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### ***TUESDAY, MARCH 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](mailto:enewman6@bell.net)**

**BY THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH, 2015.**

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

**March Programme**

**Strategic Planning Update**

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## *Dates to Remember*

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

*MARCH DINNER MEETING*  
TUESDAY, MARCH 24TH, 2015

*APRIL DINNER MEETING*  
TUESDAY, APRIL 28TH, 2015

*MAY DINNER MEETING*  
TUESDAY, MAY 26TH, 2015

*JUNE DINNER MEETING*  
TUESDAY, JUNE 23RD, 2015

### OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

*LUNAFEST*  
FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH, 2015

*MEET AND GREET EVENT*  
TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH, 2015

*AREA 2 SPRING WORKSHOPS*  
SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH, 2015

*ZONTA CLASSIC*  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10TH, 2015

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

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

## *Open House Event*

On Tuesday, April 14th the Membership/Fellowship Committees are hosting a drop-in mixer Meet and Greet Event at Williams Fresh Café located at 47 Discovery Drive, Hamilton, Ontario from 5-7pm. All members are encouraged to come out and to invite potential members.



## *March 2015 President's Report*



I am writing this on International Women's Day, a day when we celebrate the courage and determination of women around the world advocating for gender equality. Congratulations go also to Rosita Hall, of the Zonta Club of Hamilton 2, for receiving the Legacy of Merit Award at the annual Illuminescence Gala today.

On Zonta International's Facebook page, there is an interesting bit of history. In 1995, 47,000 people streamed into Beijing for the Fourth World Conference on Women with a single purpose in mind: gender equality and the empowerment of all women, everywhere. The conference gave birth to the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the most progressive blueprint ever for advancing women's rights. This March, people around the world will mark the 20th International Women's Day since the landmark agreement. The 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (9-20 March 2015) will review progress made in the implementation of the Declaration and Platform for Action, including current challenges affecting its implementation and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women. More than 70 Zontians will be participating in this year's CSW in New York.

The Nominating Committee is chaired by Sharon Haas and the members are Marlene Balsdon, Kathy Kingsmill and Nancy Zilvytis. This Spring the terms for Directors Judy Lindsay and Joan Vineberg will be coming to an end. On behalf of the committee and our club, thank you Joan and Judy for your service. The Nominating Committee is planning to announce the choices for the 2 new directors at the March dinner meeting. Any members who have someone they would like to nominate may do so at the March meeting. Please note you must have the permission of the person you are nominating.

I mentioned in a recent report that the Ebola epidemic had halted the ZI Liberia project. So I was happy to see on the ZI Facebook page that, following a significant reduction in the incidence of Ebola in Liberia, the Liberia Fistula Project, a partnership between Zonta International and UNFPA, resumed full scale operations in December.

Looking forward to the March meeting, where we will receive an update on our strategic planning goals and gear up to move forward with our action plans to make this a great biennium! Thanks to all of you for bringing this to life! I hope you are saving the date for the Zonta Spring Workshop in Woodstock on April 25<sup>th</sup>. See you soon.

Yours in Zonta,  
Margaret

***Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy***



## *Inter-City Events*

**D4 Spring Area Workshops: Stepping Up - Your Clubs in Action.** The date of our Area 2 workshop is April 25, 2015 at the Quality Hotel & Suites, 580 Bruin Boulevard Woodstock.

**Early Bird Registration: \$45 (March 28, 2015)**

Regular Registration: \$50 (April 11, 2015) First timers: \$5 off registration fee.

There is also a workshop at Niagara-on-the-Lake on April 11<sup>th</sup> if that is more suitable.

The deposit deadline is April 17<sup>th</sup> for the **early bird** price for the **Zonta District 4 Amelia Earhart Travel Fundraiser** to Portugal & its Islands (Madeira and St. Michael Island). To secure the **early bird** price for the 13-day land tour, which includes your round trip airfare from Toronto, Canada, hotel transfers, 17 meals, regional wines and folkloric entertainment, a **deposit** of \$350 must be made by April 17, 2015. After that date the price will increase!

Zonta Club of Jamestown **Lunafest**, Saturday, April 18th, 2015 - 7:00 PM

On April 26th, the Zonta Club of St. Catharines will host its annual **Afternoon Tea**, to raise money for YWCA Niagara Region and for Zonta International. Doors open 12:30 pm Tickets available at [905-684-3953](tel:905-684-3953)

**Anyone wanting tickets to these events, please contact Ingrid <[ingrid.popaleni@gmail.com](mailto:ingrid.popaleni@gmail.com)>**

Not a Zonta event, but this was sent to us from Liz Way:

The 6th annual **Helping Hands Street Mission Gala** is on March 28th 2015.

Tickets are \$65 each, \$600/table of 10. <http://www.hhsmhamilton.com/site/gala/>

## *Zonta 2015 Golf Tournament Update*

Only three months before our 18th Annual Classic! There is still so much to do in this short time -- sponsors, donors, silent auction items goodie bag gifts, registered participants... The list is endless. I do not wish to cause alarm, however, are numbers are down from this time last year. Some people and/or companies who have sponsored us in the past are declining our request this year. The number of registrants, both for the golf and for dinner, is down. Your Golf Committee is asking for your help. Are you wondering what you can do to aid us in planning a successful event?

Here are just a few suggestions:

Try approaching potential new sponsors. Even if you've never solicited donors in the past, you may find that businesses, services or retailers that you have patronized are willing to sponsor our event. You don't know unless you ask! If you are unsure (or uncomfortable) in making this request, any member of the golf committee would be happy to assist you.

If you or your friends are planning to attend The Classic, please register. Cheques or credit card payments will not be processed before May 1st. A member of the Golf Committee will be available at our March and April dinner meetings to accept your registrations. We will have extra forms available for you to fill out.

Sylvia von Ellm has graciously offered to store items for the silent auction at her home. You can bring items to the dinner meeting or contact a member of the Golf Committee to collect items.

Remember, we make very little money from our ticket sales, however, our silent auction raised almost \$9,000 last year! If you repeat the strong support shown last year, the 18th Annual Zonta Classic will be a huge success.

Thanks for your continued support,

Karen Dawson

*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)

SPARES—Sharon Haas Ingrid Popaleni Alina Zilvytis

**Friday, March 27th, 2015**

Phyllis Deptuck  
Karin Eckart  
Karen Dawson  
Judy Lindsay  
Irene Polidori  
Anita Isaac

**Sunday, March 29th, 2015**

Sylvia Von Ellm  
Barb Nethercot  
Phyllis Deptuck  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Hilda Dubé

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**Friday, April 24th, 2015**

Anita Isaac  
Karen Dawson  
Sylvia Von Ellm  
Irene Polidori  
Diane Stogiannes  
Judy Lindsay

**LUNAFEST<sup>®</sup>**  
short films by, for, about Women<sup>®</sup>

Lunafest, a series of short films by, for, and about women will be held Friday April 10, 2015 at The Zoetic Theatre on Concession. This unique film festival highlights women as leaders in society, illustrated through eight short films by women filmmakers. The films range from animation to fictional drama, and cover topics such as women's health, motherhood, body image, aging, cultural diversity and breaking barriers.

Our fundraiser is just about one month away. The fundraising committee asks for your help to sell tickets. The cost is \$20 for general admission, and \$15 for students and seniors. Please circulate the invitation email to your family and friends. Also, we have posters and postcards that can be placed in many places - your gym, yoga workout, a library, offices where women work. The evening will include giveaways and door prizes in addition to the films. Please help make this fundraiser a success!

Sandra Cronk will have tickets, posters and postcards at the March meeting, or you can call her at 905-524-0188 or email [contactus@zontahamilton1.ca](mailto:contactus@zontahamilton1.ca) to place your order or have tickets delivered.

**Zonta International:**

[www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

**District 4 Website:**

[www.zontadistrict4.org](http://www.zontadistrict4.org)

**Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:**

[www.zontahamilton1.ca](http://www.zontahamilton1.ca)

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## *Opportunity for Hands-On Support*

Living Rock has sent this along to let us know of ways in which to further support the Parent Resource Centre, a part of the Wellness Works program which we were introduced to at February's Dinner meeting.

### Wellness Works

## Needs of the Parent Resource Centre

- Diapers Sizes Newborn, 4, 5, and 6
- Diaper Wipes
- Formula– Good Start and Enfamil
- New Baby clothing for Layettes
- 8oz Bottles



*~support in the journey for young parents  
and pregnant youth (ages 16-25) ~*