



AREA 2 BOARD REPORT – May 05/2012

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Please note that my full report due to Bonnie Crogan Mazur will be submitted next week. This report is a quick synopsis /update on each of the clubs in my area.

SPRING WORKSHOP:

The Zonta Club of Hamilton 11 in partnership with the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1 – recently hosted the Area 1&2 spring workshop – April 28/12

While I have not received a full report on our finances or evaluations – the chairperson has given me some indication of the feedback. Our wrap up meeting takes place next week at which time I will have a full report.

Overall the evaluations were very good – it was mentioned by several participants that they loved the energy and the interactive exercises. There was mention on more than one occasion that the room was too small for the number of participants and zonta tables, people at the back of the room felt distant from the speakers. Also, people at the back of the room could not see the power point presentations. A couple of participants felt the food choice could have been healthier. It was noted by a few participants that they would have liked to have had more time for the service piece (more time to discuss service projects) also the following suggestions were made re: next workshop

- Allow more participant participation
- More discussion on club successes, why people joined and what has kept them engaged
- An opportunity for struggling clubs to gain ideas from other clubs
- More emphasis on how to influence policy and government
- Have music or a comedian
- More Advocacy
- Have new members describe why they joined
- Have someone talk who has benefitted directly from the work of Zontians
- Creating PR that draws media attention

Zonta Club of Hamilton 11

Current Membership: 24

Clare Freeman our current President has had a turbulent year (we were riding the waves of change) but has produced outstanding results. (con't)

- Successfully engaged the club in understanding the importance of aligning our local work with the goals of Zonta International
- Successful fundraising efforts for Jared's Place (Legal Advocacy Program)
- UN- Just say no activities
- Increase in club and individual contributions to Z.I.F.
- Successful launch of our Z- Clubs in collaboration with the Zonta Club of Hamilton 1
- Successful birthing kit day!
- YWPA

Zonta Club of Toronto

Current Membership: 21

- Every member has made a contribution to ZIF
- Continue to raise \$ and do hands on work with Sistering –Drop in Centre for marginalized women in the Toronto area
- Un Say NO imitative
- Amelia Earhart Fellowship
- Jane Klausman
- YWPA - **Wendy Liao**, submitted by the **Zonta Club of Toronto, Ontario** has been selected as the District 4 YWPA winner
- Successful Car Rally and fundraising dinner
- GREEK HERITAGE NIGHT Saturday, May 12th

Zonta Club of Mississauga

Current Membership: 10

Current President Atiya has worked tirelessly to keep this club afloat – her incoming President was only able to attend 2 meetings in the 2 year period, many of her members were struggling with health, financial and other issues as various times throughout this 2 year period. At the membership meeting in April, which I attended the membership discussed that in light of the fragile state of the club, coupled with Pats heavy work schedule and her inactivity with the club of the last 2 years that they wanted to relieve her of her responsibilities as incoming President – a vote was taken. Prior to this the club and myself have tried reaching Pat via email, face book, phone calls, and even and registered mail but to no avail. Atiya will be staying on as President for an interim period of one year. Last Sunday the club met for their May meeting and had a brain storming session (six members were present) – they will meet in June to strategize and plan for the year ahead. There has been a recent interest shown by two community members who would like to join – one is a former founding member of the Zonta Club of the Bahamas.

Zonta Club of Brampton:

Current Membership: 24

- Club and individual contributions to ZIF
- YWPA
- Jane Klausmann
- Amelia Earhart
- Upcoming Golf Tournament June 14th at Caledon Golf Club
- Another successful IWD Breakfast
- **Z Clubs and Golden Z Clubs** -Notre Dame is a possible new club. Schools are collecting soap for birthing kits.
- Sponsorship of a new Club in Barrie – Kathleen Douglass may have update

Zonta Club of Oakville:

Current Membership: 16

- Continuing with their Just Say NO campaign
- Oakville has taken the lead in bringing clubs together to establish an area-wide birthing kit initiative – 2 meetings via webinar
- Successful Car Rally and IWD Dinner in partnership with Women of Halton Action Group
- Working with Oakville's Provincial MPP and Executive Director for Halton Women's Centre to acquire government grants that will keep the centre running
- YWPA

Zonta Club of Hamilton 1-

Current Membership: 54

- Inducting new member at next meeting
- Largest contribution in the District to ZIF - Letter of congratulations from Diane Curtis
- June 07/12 upcoming Zonta Classic
- Amelia Earhart, Jane Klausman, YWPA
- Celebrations underway for 85th Anniversary – WOW! They have an excellent speaker lined up
- Established Z-Club in Collaboration with the Zonta Club of Hamilton 11 - Charter Ceremony November 28/12 – recent recipient of the Governors Award

Respectfully submitted on route to Ottawa☺

Rosita☺