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TUESDAY, JANUARY 26TH DINNER MEETING REMINDERS

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN LOCATION
FOR THIS MEETING ONLY**

**DINNER IS AT 6:00 P.M. SHARP AT THE
YWCA, 75 MACNAB STREET SOUTH, HAMILTON
5R BOARDROOM**

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, OR IF YOU ARE BRINGING
A GUEST, *PLEASE ADVISE***

LIZ NEWMAN AT 905-627-4292 OR

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BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2016.

**YOU WILL BE BILLED \$25 FOR YOUR DINNER
IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTACTED LIZ BY THAT DATE.**

January Programme

Hamilton Forward Focus Wish List

*Paul Johnson,
Director of LRT Project Co-ordination*

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Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 2016

MARCH DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2016

APRIL DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH, 2016

MAY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 24TH, 2016

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

LUNAFEST
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH, 2016

AREA 2 SPRING WORKSHOPS HOSTED BY HAMILTON 1 & 2
SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH, 2016

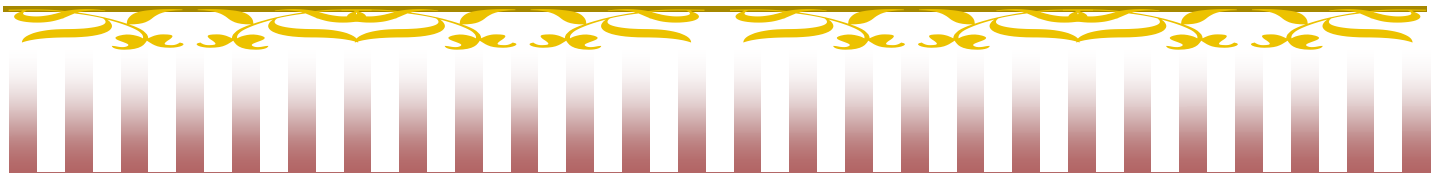
ZONTA CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8TH, 2016

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL 63RD CONVENTION
JULY 2ND-6TH, 2016
NICE, FRANCE



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

January 26 — Anne Farrington; January 31 — Sylvia von Ellm



January Meeting Reminders

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5R BOARDROOM

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January 2016 President's Report



Welcome back to Zonta, I hope your holiday was filled with lots of warmth, coming together of family and friends. Congratulations to Anne Farrington for the birth of her grandson and to Maria-Lynn for her marriage. There were probably other celebratory events over the holidays so congrats on those too!

In the latest Governor's e-newsletter, Joanne reminded us that Zonta International is beginning to gear up for the June Convention in Nice – you can see the website for more information at <http://zontaconventionnice.com/>. For those of you who have never been to a convention, it is a real eye-opener to meet Zontians from around the world, to participate and learn about Zonta's mission in action. We can send two delegates again this year and our club provides some financial support so that they can carry out their duties. There is always lots to do for spouses and friends and Nice is a nice place to be, so keep the delegate role in mind or simply attending as a member is good too!

I noticed a posting in our Facebook page (thank you Diane) re the United Nations head. In its 70 years of existence, the

U.N. has never been led by a woman. But as current Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon prepares to step down at the end of 2016 after two five-year terms, there's clamor for change. They have asked member states to nominate candidates and apparently a campaign is urging them to consider several women. That would be a great stride for the U.N.

January is Amelia Earhart month. We have an interesting item in our Facebook page where a Zonta club is sponsoring an event to raise awareness in girls of the STEM professions – namely Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). A few years ago one of the speakers at the Persons Day Breakfast also talked about the low number of women attracted to these spheres – in the USA they reported that only 13 percent of those working in engineering are women, and 26 percent working in computer and mathematical sciences are women. Helping to raise awareness and attract women to these studies sounds like a worthwhile project!

I submitted the application to the District to nominate our Hygiene Kits as a club project. The district reviews all submissions and chooses the 3 best to send to Zonta International. They review them and choose 6 among all clubs to be revealed at Convention in June.

Lastly, I have booked a table for 10 for the upcoming YWCA Women of Distinction dinner, given that two of our members have been nominated, namely Sylvia Kajiura and Renate Davidson. Please let me know if you would like to take one or more of these seats. The dinner is on March 10th, 2016, 5:00 p.m at the Hamilton Convention Center by Carmen's - you can also book tickets yourself on their website or by calling 905-522-9922 ext 314. Each ticket is \$100.00.

Yours in Zonta,
Margaret

Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy

Request for Volunteers

The Board is seeking a few club members to form a committee to investigate alternative venues for our dinner meetings, starting in September 2016. As you are aware, Liuna Station has imposed a "room charge" due to the fact that our numbers have reduced over our time there. President Marg tried to negotiate a better fee, but they said that they would normally charge a higher amount to other groups and that was the best price they could give us. Please think about this request, and advise President Marg at the January 2016 dinner meeting, if you are able to join this committee.



Fundraising Events 2016

LUNAFEST®

short films by, for, about Women®

LUNAFEST is a traveling short film festival *by, for, about women* that will visit over 175 cities throughout the 2015/2016 season (October - June) and screen in front of 25,000 people. We are presenting Lunafest on **Friday Feb 19, 2016** at The Zoetic Theatre on Concession. This year's featured films include stories of reflection, hope and humor from around the world. To see the trailer, please click here. <http://www.lunafest.org/the-films>

Our fundraiser is just about one month away. The fundraising committee asks for your help to sell tickets. The cost is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. We had rave reviews from everyone who attended last year, and we hope to at least double attendance. 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. We are looking for volunteers to distribute posters in some keys areas- James St N., Concession St, and any others you can suggest. The evening will include giveaways and door prizes in addition to the films. Please give us a hand to help make this fundraiser a success!

Karen will deliver tickets, posters and postcards. Just give her a call at [905-679-9132](tel:905-679-9132) or email karenmdawson@gmail.com.

Dine-Arounds - Fun, food, fundraising - all in one night!

There is a Dine-Around on February 6th, 2016 @ 6.00 pm at the Maplewood home of Sandra Cronk. The cost is \$30.00 per person.

In order to reserve your spot, please contact Marlene Balsdon @ [905-528-8215](tel:905-528-8215), or Marlene.balsdon@sympatico.ca. Volunteer to host a Dine-Around. A Zonta member provides the meal and a glass of wine while guests - Zontians and friends - pay \$30 each to attend. The funds raised go to the club.



The Zonta Golf Classic Join us on June 8th, 2016 for "An Adventure in the Caribbean!"



It is time to gear up for this year's 19th annual golf fundraiser! We need sponsors, golfers, dinner guests, wine for the wheelbarrow, and silent auction prizes. The committee can't do this alone and we are here to help you help us. We will have brochures and donor sheets available at every meeting beginning in January. Please don't hesitate to ask any committee member or Sandra Cronk, for help if you have an idea for a sponsorship, or someone to approach for a gift.



Focus on Hamilton

Paul Johnson will speak on this very important topic for citizens of Hamilton and it would be great to see our members invite a friend or friends to hear Paul's presentation. Think of your own comments and questions that you would like Paul to answer. The questions listed here will form the basis of Paul's talk.

What is on your wish list for Hamilton?

- o LRT and Transit
- o Active Transportation – Bike Lanes and Bike Sharing
- o Poverty Reduction
- o Culture and Arts Support
- o Environment and Sustainability
- o Inclusiveness and Accessibility
- o Waterfront Revitalization
- o Employment Growth
- o Infrastructure
- o Education and Child Care
- How do you feel about the city's growth and revitalization?
- How do we include all citizens in this growth?

Golden Z Club Update

The Golden Z club was active during the 16 Days of Violence Against Women Campaign beginning with a self-defense workshop. They tried to "Orange McMaster" by sending messages to professors in various departments. They also partnered with Zonta Hamilton 2 in a campaign to make people aware of the Zonta Says No campaign to end violence against women.

At 10:30am on Saturday January 23rd, 4 of the girls are helping to put together hygiene kits at Gertrud's. If anyone is available to provide transportation from McMaster please let me know. Also, if any Zontians would like to join us, you would be most welcome.

This monthly mailing includes the following attachments:

- **Finance Committee Recommendations**
- **Cheque Request Forms**
- **McMaster Bursary Thank-you Letter**

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)
SPARE—Sharon Haas

Friday, January 29th, 2016

Nancy Zilvytis
Sandra Cronk
Karen Dawson
Judy Lindsay
Anita Isaac
Sylvia von Ellm

Friday, February 26th, 2016

Nancy Zilvytis
Judy Lindsay
Sandra Cronk
Karen Dawson
Phyllis Deptuck
Sylvia von Ellm

Friday, March 25th, 2016

Jelaine Foster
Karin Eckart
Nancy Zilvytis
Sylvia von Ellm
Karen Dawson
Sandra Cronk

Sunday, February 7th, 2016

Joan Heels
Marlene Balsdon
Wayne Balsdon
Barb Nethercot
Phyllis Deptuck

Sunday, February 28th, 2016

Jelaine Foster
Karin Eckart
Irene Polidori
Renate Davidson
Phyllis Deptuck



“Never do things others can do and will do, if there are things others cannot do or will not do.”

—Amelia Earhart

Zonta International:

www.zonta.org

Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:

www.zontahamilton1.ca

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www.zontadistrict4.org

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