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March 27th Dinner Meeting Reminders

Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. sharp at the Liuna Station. The cost of the dinner is \$30. Cash bar in advance.

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

Thursday, March 22nd, 2012. You will be billed for your dinner if you have not contacted

Dorothy by that date.

March Program:

Service Committee Highlights

- Sexual Assault Centre
- Globe Football Club

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UPCOMING DINNER MEETINGS: APRIL 24TH, 2012 MAY 22ND, 2012 JUNE 25TH, 2012 OTHER DATES TO NOTE: SPRING WORKSHOP MEMBERSHIP FEES DUE Мау 15тн, 2012 **GOLF TOURNAMENT** JUNE 7TH, 2012

Communications Corner

Each month, every Zonta member who has supplied an email address to ZI receives an E-Newsletter from Zonta International President Diane Curtis. If you are not receiving yours, and need some help getting signed up I would be happy to give you a hand. The newsletter always contains great information. An E-Newsletter can be written and sent with very little cost, and an immediacy that was never possible with the Zontian magazine. Since not all of our members have email, Karin will have a copy printed to include with the Tel-O-Zonta that is mailed.

This month I was very interested to see the article about club history. The Zonta Club of Milwaukee was chartered in 1926, and they have documented their history on their club website with pictures and articles. It is not too long or complex. Should we try to do the same thing? I would be happy to post it if someone would like to assemble it...no rush. Give me a call or speak to me at the meeting if you would like to give this a try.

> Thank you, Sandra Cronk

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...!

March 17 - Judi Harbottle-Park; March 28 - Maria-Lynn Turi; March 30 - Liz Newman

LAA Committee

The LAA committee is meeting with Deirdre Pike on March 21, 2012. Deirdre is going to present some of the issues in Hamilton around poverty. This issue is huge and as a committee we are gathering information to narrow this issue down so that we can focus on one piece. Ingrid Popaleni will update the club after the committee meeting.



March 2012 President's Report



Today, March 8, is International Women's Yesterday Dav. Т passed out our club IWD bookmarks on the street as I was on my way to an appointment. The smiles that lit up the faces of the women recipients made my day! One young husband said, "I thought that was Valentine's Day! His wife told him IWD is totally different. It is a time for celebrating the accomplishments of women in our forward march toward improving the lives and status of women. Wouldn't she make a good Zontian?

This month 5 members of our club attended the Hamilton II "Three Cups of Tea" event, where we heard Rose Handy's story about going from homeless to building a successful company. The women in her family had been through many trials, from which Rose drew the strength to help others. Four of us also went to the Oakville Interna-Women's tional Dav event. Michele Landsberg is an inspiring, humourous speaker who talked about her career with the Toronto Star and women's issues in vesterday's and today's world.

Our club generally has a good percentage of members attending International Conventions and this year is no exception. Thank you to Sharon Haas and Margaret Black for stepping up to be delegates and to Sandra Cronk for volunteering to be the alternate. Also, thanks to Alina Zilvytis for helping people to get travel organized. Attending a convention helps one to realize what an important part we play in helping women. Long time friendships with Zontians from around the world are often formed. The deadline for early registration is March 31st.

Many of our members also attend District spring workshops where we meet Zontians from other clubs. It is interesting to find out what projects they are working on and to gain information from the various workshops. This year three of our members are helping to organize the spring workshop that is being hosted by Hamilton 11. I hope you will attend this event on April 28th.

Several of our members. in addition to her other friends, have been taking turns visiting Fran Colter in St. Peter's. Fran appreciates visitors, phone calls and cards. Her caretakers, Doug and Kelley, have expressed their appreciation for our attention to Fran. If you would like Kelley to put you on the list for visiting Fran, please let me know. If you just wish to drop in, it is good to call first.

Have a great March! Invite guests to our March meeting to hear about our service projects.

> Yours in Zonta, Nancy Goodhew

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

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Annual Membership Dues

Annual membership fees are due to Zonta International by June 1st of each year. Membership dues for Zonta Hamilton 1 will remain at **\$175**. Please submit a cheque dated no later than *May 15* to Debbie Field at any meeting. If you wish to pay in 3 instalments, please make the cheques due <u>March 15 - \$75, April 15 - \$75,</u> <u>May 15 - \$50,</u> and submit them at the March meeting. If you require an invoice, please request by email to Debbie Field.



Inter-City Events

Hamilton II is hosting the Spring Workshop this year for clubs in Area 2 (that's us!) on Saturday, April 28th at the Best Western Premier C Hotel by Carmen's, 1530 Stone Church Road East. The day starts with registration from 8:30- 9:00 and then workshop begin: ZI Service Projects, Leadership Training, Social Media, Successful Service Projects (clubs), Legislative and Advocacy Projects, Treasurers Review and a call to Convention in Torino, Italy. Workshops are a great way to see Zonta working at a broader level and to meet other people from different clubs. Lunch is included in your registration fee which is now \$45.00 and \$40.00 for first time attendees. We have 9 club members who took advantage of the early bird prices and are already signed up: Marie Sharp, Lillian Orban, Dorothy Rilett, Sandra Cronk, Kathy Kingsmill, Margaret Good, Nancy Goodhew, Margaret Black and Sharon Haas. Why not join them, have some fun and increase your knowledge about Zonta? The registration deadline is April 18th. If you are interested, please mail me a cheque made payable to Zonta Club of Hamilton II by Tuesday, April 17th. Many thanks. Sue Moffat,

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Membership

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Introducing Suhreta Kovacs our Newest Member

Suhreta is our newest member and is already active on our Golf Committee. You might have met Suhreta even before she was a member helping out at the Dream Home Lottery booth or the Birthing Kit event.

Suhreta came from Croatia about nine years ago. She chose our area as she had visited her sister a few times and felt that Canada and our community in particular, was a place she would like to immigrate to. In Croatia she was a nurse for twenty years working in a doctor's clinic. Now in Hamilton



she has chosen a very different career – real estate. She has been working in this field for about 3½ years and although she works on properties in Hamilton, Burlington, Ancaster, Dundas and Stoney Creek she works out of the Stoney Creek office of Royal LePage. Suhreta is active in many ways; reading, skating, rollerblading, biking and walking. She also does some esthetician work part-time. She learned about us through Zonta Hamilton 2 when she joined them at our joint birthing kit assembly event. She has volunteered on a community immigration committee and the Hamilton Art Gallery but was attracted to Zonta as she wanted to join a group of professional, diverse and talented women who wanted to work on great causes.

Welcome Suhreta we think you have found the right club!

Inviting Potential Members

In the past few years the club members have always done a great job inviting friends, acquaintances or colleagues to our special April dinner meeting. For the March dinner meeting, the membership committee encourages all of our members to consider inviting someone who might like to learn a little more about what we do . Please consider whom you may be able to invite and let Dorothy Rilett know who is joining us. In addition, please also send me, Sharon Haas, a quick email if you are bringing a potential member. Please let me know their name, a bit about them, their contact information and whether you would like someone from the membership committee to sit with them to help share any information about joining our club. Thank you ladies.

Sharon's email address is haassharon1@gmail.com.



B-I-N-G-O Schedule—Princess Bingo 300 Fennel 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>



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



SPARE Sharon Haas

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2012 KARIN ECKART NANCY GOODHEW ALINA ZILVYTIS SANDRA CRONK PHYLLIS DEPTUCK

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2012 SUE MOFFAT IRENE POLIDORI ANITA ISAAC INGRID POPALENI MARG BLACK NANCY GOODHEW

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2012 MARLENE BALSDON WAYNE BALSDON JOAN HEELS DIANE STOGIANNES KIM ALVARADO

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2012 SANDRA CRONK SUE MOFFAT IRENE POLIDORI MARG BLACK ANITA ISAAC

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2012 PHYLLIS DEPTUCK JELAINE FOSTER ALINA ZILVYTIS JUDY LINDSAY ------NEED 1 HELP FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2012 SANDRA CRONK INGRID POPALENI NANCY GOODHEW IRENE POLIDORI ALINA ZILVYTIS

SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2012 PHYLLIS DEPTUCK JELAINE FOSTER SYLVIA VON ELLM DIANNE MOORE -----NEED 1 HELP

FRIDAY, JULY 20, 2012 DIANE STOGIANNES JELAINE FOSTER SYLVIA VON ELLM NANCY GOODHEW DIANNE MOORE

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2012 PHYLLIS DEPTUCK MARLENE BALSDON WAYNE BALSDON ALINA ZILVYTIS JELAINE FOSTER

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 2012 SANDRA CRONK IRENE POLIDORI ALINA ZILVYTIS JUDY LINDSAY NANCY GOODHEW