours in Zonta, Sharon

## Inter-City Events

Here are a few dates that you might want to mark on your calendar. Further information will be shared as it is received.

Thursday, March 7th, 2013, the Women of Halton Action Movement and the Zonta Club of Oakville are partnering to host an IWD event at the Oakville Conference and Banquet Centre. The key note speaker is Shae Invidiata.

The Spring Workshop for Area 1 and 2 clubs is being hosted by the Owen Sound Club on Saturday, April 27th.

There will be a Zonta International North American Inter-District Meeting in Niagara Falls, Canada from June 14th to 16th.

Also for any members eager to travel further, there is a Greek Isles Zonta District 4 "Fun" Raiser Cruise to raise money for the Amelia Earhart Fellowship. It runs from Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> on the ship Legend of the Seas from Royal Caribbean. Prices range from \$1502.19 to \$2392.19.

Further details are on the District 4 website <u>http://zontadistrict4.org/?page\_id=1712</u>.

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## District Advocacy Committee -- 121

As you have probably read by now Zonta International is suggesting that Clubs do Advocacy projects that address the issue of violence against women. At the International level the Advocacy Committee and the PR Committee are going to work together to highlight this issue.

Our U.S. Zontians have two legislative topics to advocate for. The first of course is CEDAW. This UN Convention has not been signed by the U.S. Canada is a signatory. Also, right now the Violence Against Women Act is in Congress and needs to be renewed.

Here in Canada we have much work to do also. Advocacy work can take many forms and this month I would like to highlight the Film Festival done by the Kitchener-Waterloo Club. Please go to <u>www.zontafilmfestival.com</u> to see the films that were shown. This event is only 2 years old but has developed a following and with the great work of the PR Committee the profile of Zonta was raised significantly in the community. Please do some brainstorming with your own Club to see what form your Advocacy might take.

Connie Deckert, D4 Advocacy Chair-Canada Zonta Club of Kitchener-Waterloo foreu@sympatico.ca

## Service Committee

## F R L O P X P F P O T F

#### Eyeglass Collection

Zontians are asked to bring their old prescription glasses to our dinner meeting. These glasses will be donated to Medical Ministry International, located in Stoney Creek.

Eyeglass collections are assembled for MMI projects by determining prescriptions with an auto lensometer and entered into a computerized inventory system. Your glasses could be tagged for a little town in Central America or South America, Eastern Europe or Southern Asia. Volunteers are also needed to help sort eyeglasses and prepare them at the Stoney Creek warehouse. If you are in-

terested in helping out, please call Leanne Ferris at (905) 524-3544.

#### 2012-2013 Service Budget

The 2012-13 Service Budget will be presented to Zontians for their approval at the January 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting and is included as an attachment to this mailing.

## Treasurer's Report

 Thank you to Zontians who made donations to Zonta Service Trust in lieu of Christmas Cards: *Dorothy Rilett, Judy Lindsay, Joan Heels, Alina Zilvytis, Kathy Kingsmill, Nancy Goodhew, Renate Davidson, Sue Moffat*

- Income Tax Receipts for 2012 will be available for pick up at the January dinner meeting for both donations to the Zonta Service Trust and the Zonta Classic. Receipts will be mailed to members not in attendance at the January dinner meeting.
- 3. Club mid-year financial statements were presented at the Board Meeting on January 7, 2013.
- 4. The Finance Committee has been asked by the Board to review Membership Dues for the 2013/14 year. An update will be provided in February.



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. PLEASE CONTACT PHYLLIS DEPTUCK IF YOU CAN HELP OUT <u>905-387-1485</u>

**SPARE** Sharon Haas

#### Zonta International: www.zonta.org

District 4 Website: www.zontadistrict4.org

Zonta Club of Hamilton 1: <u>www.zontahamilton1.ca</u>

For information, please email: <u>contactus@zontahamilton1.ca</u>



Sunday, January 13, 2013 Kim Alvarado

Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Irene Polidori Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

**Friday, February 1, 2013** Jelaine Foster Marg Black Nancy Goohew Ingrid Popaleni Irene Polidori (Running)

**Sunday, February 3, 2013** Joan Heels Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Sylvia von Ellm Phyllis Deptuck (Running) Friday, March 1, 2013 Elizabeth Embleton Nancy Goohew Ingrid Popaleni Karen Dawson Sandra Cronk (Running)

**Sunday, March 10, 2013** Jelaine Foster Sylvia von Ellm Renate Davidson Karin Eckart Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

#### Friday, March 29, 2013 Alina Zylvytis

Ingrid Popaleni Nancy Goodhew Elizabeth Embleton Sandra Cronk (Running)

Paint the Town Yellow

More volunteers are needed for canvassing Ottawa Street on January 16th, 2013 and helping out with the Paint the Town Yellow campaign. Please let Anne Farrington <u>apatf@yahoo.ca</u> know if you can help.

