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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH 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, NOVEMBER 20TH, 2014.**

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

November Programme

Strategic Planning

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Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

DECEMBER DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 2014

JANUARY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 28TH, 2015

FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, 2015

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

NOVEMBER 25TH- DECEMBER 10 TH
16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM
ZONTA SAYS NO TO VIOLENCE CAMPAIGN

LUNAFEST
FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH, 2015

ZONTA CLASSIC
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10TH, 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

November 14 — Karen Dawson; November 27— Phyllis Deptuck
November 30 — Joan Vineberg

Golf Committee Update

The Golf Committee held their first meeting in October, and plans are well underway for our 18th Annual Zonta Classic, "Zonta Fiesta". The event will be held on Wednesday, June 10th, 2015, at Twenty Valley Golf & Country Club.

The Committee intends to have brochures, sponsor letters and donor sheets available for our November dinner meeting. It is never too early to begin thinking of potential sponsors and donors. Seek sponsorship from businesses and services which you have patronized recently: tradespeople, financial services, insurance companies, car dealerships, home improvement companies, just to name a few. We make very little money from golfer and dinner guest registrations; our "big" money comes from our sponsors and donors, and will help us fulfill our pledge to the CIBC Breast Assessment Centre.

Speaking of the current status of our pledge, Debbie Field has reviewed our contributions since 2007, and calculated that with the \$22,500 donation from our 2014 Classic, we have currently raised \$157,000 toward our \$200,000 pledge, and \$20,000 toward sponsoring the Life After Breast Cancer Conference. If we all pull together, we can potentially complete our pledge with two more tournaments! Congratulations to all the members of the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1. Well done!

The Committee has decided to "group" smaller donations to our silent auction and we ask if you have any surplus baskets at home that may be suitable for this purpose, please bring them to any dinner meeting. A member of the Committee will be happy to collect them from you.



November 2014 President's Report



Dear Zontian Sister

As I write this, November had definitely taken a wintery change. As you know, this month is when we focus on advocating for the elimination of violence against women, especially during the 16 days of Activism (November 25-Dec 10). Our inaugural Zonta Says No Award presented to the Toronto Argos club on October 25th was well received and we are looking forward to presenting the individual award to Timothy Powell-McBride, Principal of Westdale High School on November 25th at their school assembly at 1 pm. I hope club members will be able to take part. There are many other ways we can highlight activism, such as wearing orange T-shirts to work, and distributing Zonta Says No postcards (a supply will be at our November meeting). We will post the videos created by the Kitchener-Waterloo club on our Facebook page again. December 6th is the 25th anniversary of the Montreal massacre and the YWCA is hoping to have City Hall light up in support.

In 1995 in Beijing, 17,000 participants and 30,000 activists assembled and produced the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the most progressive blueprint ever for advancing women's rights. During 2014-2015, Beijing20 is

celebrating the 20th anniversary as a way to refocus on the accomplishments and challenges since the congress met - <http://beijing20.unwomen.org/>. There is a quiz testing your knowledge on the beijing20 website that is fun and informative to take <http://beijing20.unwomen.org/en/get-involved/quiz>.

Looking locally, I attended the 125th anniversary of the Hamilton YWCA on October 29th and was so impressed by their pictorial display and by the many Zontians who have been associated with the YWCA over the years. Denise Doyle and her staff did an excellent job of displaying the many fine accomplishments serving women and girls in the Hamilton area.

On another note, with the Tel-O-Zonta you will receive the Strategic Planning report compiled by Rosita Hall from our September workshop. Please read this over, particularly the section we began for Service, Advocacy and Membership. Our November meeting will be spent working together on developing these further into meaningful goals. We look to you, all our members, for your critical thought and contribution. I also look forward to hearing Diane Stogiannes give her classification talk on November 25.

Looking ahead, I wanted to mention that we are preparing Years of Service Awards for those who have reached significant milestones (as of 2013-2014). These celebrations were delayed for a few years, so we hope to have this as an annual feature of the December meeting. We are so fortunate to have these long serving members who have given so much to Zonta and to our community! Thanks to Karin Eckart for preparing the certificates issued by the club. Lastly, our Service Committee is working hard to prepare a budget and is receiving project applications, so we can expect the submission of the Service budget to occur in January to the Board, then to club members.

Yours in Zonta,
Margaret

Vice-President Anne Farrington has contacted Interval House and they will gladly accept donations of NEW items of children's gloves, hats, scarves, boots, coats etc and women's items. If anyone donates gently used items Anne will see that they are given to those in need before or after Christmas. Bring any donations to the November meeting and at the latest the December meeting, so Anne can deliver them.



Words of Thanks

Lillian Orban received these descriptive comments with regard to our (19) guest students from the Hamilton–Wentworth District School Board who attended our Persons' Day Breakfast in October.

"Thank you so very much for treating us to breakfast."

"It was interesting to learn about women's rights."

"It was a very enjoyable experience."

"The speaker's speech was very interesting and empowering."

"I hope that more opportunities like this will come again."

"We had such a good time and learned much."

"I would like to give you a very big thanks for paying for us and having us join you."

Fundraising Update

Chance\$ for Ca\$h: Please try and return your tickets stubs, money collected and any unsold tickets at the November meeting. Judi Park and Marlene Balsdon will be available. You may also pick up any extra tickets if all of yours are sold. We know the prizes are small for this, but the chances of winning are great. Every sold ticket (and we only print 250) is entered in every one of the 40 draws. Plus the money is for a good cause—to help fund our service projects! Thanks to everyone for your participation.

Wine Raffle: This has become a nice tradition. Please bring a bottle or two of wine to the November or December meeting so we can include it in our Christmas raffle.

Hold the Date: We have booked our Women's Film Night (Lunafest) for Friday, April 10th at the Zoetic, the old Movie Palace on Concession St. More details to follow.

Dine-Around: We would like to arrange one Dine-Around a month from January to May, and Marlene would like to plan this over the next month or so. If we give our members a month to consider, maybe that will work. The possible hostesses should contact Marlene Balsdon marlene.balsdon@sympatico.ca or call [905-528-8215](tel:905-528-8215).



Zonta International has launched a new campaign and you should have received an email directly from them. The campaign is to encourage every Zontian to make a personal donation to the Zonta International Foundation. For the previous two biennia, the ZC of Hamilton 1 has been recognized at the ZI Convention as one of the clubs in the Zonta world where every member has made a personal donation. A \$16 donation would be timely — \$1 for each of the 16 Days of Activism Campaign! Please consider donating online or give your donation to Sylvia with instructions that it go to ZI.



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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

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www.zontadistrict4.org

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www.zontahamilton1.ca

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Friday, December 5th, 2014

Jelaine Foster
Karen Dawson
Irene Polidori
Dianne Moore
Anita Isaac
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
Anita Isaac
Diane Stogiannes
Barb Nethercot

Need 1

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
Sandra Cronk

Need 1

Phyllis Deptuck

Christmas Giving



In lieu of buying and sending Christmas Cards to friends and family you may want to consider making a financial donation to our club's Service Trust Fund or to Zonta International. Cheques can be brought to the November or December meeting. Donations to the Service Trust Fund are considered charitable and a tax receipt will be issued. Donations to ZI are not.

The Service Committee has received Christmas requests from two Hamilton organizations. As a suggestion, you may want to consider a donation to Mission Services – Inasmuch House or Miracles on Main Street.

Details are below:

Mission Services — donations for new gifts. www.mission-services.com

Catholic Family Services — sponsor a family, or a child. jfearnside@cfshw.com

Our Club has supported these two groups in previous years for various projects.

Kathy Kingsmill