# Zonta Club of Hamilton I Member of Zonta International

# Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

# TEL-O-ZONTA

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# Monday, October 20th Joint Dinner Meeting reminders

DINNER IS AT 6:00 P.M. SHARP AT THE C HOTEL (NEXT TO CARMEN'S)

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, OCTOBER 16TH, 2014.

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

October Programme

Katherine Crooks, B.Sc.(Hons), Dipl.B.(Hons) **Charity Chicks Hamilton** 

"Shattering Stereotypes and having Impact through the Power of Giving"

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# Golf Committee Update

Plans are underway for our 18th Annual Zonta Classic 2015 and the committee will be holding the first meeting on Tuesday, October 28th, from 6-8 pm (location still to be determined). Thereafter, meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of every month, excluding December. Though we have a great team of volunteers on the committee, this is a massive undertaking, and we would welcome additional, **active** members who could help in the planning leading up to the big event. If you are interested in actively participating on the golf committee, please contact Karen Dawson @ <u>905-547-2456</u> or by email <u>karenmadawson@gmail.com</u>.

The committee is aiming to have brochures, sponsor letters, and applications available for the November Dinner Meeting. It is our hope that we can get out in the community earlier to acquire new **Major Sponsors, Hole Sponsors and Donors** for our event. It is only through these sponsorships that we raise major dollars, as we make very little from the golfing/dinner fees. Please give some thought as to businesses or services that you may call upon to support our event.



# October 2014 President's Report



As we are all now clearly seeing summer coming to an end, I found this quote from Bonaro W. Overstreet that captures what autumn signals to me: "October is a symphony of permanence and change". And this also tells me that while our club may seek stability, we need to embrace new ways to move forward. The club members who met on September 27th at the YWCA to identify our goals and strategies (with wonderful help from Rosita Hall) started us on a great beginning, but we now must all take on a role in contributing to this plan. How will you add to these ideas? Every member has a valuable place in working to advance women's status in our community and in the world at large and I am counting on you! The Board has agreed to spend the November meeting time to continue work on our plans for the next biennium and I have asked Debbie Field to request that our Pan Am guest postpone her visit to our club to a later time.

I have accepted the resignation of Barbara Nethercot from our club. We will miss Barbara and wish her well as she explores and commits to new hands-on service projects. Since our last Tel-O-Zonta was issued, we had a successful Birthing Kit Assembly. The committee, chaired by Anne Farrington, is to be commended, as well as all the wonderful volunteers from outside and inside the club. Thanks to Phyllis and Debbie for assembling a great donated lunch and Rosita Hall for hosting us at her church and organizing the volunteers. Students from McMaster University were a great addition.

We now have 21 people signed up to attend the Toronto Argos – Hamilton TiCat game on October 25<sup>th</sup> where the Argos club will be honoured for their work raising awareness to eliminate violence against women. This event is a great opportunity to focus on this issue and gain visibility for Zonta's part in this campaign. Many club members also generously sponsored students to attend the Person's Day Breakfast at Liuna Station on October 15<sup>th</sup> to hear Kim Stanton from the Women's Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF). Lillian Orban and Anita Isaac have greatly assisted in organizing this support.

Karin Eckart and Joan Vineberg recently attended the McMaster University President's Club Reception at the Ron Joyce Centre of the DeGroote School of Business to meet with graduate students there and identify potential applicants for our awards. They find personal contact the best way to recruit worthy candidates for the awards. Karin has developed some great promotional materials for the awards as handouts at key events that we can all use. The Board is also exploring ways to enhance our website to become more interactive, informative and attractive for recruitment.

Finally, I hope to see you at the joint meeting with Hamilton 2 on Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Please let Liz Newman know if you are unable to attend.

Yours in Zonta, Margaret

Vice-President Anne Farrington would like club members to donate hats, mitts, gloves and gently-used winter coats. If you can help, please bring any of these items to the November meeting.



# Young Women in Public Affairs Award 2014 Winner

Gabriela Lech is this year's Young Women in Public Affairs winner. She is very deserving based on her academic achievement, her co-curricular activities and her involvement in the community. In the past school year Gabriela was the President on the Student Council at Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School. Through this position, students were able to approach



her about initiatives that they wished to see at school. For the first time last year the Student Council organized a Teens for Jeans campaign, where old jeans were collected and donated to homeless teens in the community. Gabriela was also a member of the school's Leadership Club that educated others on the importance of mental health and on suicide prevention. She plans to develop her understanding of other cultures "by embarking on a volunteer trip to Kenya or India".

Her teacher reference commented that Gabriela has "exceptional work habits. In addition Gabriela has demonstrated a mature commitment to her academic success, while contributing to the vitality of the school learning community. She was an honour roll student and volunteered for the Canadian Council Society as a Youth Troop leader, a swimming instructor volunteer, a member of the Limeridge Mall gift

wrapping team and has also volunteered with the Knights of Columbus and the Good Shepherd, to name a few."

She is currently studying Biomedical Sciences at the University of Guelph and absolutely loves it thus far, however she finds the transition to the university workload a little tough! Her long-term goals include plans to apply to the Physician Assistant program at McMaster University.

# FUNDRAISING PLAN 2014-2015

### Manage Internal Finances

• Bingo Honorarium

Still working on 5% of bingo revenue to divert to general service

• Rebate portion of HST

### **Ongoing fundraisers**

- Dine-Arounds
- 50/50 at meetings
- Meals at Committee Meetings

### One Time this Year

- Chances for Ca\$h (October to December)
- Christmas Wine Raffle
- Lunafest (late March or early April) Women's focused film night

### Individual Donations to Zonta International Foundation

Last year we raised \$2250US in donations and we were recognized at Convention as one of the 60 plus clubs achieving this.

The *Fundraising Committee* is still looking for venues for a Dine-Around. If you are willing to host, please contact Marlene Balsdon <u>marlene.balsdon@sympatico.ca</u> or Dianne Moore <u>mooredianne8@gmail.com</u>. Marlene Balsdon will not be reachable from October 4th to October 20th, 2014.

# **Conta Club of Hamilton I** Member of Zonta International Advancing the Status of Women Worldwide

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> SPARES—Sharon Haas Ingrid Popaleni Alina Zilvytis

Zonta International: <u>www.zonta.org</u>

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

For information, please email: contactus@zontahamilton1.ca





Friday, November 7th, 2014 Karen Dawson Nancy Zilvytis Sylvia von Ellm Dianne Moore Renate Davidson Sandra Cronk (Running)

### Sunday, November 16th, 2014

Joan Heels Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Diane Stogiannes Judy Lindsay

Need 1

Friday, December 5th, 2014 Jelaine Foster Karen Dawson Irene Polidori Dianne Moore Need 1

Sandra Cronk

**Sunday, December 7th, 2014** Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Joan Heels Jelaine Foster

\_\_\_\_\_Need 1 Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

# Friday, January 2nd, 2015

Nancy Zilvytis Karen Dawson Irene Polidori Sylvia von Ellm Phyllis Deptuck Sandra Cronk **Sunday, January 11th, 2015** Jelaine Foster Karin Eckart Diane Stogiannes

\_\_\_\_\_Need 2 Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

Friday, January 30th, 2015 Jelaine Foster Karen Dawson Judy Lindsay Nancy Zilvytis Renate Davidson Irene Polidori (Running)

Sunday, February 1st, 2015

Joan Heels Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Karin Eckart Sandra Cronk Phyllis Deptuck

# Golden Z Club McMaster

The Golden Z Club McMaster has been reorganized with a new executive and is looking forward to a super year. Their executive meets weekly and a general membership meeting is planned for October 23. Joan Hutcheson and I have attended 2 of the executive meetings and are very impressed. Communication is great! You can "follow" or "like" **Golden Z Club McMaster** on Facebook.

Some of their plans for this semester include bake sales, a photo shoot, gathering hygiene kit products to donate, a self-defense workshop, a mitten give-away. We discussed their desire to continue the shadowing project with some changes.

At the October 20<sup>th</sup> joint meeting, we have invited Salwa, one of the new Co-Presidents to give a brief talk about the club.