

Area 2 – District 4 Report from Rosita Hall

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLUBS WHO WON AWARDS AT OUR D4 CONFERENCE IN SEPTEMBER

Zonta District 4 Conference Award Winners

Public Relations: Zonta Club of Hamilton 1

Membership: Zonta Club of Toronto

Newsletter: Zonta Club of Brampton

Service/Advocacy: Zonta Club of Oakville

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP # FOR SIX CLUBS IN AREA 2 IS 150 MEMBERS AS OF NOVEMBER 11/11

CLUB UPDATES:

Zonta Club of Hamilton 1

Membership -53 (For period between September 01/11 to date) – no losses

CONGRATULATIONS OF THE GREAT ARTICLE IN THE ZONTIAN A FEW MONTHS BACK. CLUB HAS AN EXCELLENT RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION STRATEGY IN PLACE

November 16/2011 will be presented with the Philanthropy Award by the Association of Professional Fundraisers – Golden Horseshoe Chapter for the commitment made in 2008 to raise 100,000 for the CIBC Breast Assessment Centre

Z club Charter Presentation & Celebration on November 28/2011 – both clubs under the leadership of Joan Hutcheson and Beth Begin have worked diligently to bring this project to fruition – both clubs are extremely proud!

Held a successful Person's Day Breakfast in Collaboration with the Zonta Club of Hamilton 11 and the YWCA

√Club achievement checklist

√Committed to encouraging every member of the club to make an individual contribution to the Zonta International Foundation

√Service and Advocacy in alignment with Zonta International goals

√Score Card being utilized

√Succession planning on Track – Sharon Hass to take over as President in 2012

√Birthing Kits

Zonta Club of Hamilton 11:

Membership – (Since September 01/11 to date) 28 members – 3 losses, 1 gain, 3- on leave of absence

Loss in membership due to burnout and sickness – Club realized the toll on members with two major fundraisers within a 2 month time frame.

Successful Person's Day Breakfast in Collaboration with Hamilton 1 & YWCA

Completed 2 year commitment to Jared's Place \$25,000.00 in 1 year – now considering another project to support for 2 years and also discretionary dollars – applications are currently being received.

Z Club Charter Presentation on November 28/2011

IWD event Hamilton 1 on March 05/11

Hosting 2012 spring workshop – club quite excited!

Zonta Club of Oakville:

Membership – (Since September 01/11 to date) 14 – 2 losses in October

The Zonta club of Oakville took a big step forward this year and initiated its first major advocacy campaign. In recognition of the increase in violence against women, the club decided to launch a **UNITE – Say No action**. Their intent was to conduct community outreach events over the next 3 years to raise public awareness and **acquire 50,000 signatures on our Say No page**. Their second goal was to encourage elected officials' at the municipal, provincial and federal levels to make policy changes that recognize women's human rights to be free of violence. **They successfully completed both initial goals. In the first year they have already collected over 4,000 signatures**

A recent **round table**, hosted in partnership with the Oakville MPP in the Ontario Legislature brought local women's groups, support agencies and the police together to identify solutions that will aid in ending violence against women. These solutions will be summarized into recommended policy changes that will be presented to the Provincial legislature

During the weekend of May 7-8/2011, the second Say no event was launched. (A Town that Says NO to Violence) The club hosted a weekend campaign and had a booth set up at Oakville Place Mall – with a Zonta Display Board, signature boards and a display of banners and materials provided by the Say No website. To date the club has collected several thousand names.

CLUB PRESIDENT SUSAN HUNT DID AN OUTSTANDING PRESENTATION AT THE D4 CONFERENCE – FACILITATED BY BONNIE & CONNIE – SHE RECENTLY PRESENTED THE SAME ONE TO OUR PRESIDENTS /INCOMING PRESIDENTS AND A COUPLE OF OTHER GUESTS AT OUR PRESIDENT'S MEETING

Z- Club -Zonta Oakville has begun discussions within the school system and are hopeful at having a club fully implemented before the end of 2011

Mentorship Award -Zonta Oakville partnered with Zonta Mississauga and Company of Women for its second annual Woman to Woman Campaign. Women were invited to write in and nominate a woman who has been an exceptional mentor. The award was presented, at the Zonta club of Mississauga's IWD event.

March 08/12 IWD with Michelle Landsberg

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√Succession planning on Track – Sharon Hass to take over as President in 2012

√Birthing Kits – RECOMMENDATION OF AN AREA WIDE BIRTHING KIT ASSEMBLY DAY

Zonta club of Mississauga

Membership – (Since September 01/11 to date) 3 gains 2 losses currently 10 active members plus one Honorary member and 1 member on Sabbatical (health issues) One new member was the winner of the Zonta Mentor Award

Two members – Princess and her daughter did an excellent Presentation at our D4 Conference

Re- grouped in the summer – mini retreat to look at the direction club is going and to plan for the year ahead – successful event!

FOCUS FOR UPCOMING YEAR WILL BE MEMBERSHIP AND ADVOCACY

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√Succession planning on Track – Pat Smith to take over as President in 2012

√Birthing Kits – November 19/11 – 20 Z club members will be participating

Zonta club of Brampton

Current Membership (Since September 01/11 to date) – 25 members with three new members to be installed in December (28) No losses

Signature event – Women of Achievement – November 17/11 tickets \$90.00

Completed a commitment of 50,000 to local Hospital?

Event Business Plan – template – to evaluate the strategic value of an event to sure a plan is in place

Treasurer’s checklist

Template/Business Plan to evaluate the strategic value of an event

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√Succession planning on Track – Doreen Thompson to take over as President in 2012

√Birthing Kits

Zonta Club of Toronto

Current membership – (Since September 01/11 to date) 19 Plus one new (Z-Club Mentor) + one possibility for December -No losses

Programming – Governor Bonnie and Connie Deckert

Fundraising: Car Rally – raised enough money to support their charity Sistering

Christmas Fundraiser in December – Dickens’s Dinner

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√Committed to encouraging every member of the club to make an individual contribution to the Zonta International Foundation

Service and Advocacy in alignment with Zonta International goals – still establishing committee

Score Card being utilized

√Succession planning on Track – NO - no President identified for 2012

√Birthing Kits

WORKSHOP SUGGESTIONS FROM CLUB PRESIDENTS IN AREA 2

- 1. HOW TO CREATE A COLLABORATIVE NETWORK INTERNALLY AND EXTERNALLY (IN THE FUTURE) WITH LIKE MINDED GROUPS**
- 2. BIGGER SISTERHOOD – BROADER THEN OUR CLUB**
- 3. MULTIPLE ROLES THAT WOMEN HAVE TO PLAY – HOW DO WE RE-ENERGIZE THE PASSION**
- 4. HOW TO GET CLUBS TO THINK INTERNATIONALLY AND WORK LOCALLY**
- 5. DIFFERENT WAYS TO HAVE MEETINGS USING SOCIAL MEDIA (TIME RESTRAINTS WITH OUR BUSY LIVES) – HOW TO KEEP PEOPLE INVOLVED WHO CANNOT COMMIT TO EVERY MONTHLY MEETING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS**
- 6. FUNDRAISING IDEA BLITZ**
- 7. MORE TOPICS GEARED TOWARDS LONG TERM MEMBERS –SEEMS TO B A LOT OF FOCUS ON NEW MEMBERS**

Respectfully submitted:

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