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### TUESDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 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

> 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, JANUARY 19TH, 2017.

## Syrian Refugee Resettlement

Wesley Urban Ministries Gillian Kearns, Rita Balla **New Member Induction** 

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# January 31st—Sylvia von Ellm



Our January meeting is going to be a great start to the New Year. Lori Robinson, the Governor of District 4, will be attending. We are having new members join us. Service anniversary certificates will also be presented to some our members. We will also include a tribute to Amelia Earhart! I know you're thinking it cannot get any better -- well it does!

We are having Gillian Kearns (Government Sponsorship) Rita Balla (Private Sponsorship) from Wesley Urban Ministries come and speak about the programs available for our Syrian Refugees.

Now for your part in this evening, if possible could you bring along a donation of nonperishable food snack items for children - juice boxes, granola bars, crackers, dried fruits. They are also in need of hygiene items - toothbrushes, shampoo and soap. We are hoping to make a gift basket for them to share with the families they look after.

Thanks in advance Sheila Program Chair



# January 2017 President's Report



Every January, Zonta celebrates the life of Zontian and famed aviator Amelia Earhart. January 11<sup>th</sup> is selected as Amelia Earhart Day in recognition of the day Amelia began her solo trip in 1935 from Honolulu Hawaii, to Oakland, California making her the first person to fly solo across any part of the Pacific Ocean.

"Everyone has oceans to fly, if they have the heart to do it. Is it reckless? Maybe. But what do dreams know of boundaries?"

The Amelia Earhart Fellowship was established in 1938 by Zonta International in honor of Amelia Earhart. This fellowship program supports women pursuing a PhD/doctoral degree in aerospace-related sciences or aerospacerelated engineering. Since the program's inception, Zonta has awarded 1,508 Amelia Earhart Fellowships, totalling more than US\$3 million, to 1,079 women from 70 countries. Over the next two years, an additional seventy fellowships valued at US\$10,000 each will be awarded.

There are also a number of firsts by Canadian women in aviation.

Eileen Vollick, fascinated by aviation from childhood, enrolled in a Hamilton, Ontario flying school in March, 1928 at the age of 19. She passed the federal aviation test and became the first Canadian woman to earn a private pilot's certificate. Eileen opened the doors of aviation to Canadian women who would embrace flying careers as licensed pilots.

"Opportunity was calling in a thousand forms, in a new and thrilling and expanding industry-commercial aviation, and I felt the urge to fly, to become a pioneer and blaze the trail for the women in my country."

Elsie MacGill became the first woman in the world to design an airplane and she supervised production of the Hawker Hurricane fighter planes. She graduated in 1929 with a master's degree in aeronautical engineering, becoming the first woman in North America do so. She continued her studies at MIT in Cambridge and received her doctorate in 1934. Elsie was never able to fly herself because she was crippled by polio but she insisted on being a passenger on all test flights. MacGill was active in women's rights issues such as paid maternity leave and the liberalization of abortion laws. She was named to the Royal Commission on the Status of Women in 1967. *"I have received many engineering awards, but I hope I will also be remembered as an advocate for the rights of women and children."* 

Dr. Roberta Bondar, Honorary Member of the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1, had a childhood dream of becoming an astronaut. This was realized when Dr. Bondar launched from Earth on January 22, 1992 aboard NASA's space shuttle Discovery as Canada's first woman astronaut and the first neurologist in space.

"Without knowledge the world is bereft of culture. And so we must be educators and students both."

We have an exciting year ahead for our club as our committees continue with their work plans. District 4 Governor Lori Robinson will join us on January 24<sup>th</sup> and preside over the induction of three new members, Patricia Gonsalves, Jackie Dove and Lisa Palmer. Governor Lori will also be presenting service anniversary certificates. As we have a full program on January 24, I ask that committee reports for the business meeting be submitted in writing.

### "EVERY ACCOMPLISHMENT STARTS WITH A DECISION TO TRY!" Gail Devers

Yours in Zonta Renate



## Fundraising

## **DINE-AROUNDS**

The next Dine-Around will be hosted by Dianne Moore on January 28th. Dianne indicates that she still has room for 3-4 guests. She lives at 16 Dalhousie Avenue, off Ottawa Street North. Sign up now, by contacting Dianne at 905-549-1092 or mooredianne8@gmail.com.



### LUNAFEST IS COMING

This great event (which is a fundraising event for our club) is scheduled for Friday, March 3rd, 7-9 p.m. Our location is again The Zoetic on Concession Street. We need everyone to be out selling tickets (only \$20 each). A ticket entitles the attendee to admittance to see 9 amazing films. Tickets and posters will be available at the meeting in January. It is a great night out for everyone. Make it a girls night out with dinner before at one of the local Concession Street or other neighbourhood restaurants.

Any questions, please contact Trish Mongeon at 905-648-8783 or trish@mongeonconsulting.com

### ZONTA CLASSIC 2017

**SAVE THE DATE**—Please mark your calendar for Wednesday June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and plan to join us for the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Zonta Classic. The theme this year is "Peace, Love and Golf". We'll have fun with our sixties theme, plus raise money for women's health. Brochures with the registration form will be available online by the end of January and at the January meeting. Alternatively you can contact Sandra Cronk <u>scronk@sympatico.ca</u>.

# Membership Committee Update

We are happy to introduce 3 new members, who will be inducted at the January Dinner Meeting:

Jackie Dove, Owner, Lorak Medical Assessments, Case Management of Medical Files for the Auto/Legal Industry Patricia Gonsalves, Chartered Professional Accountant, Partner BDO Burlington Lisa Palmer, Funeral Director, Advanced Planning, Bay Gardens

We urge you all to continue to talk up Zonta, its goals and its achievements for women, to your friends and colleagues. If you are able to spend some time to mentor and support one of our new members please let me know.

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



Karin Eckart Chair Membership Committee



# From the Archives

### What The Zonta Club of Hamilton 1 Did with Raised Funds in the early 1990's

The Service Committee is currently reviewing requests from registered volunteer agencies for our raised funds through Bingo and the fund raising committee. I thought you might find it interesting to know where our funds went in the early part of the 1990's.

The VON (Victoria Order of Nurses Hamilton-Wentworth) received a donation from our club in 1993 for \$10,000.00. This donation was an additional amount from a previous amount of \$6,000.00 given to the Day Centre since it opened. A previous donation in 1991, of \$3,000.00 was used to provide a security system as well as vertical blinds for the windows. In March of 1992 our club also donated \$3,000.00 which is being used to develop raised garden beds at the Centre. The garden provides two functions; it helps to beautify the outdoor area and it provides therapy for clients who are able to enjoy outdoor activity.

The \$10,000.00 was used to build a quiet room within the Day Centre. Staff identified a need for a room for clients who could not cope with the general noise and activity of a busy day at the Centre. It was also felt that all clients could benefit from a smaller space that offered an opportunity for quiet relaxation. The "Quiet Room" was constructed in December 1992. The VON Adult Centre (including the quiet room) and the VON Junior League Centre Overnight Respite Centre now provides a facility for those with Dementia and Alzheimer's disease. It has colour coded walls that enable patients to wander in a safe environment.

These highlights are from an article in the "VON NEWS" in the Winter of 1993.

Kathy Kingsmill Chair Service Committee

# Zonta Members help YWCA At the Table





On December 23rd, 2016, Margaret Black, Kathy Kingsmill, Debbie Field, her daughter Christina, and Renate Davidson helped prepare the Christmas luncheon. Our members left that luncheon with a deep sense of pride for the support Zonta has given to these women who face so many challenges.

### 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 <u>905-387-1485</u> SPARE—Sharon Haas

#### Friday, January 27th, 2017

Irene Polidori Nancy Zilvytis Phyllis Deptuck Karen Dawson Anita Isaac Mike Sinclair

#### Sunday, January 29th, 2017

Karin Eckart Maureen Hayman Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Diane Stogiannes Friday, February 24th, 2017 Irene Polidori Nancy Zilvytis Karen Dawson Sandra Cronk Phyllis Deptuck Mike Sinclair

#### Sunday, March 5th, 2017 Karin Eckart

Judy Lindsay Margaret Black Phyllis Deptuck Need 1

## Friday, March 24th, 2017

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

## Sunday, March 26th, 2017

Maureen Hayman Diane Stogiannes Judy Lindsay Phyllis Deptuck

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Attached to this Newsletter please find:

- November Dinner Minutes
- Corrected Club By-Laws
- Advocacy Committee Addition
- Amelia Earhart British Isles Cruise Information

## Donations in Lieu of Christmas Cards



The following members made a donation to our club's Service Trust Fund

> Sandra Cronk Karin Eckart Joan Heels Kathy Kingsmill Judy Lindsay Nancy Zihytis

This photo was taken at the Christmas Dinner Meeting, December 13th, 2016

## Zonta Club of Hamilton 1 – Calendar of Events at a Glance

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Date	Event	Details	Contact
Saturday, January 21	Hygiene Kits	10:30am at the home of Gertrud Taunton 60 Maple Drive, Stoney Creek	Gertrud Taunton 905-662-2136
Tuesday, January 24	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 <u>enewman6@bell.net</u>
Friday, January 27	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905 387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Saturday, January 28	Dine-Around	Chez Dianne Moore	Dianne Moore 905-549-1092 <u>mooredianne8@gmail.com</u>
Sunday, January 29	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, February 7	Board Meeting	Teleconference	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 <u>renbob@sympatico.ca</u>
Friday, February 24	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, February 28	Dinner Meeting	CIBC Breast Assessment Centre 699 Concession St, Hamilton, ON L8V 5C2	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 <u>enewman6@bell.net</u>
Friday, March 3	LUNAFEST	Zoetic Theatre 526 Concession St, Hamilton, ON L8V 1A6	Sandra Cronk 905-524-0188 <u>scronk@sympatico.ca</u>
Sunday, March 5	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, March 7	Board Meeting	Teleconference	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 <u>renbob@sympatico.ca</u>
Friday, March 24	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, March 26	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, March 28	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 <u>enewman6@bell.net</u>
Tuesday, April 4	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 <u>renbob@sympatico.ca</u>
Tuesday, April 25	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 <u>enewman6@bell.net</u>
Saturday, April 29	District 4, Area 2 Workshops	Stratford, Ontario	