

# CANADIAN FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN ETOBICOKE

### CFUW is committed to:

- ★ The pursuit of knowledge
- ★ The promotion of education
- $\bigstar$  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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### **MARCH 2010**

### **GENERAL MEETING:**

Refreshments and Meeting: 7:30 p.m., Thursday March 11, 2010 Fairfield Seniors' Centre, 80 Lothian Ave.

EXECUTIVE MEETING: 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 4, 2010 Fairfield Seniors' Centre

General Meeting: March 11
RESOLUTIONS
DISCUSSION

Let YOUR voice be heard!

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### GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, March 11, 2010

Refreshments at 7:30 sharp, with meeting to start immediately.

Fairfield Seniors' Centre - 80 Lothian Ave.

### RESOLUTIONS DISCUSSIONS

Vice-President Pat Joyce will chair the meeting which will start at 7:30 sharp with coffee and dessert. Rather than break up into smaller groups as we have done in the past, the discussion will take place as one group. A brief explanation of each resolution will be given by members of the Issues Group with a short discussion to follow.

Our task is to reject, accept or amend each resolution.

## ADVANCE NOTICE - BANQUET

Thursday, May 13, 2010

Reception 6:00 p.m. Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Lambton Golf and Country Club 100 Scarlett Road

Guest Speaker:

### CHRISTOPHER HUME

Columnist with the Toronto Star

will speak on Etobicoke Architecture, Waterfront, Future

#### MFNU

Boston Bib Salad with Mandarins and Pine Nuts Served with Creamy Citron Dressing Grilled Supreme of Chicken With Jumbo Shrimp and Pesto Herb Butter Or

Orange Roughy
with Capers and Lemon Butter Sauce
Lemon Brule Tart with Fresh Berry Garnish
Tea/coffee - Cash Bar

Tickets: \$52.00 - Sales will start at our February General Meeting
Ticket sellers: Debby Wright, convenor - 416.239.4956

Carolyn Bailey - 416.622.0670 Diane Hercus - 416.621.5660

Please pay by cheque, made out to CFUW- Etobicoke

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

At the February 11<sup>th</sup> general meeting, the donations to our annual linen collection were impressive. Thank you to those who donated items and to Christine Gude and her team for organizing this collection for the two Etobicoke women's shelters.



Again we were fortunate to have another excellent speaker, Mr. John Davies, President of Humber College. His topic was "The Changing Role of Community Colleges". Humber is our neighbourhood college composed of two campuses with 22,000 full-time students and 55,000 part-time students. He describes Humber as a full scale, full service, polytechnique institution, a modern college which provides a learning experience that builds pathways between various levels of post-secondary education. In order to facilitate these pathways, Humber has negotiated a number of partnerships, the key ones being with Guelph University and the University of New Brunswick (UNB). For example, Humber educates the largest number of nurses in Ontario; all courses are taught at Humber but the degree is granted from UNB. In the latest statistics available for Humber, (for 2008), 93% of graduating students were employed in their chosen field within 6 months.

The outcome of the vote on the Governance proposal was in favour of the proposed amendments. There were 56 attendees at the meeting; of these 53 were eligible to vote (3 were attending as potential members). There were 32 votes in favour of the proposed amendments; there were 14 votes against the amendments. The Chair plus 6 members in attendance did not vote. Thank you to Tish Harrison and Linda Rose who were the counters. Our result was emailed to National to meet the February 12<sup>th</sup> deadline.

Please see the announcement of the National survey which will be online by the time you receive this newsletter. I have been informed that our request to have the survey deadline extended is not possible as the AGM motion states that the results go the clubs by March 2010. I have e-mailed a formal concern stating that insufficient time has been given to respond to this survey. About half of our membership (150) do not have internet access; therefore, the results will not represent CFUW Etobicoke.

I hope to see many of you at the March  $25^{\text{th}}$  Card and Games Afternoon in support of our Charitable Trust bursary for Humber College. Mr. Davies has already started the ball rolling, by donating his honorarium to the Charitable Trust.



Rosemary Campbell

In this newsletter, please see the proposed amendment to the dissolution article of our Charitable Trust Constitution. You will be asked to ratify this at our April AGM. March 8<sup>th</sup> is International Women's Day. CFUW is asking its members to donate loonies and twoonies to support the CARE Canada *Sahabhagita* project. CIDA will donate \$3.00 for every dollar collected.

It has come to our attention that mugs are being left for hospitality volunteers to wash. The Hospitality Committee is not set up to properly wash them. Please take these mugs home with you to wash and re-use.

- Rosemary Campbell

### COMING EVENTS ...

Advance Notice

April Annual General Meeting

Topic: THE REWARDS OF SERVICE

Speaker: AGNES POTTS

Former Trustee and Citizenship Judge

Ontario Council - Standing Committees

### **LEGISLATION - EDUCATION - STATUS OF WOMEN**

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church - 1585 Yonge Street Saturday, March 13, 2010

Topic: Transforming the Landscape: Improving the Experiences of Abused Women in Family Court

Speaker: Pamela Cross

well-known women's equality lawyer/activist

Our club subsidizes members who wish to attend. For further information, and/or if you wish to attend this meeting, please contact Rosemary Campbell by March 4.

### CFUW BULLETIN BOARD AND NETWORKING TABLE

Please remember to read the information which is posted on our Bulletin Board at General Meetings. There are a variety of notices from our own club, The Ontario Council, CFUW National and IFUW. This year we will again provide a networking space for members who wish to share business and professional information. This will be situated adjacent to the club bulletin board.

### CFUW NATIONAL NEWS...

### **CFUW-FCFDU - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Ottawa July 15 - 18, 2010

**Value Our Past** - Shape the Future

How diplomacy, security and development work together.

Focus: Afghanistan

With

General Natynczyk, Chief of the Defense Staff



Dr. Sima Samar, Afghan Independent Human Rights Commissioner, physician, activist

Celebrate: CFUW Ottawa Club's 100th Anniversary

### The CFUW International Women's Day Project for 2010

CARE Canada in raising funds for the project *Sahabhagita* (a Nepali word meaning *involvement for equal share*). This project assists marginalized women in Nepal and encourages them in decision-making and leadership.

For every dollar that is donated for this project, CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency) will donate \$3.00. A donations box will be on the bulletin board table at the March 11th General Meeting.

### CFUW NATIONAL WANTS HALF AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME

At the August 2009 CFUW National AGM a motion was passed that clubs be surveyed to determine members' views of the organization's needs and the appropriateness of existing National Board and National Office roles and policies to meet those needs. The goal is to have the results of the survey ready to be reported to clubs by March 2010. We will use the results to develop follow-up approaches that will initially be presented at the 2010 AGM and then a strategy which will be presented at the 2011 National AGM.

The survey covers four areas of interest and has been developed by Beth Haynes, Director of Strategic Planning; Doris Mae Oulton, Status of Women and Human Rights Chair; and Martha Abra, President of CFUW St. Catharines who proposed this motion.

It will be done through an online tool that uses automated calculation of responses. If anyone would like to complete the survey but doesn't have access to the Internet, please contact Beth Haynes, 2891 Forest Glade Drive, Windsor, ON N8R 1L4 to request that a paper copy be mailed.

We trust that the survey will help the CFUW National Board learn more about what members see as the organization's needs. It will be ready for you to complete by late February. We are encouraging all members to complete the survey as it will be a valuable planning tool for us.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

# #1 CHRYSOTILE ASBESTOS AND CANADA'S RESPONSIBILITY IN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

Proposed by CFUW Oakville

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada, and the Provinces and Territories of Canada, to implement a ban on the mining, use, and trade of all forms of asbestos.

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada to support the inclusion of chrysotile asbestos in Annex III of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent

Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade.

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada to protect human health and the environment by working with other nations to promote shared responsibility and cooperation in the international trade of hazardous substances.

### #2 THE FUNDING OF ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

Proposed by the National Education Committee

**RESOLVED**, That Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada, and the provincial and territorial governments, to make available the resources and support necessary to provide the Aboriginal population with the same quality, same level of access and funding for education as that provided through the public education system.

### #3 MOBILIZING THE WILL TO INTERVENE - W2I

Proposed by the CFUW International Relations Committee

**RESOLVED,** That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) adopt as policy support for the Will to Intervene - W2I – Leadership and Action to Prevent Mass Atrocities demonstrated by the setting of clear policy priorities at the highest levels of government that preventing abuse and slaughter of innocent victims is one of its most important duties and further be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada to make the Prevention of Mass Atrocities a national priority by:

- promoting a broadly designed public discussion on Canada's role in preventing mass atrocities;
- convert the All Party Parliamentary Group for the Prevention of Genocide and Other Crimes Against Humanity into a Standing Joint Committee;
- establish an interdepartmental Coordinating Officer for the Prevention of Mass Atrocities;
- create standard operating procedures for disseminating intelligence concerning the risk of mass atrocities throughout the whole of government;
- consult with civil Society and NGOs to explore the broad question of how preventing mass atrocities is in Canada's interest and further be it.

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge parliamentarians and senators to exercise their individual initiatives and use their existing powers and privileges to advocate for the implementation of the Responsibility to Protect - R2P, as an international norm and a vital part of Canada's foreign policy.

### # 4 PROSTITUTION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Proposed by the University Women's Club of Vancouver

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) consider prostitution to be a form of violence against women and children that sexually exploits women and children and prevents the achievement of women's equality in Canada and around the world;

RESOLVED, That CFUW urges the Government of Canada

- 1. to enact legislation that prohibits the purchasing of sexual services wherever it occurs, including the internet, and which imposes criminal sanctions on the purchasers of sexual services;
- 2. to repeal those sections of the Criminal Code which impose sanctions on prostituted persons for soliciting or selling their sexual services.

# # 5 PROTECTING CANADIANS FROM HEALTH HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO ELECTRO-MAGNETIC FIELDS FROM HIGH VOLTAGE OVERHEAD POWER LINES

Proposed by CFUW South Delta, BC

**RESOLVED**, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada and provincial, territorial and municipal governments to protect the health of Canadians from harm created by exposure to electro-magnetic fields from high voltage overhead power lines by:

- 1. requiring that the Precautionary Principle be enforced and policy and regulations developed to protect Canadians from harm from high voltage overhead power lines:
- 2. requiring that new overhead power lines be placed underground or at distances from homes, schools, or places of work or study determined to be safe by European Union member states and other countries implementing the precautionary principle;
- 3. establishing an independent monitoring body that includes citizen involvement and makes regular public reports on emerging research and on existing and proposed installations of new high voltage overhead power lines;
- 4. promoting public awareness and education, and support the development and use of safe alternatives to overhead power lines.

### The Toronto Caucus

The Toronto Caucus, composed of the six Toronto CFUW clubs, was formed in 1998 to provide concerted action on a social issue that might need an immediate response. The Committee on Poverty was set up as an Ad Hoc committee of the Toronto Caucus.

The Mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty is to:

- research the growth of poverty in Toronto
- liaise and work with appropriate lobby groups on issues of poverty
- advocate for poverty reduction initiatives at all levels of government
- encourage Toronto clubs to take action on issues of poverty

### Toronto Caucus Committee Activities 2009 -2010

The December 6th luncheon was held at the CFUW Toronto clubhouse. CBC reporter Susan Ormistan spoke about her experiences in Afghanistan. This was the tenth December 6th luncheon organized by the Toronto Caucus.

The Presidents of the six CFUW Toronto clubs belonging to the Toronto Caucus were invited to an information meeting at the CFUW Toronto clubhouse on October 22, 2009. Brochures describing the history of the Caucus and the activities of the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty were distributed and discussed.

A flowchart was distributed at the September 2009 CFUW Standing Committee meeting. This chart showed the effectiveness and far reaching results that can occur when a letter on a social issue is sent by the Ad Hoc committee to a politician.

The Committee is now studying the Housing Opportunities Report (HOT) developed by the City of Toronto. We intend to develop a social action plan on the issue of affordable housing.

If you require information about the work of the Toronto Caucus Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty please contact Pat Forrest at 416.760.0162 or the Committee Chair, Margaret McGovern, at 416.497.3640.



**MAY 14-15, 2010** 

Quality Hotel Parkway Convention Centre 325 Ontario St., St. Catharines, L2R 5L3

Each year in May, the Ontario Council holds its Annual General Meeting to bring together members from our provincial CFUW Clubs. In 2010, CFUW St Catharines will be your host.

The theme of the OC 2010 AGM is Accessibility: Creating Inclusive Communities.

The Ontario government has introduced comprehensive legislation to achieve accessibility for Ontarians with disabilities on or before January 1, 2025. Join us in May to learn about this legislation, to experience some of the barriers that people face in their daily lives, and to meet people who live with these barriers in their communities.

The keynote speaker is Rabia S. Khedir and her topic is *Creating Inclusive Communities: Places where people belong*. Rabia specializes in participatory action research, inclusion, and community development. Both as a self-advocate and consultant, she has over 15 years of personal and professional experience in accessibility, community development, and outreach with persons with disabilities and ethno-racial-cultural communities.

WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US IN THE BEAUTIFUL NIAGARA REGION IN 2010!

### CFUW ETOBICOKE NEWS...

# AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE CFUW ETOBICOKE CHARITABLE TRUST

The Charitable Trust of CFUW Etobicoke has received a request from the Canada Revenue Agency with regard to the Constitution of our Charitable Trust. They ask that Article 9, DISSOLUTION OF THE TRUST, be strengthened in order to ensure compliance with the provisions of Canada's Income Tax Act.

The following amendment to Article 9-DISSOLUTION OF THE TRUST will therefore be presented to the membership for approval at our AGM on April 8, 2010. For further information please contact Sharon McLeod or Rosemary Campbell.

### **Article 9 - DISSOLUTION OF THE TRUST**

The Trust can only be dissolved by a decision of The Club.

All money remaining in The Trust, after payment of its debts and liabilities, will be distributed to one or more charitable organizations that are also registered charities under the Income Tax Act (Canada), and whose purpose is to advance and promote education.

# COME TO THIS ENTERTAINING EVENT, HAVE FUN, AND RAISE MONEY FOR SCHOLARSHIP!

Bring your friends....

Date: March 25 1-4 PM

Fairfield Seniors' Centre, in the Library

Coffee and Dessert served

50/50 Draw

PLAY CARD GAMES, PUT A PUZZLE TOGETHER OR PLAY A BOARD GAME.

Put together a table of 4!

Donations of baked goods needed. Call Mary Howlett 416.231.7906

### THIS IS TO RAISE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIP

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Cost \$20

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www.QSP.ca I.D. 16530

Questions: QSP 1-800-667-2536 Nancy Bailey 416-239-9904

### PROGRAM IDEAS!!!!!

The CFUW Etobicoke Program Committee will be meeting in early February to plan for 2010-11. If you have ideas for speakers, please contact Pat Joyce 416.622.5628 or e-mail at patjoyce103@yahoo.com.

### From the Hospitality Committee:

Thank you:

Greeters: Mary Howlett and Evelyn Silvester
Contribution of refreshments: Sharon Smith
Preparation/Set-up of refreshments: Eileen Schillinger and Sharon Smith
Clean-up: Sharon Smith and Betty Sheils

**THANK YOU:** To all my dear CFUW friends who sent cards of condolence or who attended the memorial service for my brother Paul, please accept my sincere thanks. Your kindness and support have helped my family and me during a difficult time. Sincerely, Carolyn Bailey"

INTEREST GROUP NEWS ...

DATE BOOK LEADER HOSTESS

AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP

Mar. 23 People of the Book Halla Jones Marg Caughey

by Geraldine Brooks

**BGT LIT** 

Mar. 2 Love's Civil War: Charles Ritchie Pat Reynolds Joanne Colbourne and Elizabeth Bowen - Letters

### **BOOKWORMS**

Mar. 23 Dreams From My Father: A Story S. Eckenwalder Sue Theakston

of Race & Inheritance

Revised Edition: 2004 B. Obama

**BOOKWORMS WEST** 

Mar. 23 The Brain That Changes Itself Pat Witol M. Hamilton

by Norman Dodge

**CANADIAN BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** 

Mar. 3 The Elegance of the Hedgehog Beth Croft Jo Ann Marriott

By Muriel Barbery

**HORIZONS** 

Mar. 16 Hard Passages by Arthur Kroeger Nancy Bailey Norene Turvolgyi

### **JAUNTERS**

Mar. 16 Pot luck lunch at Betty McGregor's, 12 noon. Call Betty with your contribution.

### TRAVEL I

Mar. 8 8 p.m. We look forward to a special travel treat: Art and Rita Tracey, from the Etobicoke Camera Club, will give their presentation: "Alaska". Ann Tipton will be the hostess. Guests are welcome. Please call Corinne Deverell at 416.239.5591.

### **WALK & TALK SCHEDULE**

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.

Mar. 02	Moira Hoogeveen	416.233.5198	Pat Witol	416.620.4065
Mar. 09	Shirley Scott	416.622.3771	Ann Holt	416.247.0215
Mar. 23	Jean MacMillan	416.231.6391	Marney Showalter	416.769.9953
Mar. 30	Ellen Mitchell	416.767.2574	Elinor Fillion	416.762.1479
Apr. 06	Margaret King	416.487.2590	Lydia Bell	416.769.6777

### IN THE COMMUNITY...

### Out of the Shadows

# A mental health programming series offered in cooperation with Reconnect Mental Health Agency.

Mental illness strikes people of all walks of life. Yet the social stigma attached to it can be very real, creating a barrier to acceptance and treatment. Learn about the signs, symptoms, and treatment options from health care professionals. Hear personal accounts from survivors. This series is designed to inform and inspire, and above all, reassure. For more about **Out of the Shadows** visit .

Laurel Broten, MPP, and Michel Ignatieff, MP, Etobicoke Lakeshore, are hosting their annual International Women's Day Breakfast on Monday, March 8 from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.

Strates Banquet Hall, 365 Evans Avenue (at Kipling) Tickets: \$30.00. Guest Speaker: **Frances Lankin**, President and CEO United Way Toronto. RSVP by Wednesday, March 3rd, to the office of Michael Ignatieff, 416.251.5510 or Laurel Broten, 416.259.2249.

# The Dorothy Ley Hospice International Women's Day Breakfast

will be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at The Old Mill Inn & Spa. Doors open at 7:30 a.m., breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m. Guest Speaker: **Janet Davidson** O.C., President & CEO, Trillium Health Centre. Special Guest is Donna Cansfield, MPP, Etobicoke Centre. Cost is \$30.00 each. RSVP by February 28th to 416.626.0116 ext. 236, or <a href="mailto:ghill@dlhospice.org">ghill@dlhospice.org</a>

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The next meeting of Donna Cansfield's SENIORS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

is on Monday, March 8 at Richview Library, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Topic is: *Heads up for Healthier Brains*.

Guest speakers: Kari Quinn-Humphrey, Public Education Corrdinator, Alzheimer Society, and a speaker on Geriatric Mental Health from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.

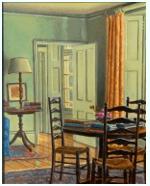
The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Ernestine Affair April 28, 2010 - 6:30 p.m.Renaissance by the Creek (at Dundas and 427) Silent Auction - Dinner - Entertainment

All welcome!

Meet over 30 artists. View over 500 works of art.

### 2010 ART SHOW AND SALE

Art for Goodness' Sake
Saturday, April 10, 2010, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Door Prize



Illuminated Interior

8" x 10" Oil on Board

By Ciba Karisik

This annual show features contemporary and traditional art, sculpture, wood turning, ceramics, jewellery, folk art, guilts and photograpy.

Admission \$10 which supports local charities

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