



CANADIAN FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN ETOBICOKE

CFUW is committed to:

- ★ The pursuit of knowledge
- ★ The promotion of education
- ★ The improvement of the status of women and human rights
- ★ Active participation in public affairs in a spirit of cooperation and friendship

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NO GENERAL MEETING IN JUNE
Next meeting September 8, 2011, 8 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE CHANGE-OVER
MEETING: 6:00 p.m.**
Thursday, June 2, 2011
Pat Joyce's home

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*Our next meeting will be in the fall:
September 8, 2011
at Fairfield Seniors' Centre
Enjoy your summer!*

*The final submission date for the
SEPTEMBER issue of the newsletter will
be Monday, JUNE 13, 2011.
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And a special Thank You to

PAT WAUGH



who has been stuffing and mailing your
newsletter for over ten years. Pat is
resigning from this position, and we want
to extend to her our great appreciation for a
job well done over many years.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

Most of our Club's activities will be completed by the time you read this. It has been a full and successful year. I thank the Executive, the Committees, the Interest Group Convenors and the general membership for their work!

Our program this year was varied, covering topics from politics to food and art. Despite a few challenges, there was a program for every meeting which entertained or informed members. Thanks go to my Program Committee for researching, booking and introducing speakers.

We have completed or started several initiatives this year. The York University Endowment was put in place matched by the Provincial Government. The new website for the Club—www.cfuwetobicoke.ca—puts us out there for the world to see! We have reviewed the fee structure, the mailing of the roster, the organization and promotion of the interest groups to achieve greater efficiencies, financial and organizational. Three quarters of the Humber Endowment has been raised through donations, the Card Party and funds in the Charitable Trust. The annual scholarship and Community Awards were presented through the donation given when you pay your fees.

With the help of the Issues group, we responded to the National and Ontario Council Resolutions. These form the policy on which CFUW may advocate. Through the newsletter, meeting announcements and e-mail contact you were informed of National initiatives, conference reports, important local meetings, votes, Club activities and Community events. The Executive and the Issues group have reviewed the latest National Constitution review and have given direction to the President to vote at the AGM in St. John's.

With a new government we must be ever vigilant about such issues as Gun Control. Continue to check the national website www.cfuw.org for information on these and other issues.



The Banquet was another sold out event at Lambton Golf Club. The food was delicious, the organization superior. The speaker, Ken Weber, (shown in picture with Lydia Bell) regaled us with tales of feisty ladies who initiated the movement for women's rights. A special thank you goes to the Banquet Committee and the ticket sellers for an enjoyable evening.

Barb Willoughby, Pat Witol, Joanne Jamieson and I will attend the Ontario Council meeting on May 13/14. We will host this meeting next year as part of our 60th Anniversary year. Barb will also attend the National AGM in St. John's in August. The Club sponsors the President to attend these meetings. Barb and I thank the Club for this opportunity to be better informed as the Club President.

We start the new year on September 8, 2011 at Fairfield. Do join us. Thank you for your support and enthusiasm this year! Have an enjoyable summer.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL, 2011-2012

A membership form is included with this newsletter (or attached in the e-mail). *It would be most appreciated if you could pay by September 15th (although the deadline is October 15th).*

Please remember to complete the CLUB PARTICIPATION section.

The form provides the opportunity for you to make an additional donation to our Charitable Trust at the same time as you pay your membership dues.

Please return the form as it provides the Club with valuable information for Club organization.

Ginny Marshall is our new Membership Convenor. You can reach her at 416.239.9320 or e-mail marshag@rogers.com.

Magazine Subscriptions

Continue to support CFUW Etobicoke through magazine subscriptions.

Place your orders by going to the following website:

www.QSP.ca I.D. 16530

Questions: QSP 1.800.667.2536

Lee Fullerton 416.850.0741

Newsletter by e-mail - Try it out!

Consider receiving your newsletter by email, if you are not already doing so. You can save your club approximately \$35.00 a year!

And you receive the newsletter in living colour!

CFUW NATIONAL NEWS...

Resolutions Update 2010

The Amendments suggested by the various Clubs across the country on the resolutions have been received, collated and sent to the Clubs by the National Chair.

These amendments will be used to re-do resolutions or not as the presenting Club so chooses. This will be done by early June and e-mailed to the Clubs.

The Resolutions are discussed again at the Proposers and Amenders Luncheon at the National AGM. They then go to the floor to be voted on by the attending Presidents. To see the amendments contact Barb Willoughby.

CFUW-FCFDU - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

August 4 - 6, 2011

Sheraton Hotel

St. John's, Newfoundland

(Trips before and after are arranged on your own)



August 4: Opening Reception - Dining Out Events

August 5: First Attendees Breakfast
Workshops

August 6: Charitable Trust Breakfast
Business Sessions
Banquet

Agenda and trips are now available on this website:

<http://www.envision.ca/webs/cfuwstjohns>

The Committee is recommending early booking to secure a car.

The Air Canada discount code is available.

Registration is available online at www.cfuw.org

or contact Barb Willoughby: 416.767.0888

or e-mail bmw41@sympatico.ca

National Website Update:

This is accessed at www.cfuw.org. The Members only section is unavailable at the moment. All info found in this section will be made public or sent directly to Club Executives. Please contact [www.cfuwadvocacy@rogers.com](mailto:cfuwadvocacy@rogers.com) if you would like to request any documents from this section.

To sign up for CFUW Week in Review e-mail the aforementioned address with your full name, club, and e-mail address.

However the Policy book is available in the regular section.

CFUW ONTARIO NEWS...

ONTARIO COUNCIL EXECUTIVE 2010-2012

President - Myra Willis

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Treasurer - Helen Sami

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Ann McElhinney

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RD Ontario Central - Valerie Hume

RD Ontario North

- Brenda Robertson, also

Vice-President

RD Ontario East- Monique Tougas

RD Ontario Huron

- Marianne Williams

Education Chair - Gail Marriett

Legislation Chair - Jane Sagar

Status of Women and Human Rights

Chair - Rhea Pretsell

Ontario Council AGM held in Oakville, May 13-14, 2011

Theme: The Four Pillars of Poverty

The 2011 AGM began with the role call of the 39 CFUW Clubs in Ontario. A quorum was present.

The Ontario Council Resolution: Mental Health and Addictions Strategy For Ontario was passed after a vote to separate the two main clauses.

After the business was concluded Advocacy Coordinator Teri Shaw introduced the keynote speaker Dr. Joey Edwardh, Executive Director of Community Development Halton, a research and development organization that serves Halton's non profit agencies and community organizations. Her topic was Inequality and Poverty In Our Times: A Legacy For The Future. Dr Edwardh has a background in research and sees evidence being put aside as a powerful set of poverty myths and stereotypes portray poverty as behavioural, due to lack of individual effort, and programs as too generous, and unaffordable. Meanwhile there is growing inequity among populations in wealthy nations and more are living in poverty, wealth is not trickling down. The poor are immigrants, racial minorities, women with children, the ill, and the elderly.

According to 2006 statistics 1,750,000 Ontarians were living in poverty, nearly 43% of Canadian children living in poverty are in Ontario. A woman with children working full time making minimum wage is living below the poverty line. Business leaders, such as Ed Clark of TD Bank, have advocated for tax changes to benefit the poor. A single person on social assistance receives \$7350. The Stop Community Food Centre has a survey on it's website: dothemath.thestop.org that provides costs, goes through a calculation of living expenses, and illustrates the situation of those on assistance.

Investment in the social safety net makes fiscal sense; eradication of poverty will contribute to the economic health and future of Ontario as more citizens contribute. Eradicating poverty is about equality not charity; in 1948 the UN Declaration of Human Rights stated, "Poverty is exclusion and depravation". There are pressing needs such as healthy diet and affordable housing that must be addressed. The province has launched the largest review of social assistance in 20 years, the review will examine social assistance and its relationship with other federal, provincial, and municipal programs. Information can be found on the Ontario Government website. Our Advocacy Groups will follow developments closely.

There were 4 workshops in the afternoon.

- \$ Affordable Housing with Hamilton Housing Help Centre's Meaghan Ross and Larry Huibers
- \$ Food Security with Laura Reinsborough, Executive Director of Not Far from the Tree, a group that harvests fruit from private trees in city neighbourhoods,
- \$ Income Security with Michelynn Lafleche, Program Director from Greater Toronto CivicAction Alliance,
- \$ Mental Health with Kevin Flynn, MPP Oakville.

Workshop highlights will be available at: cfuwontouncil.ca

The advisability of establishing relationships with other community organization in our advocacy was emphasized.

- Barbara Willoughby

CFUW ETOBICOKE NEWS...

Motion to Change Fee Structure

Rationale:

CFUW Etobicoke has historically operated on a school year basis -- with members signing up in September for activities that end in May. Increasingly new members are contacting us at different times of the year. We would like to encourage them to join us when they are interested, rather than ask them to wait til the following September when they may have lost interest. Therefore, we are proposing a half year membership fee so we can welcome new members throughout the year.

The following is the motion, moved by the Executive, is to be voted on by the Club on September 8, 2011 at the General Meeting:

That CFUW Etobicoke charge a half price membership fee for those who would seek to join the Club after December 31.

- Pat Joyce, President

CFUW ETOBICOKE CHARITABLE TRUST

THE CHARITABLE TRUST of the Canadian Federation of University

Women-Etobicoke was registered as a charitable organization by Revenue Canada on Sept. 30, 1986.

The Trust functions under its own constitution and the funds are administered by five trustees appointed from the membership of CFUW Etobicoke for three-year terms.

The purpose of The Trust shall be to administer its funds to advance and promote education by providing:

1. scholarships and bursaries;
2. facilities and equipment for educational purposes;
3. support for community organizations.

In 1994 an income-producing fund was established and named after Elizabeth Sweet, the first president of CFUW Etobicoke and now a Life Member. The Department of National Revenue stipulates that donations to this fund be held for a period of not less than ten years.

Funds for The Trust come from three sources:

1. \$12.00 of the membership fee which goes toward scholarships and community awards that are distributed in the current fiscal year. The Awards Committee recommends the allocation of this money.
2. Donations, memorial gifts, or bequests from members, friends or supporters of CFUW Etobicoke. They are designated by the donor for use in the current or next fiscal year or for the Elizabeth Sweet Capital Fund, to be held for at least 10 years.
3. Interest income earned by the Elizabeth Sweet Capital Fund.

IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A DONATION AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR, FILL OUT THE INFORMATION ON YOUR MEMBERSHIP FORM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION.

Issues Group Report 2010 – 2011

Issues Group meetings were held at Fairfield on third Thursday evenings between September and April.

Topics discussed were in part those reflecting CFUW issues, notably gun control and employment equity, and in part those reflecting members' interests, including First Nations education and adoption, both issues carry-overs from last season. The adoption issue, which is ongoing, involved detailed review of the report of the expert panel on adoption (*Raising Expectations*) and consultation with Minister of Child and Youth Services Laurel Broten (MPP Etobicoke Lakeshore) and National Association of Women in the Law. Advocacy letters were prepared and sent to provincial representatives in Etobicoke Lakeshore, Etobicoke Centre, Etobicoke North and Parkdale-High Park on Adoption, and federal representatives in the same ridings on gun control and First Nations education.

Letters were sent to federal representatives at the beginning of the year advising of the resolutions passed at the CFUW AGM in July.

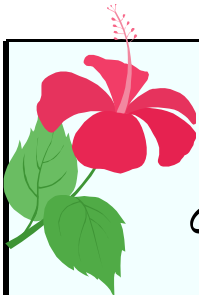
Members of the Issues Group researched and presented the proposed 2011 resolutions at the March Resolutions meeting.

Not dealt with in detail this year but not forgotten were long-simmering issues of waste diversion and energy from waste.

A disproportionate amount of its time this year was devoted to CFUW concerns: at the request of the executive the group reviewed proposed national CFUW by-law amendments and a proposed new CFUW constitution, and made recommendations to assist the CFUW Etobicoke delegate in voting at the AGM in August.

Any member, a newcomer or member of long-standing, who is interested in the advocacy function of CFUW is invited to consider joining this group. Discussions are usually lively, often thought-provoking and always engaging. CFUW issues are an important focus, but not the only one, and group members are encouraged to suggest issues for research, discussion and possible action.

- Peggy Pinkerton



THANK YOU

to our

Hospitality Team at our April Meeting:

Greeters: Pam Crabb and Karen Henderson

Contribution of refreshments:

Marlene Erskine, Bonnie McGuire and Sharon Smith.

Preparation/Set-up of refreshments and Clean-up:

Marlene Erskine and Bonnie McGuire.

Condolences

It is with sadness we report the death of

YVONNE FROUD

Yvonne passed away after a brief illness on Saturday, April 16, 2011 in her 90th year. She was a graduate of the University of Toronto, Victoria College (1942), a founding member of the CFUW (Etobicoke), Charter member of Kingsway-Lambton United Church and a member of the United Church Women.

A Memorial Service was held at Kingsway-Lambton United Church, Toronto on April 23. It was asked that in lieu of flowers, donations to Kingsway-Lambton United Church would be appreciated.

On behalf of members of the Club we extend sympathy to Yvonne's family. A \$25.00 donation will be made by the Club, in her name, to the Elizabeth Sweet Capital Fund.



Condolences to Jacqueline Baldwin

Whose husband

Randy Baldwin

Passed away May 19, 2011.

We extend sympathy on behalf of our members to Jacqueline and her family.

Meet your new Executive:

From the top:



Fran Laphen
Ginny Marshall
Pat Ferbyack
Joanne Jamieson
Barb Willoughby
Pat Joyce
Audra Hudek
Nancy Zingel
Pat Witol
Moira Hoogeveen

Card Party

We held a very successful card party on Thursday March 24, 2011 which raised approximately \$1500 for the Humber Endowment. Tish Harrison was kind enough to donate the door prize which was a beautiful gift basket won by Carolyn Fredenburg. Carolyn kindly donated it to be raffled off at the April AGM which resulted in an additional \$110 going into the Humber Endowment fund.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you

To those members who made a financial contribution as they were unable to attend.

To Pat Joyce who organized the event

To Tish Harrison and Carolyn Fredenburg for their kind generosity

To Marg Gogarty and Mary Howlett, members of the awards committee, who were invaluable in helping make this party a success

To all those members who provided treats

To Elizabeth Penke for all her help

-Cathy Sbrolla, Awards Convener

Winners of the 2011 Marathon Bridge



Nancy Lucas, Shirley Scott, Carolyn Fredenburg, Marilyn Strain, Margaret Staite and Enid Raymond. Absent: Margaret Caughey and Elaine Dulmage.

Congratulations!

INTEREST GROUP CONVENORS MEETING

Thank you Interest Group Convenors

Many thanks to the 29 interest group convenors and members of the executive who attended the meeting for convenors on March 29th. Topics discussed were registration for interest groups, membership, leadership, communication, and group member participation in club activities. Evaluation of the meeting was very good with comments mentioning the excellent organization, delicious food and lovely décor. Almost all members attending indicated they would like to see a similar meeting repeated annually or biannually.

Social Bridge Continues During Summer

If you want to keep up your bridge skills during the summer, come to Fairfield Centre (Lunch Room) any Wednesday at 1:30 pm. Tables are made up as players arrive. Fee is 50 cents each time. Contact Edith Sawyer 416 247-7890 edith.sawyer@gmail.com or Janet Stammers 416 766-8853.

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NEW in September!

Next September look for a new Interest Groups Booklet, which will be sent to you along with your September newsletter. It will contain descriptions of interest groups, names of convenors and their contact information, as well as a schedule of interest group meeting days. We hope this booklet will be a handy reference for members and also be useful as part of a membership kit for prospective members. (This information, except for the convenor contact information is also available on our new website www.cfuwetobicoke.ca.)

Also in September watch for four new groups that will be looking for members. A preview of these groups is below:

Dining Out III

Looking to join a friendly group of people for sociable and relaxing lunches at various Toronto restaurants? Each month a different member chooses a restaurant, contacts the rest of the group with the information, and then makes a reservation for us. Join this NEW group that meets at 12:30 for lunch on the FIRST Thursday of each month. Our first lunch will be on October 6, 2011.

Linda Rose 416 669-5519 ENFJ50@hotmail.com

Family History

Are you interested in your family of origin? Join others to share ideas as you develop your family album with genealogical information including history of your family surname, crest, stories and photographs of ancestors, their homes; recipes and letters in their handwriting and other memorabilia.

Mary MacMillan 416-766-1730 maryemacmillan@gmail.com

Tuesday Afternoon at a Movie Theatre

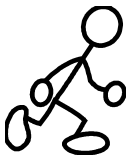
On the fourth Tuesday afternoon of the month, we attend a movie theatre. Members will take turns organizing a month by choosing a movie, notifying the group members and if possible arranging for lunch at a restaurant.

Rosemary Campbell 416.231.2292 jr1campbell@sympatico.ca

Destination Walking – Explore Toronto

We are currently trying out some walks around Toronto (4.5 km -9 km long) to see whether they would be a good activity for our active retirees. Since a number of these walks go over ‘hill and dale’ (wind through Toronto’s ravines and valleys), it is important to gain a feel for them to determine whether they will be suitable in terms of navigation, terrain and length. If suitable, these walks would happen in the better walking months – September, October, May and June. Stay tuned for our group sign-up meeting in September. If these walks ‘pass’, this will be a new interest group.

Deb Forsyth-Petrov



We look forward to seeing you in September.

Fran Laphen and Pat Witol
Interest Group Co-convenors

REVOLVING BOOKS

Greetings Book Lovers. As most of you know, every four weeks from October to June "new releases" are revolved within groups of approximately ten members. You keep the last book you receive in June.

The 2011-2012 books will be displayed at the September General Meeting. To participate you must sign up either at this meeting or by calling one of the convenors no later than the SATURDAY after the September meeting.

We ask each group member to pay \$30 in advance, to cover the cost of their book. This can be paid at the time of signing up at the meeting or by calling one of the convenors and making arrangements. Cheques are to be made payable to Betty Sheils. We pay the book store in full, with cash, at the time the complete order is picked up thus we receive a discount. When you pick up your first book a rebate will be enclosed for the difference between the \$30 and the average cost of the books.

If you will be away during the summer or will not be at the September meeting, OR, would rather not stand in the September line up, call one of the convenors NOW

to register and avoid disappointment.

Betty Sheils	416-232-0840	Nance Hutton	416-239-2508
Ann McElhinney	416-239-9683	Lynda Robinson	416-232-2213
Helen Cleland	416-234-9162	Cathy Sbrolla	416-742-2077
Diane Hercus	416-621-5660		

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS:

DATE	BOOK	LEADER	HOSTESS
June 7	Select books for next year		

BOOKENDERS

June 21 Potluck Dinner and Book Selection



Marge Cowan

BOOKWORMS

June 28 Pot Luck DINNER

CANADIAN BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

June 1 Pot Luck and choose books for next year

Beth Croft

HORIZONS

June 21 Discussion of next year's selections

WALK & TALK SCHEDULE

May 31	Tish Harrison	416.239.3423	Jean MacMillan	416.231.6391
June 7	Elinor Fillion	416.762.1479	Mary Anne Wright	416.233.3077
June 14	Shirley Scott	416.622.3771	Janet Hunt	416.235.2819 x5109

For the time and location of the walk, please call one of the organizers the day before. All are welcome, even if you haven't signed our roster. Bring a brown bag lunch.

IN THE COMMUNITY. . .

The Out of the Cold Art Show at All Saints Kingsway Church.

Thank you for helping with this big art show that takes place every year in late March. The art is done by the homeless and very poor who come to the shelter at All Saints' Church on Friday nights from November until April. They receive a hot dinner and big welcome but also a chance to watch a DVD or to join our art table.



CFUW Etobicoke helps in every way with this art show - hanging the paintings (164 hung and 109 sold this year), helping to sell the works and coming to buy the beautiful pieces that sell for only \$25.00 each. (Every artist sold a painting!) Plus a whole crew of you come throughout the winter to assist the artists and listen to their stories. I couldn't do it without your help. On April 1st the artists get their "pay envelopes" with the money they have earned (all the money from the sale of paintings goes directly to the artists) and this is a boost for their long seven months until we open again.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! - Elisabeth Gibson

Goodbye from Elizabeth Gibson:

I invite you to my LAST AND FINAL ART SHOW in my home studio. After 44 years in Etobicoke I am moving to Aurora and want to say good-bye to all my old friends. I have been a member of CFUW Etobicoke for 40 of those years! Please try to drop in for a visit and a glass of wine or a cup of coffee.

Where: 42 Winston Grove, Etobicoke M8Y 2K9 (Royal York and Bloor)

When: Saturday May 28 (1 - 5 p.m.) and Sunday May 29 (1 - 5 p.m.)

From the office of Donna Cansfield M.P.P.

June 13: The Toronto Public Library (Richview Branch) and Donna Cansfield co-host a **Seniors' Month Celebration** upstairs in the Art Gallery at Richview Library 1806 Islington Avenue. TOPIC: Gardening Indoors/Outdoors - tips to reduce your workload.

SPECIAL GUEST : Mark Cullen. Please book your reservation time: 2:00 pm to 3.00 pm or 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm. Limited seating.

June 22: Community Picnic in the Park and Musical Concert at "Applewood" The Shaver Homestead 450 The West Mall. A complimentary BBQ 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Etobicoke Community Concert Band Musical Celebration 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Seating is not provided. Please bring your own blanket or chair.