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JANUARY 28TH DINNER MEETING

DINNER IS AT 6:00 P.M. SHARP IN THE <u>CONTINENTAL EXPRESS ROOM</u> AT LIUNA STATION

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, OR IF YOU ARE BRINGING A GUEST, PLEASE ADVISE

RENATE BY PHONE (905-627-4083) OR EMAIL RENBOB@SYMPATICO.CA

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

You will be billed \$35 for your dinner if you have not contacted Renate by *Thursday, January 23rd, 2020*

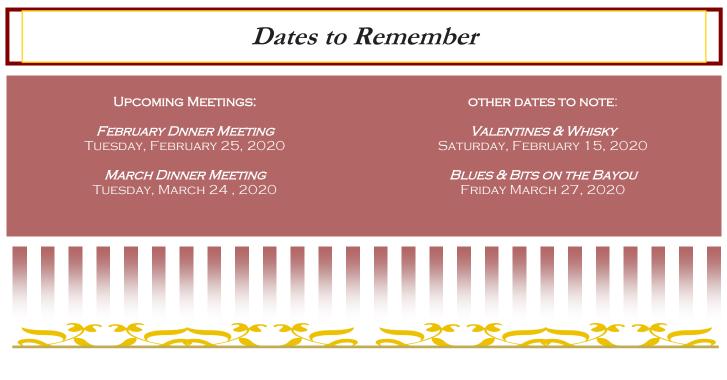
Amy Back Owner–Computer Help for Adults

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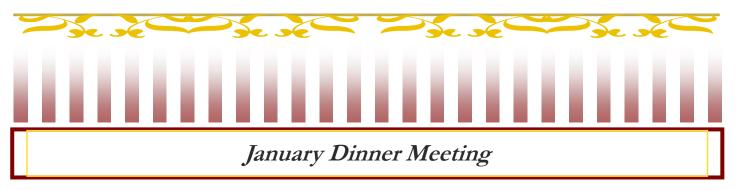


JANUARY 2020



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 27 — Nancy Hume-Meletti January 31 — Sylvia von Ellm



Amy Back was the winner of the YWCA Woman of Distinction in Business Leadership/Entrepreneurship and the owner of Computer Help for Adults. Amy's goal is to make the digital world accessible, safe and fun for adults and seniors. She teaches classes in Dundas and Ancaster, as well as offering in-home teaching.

Please remember to bring any 4-ply wool for scarves. Marlene Balsdon will gladly collect it for her friend to knit into beautiful scarves. Please buy some books. If our sales of books do not improve, Marlene will be donating the remaining ones to the charity shop where Kathy Marsales volunteers— New Horizons on James St N, Hamilton.



January 2020 President's Report

Happy New Year!



Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, the first woman to be awarded the U.S. Distinguished Flying Cross and the first woman transatlantic passenger. Amelia Earhart made her record flight from Hawaii to California on January 11, 1935, which has been designated Amelia Earhart Day by members of Zonta International. Amelia Earhart encouraged women to expand their horizons by exploring occupations and holding positions beyond those traditionally held by women. She was a beloved member of Zonta International before she was lost in the Pacific on a flight attempting to circle the globe by air in 1937.

As recruitment and retention of members is critical to the viability and vibrancy of our club, the Program Committee suggested and the Board agreed, that the March meeting have Membership as

its focus. Zontians would be encouraged to invite women who could be prospective members. The program will not include a speaker, but rather a presentation about the Advocacy, Education and Service initiatives of Zonta both locally and internationally. For all members of our club, it is also important to reinforce the benefits of belonging to an international organization that has influence and impact on the lives of women and girls. Vice-President Trish has agreed to plan this March meeting.

I have received budgets from the Golden Z and the Membership Committee. Please consider how much your committee requires and do a basic budget in order to assist the Finance Committee in creating the 2019-2020 budget. I am attaching the Biennial Goals to this mailing so that members and committees can focus action on the steps required to achieve the goals.

The Fundraising Committee has invitations to 2 smaller fundraisers in February and March for you to consider. It is interesting for me that the limited and easier initiatives organized by the Fundraising Committe and supported by the members over this year, have the potential to raise around \$6000.00. Finally, a heartfelt "thank-you" to those members who have recently made memorial donations and donations in lieu of Christmas Cards.

Yours in Zonta, *Karin*

Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace.



Donations to the Service Trust Fund

Christmas Donations

Nancy Zilvytis Irene Polidori Kathy Kingsmill Marsales Joan Heels Karin Eckart

Memorial Donations

Sandra Cronk and her mother Dorothy Cronk Judith Lindsay Nancy Zilvytis



Advocacy Committee

The City of Hamilton application period did open for applications to hang our banner on the front of City Hall façade and across the street in Dundas during the 16 Days of Activism. We have applied for both but were declined as other groups were approved ahead of us. I have asked that we be contacted if any cancelation occurs. I am hoping members could assist our committee by considering alternative places where we could display our banner. It would be great to have it seen by lots of people so we can communicate our message of "Say No to Violence Against Women" and increase our club's profile in the community. You can contact Sharon Haas or anyone on the committee with ideas for us to pursue .

Thank you Sharon Haas and the Advocacy Committee

Fundraising "Valentines and Whisky"



Valentines and Whisky

In honour of the Bard of Ayrshire (Robert Burns) and because the "water of life" is like a beautiful woman – it demands appreciation and romance – we are having a whisky tasting and food pairing for

Zonta Hamilton I members and guests

Saturday, February 15, 2020

6:00 p.m.

205 Lime Kiln Road, Ancaster

(home of Trish and Marcel Mongeon)

5 different whiskies will be tasted/enjoyed/discussed

along with some typical Scottish fare (enough to absorb most of the alcohol and be considered a meal)

Cost per person: \$80 (limited to 24 attendees)

(fundraising event to support women's mental health)

To improve the discussion, please do a little research – each person must share a little-known factoid about whisky, recite a romantic poem or sing a drinking song.

RSVP by Wednesday, February 12th, to Trish

905-921-6868 trish@mongeonconsulting.com

JANUARY 2020



Fundraising "Blues & Bites on the Bayou"



FRIDAY MARCH 27, 2020 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm \$80 per person (limited to 20 attendees) MISSISSIPPI QUEEN RESTAURANT 635 King St E Hamilton http://mississippiqueenfoods.com/

Y'all are invited to a fun-filled evening with authentic Southern cooking and red hot blues performed by Roberta Burns (<u>www.robertahunt.ca</u>)

Net proceeds for projects that benefit women and girls

For tickets or more information, contact Sandra at 905-524-0188 or <u>contactus@zontahamilton1.ca</u>.

McMaster Golden Z Club

Since the beginning of November, the McMaster Golden Z Club has been busy. They received the District Golden Z Club award and cheque for \$250 US for projects done last year. Thanks to President Karin for accepting this award for them at the District Conference in September. I presented both to them in November.

The club hosted a henna event in collaboration with the Hindu Students' Association to fundraise for ending child marriage initiative. Students came to Clubspace in MUSC to have henna designs done in preparation for HSA's yearly Diwali formal. The event was very successful, raising and allowed us to inform McMaster students of our mission and goals as a Golden Z club.

Neha and Elise attended the International Women's and Children's Health Conference event to display the club's mission and promote involvement in the Zonta program. Past events were also mentioned, such as our fundraising Henna event for girls of Madagascar. They met with attendees who were postgraduates from McMaster such as medical students and were also joined by other universities like the University of Toronto.

For the 16 Days of Activism a table was set up in the Student Centre with various representatives from our club. Different materials and information were provided to interested students. The goal of the event was to raise awareness for the 16 Days of Activism's goal to end gender-based violence. They had planned to do a Facebook fundraiser for Zonta International's project on ending childhood marriage but found they were unable to do so because of Facebook rules about who can fundraise through their page.

Plans for this semester are being formed.

Nancy Zilvytis Z & GZ Committee Chair



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 24, 2020

Karin Eckart Sylvia von Ellm Irene Polidori Nancy Zilvytis Joan Hutcheson Sandra Cronk

Sunday, February 2, 2020 Marlene Balsdon

Wayne Balsdon Phyllis Deptuck Alice Tyler Karin Eckart

Friday, February 21, 2020

Sandra Cronk Irene Polidori Kathy Kinsgmill Sylvia von Ellm Anita Isaac Sharon Haas

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Joan Hutcheson Trish Mongeon Sharon Haas Phyllis Deptuck Maureen Hayman Friday, March 20, 2020

Sylvia von Ellm Irene Polidori Nancy Zilvytis Sandra Cronk Trish Mongeon Joan Hutcheson

Sunday, March 29, 2020

Karin Eckart Joan Hutcheson Phyllis Deptuck Trish Mongeon Nancy Zilvytis

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT AT BINGO Please contact PHYLLIS DEPTUCK 905-679-1053 or deptuckphyllis@gmail.com

Attached to this Newsletter

- November Dinner Meeting Minutes
- Valentines & Whisky Poster
- Blues & Bites on the Bayou Poster
- Club Biennial Goals 2018-2020



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



Length of Service Awards from our December Meeting

- 15—Dianne Moore
- 15—Nancy Zilvytis
- 25—Judi Harbottle-Park
- 30-Kendra Coats (absent)
- 30—Sandra Cronk
- 30—Irene Polidori
- 35—Renate Davidson
- 40—Anita Isaac
- 40—Liz Newman (absent)

| Date | Event | Details/Location | Contact |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| Friday, January 24 | BINGO | 5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East | Phyllis Deptuck 905-679-1053 deptuckphyllis@gmail.com |
| Tuesday, January 28 | Dinner Meeting | Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5 | Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 <u>renbob@sympatico.ca</u> |
| Sunday, February 2 | BINGO | 5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East | Phyllis Deptuck 905-679-1053 deptuckphyllis@gmail.com |
| Tuesday, February 4 | Board Meeting | 6:00pm ZOOM Meeting | Trish Mongeon 905-648-8783 <u>trish@mongeonconsulting.com</u> |
| Saturday, February 15 | Valentines & Whisky | 6:00pm 205 Lime Kiln Road Ancaster, ON | Trish Mongeon 905-648-8783 trish@mongeonconsulting.com |
| Friday, February 21 | BINGO | 5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East | Phyllis Deptuck 905-679-1053 deptuckphyllis@gmail.com |
| Sunday, February 23 | BINGO | 5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East | Phyllis Deptuck 905-679-1053 deptuckphyllis@gmail.com |
| Tuesday, February 25 | Dinner Meeting | Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5 | Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 <u>renbob@sympatico.ca</u> |
| Tuesday, March 3 | Board Meeting | 6:00pm ZOOM Meeting | Trish Mongeon 905-648-8783 trish@mongeonconsulting.com |
| Friday, March 20 | BINGO | 5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East | Phyllis Deptuck 905-679-1053 deptuckphyllis@gmail.com |
| Tuesday, March 24 | Dinner Meeting | Liuna Station 360 James St N, Hamilton, ON L8L 1H5 | Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 <u>renbob@sympatico.ca</u> |
| Friday, March 27 | Blues and Bites on the Bayou | 6:00-9:00pm Mississippi Queen Restaurant 635 King St E Hamilton, ON | Sandra Cronk 905-524-0188 <u>contactus@zontahamilton1.ca</u> |
| Sunday, March 29 | BINGO | 5:00pm Princess Bingo 300 Fennell Avenue East | Phyllis Deptuck 905-679-1053 <u>deptuckphyllis@gmail.com</u> |
| Tuesday, April 7 | Board Meeting | 6:00pm Fortinos 65 Mall Rd, Hamilton, ON L8V 5B5 | Karin Eckart 905-527-2957 <u>kareck@gmail.com</u> |