



HAMILTON-WENTWORTH
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Newsletter

JUL-SEP 2025

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*Please send articles and
photos for our next
RWTO/OERO Hamilton-
Wentworth Branch
Oct. – Dec. 2025
newsletter by Friday,
Sept. 26, to
trandles@rogers.com.*

President's Message

With the warm weather unfolding, our thoughts turn to those affected by dry conditions that are so conducive to forest fires, both in Ontario's North and to our west. We must support each other.

Speaking of support, Retired Women Teachers of Ontario has been working exceptionally well across the province with initiatives that affect women and children. Our own "Card Making Interest Group" leader Mardie Panabaker presented their "Purse Project" to the RWTO OERO selection committee early in the year - a project which included home made cards and personal toiletry products in purses for the unhoused. They were presented with an award of \$100 to our Branch at the Provincial Convention, "A Grand Getaway" for their efforts. The Card Making Group's "Paris Eiffel Tower" cards also graced the tables for the "An Evening in Paris" theme at the convention.



Some new members were welcomed at the "Spring Fling & AGM" in May. We thanked Joanne Weeks as our outgoing area 4 Director. Lynn Anderton will now take on the role for the province RWTO OERO. Past President Linda Sargeant was also thanked at our AGM and received a potted plant and blossom indoor flower card for all her work and mentoring over the years. Linda has accepted the position of RWTO OERO President at the provincial AGM and we wish her well in her new role.

At the Branch AGM, Leslie Devries, First Vice President for the Branch, and I, as Branch President were voted to stay for another year. We are looking for someone who wishes to be mentored as 2nd Vice President, as Treasurer for 2026 - 2027 and as Goodwill Convenor (buying and organizing gifts for our special seniors, visits, and the Memorial Service at the AGM). This year we had 11 who were honoured at the Service. Anna Iskat and Eileen Collins prepared a most appropriate tribute.

We look forward to summer events at 3 restaurants for patio lunch bunch! Also, reserve your Hamilton Tiger Cat tickets for October. Some interest groups are continueing over the summer. Check the E-blasts for more information!

Ann Louise Gloyn, President rwto.annlouise@gmail.com, (289) 921-0705

MEMBERSHIP



Tandia Credit Union has included RWTO Hamilton-Wentworth in a pilot project for the use of e-Transfers by not-for-profit groups that require two signatures on the signed documents of the organization.

What does that mean for you? You may choose to use e-Transfers instead of cash or cheques to pay for Membership or Luncheons and Branch Events that are booked through Moe Richardson. (Payments that are collected within our interest groups will continue to be paid by cash or cheque, as their funds are handled within the individual groups, and are not included in our main account, that is handled by our Treasurer, Lesley Devries.)

The Process:

- Memberships - mail or email your Membership Form to Jennie Robson. The newly revised form has a check box to indicate that you are e-transferring the funds.
- Branch Luncheons and Events are booked through Moe Richardson. You must email or call Moe to let her know you are attending, (also provide seating requests and allergy information), and let her know you are e-Transferring the funds.)

How to e-Transfer:

- set up a new contact for your banking Interac e-Transfers including the following information: (Your financial institution may or may not require that you include a security question.)

Name	RWTO Hamilton-Wentworth
Email	rwtohwfun@gmail.com
Preferred Language	English
Send Transfers By	Email
Security Question	Name of organization
Answer	RWTO

When sending an e-Transfer, please always ...

include your first and last name and the event you are attending in the 'notes' area of your e-Transfer.

rwtohwfun@gmail.com is only used for e-Transfers (Yup! We put the fun in the email address!)

Your financial institution will notify you by text or email when your e-Transfer has been accepted by RWTO Hamilton-Wentworth.

Did you notice the photos in the Provincial Connections Newsletter Banner in March 2025???

All of the photos are of Hamilton-Wentworth Interest Groups, except for Past Provincial President Judy Drummond milking a cow at the fair! If you are not receiving your newsletter 3x a year by email or Canada Post, please contact Linda Sargeant rwto.linda@gmail.com 905-575-3831





The Retired Women Teachers of Ontario
 Organisation des enseignantes retraitées de l'Ontario
69th RWTO/OERO Provincial AGM Convention
"A Grand Getaway"



Hosted By Area 4: Brant, Haldimand, & Hamilton-Wentworth
 June 3-5, 2025



Branch Delegates: Leslie Devries, Cindy Robinson, Ann Louise Gloyn, Danielle Chouinard, Jennie Robson

Danielle Chouinard moving Resolution 5 - that Membership and Fees be amended to include the addition of Branch Social Members. These would be women Educational Professionals currently employed in the workplace, who could potentially become Regular Members upon retirement. The resolution, seconded by Ann Louise Gloyn was deferred so that the Provincial Executive could study the issue of associate membership vs. social membership and better define each to be the same throughout the Province.



Packing Swag Bags



Registration



Our sincere thanks to the many Volunteers who made our Area 4 Convention possible! Each Branch had its own specialties - Trips for Brant, the Silent Auction & Hospitality Suite for Haldimand, and Registration and Organization for Hamilton-Wentworth. Planning teams usually have two years to prepare for a Convention, but when another Area had to step away, Area 4 put the event together in one year! An impressive feat by a dedicated team!

Card Making Interest Group!

... Speaking of Volunteers ... our amazing interest group made 400 of our special Eiffel Tower greeting cards to use as table souvenir gifts at our Grand Celebration at the Wednesday banquet. The poem was created by Lynn Anderton. At this Awards Banquet, this group was recognized for their personally made greeting card contributions to the Purse Project, (over 1700 cards in the last three years!!) The hand written cards are placed in purses along with personal hygiene goods for women in need of support. This Provincial 'Feather In Your Hat' Award was accepted by Branch President Ann Louise Gloyn, and included a certificate, a gift of \$100, and a special fascinator, to be worn by Ann Louise at an upcoming Branch banquet!



Did you know that Hamilton-Wentworth Branch currently has 7 members over the age of 90? At in-person Conventions, **'Over 90' members** within driving distance are invited to attend, along with a friend/driver. Eighteen members plus their guests attended this year, including four from our Branch. This year we enjoyed the company of Mary Bradica, Millie Green, Nancy Hodson, and Willemina Nieberg (who had turned 90 the day before the Banquet!) Our thanks to their companions, Ursi VanderPloeg, Elaine Aikman, Judy Moore, and Rosemary Marcotte. Brantford's Town Crier was an entertaining addition to the banquet ... he announced each of our guests as they entered the room, and had everyone sing Happy Birthday to Willemina!



69th AGM Convention Organizing Committee

Provincial Convention Convenor - Lynn Anderton
 Provincial Branches Convenor - Linda Sargeant
 Area 4 Director - Joanne Weeks
 Brant President - Anna Brady
 Haldimand President - Anne Mageran
 Hamilton-Wentworth President - Ann Louise Gloyn
 Registration - Marisa Di Censo
 Secretary - Isabella Marchese
 Treasurer - Patty Alexander
 Volunteers & Videos - Mardie Panabaker
 Member - Lesley Devries
 Member - Jean Emmott

(A photo is needed of this incredible group of women!)



Past Provincial Presidents Nancy Papiez and Annette Rhodes from Hamilton-Wentworth Branch.







Provincial Presidential Team 2025-2026

Sandie Bender - 2nd VP, Betty Lee-Daigle - 1st VP,
Linda Sargeant - President, Jan Murdoch - Past President,
Patricia Lambert - 2nd VP



Dear Hamilton-Wentworth Members:

The caring, sharing, fun and precious friendships of which I have been a recipient since joining RWTO in 2011 have been truly awesome! I was greatly surprised by your lovely tribute at our Branch AGM in May, and honoured by your tribute, song and lovely gifts! The planter beautifies my front porch, the pop-up roses arrangement gives me reason to smile while sitting at my desk, and the koolatron cooler will help greatly during my adventures travelling the province in the coming year! I was even more astonished by the turnout of Hamilton-Wentworth members at the Provincial AGM Luncheon, where they introduced me to the Provincial membership with a movie, song, and stories of my life!

Thank you for being MY friends!

Linda



Dear Provincial Convention Convenor:

... It's about 4:30pm on Thursday June 5th, and 95% of the delegates have headed home from the Convention. There is only one Convention area left to pack up, the Eiffel Tower photo booth, so we pause first for some final photos.

Lynn Anderton, you are an incredibly talented person, and the perfect choice to be a Provincial Convention Convenor! You never ceased to amaze, with your creative ideas, dedication, organization, and commitment to detail that ensured our guests enjoyed a wonderful Grand Getaway!

It is an honour to welcome you as the new Area 4 Director on the Provincial Board of Directors!



Special Outreach

Outreach News – Our RWTO/OERO group of women is an amazing bunch. This year, at our AGM, May 14, 2025 at the Waterfront Centre, our group of women donated a total of \$1,038.00 to the Essential Aid organization. Essential Aid is an organization which donates emergency assistance of infant formula, baby food, diapers, and breastfeeding essentials as well as baby packages, hygiene products, and newborn items. This money was a combination of money collected from the table envelopes, the book sale and the 50/50 draw. Thank you to all the women who contributed!

Submitted by Leslie Devries

It's time to think about candidates for our "12th" year of the **Special Outreach Project**. Let's make this another successful year of helping citizens in our community. Contact Hope Leon hopesleon01@gmail.com.



RWTO HAMILTON-WENTWORTH BRANCH "SPECIAL OUTREACH PROJECT" APPLICATION FORM

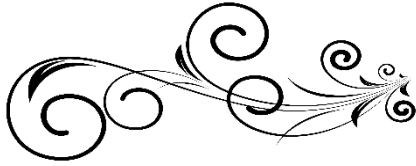
In keeping with RWTO's 'Caring and Sharing' motto, the Hamilton-Wentworth Branch has established a 'Special Outreach Project'. Once a year, a deserving local person or cause, submitted by one of our members, will receive a one-time donation of \$500 to help offset their financial needs. The donation will be presented privately, and will be announced at the Friendship Luncheon and in a newsletter.

Submissions must meet the following criteria:

- be for a local recipient
- be for an individual, family, or community project
- be for those in immediate or ongoing financial need
- not be a registered charity
- be submitted by an RWTO H-W member
- be received by January 15th (annually)

Applications may be submitted at the Christmas Luncheon, or mailed by January 15th (annually) to:
RW Special Outreach Project
C/O Hope Leon
35 Delbrook Crt
Hamilton, ON L8S 2B9

ATTENTION MEMBERS! Looking for people to join our **"Special Outreach"**, and **"Public Relations"** (PR) committees for 2025-26. It involves one or two short combined zoom meetings, your ideas, and input along with our team. "Sharing and Caring" is our motto, and both these groups involve doing just that for both our own RWTO Hamilton-Wentworth Branch, and the entire Hamilton community. Your help will be most appreciated! Contact Hope Leon hopesleon01@gmail.com.



If today gets difficult,
remember the smell of coffee,
the way sunlight bounces off a
window, the sound of your
favorite person's laugh, the
feeling when a song you love
comes on, the color of the sky
at dusk, and that we are here
to take care of each other.

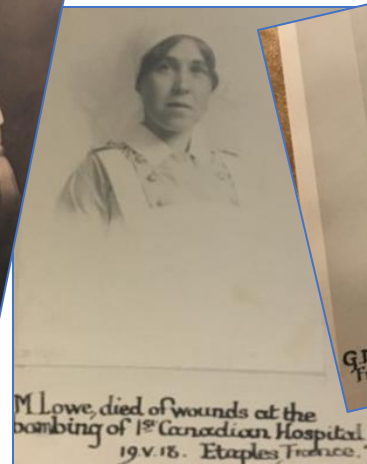
Nanea Hoffman



HAPPENINGS

"Bluebirds"

This spring we supported the Burlington Theatre's production of "Bluebirds", the story of women who were nurses in the First World War. The three actresses who played the nurses had exceptional dialog and made you feel you were in the moment with them. When we came out of the theatre, some of the actual nurses' pictures were displayed. One of the women in the pictures happened to be the grandmother of one of our group. It was an engaging and heart wrenching historical choice for our group. – Ann Louise Gloy



Harvest Luncheon

Wednesday, October 8, 2025, 11:00 am
Waterfront Centre, 555 Bay St. N. Hamilton
\$45.00



Entertainment featuring The DOWNTIME Band

(Blues & Classic Rock)

Book a ticket from Moe Richardson

905-575-3939 or moerich3939@gmail.com

(send payment to 62 Randolph Ct, Hamilton L8W 2Z8)

Table Envelopes & "Share the Wealth" supporting Hamilton Foodshare

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 3 PM

Tiger-Cats VS Calgary

64 Melrose Ave. N. Hamilton

Group Rate is \$57.00 each

Make cheques payable to RWTO,

Send to Moe Richardson,

62 Randolph Ct, Hamilton L8W 2Z8

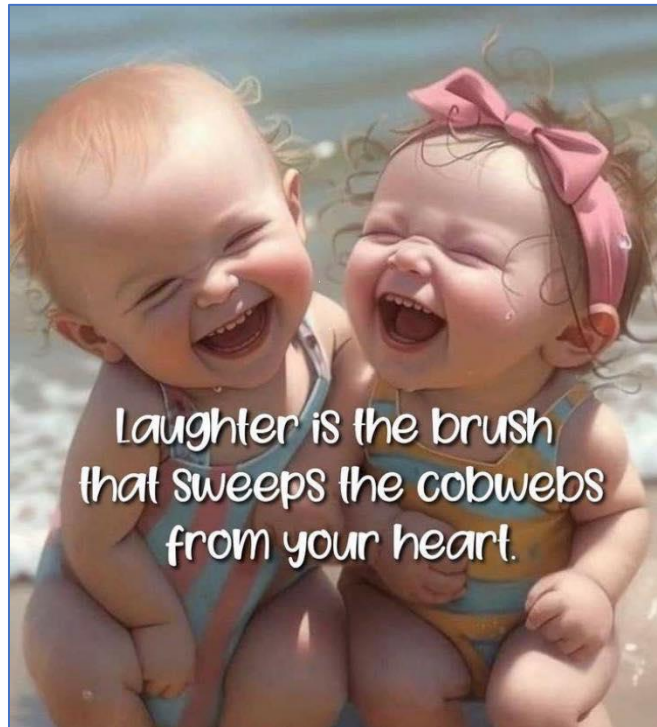
moerich3939@gmail.com

905-575-3939

**Your tickets will be at the gate
under your name with ID required.**

**LET'S SIT TOGETHER AND
SUPPORT THE GAME!**

**(seats near elevator entrance, not
too many steps)**



INTEREST GROUPS

Euchre West Interest Group

After many years of organizing and making arrangements for our Euchre games, Jeanette is stepping down to take a well earned break. She has assured us that she will continue to come as a player, (and I hope as a consultant. I'm sure I'll have questions.) Thank you Jeanette for all of your work with the Euchre group and congratulations for your well deserved Cora Bailey Award.



I will be attempting to step into Jeanette's very capable shoes and I plan to keep the location, time and day the same, meeting at Southcote 53 on the last Monday of the month. The dates for fall will be September 29, October 27 and November 24. Reminders will be sent out prior to the date each month. Gwen Kirkpatrick rwto.gwen@gmail.com.

Euchre East Interest Group

If you live in the eastern part of Hamilton-Wentworth and you would like to join us once a month to play or learn to play EUCHRE, enjoy good food, conversation and laughter, here are the details:

We meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at TEDDY's on Main St in Grimsby at noon, (lots of parking behind Teddy's). If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Lynn Gillie, lynngillie@yahoo.ca, 905-309-4438

Art Appreciation and Tours Group

If you wish to join the Art and Tours Group for an event, please email or phone Lynn Anderton the week before the event. Lynn Anderton: rwto.lynn@gmail.com 905-308-1133. Also, we are looking for someone who would like to take on the leadership for this interest group for the coming year starting Sept. 2025.

We are taking advantage of summer weather to visit a few places that are a little further afield. We can consider car pooling.

Save the dates:

Fri., July 11th, 1:00 pm - The Wildwood Art Gallery, 24 Winnett St. N, Cayuga, ON
Optional Lunch 11:30 at The Carolinian Cafe, 5 Cayuga St. N
Contact Lynn by July 8th to reserve spot and inquire about car pools.

Wed., August 27th - Glenhyrst Art Gallery and Gardens with Low Tea,
20 Ava Rd., Brantford, ON Reservations required.

Enjoy a lovely day out:

Reserve by Aug. 21st by contacting Lynn Anderton. We can try to arrange carpools. We will enjoy Low Tea at the Golden Teapot for 12:00, followed by visiting the Gallery and Gardens. Low Tea menu can be seen online under 'The Golden Teapot' and is \$29.99. Admission to the Gallery and Gardens is free, but they welcome donations. Glenhyrst is located on the edge of the Grand River.



Painting Group

Since January, the Artist Group has been meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at the Dundas Senior Centre. We are a creative group of ladies who are enjoying getting together to work on painting in acrylics and watercolour. We bring our own projects and enjoy seeing what others are working on. In the spring we collected items and put together an artist gift basket to send to the RWTO convention.

We always welcome new members. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025 at 1:30. Contact: Cindy Robinson, robinson24@sympatico.ca 905-973-3836.

Knitting and Crocheting Group

This year we have donated blankets to St. Joseph's Villa, Wentworth Lodge, Interval House and St. Joseph's Hospital, as well as baby blankets to Grace Haven. All were very appreciative to receive them. Next fall we will continue to meet at the Dundas Senior's Centre on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:30 but I'm sure some of us will be working on blankets over the summer so that we have some ready to go before winter arrives. New knitters or crocheters are always welcome.



Contact Gwen at rwto.gwen@gmail.com or Dalia at ladybggg@gmail.com for more information.

Make new RWTO friends across Ontario!

Share ideas, contacts & more!

Have fun!

To receive link, Email: hopesleon01@gmail.com

"Let's Do Coffee!"

WANNA ZOOM

Come join us for fun!
10:00 am. the last Thursday of each month, Sept. - June

Thurs. Sept. 25
Thurs. Oct. 30
Thurs. Nov. 27
Thurs. Dec. 18 (change of date)

Fun!
Fun!
Fun!

Zoom Movie Group

You are welcome to join our group which meets online once a month, on a Monday at 1pm. Each month there is a film of choice from the library's free Hoopla or Kanopy sites. We watch the movie individually prior to the discussion, then join on Zoom for a 40 minute discussion.

Upcoming:

We are on hiatus for the summer, though with this heat dome we may prefer to be inside with a film. Our fall zoom meetings resume: September 15, October 20, November 10, and December 15 at 1pm.

To receive more information and Zoom invitations, please contact Mardie at 905-527-6075, mardiepan@gmail.com.



Scrapbooking

I am a Proud Canadian

The most recent Renaissance magazine boasts a stunning maple leaf on the front. Between the pages, articles entitled, "Celebrating Community", "We are Canadian" and "Saskatchewan Road trip", boast the pride I have for Canada.

Having just returned from a trip to Newfoundland, I am excited to share our experiences with friends and family. I have saved ticket stubs, tartan swatches, map inserts and menus to add to the many pictures I have taken. I have purchased my papers, some with lobsters, others in beach colours and my glue and scissors are ready to recreate our fabulous holiday memories.

Some people look long down the road and say that their kids won't want the scrapbooks when they die. My girls won't either, but it's not about that. It is about reliving those special moments as I patchwork our trip page by page. At the end I have scrapbook to show others who ask about our trip, especially if they are planning one at that destination. It is so much better than searching and scrolling on your phone. It is also fun to pull out your scrapbook months or years later and remember the wonderful times. *Have I peaked your interest???*

To get started you will need scrapbook paper, glue, paper cutter, scissors - all available at a dollar store, Walmart or Michaels. Consider joining a wonderful group of women, whose creative talents are encouraged and refined by the others.

Where: Dundas Senior Centre - 10 Market St. S. Dundas
When: 3rd Tuesday of the month - July 15, August 19, September 16
Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm
Contact: Debbie Pratt - deb.pratt10@gmail.com

Open Swim

We have added a new interest group! Open Swim 55 +, Sundays, 1:00 - 2:30 at Westmount Recreation Center, 35 Lynbrook Dr. on the West Mountain. We've had up to 3 participate. You can use the warm pool, cool pool, do lengths, walking, running, or just float with a noodle! Cost is \$4.00 or recreation cards accepted. We meet afterwards for a cold drink in the foyer. Contact: Ann Louise Gloyn, rwto.annlouise@gmail.com, (289) 921-0705.



Walking on the Mountain & Coffee

GET YOUR WALKING SHOES ON! MONDAY SEPTEMBER 8.

Call Rosemary at 905-975-8421 or email rosemarymarcotte@me.com, to let Rosemary know you are coming and to find out where to meet.

Golf Interest Group

We play every 2 weeks at different courses in the Hamilton area.

Anyone interested contact: Danielle Chouinard, daniellechouinard3@cogeco.ca.

Lunch Bunch

May Lunch Bunch, Rock Garden Bistro 1185 York Blvd., Hamilton



Our regular Lunch Bunch season ended with a road trip to the Lake House in Vineland to enjoy a delicious meal with a view of the water.



Over the past 9 months we have revisited some old favourites and tried some new restaurants. Starting in October we will be once again enjoying both the food and camaraderie as we meet monthly for lunch. In the meantime, Ann Louise has arranged for summer get-togethers:

Wednesday, July 22 @11:45 - Southcote 53 Tap and Grill, 54 Southcote Rd. Ancaster

Wednesday, August 12 @11:45 - Symposium Cafe, 64 Hamilton St. Waterdown

Wednesday, September 9 @ 11:45 - State and Main 1591 Upper James Hamilton

Remember, this is not an exclusive group. Everyone is invited to join for some or all of the events. Reply to rwto.lunchbunch@gmail.com by the Saturday prior to the lunch.

Stampin' Up Cardmakers Group

We were excited to learn that at Convention 2025 the Cardmakers won a "Feather in Your Hat Award". It honoured the hand crafting of over 2,000 cards of blessing that we have made over the last 3 years for the Purse Project Network, which collects and gives purses filled with hygiene products to women in shelters.



Ann Louise accepts the Feather in Your Hat Award on behalf of H-W



Absent: Annette Rhodes, Marlene Buchanan, Fran Branch, Isabella Marchese

We meet on the 4th Tuesday each month at the Dundas Seniors Centre from 1-3 pm. We make a different card each month, while socializing with the 15 members in the group. If curious about who we are and what we do, drop by July 22, August 26, September 23.

HELP PLEASE!

If you have legible handwriting/printing, will you please join us at the **Dundas Seniors Centre on July 22** and/or **August 26 at 1pm**, to handwrite messages in some of the 1000 + cards we have made so far.

If yes, please contact Mardie mardiepan@gmail.com, 905-527-6075

Bumper Babes Bowling

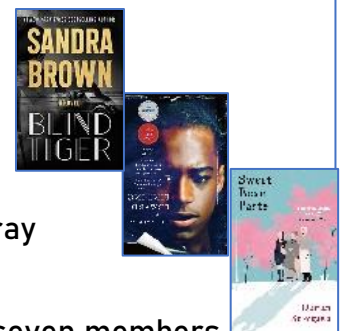
We've had another year of fun and exercise working on our 5 pin bowling skills with a number of new "Babes" joining our group. Starting in September, Marion Brooks will be taking on the role of contact and organizer for our group. I am not leaving - just moving to take on another interest group. I really appreciate Marion being willing to step into this role. You will be hearing from her in late summer or fall with contact information. We will continue to bowl on the 3rd Friday of the month with the new season beginning on Friday, September 19, then October 17 and November 21. Gwen Kirkpatrick at rwto.gwen@gmail.com or 905-689-8975.



Book Clubs

Book Club Three

Now that summer is here, our book club is in hiatus until October. At our next meeting, we will discuss the book "Blind Tiger" by Sandra Brown. In November and December, we plan to read "Finding Edward" by Sheila Murray and "Sweet Bean Paste" by Durian Sukegawa.



This coming year will be the 18th year of Book Club Three. Presently we have seven members, however we are open to others, who may be considering to join such an interest group.

Wishing you all a relaxing and enjoyable summer.
Contact: Ann Ivol, ann.ivol65@gmail.com, 905-387-6662

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

80 Years on: Learning from Hiroshima and Nagasaki

| Together with the Next Generation |

終戦80年：広島・長崎を通して戦争を考える
| 次世代とともに |



| Saturday, July 5th



| 3p.m. - 6p.m. (ET)



| The Westdale

1014 King St W,
Hamilton, ON L8S 1L4



[To register here](#)

Admission: Free 参加費無料

(Suggested donation of \$10)



[Virtual attendance
& event details:](#)



Photo courtesy of
Setsuko Thurlow

Guest Speaker:
Setsuko Thurlow, C.M.

*Hiroshima Atomic Bomb Survivor
Recipient of the Order of Canada and
the Nobel Peace Prize Laureate.*

ゲストスピーカー:
サーロー節子さん

*カナダ勲章・ノーベル平和賞受賞
広島原爆被爆者*

This special event features The Vow from Hiroshima, an intimate and moving documentary that shares the story of Setsuko Thurlow, C.M. - a member of the Order of Canada, a Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, and a survivor of the Hiroshima atomic bombing.

Event Program

3p.m. | Yosakoi Dance by Kizuna & Inner Truth Taiko Dojo

3:30p.m. | Opening Remarks

4p.m. | Film Screening

5:30p.m. | Q&A with Setsuko Thurlow, C.M.

Host:



Japanese New Immigrants Committee
新移民者委員会

Hamilton Chapter

Human Rights Committee



Toronto Japanese
Prefectural Association
トロント都道府県人会・連合会

Support: Kaori Yoshida, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University College of Asia Pacific Studies

MEN'S SERVICES NEEDS YOUR HELP

Host a drive or collect items to support men in our community!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

New Underwear
Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
Body Wash
Shampoo

For More Info:

CommunityRelations@mission-services.com

905-528-4211 ext 3102

MISSION
SERVICES

Art Open House and Sale

Encaustic Paintings by Theresa Randles and Travel Trunk Treasures

Thursday, Sept. 18, 1:00 – 4:00

(or private viewings can be arranged with Theresa)

78 Unity Side Rd., Caledonia

905-765-5487

"Pebbles II"



Sales proceeds donated to the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation



India-Canada Society
HAMILTON SECTION

PROUDLY PRESENTS THE 33rd GANDHI PEACE FESTIVAL



The Gandhi Festival is Free - All are Welcome

Mahatma Gandhi Peace Festival

Saturday, October 4, 2025
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

City Hall, 71 Main Street West Hamilton,
ON, Canada (Wheelchair Accessible)

Program:

- 09:00 Display tables, volunteers' registration
- 10:00 Coffee & Tea
- 10:15 Performances
- 11:00 Welcome and Greetings
(Council Chambers – 2nd floor)
TBA
- 11:15 Keynote speaker
TBA
Emeritus Professor, McMaster University
- 12:15 Climate Change: What can I do? Take
the Pledge (at Gandhi statue)
- 12:30 Peace March
- 01:15 Hot lunch (outside)

Visit our website for details or contact:
Gandhi Peace Festival Organizing Committee
E-Mail: gpf.hamilton@gmail.com

33rd Anniversary Festival Theme:
**Threat to Democracy and World
Order**

Related Event

**Centre for Global Peace and Social
Justice,
McMaster University
The Annual Mahatma Gandhi
Lecture on Nonviolence
Details to be announced**

Gandhi Peace Festival website: gpsj.humanities.mcmaster.ca/gandhi-peace-festival

Find us on Facebook page: *GandhiPeaceFest*

Co-Sponsors:

- City of Hamilton
- McMaster Faculty of Humanities
- Centre for Global Peace and Social Justice program
- Mohawk College
- Hamilton Malayalee Samajam



Community Partner:

- Hamilton Spectator



**Food - from India Village
Restaurant, Ancaster**

Live Your Best Life 2025

"The Power of Connection"

A day filled with information and inspiration

Dr. Gary Warner – Keynote address



Dr. Warner is a retired professor at McMaster University (Francophone Literature, Peace and International Development). Dr. Warner held various administrative roles, including Department Chair, Associate Dean, co-Director of the Theme School on International Justice and Human Rights, founding Director of McMaster International (later renamed Office of International Affairs), and Director of the Arts & Science Program.

Dr. Warner remains active in the Hamilton Community on issues related to international development, peace, poverty, human rights, antiracism, immigration, and social justice. He has participated in many committees including the Working Committee of Strengthening Hamilton Community Initiative, the Governing Council of the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, the Steering Committee of the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, the Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council, Hamilton Community Foundation and sits on the Board of the Good Shepherd.

Enriching conversation, making connections, celebrating each other

9:00 – 2:30, Sat. October 25, 2025

Marshall Memorial United Church
20 Gilbert Avenue, Ancaster

\$60.00 for the day, includes breakfast fare and lunch

For information or to register contact trandles@rogers.com

A Grandmothers of Steel fundraiser for the Stephen Lewis Foundation, Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign



Stephen Lewis
Foundation

