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SEPTEMBER 23RD 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

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BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2014.

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

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Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

OCTOBER JOINT MEETING HAMILTON 2 MONDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 2014

NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH, 2014

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

BIRTHING KIT ASSEMBLY DAY SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2014

STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2014



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

September 5 — Debbie Field; September 9 — Irene Polidori September 22 — Sandra Cronk; September 27 — Diane Stogiannes



Reminders

The *Fundraising Committee* is looking for 3 more 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.

The *Strategic Planning Committee* would like to know who will be attending the planning workshop. They hope many members will be able to attend so your input can be heard and a productive morning will be had! **When**: Saturday, September 27, 2014, 9:00-12:45

Where: YWCA, 75 MacNab Street South, Hamilton, ON Tel. (905) 522-9922

5R Conference Room (ABC) – take elevator to the 5th floor and exit to the rear

Led by: Rosita Hall

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June 2014 President's Report



The old Broadway song begins with – "Summertime and the living is easy" – I hope you had time this past summer to feel refreshed and reinvigorated. Some of you had challenges as well, with goodbyes to be said. I hope you received much needed support from family and friends – we need time to care for ourselves and each other during losses and change. Since last Fall, we lost some valued members or former members namely, Dorothy Rilett, Mary McKay, Elva Carrol, and Fran Colter. Resignations included Elizabeth Embleton, Debbie Gibbins, a transfer to Hamilton 2 by Andrea Macarthur, and leaves of absence were given to Barb Jepson and Sue Moffat. We will miss all of our colleagues while focusing on replenishing our membership in the days ahead.

Our club is moving towards a new biennium, which I hope will bring with it renewal and new energy to fulfill the goals set out by Zonta International at the recent Orlando Convention. I look forward to hearing our delegates, Jelaine and Barbara, share their experience and news of the decisions made. I placed a few photos from the convention on our Facebook page for your viewing. Zonta International is revising and modernizing their mission and vision which will not be available until later this fall, so we look forward to how it will inform our strategic planning once they are released.

We had a small but enjoyable group assembled at the annual August Pot Luck hosted by Kathy Kingsmill once again at her family's lovely retreat. Thanks so much Kathy, and to all those who shared their tasty treats. Our new Board met for the second time on September 9th and we welcomed back

our 2nd year Directors, Judy Lindsay and Joan Vineberg. We spent time this summer with last year's board members ensuring a smooth transition and as a new board, reviewed our respective roles, but I am sure we will have lots of questions ongoing and will turn to others more experienced over the next few months for help.

Our committees have begun to meet, including our fundraising committee which has identified some strong ideas for the 2014-2015 year in order to support worthy local projects. The Golf Committee met over the summer and the final amount raised of \$22,500 is fantastic news. We will soon be coming together for the Hamilton 1 and 2 Birthing Kit Assembly on September 20th. Then one week later, on September 27th, our Strategic Planning workshop morning at the YWCA will take place, where I hope we will lay down key goals for the next 5 years. Advocacy activities include the Person's Day Breakfast at Liuna Station on October 15th, and the presentation of the Area 2 inaugural Zonta Says No Community Organization Award to the Toronto Argonauts Football Club at their TiCats game on October 25th in Toronto. We hope many members can attend and wear orange!! Once again SACHA is hosting "Take Back the Night" on September 18th at City Hall and I encourage members to join the rally and march again this year http:// sacha.ca/events/take-back-the-night.

On September 11th, I attended a reception by the Women4Change group of the Hamilton Community Foundation where contributors (we donated \$1500) and guests came together to hear their plans for the upcoming year. I was struck by the amazing women that they have attracted to this enterprise – I was able to tell several of them about Zonta. Lastly, you received notice that the UN Day "Water for Life" is coming up on November 13th, 2014 in NYC – what about some of our members attending this? I am considering going!

This fall should prove to be a busy and interesting one that will challenge us, instruct and engage us as we fulfill Zonta's mission and vision for the women of Hamilton and beyond.

Let's Go!

Yours in Zonta Margaret SEPTEMBER 2014 PAGE 4

OIN US!



persons day 2014 BREAKFAST

Equal. Right? JOIN THE CONVERSATION with Kim Stanton BA(Hors), UB, UM, SID



Kim Stanton, BA (Hons), LLB, LLM, SJD

Kim's life is dedicated human rights and social justice, including work with the United Nations in the Gaza Strip, the African Women Lawyers Association to address sexual harrassment in Ghana and providing support to a legal team on the Bosnia-Hercegovina genocide case before the International Court of Justice. She has served as an official observer of a truth commission in West Africa, and has published and lectured with respect to Canada's truth commissions and public inquiries.

Kim is the Legal Director of the Women's Legal Education and Action Fund.

PURCHASE TICKETS

905-522-9922 ext. 111 www.ywcahamilton.org

TICKETS:

\$25 ticket /\$250 table Consider sponsoring a student!

DATE:

Liuna Station
October 15
730—930 am

presented by:









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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

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Sunday, September 21st, 2014

Karin Eckart Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Judy Lindsay Jelaine Foster Sandra Cronk (Running)

Friday, October 10th, 2014

Jelaine Foster Sandra Cronk Nancy Zilvytis Anita Isaac

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Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

Sunday, October 12th, 2014

Joan Heels Sylvia von Ellm Karin Eckart

Need 2
Phyllis Deptuck (Running)

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

Need 3

Phyllis Deptuck (Running)



District 4 Members at the Orlando Convention 2014