



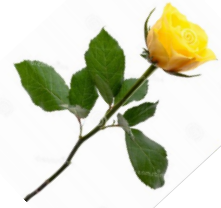
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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH, DINNER MEETING REMINDERS

**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
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**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, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2017.**

**Zonta Says No to Violence
Against Women**

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Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

DECEMBER DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH, 2017

JANUARY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 2018

FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2018

OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM
NOVEMBER 25TH-DECEMBER 10TH, 2017

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 1st—Lisa Palmer
November 14th—Karen Dawson
November 27th—Phyllis Deptuck
November 28th—Maureen Hayman
November 30th—Joan Vineberg

November & December Meeting Reminders



- * In lieu of Christmas cards, you may want to consider making a donation to our club or to Zonta International. A charitable receipt will be issued if the donation is made to our club.
- * Please bring a bottle of wine for the Christmas Raffle.
- * Bring any collected hygiene items for Gertrud Taunton.
- * Be prepared to have fun and bid on awesome Silent Auction items.



November 2017 President's Report



November is the month when particular attention is given to the issue of violence against women and girls and recent events surrounding sexual abuse allegations have certainly opened the flood gates on calling out sexual abuse and harassment. On any given night in Canada, almost 3,500 women and more than 2,700 children sleep in shelters because it isn't safe at home.

Zonta International has been involved in this advocacy work since 1996 when the ZISVAW program (Zonta International Strategies to Eradicate Violence Against Women and Girls) began.

Zonta Hamilton 1 and 2 received a ZISVAW grant in the early 2000's to create a play on conflict resolution, "There's Got To Be A Better Way", to reduce all forms of violence against children ages 7 to 12. This play was performed by high school actors to audiences totalling over 8,000 children, teachers and parents in 32 schools across the city. The play provided strong messages and alternative ways to think about and react to violence. The students who attended the performances are now young adults and we can only hope that they remember the lessons learned from this program and that they too have become advocates against violence.

The Zonta Says No Award for Area 2 was initiated in 2014 by the Zonta Clubs of Toronto, Mississauga, Brampton-Caledon, Oakville, and Hamilton 1 & 2. This year, the clubs approved three nominations submitted by the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:

The organization award will be presented at the Hamilton Bulldogs home game on Saturday, November 25 to Steve Staios, President and General Manager of the Hamilton Bulldogs. The team is being recognized for its partnership with Interval House and Mentor Action's initiative, Be More Than A Bystander. This campaign takes a stand against demeaning and inappropriate behaviour by men and boys toward women and girls.

Let us all show support of the Bulldog's action by attending the hockey game on November 25 (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) and wearing orange, representing a future free of violence. Trish Mongeon has obtained a block of tickets for this game.

Brian Braithwaite, Publisher of the Anvil, Hamilton's independent topical news quarterly, and Doreen Nicoll, a journalist will be attending our Tuesday, November 28th dinner meeting and receive awards for their work in dedicating the November, 2016 issue of the Anvil to gender-based violence. This publication dealt with many aspects of abuse and violence and its impact on the lives of women and girls.

I am encouraged by the collaborative effort of an increasing number of organizations in addressing this issue; however, we must continue to be vigilant in Zonta's advocacy initiatives as we are reminded by Lakshmi Puri, UN Women "It is one of the most pervasive violations of humans rights in the world, one of the least prosecuted crimes, and one of the greatest threats to lasting peace and development. I am talking about violence against women and children."

Yours in Zonta,

Renate

Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy



Fundraising

The first of the Dine-Arounds is scheduled for **Saturday December 2nd** and is being hosted by Trish and Marcel Mongeon. Dine-Arounds are informal dinners held at homes of our club members. They are a socializing event and an opportunity to enjoy a wonderful home-cooked meal, engage in lively and interesting conversation, and always a sought after event. It is open to members and their partner or friend or to come to solo. The price is \$30.00 per person. We encourage participants to bring a bottle of wine. It is limited to 10 (including the host and hostess) and is on a first come first place basis. It's always a sold out event.



If you would like to attend, please email kathymarsales@gmail.com

Happy Dining
Kathy Kingsmill Marsales
Dianne Moore



SUPPORT THE ZONTA INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION 

ZI has a campaign, Every Member/Every November. To celebrate Zonta's birthday in November, every member is encouraged to make a personal donation to the ZI Foundation. You can either hand Sylvia the money in an envelope, marked for ZI, or you can donate directly online to ZI. If do-

ing so, please let me know you have made a personal donation so we can keep track. You do not have to say how much you donated. We will also have a computer set up at each meeting so you can make an online donation at that time. You may also click the link below

https://secure2.convio.net/zonta/site/Donation2;jsessionid=00000000.app20102b?1400.donation=form1&df_id=1400&mfc_pref=T&NONCE_TOKEN=8B7DBC8C5F796D960C6DE77874D10E79

We are looking for silent auction items and a bottle of white or red wine as a raffle item as part of the December 12th Zonta Christmas Dinner. If you have any treasures or items that you would like to donate, could you please bring them to the November 28th meeting. Some ideas—jewellery, bags, books, crystal dishes, vases, movie tickets, mitts, preserves, CDs, Christmas decorations....

If you are unable to attend the meeting and you have something to donate, you can call or email Sylvia von Ellm or Kathy Kingsmill Marsales and we will come and pick it up from you.

Thanks for your support!!

InterCity

I am pleased to advise the members, that our club was well-represented at the **Zonta Club of Toronto's 90th Anniversary Luncheon**. The following members attended: our President-Renate Davidson, Anita Isaac, Lillian Orban and her sister Margaret Orban and Nancy Zilvytis.

Alina Zilvytis, Intercity Co-Ordinator



Advocacy



From November 25th, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to December 10th, Human Rights Day, the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence Campaign is a time to galvanize action to end violence against women and girls around the world.

Our club kicks off the 16 Days of Activism with our presentation to the Hamilton Bulldogs, the District Advocacy Award for their participation in Be More Than a Bystander. Tickets can be purchased directly from the Bulldogs if you don't have a ticket already. Please wear orange and be Zonta proud.

At our November Dinner Meeting we will be presenting District Advocacy Awards to Brandon Braithwaite, Editor-in-Chief, The Anvil and Doreen Nicoll, Writer. Please review their November 2016 issue totally dedicated to educating the community about ending violence against women at

<https://hamiltonanvil.wordpress.com/the-issues/> Scroll down to the issue dated November 16, 2016.

We had enough interest, so we have proceeded in ordering the orange microfleece jackets that say Zonta Says No and we will get them out to you shortly.

Please participate in spreading the word during the 16 Days of Activism. Tips to share the message can be found on Zonta International Website:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/61if3ucn8joymvk/AADlnPSzHLYTOTciibfv1iasa?dl=0>

November's Sheroe

Nellie McClung: Voice for the Voiceless

And what a voice! From the time she could speak, Nellie Letitia McClung (1873-1951) was crying out against injustice and calling for equality. Over the course of her lifetime, that voice boomed across the western provinces Nellie McClung called home and reverberated across Canada and around the world.

From humble beginnings in Ontario through the homesteader's trek West and her early years as a school-teacher in one-room Manitoba schools, to her success as a writer and public speaker, Nellie McClung refused to be silenced by social constraints or public criticism. From country church halls and legislative floors she passionately and eloquently called for reforms to Canadian liquor and labour laws and trumpeted the rights of women. Her persuasive, often humorous voice entered Canadian homes through the seventeen books she wrote and her countless syndicated newspaper columns. Nellie McClung put her words into political action.

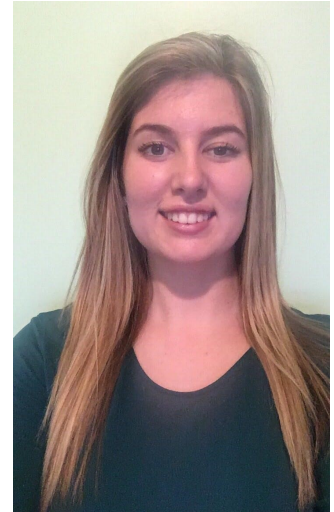
She is perhaps best known for championing the famed "Persons" Case with four other female reformers -- the "Famous 5." As a result of their petition to the British Privy Council, women in Canada were legally declared to be "persons" in 1929. She was an outspoken Alberta MLA, first female member of the CBC Board of Governors, and she represented Canada at the League of Nations. She changed not only Canadian history but the course of women's lives. Nellie McClung's voice continues to echo today.





Fran Colter Bursary Winner

My name is Helena Erceg, I am 24 years old, and I am currently a student in the McMaster's Master's of Science in Physiotherapy. I will be graduating in 2018. Once I graduate and pass my licensing exams, I will be a licensed physiotherapist. Physiotherapy has different streams or areas of work, I including rehabilitation, private orthopaedic practice, and acute care. To be honest, I still have not decided where I would like to work, and in which field. This is why my program is great because I get to experience working in all of the fields, and hopefully that will allow me to decide where exactly my passion lies. Other than pursuing my future career, I am also newly married, which has further enhanced my experience of a Master's student by adding different life challenges and obstacles. However, I am enjoying both school and married life to the fullest and am very grateful for the Zonta bursary I was awarded to continue with my studies. I look forward to graduation in 2018!



McMaster Golden Z Club

At a meeting on November 9th, 2017, I met 9 of the 11 members of the Golden Z club's executive. They meet once a week for an hour to plan their activities. It is very exciting that two of the ladies are previous Z Club members from the Brampton-Caledon area.

Activities for the 16 Days of Activism include their third annual Self-Defense Workshop on the 21st or 22nd of November, a table and banner presentation in the student center as well as a social media campaign against gender-based violence.

A challenge for all Golden Z clubs is how to arrange the club executive and meetings for people with very busy, often stressful school schedules. This year the club is in contact with the Guelph-Humber Golden Z club, who have asked to borrow their popular "Sheroes" display. The Golden Z Clubs will be able to help each other and share ideas.

Nancy Zilvytis

Congratulations!



Congratulations to our member, Patricia Gonsalves. She is the new Chief Inclusion and Diversity Officer (CIDO) at BDO.

"This role will help our firm cultivate a work environment that encourages and supports inclusion and diversity. Inclusion and diversity are about giving value to every one of us, no matter what our differences are. I look forward to planning and implementing initiatives that work towards enhancing our firm's success by coming together and sharing our unique perspectives." – Patricia Gonsalves



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, Ellen Fairclough and Mary Wong are among the nominees selected for this award.

I encourage you all to cast your vote 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, December 1st, 2017

Irene Polidori
Trish Mongeon
Jackie Dove
Sandra Cronk
Anita Isaac
Karen Dawson

Sunday, December 10th, 2017

Jackie Dove
Karin Eckart
Nancy Hume
Judy Ambrose
Phyllis Deptuck
Judy Lindsay

Friday, December 29th, 2017

Irene Polidori
Nancy Zilvytis
Sharon Haas
Julie Kostal
Sandra Cronk
Karen Dawson

Sunday, December 31st, 2017

Irene Polidori
Sandra Cronk
Nancy Zilvytis
Phyllis Deptuck
Karen Dawson

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 25th, 2018

Nancy Hume
Diane Stogiannes
Irene Polidori
Judy Lindsay
Phyllis Deptuck

Friday, March 23rd, 2017

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

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT AT BINGO

Please contact **PHYLLIS DEPTUCK** [905-387-1485](tel:905-387-1485)
Spare—Sharon Haas



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

Date	Event	Details	Contact
November 25- December 10	16 Days of Activism		
November 25	Zonta Says No Award	Bulldogs Game	Trish Mongeon 905-648-8783 trish@mongeonconsulting.com
Tuesday, November 28	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Friday, December 1	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, December 5	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca
Sunday, December 10	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, December 12	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 enewman6@bell.net
Friday, December 29	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Sunday, December 31	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca
Tuesday, January	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca
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
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
Friday, March 23	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca