

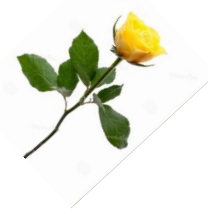


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***TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH, DINNER MEETING***

**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,  
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**LIZ NEWMAN AT 905-627-4292 OR  
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**LIZ SHOULD ALSO KNOW WHO IS PAYING FOR A  
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**YOU WILL BE BILLED \$35 FOR YOUR DINNER  
IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTACTED LIZ BY  
THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST, 2019**

**Deanna Allain**  
**Political Activist, Service Dog Trainer**

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## *Dates to Remember*

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

*APRIL DINNER MEETING*  
TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD, 2019

*MAY DINNER MEETING-AGM*  
TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019

### OTHER DATES TO NOTE:

*D.4 SPRING WORKSHOPS*  
AREA 1 & 2 KITCHENER-WATERLOO  
APRIL 27TH, 2019

*D.4 CONFERENCE*  
BUFFALO, NEW YORK  
SEPTEMBER 27-29, 2019



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**March 17 — Judi Harbottle-Park**

**March 22 — Winsome Plummer; March 26 — Sheila Creighton**

**March 30 — Liz Newman**



## *March Dinner Meeting*

Our speaker at the March Meeting is Deanna Allain. She is a lifelong Hamiltonian and McMaster University student studying political science and community engagement. She focuses her energy into political advocacy at all levels of governance. She is an experienced, passionate, and strong advocate for improved accessibility, building strong communities, poverty reduction, and affordable, dignified housing. Deanna sits on YWCA Hamilton's Youth Advisory Council and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Community Land Trust, in addition to working with service dog agencies and local community organizations. Deanna engages with learning, unlearning, and allyship as an intersectional feminist, and plans to one day serve as an elected official. She will be joined by Lily, a service dog-in-training.

We are very pleased that our February speaker, Col. Marguerite Ward, was the recipient of the Hamilton YWCA 2019 Women of Distinction Award for Lifetime Achievement. She is a “Jewel” in Hamilton.



## *March 2019 President's Report*



Dear Zonta Sisters,

Over the course of March, I have been inspired by many women around me. Our club members – Alice Tyler, Sharon Haas and her daughter Kelsey, and Debbie Field and her daughter Christina, helped at the Mulberry Coffeehouse on International Women's Day giving out 100 yellow roses to women and telling them about Zonta and especially our hands-on projects! Thanks also to Nita McCown, our Area 2 Director who came out and helped us at Mulberry and to my neighbour Alice Repei, who made the Mulberry venue possible. Sandra Cronk and her friend Genevieve, Phyllis Deptuck, Anita Isaac and her niece, Trish Mongeon, Lena Marie Neil, Irene Polidori and I attended the Zonta Club of Oakville's IWD Gala on March 5<sup>th</sup>. It was an impressive banquet for 600 and Catriona Le May Doan inspired and encouraged us to keep the goal in mind, despite the ups and downs along the way.

As an interesting demonstration of women's pay inequality that still needs to be addressed, the City of Berlin transportation agency is issuing a "Frauenticket" (Woman's Ticket) from March 18<sup>th</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>. The stunt has been timed to Equal Pay Day and comes just weeks after the local government in the German capital passed a law creating a public holiday on International Women's Day. The operator said it apologizes to any men who feel discriminated against. "On the other hand, who apologizes to women who earn on average 21 percent less?"

Sandra Cronk, Karen Dawson, Anita Isaac and I attended Leymah Gbowee's public conversation on March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Studio Theatre. Leymah is a Nobel Peace Laureate, a peace activist, social worker and women's rights advocate. She is best known for leading a nonviolent movement that brought together Christian and Muslim women to play a pivotal role in ending Liberia's devastating, fourteen-year civil war. This historic achievement paved the way for the election of Africa's first female head of state, Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf. It also marked the vanguard of a new wave of women emerging worldwide as essential and uniquely effective participants in brokering lasting peace and security.

**"It is our duty to stand up for humanity.  
Step in and correct things that are wrong."**

Leymah Gbowee

Identifying Zonta's "why" is important for all of us to consider in order to understand how Zonta International can work to make changes for women and girls around the world. In communicating this "why" to others, we share the message of Zonta and hopefully encourage membership in our club. If you feel that you cannot fully participate in club events, I would encourage you to become a member of Zonta International directly. Individual members can participate in activities and campaigns to bring about change, attend international and regional events and still connect with Zonta members worldwide.

As I mentioned at the February Dinner Meeting, District 4 is seeking nominations for a District Zonta Centennial Award. Please think of a worthy Canadian, who works in the area of our District, and come prepared to introduce and defend your choice at the March meeting—it should be a fitting closure to this March of inspiring women!

Yours in Zonta,

*Karin*

Empowering Women Through Service and Advocacy



## Advocacy Committee

On Friday March 8 several members met at Art Crawl. The Mulberry Coffeehouse staff were wonderful hosts. Karin Eckart, Alice Tyler, Sharon and Kelsey Haas and Debbie and Christina Field were spreading the power of women and giving away 100 yellow roses to mark our anniversary and celebrate International Women's Day. The women were delighted upon receiving the roses and were interested in learning about Zonta and discussing the projects outlined on the new postcards. Nita McCown our Area 2 Director attended the event.

From now to June 1 please donate a new or gently used bra to support [Free the Girls](#). This is a district focus to help reduce human trafficking and violence against women and girls. Bras can be given to Julie Kostal. We are reaching out to the community so please accept bras if you are approached. Drop off boxes are at the homes of Julie Kostal, Sandra Cronk, Judy Ambrose and Lena Marie Neil. Please share with your friends and encourage bra donations. Some online tools will be shared.

In preparation for our fall projects, please gather up any toiletries for hygiene kits or The Purse Project. The Purse Project also needs new or gently used purses, socks, mitts and hats. Knitters and crocheters please consider making scarves and hats. Our hygiene kits and the Purse Project assist women in our community who need assistance with the basics of life.

Advocate by taking Action—Thank you

Sharon Haas







## *Fundraising Committee*

### Spring Fashion Show Fundraiser

Thanks to everyone who has been selling tickets for our Spring fundraiser. The flyer is attached to this newsletter as well in case you want to forward it to friends to invite them.

Here is some important information:

**All Members:** Please bring your unsold tickets and money to the next meeting (if attending). I will be sending a message out to ask how many tickets you have sold so we can have enough giveaways (or email or phone me with your expected sales). Tickets will also be available at the door. You can also bring any door prizes you have to our next meeting.

**Models:** Thanks to so many of our members and family members who have volunteered to be models. I have given your names to Nancy, owner of Coach Pyramids. Please plan to visit the store between March 18<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> to pick out your outfits. Please call first. Also, Margaret Good is bringing a team of Mary Kay reps to the store to do makeup for the models. She would like some information ahead of time, so she will be at our March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you are a model, please come visit her at our table prior to the meeting.

Thank you.  
Sandra Cronk

## *McMaster Golden Z Club*



This year the McMaster Golden Z Club plans to donate money to Zonta International's Service program. In February they held another bake sale to raise funds for this. The club has done a good job this year spreading the word about Zonta and the Let Us Learn Madagascar project at their events. For International Women's Day they once again used the Sheroes posters. This time they used a smaller space, which saved a lot of money. They found many students stopped by to have discussions while they viewed the information rather than just looking. Tickets were sold on donated items arranged in 4 baskets. In order to find out the winner at the end of the day, entrants had to visit the McMaster Golden Z Facebook page, which also gave the club more exposure — great idea! The club plans to hold one more event during the last week of March or first week of April. They are also beginning discussions and applications for positions on next year's executive.



Submitted by Nancy Zilvytis



## Centennial Grants

### Update Regarding the Centennial Grant

This year, to help commemorate our Centennial, Zonta International is offering up to \$5000 USD to organizations that would partner with a Zonta Club. We had voted to offer this chance to FAB as they were moving forward with an initiative to attract indigenous young women to their program of Fit, Active, Beautiful. Unfortunately, we have just been told that the timing is off, that the program will be going ahead, but cannot be completed within the time frame that ZI has announced (March 2020). Since the application is due to ZI by March 31<sup>st</sup> of this year, we will not be proceeding, as it is too late to propose the project to a new organization.

Thanks for your support.  
Sandra Cronk, Anita Isaac, Karen Dawson

## Inter-City

The Zonta Club of Oakville, celebrated International Women's Day on March the 5<sup>th</sup> and our club was well represented. The following members attended the event: our President Karin Eckart, Sandra Cronk, Phyllis Deptuck, Anita Isaac, Trish Mongeon, Lena Marie Neil, Irene Polidori plus two friends.



Zonta Club of Niagara Falls, Canada is presenting  
"Trivia Night"

Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 2019  
@ St. Andrew's United Church,  
5645 Morrison St., N.F.  
Cost \$20.00

Zonta Club of St. Catharines is having  
An English Afternoon Tea and Lucky Number Draw  
Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
@ Rockway Vineyard Golf  
3290 Ninth St., St. Catherine's  
Cost \$35.00



"The Wine Ladies" MCs of the event and Catriona  
LeMay Doan

For more information call Alina @ 905 6794578 or [azilvytis@rogers.com](mailto:azilvytis@rogers.com)

***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, March 22nd, 2019**

Karen Dawson  
Anita Isaac  
Sandra Cronk  
Sylvia von Ellm  
Irene Polidori  
Trish Mongeon

**Sunday, March 24th, 2019**

Renate Davidson  
Phyllis Deptuck  
Jelaine Foster  
Kathy Kingsmill  
Nancy Hume-Meletti

**Friday, April 19th, 2019**

Karen Dawson  
Sandra Cronk  
Sylvia von Ellm  
Irene Polidori  
Nancy Zilvytis

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**Sunday, April 28th, 2019**

Marlene Balsdon  
Phyllis Deptuck  
Jelaine Foster  
Joan Heels

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**Friday, May 17th, 2019**

Jackie Dove  
Sandra Cronk  
Sylvia von Ellm  
Irene Polidori  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Anita Isaac

**Sunday, May 19th, 2019**

Marlene Balsdon  
Wayne Balsdon  
Phyllis Deptuck  
Joan Heels

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**Friday, June 14th, 2019**

Karen Dawson  
Sandra Cronk  
Sharon Haas  
Irene Polidori  
Nancy Zilvytis  
Anita Isaac

**Sunday, June 23rd, 2019**

Marlene Balsdon  
Wayne Balsdon  
Phyllis Deptuck  
Jelaine Foster

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**Zonta International Centennial:**

[www.zonta100.org](http://www.zonta100.org),

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[www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

**District 4 Website:**

[www.zontadistrict4.org](http://www.zontadistrict4.org)

**Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:**

[www.zontahamilton1.ca](http://www.zontahamilton1.ca)

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**IF YOU CAN HELP OUT AT BINGO**

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

**Attached to this Newsletter**

- **February Dinner Meeting Minutes**
- **District 4 Spring Workshop Information**
- **Fashion Show Poster**

Aysha Emmerson was honoured to have been one of ten recipients of the Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award (2018), and is thrilled to help further Zonta's important mission of advancing the status of woman worldwide as its first Youth Observer to the Commission on the Status of Women. Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Aysha grew up in Victoria, British Columbia, and is currently a Freshman at Harvard College.



Date	Event	Details/Location	Contact
Friday, March 22	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 <a href="mailto:phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca">phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca</a>
Sunday, March 24	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 <a href="mailto:phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca">phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca</a>
Tuesday, March 26	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 <a href="mailto:enewman6@bell.net">enewman6@bell.net</a>
Sunday, March 31	Fashion Show Fundraiser	The Coach Pyramids 50 Argyle St N, Caledonia, ON N3W 1K9	Sandra Cronk 905-524-0188 <a href="mailto:scronk@sympatico.ca">scronk@sympatico.ca</a>
Tuesday, April 2	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Karin Eckart 905-527-2957 <a href="mailto:kareck@gmail.com">kareck@gmail.com</a>
Friday, April 19	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 <a href="mailto:phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca">phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca</a>
Tuesday, April 23	Dinner Meeting	Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5	Liz Newman 905-627-4292 <a href="mailto:enewman6@bell.net">enewman6@bell.net</a>
Saturday, April 27	Area 1 & 2 Workshops	Holiday Inn Kitchener-Waterloo 30 Fairway Drive Kitchener, ON N2A2N2	Joanne Raymond 519-578-6048 <a href="mailto:jraymond@sentex.net">jraymond@sentex.net</a>
Saturday, April 27	Women with Passion & Purpose	Michelangelo's Event & Conference Centre, 1555 Upper Ottawa Street Hamilton, On L8W 3E2	Eileen Baggs 905-541-6560 <a href="mailto:eilenbaggs@sympatico.ca">eilenbaggs@sympatico.ca</a>
Sunday, April 28	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 <a href="mailto:phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca">phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca</a>
Tuesday, May 7	Board Meeting	Fortino's Party Room 1579 Main Street West Hamilton	Karin Eckart 905-527-2957 <a href="mailto:kareck@gmail.com">kareck@gmail.com</a>
Friday, May 17	BINGO	5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East	Phyllis Deptuck 905-387-1485 <a href="mailto:phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca">phyllis.deptuck@sympatico.ca</a>
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