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TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, DINNER MEETING REMINDERS

DINNER IS AT 6:00 P.M. SHARP IN THE **CONTINENTAL EXPRESS 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

LIZ SHOULD ALSO KNOW WHO IS PAYING FOR A **GUEST'S DINNER**

YOU WILL BE BILLED \$35 FOR YOUR DINNER IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTACTED LIZ BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 2018.

Digital Literacy for Women

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Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2018

MARCH DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 27th, 2018

APRIL DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 24TH, 2018

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

ZONTA CLUB OF HAMILTON 1 90TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MARCH 4TH, 2018

AREA 1 & 2 WORKSHOPS
HOSTED BY ZONTA CLUB OF TORONTO
BURLINGTON
APRIL 28TH, 2018

ZONTA CLASSIC JUNE 13TH, 2018



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 28th—Nancy Hume-Meletti January 31st—Sylvia von Ellm



January Meeting

Our speakers are Meg Smith and Abena Asomaning from Ladies Learning Code, Hamilton Chapter. The Ladies Learning Code program offers adults hands-on, project-based learning experiences that are designed to give beginners the skills and confidence they need to become digital creators.

Meg and Abena will be talking about:

- What is coding and why is it important to be taught?
- How do we promote digital literacy in schools, workplace and hands-on learning?
- How can we encourage women in technology based careers?
- How can technology benefit individuals and community?



January 2018 President's Report



Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed this holiday season, including the magic of a White Christmas.

January is Amelia Earhart month. We will celebrate our famous Zontian, Amelia Earhart, at our January dinner meeting. Our program theme is Digital Literacy for Women.

Committee meetings have resumed after some down time during the holidays. Our 90th Anniversary Celebration is less than two months away. As the committee works diligently to make this celebration a success, we need each of you to promote this event. Our Service Committee is assessing the grant applications, and will be making its funding recommendations in the next two months. The Golf Committee is meeting to make final arrangements for our 2018 Golf Tournament.

Zonta International is gearing up for the 64th International Convention with registration now open. The convention will be held in Yokohama, Japan, June 29 to July 3, 2018. We are able to have 2 delegates represent our club.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about our international work and participate in selecting International's goals for the next biennium. Each delegate may receive an allowance of \$1,750 towards her expenses.

District 4 Workshops are now booked with the Area 1 & 2 workshop to be held on April 28, 2018 in Burlington hosted by the Zonta Club of Toronto.

The months ahead are an exciting time for Zonta. Let's roll up our sleeves and make our 90th anniversary year a resounding success. I am grateful and honoured to serve with all of you..

Here's to Strong Women We May Know Them We May Be Them We May Raise Them "unknown"



Yours in Zonta, Renate Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy



90th Anniversary Challenge

The 90th Anniversary committee is working hard to make this a successful event but we are also counting on you—the members—to help! Invite friends and share the registration form on social media. Tell others what you like best about your membership in Zonta:

- Is it the fun and fellowship we enjoy at our dinner meetings and our special events?
- Is it being involved in providing service locally and internationally?
- Is it the opportunity to meet and learn from other Zontians at workshops, conferences and conventions? Whatever activities you most enjoy, there is someone you know who may want to participate in them too.

We all have a responsibility to keep our club vibrant and to help increase our membership. Share the Zonta message with others and invite interested individuals to a dinner meeting or this anniversary celebration.

Application forms and brochures are available from Karin Eckart at all dinner meetings or email me, kareck@gmail.com with the names of potential members and I will be happy to contact them.

Karin Eckart, Claire Wallace and new member Denise O'Connor at the November dinner meeting.



January's Shero

Dr. Roberta Bondar

Doctor Roberta Bondar is a neurologist and a researcher of the nervous system. For more than a decade she was NASA's head of space medicine. She was one of the six original Canadian astronauts selected in 1983. In 1992 Roberta Bondar became the first Canadian woman and the second Canadian astronaut to go into space. She spent eight days in space. After her return from space, Roberta Bondar left the Canadian Space Agency and continued her research.

She also developed a new career as a nature photographer. While Chancellor of Trent University from 2003 to 2009, Roberta demonstrated her commitment to environmental science and lifelong learning and remains an inspiration to students, alumni and scientists. She has received over 22 honorary degrees.

Roberta Bondar was a good friend of Mary Keyes, a former member of our club and when Roberta travelled into space she took with her club memorabilia, which was later auctioned off. Roberta is an honorary member of the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1.







Brandon Braithwaite, Editor-in-Chief of the Anvil



Doreen Nicoll, talking passionately about her writing on violence against women.



Renate Davidson, Claire Wallace, Lena Marie Neil, Sharon Haas, Trish Mongeon and Steve Staios at the Hamilton Bull Dogs "Zonta Says No to Violence Award" presentation on November 25th, 2017.



Famous Female Hamiltonian



The City of Hamilton has called for all Hamiltonians to participate in the selection of the famous Hamiltonian for the 2018 Heritage Day.

"To honour the centennial anniversary of the year women of Canada were finally granted the right to vote, the City will be choosing a female historical figure from Hamilton.

The Act to confer the Electoral Franchise upon Women was introduced in 1918, and women got the federal vote in three stages: the Military Voters Act of 1917 allowed nurses and women in the armed services to vote; the Wartime Election Act extended the vote to women whose husbands, sons or fathers were serving overseas; all women over 21 years were allowed to vote as of January 1, 1919.

The Famous Hamiltonian will be announced at the City's Heritage Day Ceremony in February, 2018.

The nominees

- * Elizabeth Bagshaw was among the first crusaders for birth control rights in Canada. Dr. Bagshaw was involved with the opening of Canada's first birth control clinic in 1932.
- * Ellen Fairclough was the first woman appointed to the Federal Cabinet as Secretary of State. She was later named Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, and Postmaster General. Her relentless arguments for women's rights, equal pay and equal opportunities bore fruit in many new laws and changed attitudes.
- * Elizabeth Holbrook was a gifted sculptor whose art had been commissioned and exhibited around the world.
- * Adelaide Hunter Hoodless helped found the National Y.W.C.A, the National Council of Women of Canada, and the Victorian order of Nurses. She lobbied Boards of Education to fund domestic science classes.
- * Helen Gregory MacGill was one of Canada's first woman judges and for many years the country's only woman judge. She was also a journalist and a noted women's rights advocate in Canada, where she fought for female suffrage.
- * Ellen Vollick became Canada's first licenced female pilot on March 13, 1928 and the first Canadian woman to parachute into water.
- * Mary Wong was active for many years in community affairs. She became the first Canadian of Chinese origin to be appointed a Citizenship Court Judge."

We are proud to note that former Zontians Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw, Rt. Hon. Ellen Fairclough, Elizabeth Holbrook and Mary Wong are among the nominees selected for this award.

I encourage you all to cast your vote this month at

https://www.hamilton.ca/attractions/culture/2018-george-hamilton-day-famous-hamiltonian-selection

Lillian Orban



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 starts at 6:45 Friday and Sunday nights

Friday, January 26th, 2018

Irene Polidori Nancy Zilvytis Sandra Cronk Anita Isaac Karen Dawson Phyllis Deptuck

Sunday, February 4th, 2018

Marlene Balsdon Wayne Balsdon Judy Ambrose Joan Heels Phyllis Deptuck Judy Lindsay

Friday, February 23rd, 2018

Irene Polidori Nancy Zilvytis Jackie Dove Nancy Hume Sandra Cronk Karen Dawson

Sunday, February 25h, 2018

Nancy Hume Diane Stogiannes Irene Polidori Maureen Hayman Phyllis Deptuck

Friday, March 23rd, 2017

Irene Polidori Trish Mongeon Anita Isaac Judy Lindsay Sandra Cronk Karen Dawson



Zonta International:

www.zonta.org
District 4 Website:
www.zontadistrict4.org
Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:
www.zontahamilton1.ca
For information, please email:
contactus@zontahamilton1.ca

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT AT BINGO

Please contact PHYLLIS DEPTUCK <u>905-387-1485</u> Spare—Sharon Haas

Attached to this Newsletter

- YWPA Poster 2018
- 90th Anniversary Registration Form
- November Dinner Minutes

Date	Event	Details/Location	Contact
Tuesday, January 23	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Friday, January 26	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, February 4	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, February 6	Board Meeting	Tele-Conference	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca
Friday, February 23	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, February 25	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, February 27	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Sunday, March 4	90th Anniversary Celebration	Burlington Golf & Curling Club 422 North Shore Blvd E, Burlington, ON L7T 1W9	Karin Eckart 905-527-2957 kareck@gmail.com
Tuesday, March 6	Board Meeting	Tele-Conference	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca
Friday, March 23	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
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Saturday, April 7	Area 5 & 6 Workshop	The Double Tree Hotel 340 Racetrack Road Washington, PA	Zonta Club of Washington County
Saturday, April 21	Area 3 & 4 Workshop	Batavia Downs Gaming and Hotel, 8315 Park Road Batavia NY.	Zonta Club of Batavia Genesee County
Tuesday, April 24	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Saturday, April 28	Area 1 & 2 Workshop	Holiday Inn Burlington Hotel & Conference Centre, 3063 South Service Road, Burlington, ON.	Zonta Club of Toronto