

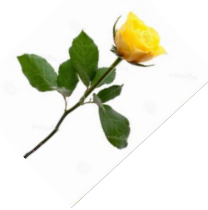


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MAY 28TH, 2020 MEETING

**You are invited to the
Zonta Club of Hamilton 1 Meeting
& AGM via Zoom**

When:

**May 26, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time
(US and Canada)**

Topic:

**Zonta Club of Hamilton 1
Meeting - May 2020**

Please click the link below

Join the Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94679037588>

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MAY 2020

Dates to Remember

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

ZONTA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

VIEWPOINTS ON BY-LAWS & RESOLUTIONS ACCESSIBLE—JUNE 30

VOTING JULY 3— 8

INSTALLATION OF 2020-2022 BOARD JULY 17

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 4 — Margaret Good

2020 Dues Payment

Treasurer Maureen has put together an invoice with instructions for the payment of \$210.00 for the 2020-21 dues and it is attached to this mailing. Please pay the dues as soon as possible in order for Maureen to make the payment to Zonta International before the June 1, 2020 deadline. You have a few options for payment:

Pay by ETRANSFER if possible (PASSWORD: 2020DUES) using haymanml@gmail.com

Mail a cheque to 202-980 Golf Links Road, ANCASTER ON , L9K 1J8

Cheques should be made out to Zonta Club of Hamilton 1.

If you have questions please call her at 905 648-3835

Sincerely, Maureen Hayman Treasurer



May 2020 President's Report



Dear Zonta Sisters,

May 2020, the end of this Zonta Centennial Biennium has arrived, although the mood for celebration is subdued. In my wildest dreams I could not have imagined that a virus could create this much havoc and suffering around the world, but Zonta cares and that is a promise to remember!

I attended the "Zonta Cares" webinar last week and was really gratified to learn that even though there are big threats, there are also practical opportunities. Zonta International is working on a resource to help clubs develop strategies to navigate barriers created by COVID-19 lockdowns and the need for physical distancing. Activities should nurture hope and engagement. The Zoom app allows for events such as panel-discussions, which could involve women not familiar with Zonta to be engaged.

A Smart Advocacy project was interesting. In France and Spain, victims of domestic abuse can use codewords at the pharmacy, in doctors' offices and even in supermarkets to summon police help. As violence at home surges under COVID-19 lockdowns, codeword projects are operating from Argentina to Italy, with the aim of encouraging victims to raise an alarm without tipping off their abuser. This usually involves a poster with information, which a woman would read when out on her own to a medical appointment, for example. Calls to abuse helplines have doubled in some countries amid the strain of lockdown, which has left many people trapped indoors with an abuser and little hope of rescue.

Zonta International has also had to change the approach to projects such as Let Us Learn Madagascar. Money will now be used for the printing and distribution of learning materials to approximately 45,000 children for independent learning while schools remain closed. Money has also been earmarked for a "Back-to-school" campaign targeting all 60,000 primary and lower secondary schools in the country, including catch-up classes for more than 12,200 lower secondary students unable to return to school after they reopen. These program activities will help UNICEF preserve the gains that have been made for girls through the past several years of the Let Us Learn program. In contexts like Madagascar, where digital learning solutions are less accessible, reading and writing materials can be used to reach the most vulnerable.



At a Service Committee meeting in February the idea for encouragement postcards was born. Susanne Crago has designed this card and we have had them printed. The front has our club information and the back is blank to allow members to write a personal message. We thought we could use these in our hygiene kits, purses, also for Service projects that we support such as wigs/bras for women in the CAP. I will make sure that members get some and we can brainstorm the message(s) possible for the back..

This pandemic will likely force us to consider different approaches to club meetings. We have survived with ZOOM meetings but our dinners and social time together have stopped. Finding the right balance will be up to us. I'm sure new ideas will be welcome as we shift our service, advocacy, and member engagement initiatives to respond to the needs of members and our community.

Finally to all of you, with thanks, I share this slightly altered note that I received on Mother's Day.

I don't need to see the sunrise to know she's up, for the world has all the colours of a woman's love!

Karin



Hand Creams for the YWCA

Our thanks to you for the support of this endeavour led by Margaret Good

Jane Allison
Janet Barclay
Sandra Cronk
Christopher Cutler
Deborah Dubenofsky
Karin Eckart
Margaret Good
Sharon Haas
Yoli Jakus
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Trish Mongeon
Irene Polidori
Jamie Pritchard
Julie Preston
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Nancy Zilvytis



Good Girls Marketing and Consulting
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In total 235 tubes of hand cream were
donated to the Hamilton YWCA.



Memorial Donations to the Service Trust Fund

Donations made in Memory of

Charlie Zilvytis, Liz Newman, Dorothy Cronk, Anita Isaac

Susanne Crago
Sheila Creighton
Sandra Cronk
Renate Davidson
Phyllis Deptuck
Karin Eckart
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On behalf of our club, I wish to thank club members and friends, some of whom have donated several times. These thoughtful acts will make a difference in the lives of women and girls in Hamilton.

Karin Eckart



Note of Thanks from CAP

Dear Zonta Club Friends

A personal heartfelt thank you from the benefactor of Bras for Buddies. Your generosity will assist in ensuring that women who are facing this daunting journey, can be embraced with dignity and understanding and provided with a mastectomy bra. I thank Zonta for your support as do the women you are helping.

*Thank you!
Cancer Assistance Program*

| Date | Event | Details/Location | Contact |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Tuesday, May 26 | Annual General Meeting | 6:00pm ZOOM Meeting | Trish Mongeon 905-648-8783 trish@mongeonconsulting.com |
| Tuesday, June 2 | Board Meeting | 6:00pm ZOOM Meeting | Trish Mongeon 905-648-8783 trish@mongeonconsulting.com |
| Tuesday, June 23 | Social | TBD | Renate Davidson 905-627-4083 renbob@sympatico.ca |

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Zonta Club of Hamilton 1:

www.zontahamilton1.ca

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Attached to this Newsletter

- April ZOOM Dinner Meeting Minutes
- May 2019 DRAFT Minutes

