



# Zonta Club of Hamilton I

## Member of Zonta International

*Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide*

### TEL—O—ZONTA

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### ***MAY 27TH 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  
BY THURSDAY, MAY 22ND, 2014.**

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

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### *May Programme*

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**



*Dates to Remember*

UPCOMING DINNER MEETINGS:

MAY 27TH, 2014  
JUNE 24TH, 2014  
AUGUST 12TH, 2014  
*SUMMER POT LUCK*

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

*ZONTA CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT*  
JUNE 11TH, 2014  
*ORLANDO CONVENTION*  
JUNE 27TH–JULY 1, 2014  
*STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING*  
SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2014



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

**May 4th — Margaret Good; May 13th — Barbara Jepson;  
May 18th — Sue Moffat**



*Reminders*

Our June 24th Dinner Meeting will be held at **Stewart Memorial Church, 114 John St North**. Parking is available across the street. It will be catered by the YWCA with a summer theme. Cost will remain at \$30. Come learn about the early founding and significance of this church in Hamilton. <http://www.stewartmemorialchurch.com/>

The Summer Pot Luck will be held on August 12, 2014 at Kathy Kingsmill's Cottage in Cedar Springs. An email will be coming to you during the Summer with directions to Kathy's, asking for your RSVP and what item you plan to bring to the pot luck.

Save the date for the Strategic Planning Workshop on September 27th, 2014 at the YWCA. More information to come.



## *May 2014 President's Report*



Dear Sister Zontians,

This is my last article as President of the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1. Lots of wonderful things have happened over the last two years and I want to thank every member, committee chair and board member for their contribution to our club and community. I appreciate the kindness, support, patience and guidance that you have provided me over the last two years. I am amazed at the many talents that our members possess and I thank you for the opportunity to be your President. Our success was due to our teamwork and focused efforts. Zonta is a great way to learn and grow. We have had

many successes in various fundraising, our golf tournament and bingo. We have had the privilege of helping the community and Zonta International through our service projects. We have elevated Zonta's community profile and supported our sister clubs. We have enjoyed each other's company and supported each other. We have overcome obstacles together. We advocated for other women. We partnered with other community groups to assist women in the community. We mourned together the loss of Elva Carrol, Fran Colter and now our dear Dorothy Rilett. Think about how privileged we were to have them in our club for so many years. It was an honour to know them.

I know the next two years will be very successful as well knowing the wonderful members our club led by an outstanding incoming board. Margaret is going to be a wonderful President and I know we will all be there to support her. To the new board, I wish you well and all the success possible. Have fun, be open and considerate and know you have the best group of Zontians possible there to help you.

Thank you all.

Yours in Zonta,  
President Sharon

## *City Events*

*Celebrating 28 years of serving youth-at-risk since 1985.*

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

Living Rock's 18th Annual Golf Tournament

**Thursday June 5, 2014**

To register, sponsor or donate raffle prizes please contact:

Neil and Linda Vanderkruck [\(905\) 628-5872](tel:905-628-5872) or Dick and Betty DeVries [905-659-7132](tel:905-659-7132)

Go to [www.livingrock.ca](http://www.livingrock.ca) for information about the upcoming **12th Annual Arts of August**.

Kathy Kingsmill



## *New Member Profile*



Andrea Macarthur began her classification talk telling us a little of her early life, the time when her interest in women's rights began. Her 1<sup>st</sup> few years were surrounded with the loving attention of 4 great women, her mother, grandmother, and 2 aunts. All of them were wonderful, strong, loving women. Their influence affected her for her entire life.

As she grew up she discovered how difficult life had been for them. They were refused work positions, paid substantially lower wages, and discriminated against on the basis of their gender. Andrea was shocked at this realization and later discovered that many even worse types of discrimination, such as abuse and violence happened to women all over the world. Thus she became an advocate for women's rights early on.

She was a single mom of 2 great little guys, Dean and Darren, at 19. She had a grade 9 education and a choice to make; whether to go back to school, stay at home and go on mother's allowance, or get a minimum wage job. She chose to go back to school.

After she graduated and went to work, she sought out partial assistance for child care. This was not possible in those days as there was no subsidized day care or partial assistance available. She was told to quit her job and go on full-time assistance. This was another tough choice to make as she would make more money staying at home than she would going to work every day. Again she chose the longer term view.

Her big break happened when she was hired by Revenue Canada and became a Customs Officer at Queenston-Lewiston Bridge. There were no women officers "on the line" right after you cross the bridge into Canada. She qualified to be one of the few women who would "work the line" as part of a pilot project. While at Revenue Canada she was nominated to be Toronto's representative to attend the E.O.W (Equal Opportunities for Women) conference in Ottawa which represented the changing attitudes towards women within the government at that time. To further her career goal she left Customs and entered private industry to work in the Customs and Traffic Department of Parker Hannifin in Grimsby. Part of her responsibility was working with various transportation companies that handled Parker's transportation requirements locally, nationally and internationally. She continued to upgrade her education and graduated from the C.I.T.T (Canadian Institute of Traffic and Transportation).

It was at this time that she met the man that would become her mentor and change her life (not romantically). One of her contacts was the President of Kingsway Transport which was the largest Canadian carrier then. They had a successful working relationship and mutually respected one another. There was a position that became available with Kingsway as Sales and Territory Manager. She knew the position paid extremely well and she wanted that job. Unfortunately it was a completely male dominated field. A commonly held belief in the industry was that women could not handle the stress or the possible advances from male traffic managers. After several blood sweating in-

terviews she convinced the interviewers that she could do the job. "He was willing to give me a chance!"

She left Parker, 10 minutes from her house, to drive to Toronto daily, but she tripled her salary. This was a hard won victory as all her fellow sales representatives were men. She would be the only woman at a convention with two hundred men, but they would have had to kill her to get her out of there. The work was extremely stressful and fast paced but she was determined not to give up. As it turned out she was very good at her job and within 3 years was at the top of her field.

She continued on her career path working for several major players in the transportation industry such as Kuehne and Nagel, Livingston Intl. and Reimer Express, achieving a reputation of a top producer.

She furthered her career goal to reach a pinnacle at 60 when she became the National Accounts Manager of Cain Express. She and a core group were successful in securing and maintaining the largest number of national accounts in Cain's history and tripled the size of the company in 5 years.

Then she retired.

Both her sons grew into men that she is extremely proud of -- caring, thoughtful, hardworking members of society. She remarried late, (but not as late as Anita) to a great guy Tim, who is supportive and loving to Andrea and her sons. In many ways her speech was a tribute to those 4 women, who had taught her:

"Always remember that you are loved  
beyond measure;  
Don't listen to harmful criticism even if it is  
your own voice;  
Seek out good advice;  
And don't ever, ever, give up as the world  
isn't an easy place!"

Andrea joined Zonta because of its long and respected history in helping women worldwide and she hopes to make a contribution in some small way to "pay forward" what those women did for her all those years ago.



Remember the date for our 17th Annual Zonta Classic:

**Wednesday, June 11, 2014**

The Golf Committee would like to ask for your ongoing help and remind you to bring the following items to the May dinner meeting:



1. Completed Golf and/or Dinner Registration
2. Sponsorships
3. Silent Auction items *(with completed donor sheet)\**
4. Goodie Bag items\*
5. Wine for the wheel-barrow

*(\*Deadline for these items is our May 2014 dinner meeting)*

**Here's an idea for gathering silent auction items:**

Approach merchants or services which you have recently dealt with. They may be more likely to support you, when they realize you have supported them.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact : **Karen Dawson** (karenmdawson@gmail.com) or any member of your golf committee.



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*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

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)

For information, please email:  
[contactus@zontahamilton1.ca](mailto:contactus@zontahamilton1.ca)



### Good News for Bingo!

For the for 3 Bingos in April we received a pooling cheque for \$1,957.92!! Now that we are the only Bingo hall the crowds are larger. Please let Phyllis know if you can help to finalize this schedule.

### Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

Dianne Moore  
Karen Dawson  
Jelaine Foster  
Irene Polidori  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Sandra Cronk (Running)

### Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Jelaine Foster  
Joan Heels  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Renate Davidson  
Andrea Macarthur  
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

### Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Karen Dawson  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Phyllis Deptuck  
Anita Isaac  
  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Need 1**  
Irene Polidori (Running)

### Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

Jelaine Foster  
Marlene Balsdon  
Wayne Balsdon  
Diane Stogiannes  
Renate Davidson  
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

### Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Sandra Cronk  
Sylvia von Ellm  
Irene Polidori  
Andrea Macarthur  
  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Need 1**  
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

### Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Jelaine Foster  
Barb Nethercot  
Sylvia von Ellm  
Karin Eckart  
  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Need 1**  
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

### Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Phyllis Deptuck  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Sylvia von Ellm  
  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Need 2**  
Sandra Cronk

### Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Karin Eckart  
Marlene Balsdon  
Wayne Balsdon  
Barb Nethercot  
Renate Davidson  
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

### Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Jelaine Foster  
Karen Dawson  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Irene Polidori  
Sharon Haas  
Sandra Cronk

### Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Karin Eckart  
Marlene Balsdon  
Wayne Balsdon  
Judy Lindsay  
Jelaine Foster  
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)