



**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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GENERAL MEETINGS:
Refreshments: 7:30 p.m.
Meeting: 8 p.m.,
Thursday, **December 13, 2012**
and **January 10, 2013**
Fairfield Seniors' Centre
80 Lothian Ave.

EXECUTIVE MEETING: 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, **December 6, 2012**
and **January 3, 2013**
Fairfield Seniors' Centre

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CHRISTMAS PARTY !
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General Meeting: **January 10, 2013**
Speaker: **Elaine Hamilton**
(See page 3 for details)

*The final submission date for the
FEBRUARY issue of the newsletter will
be **Monday, January 14, 2013**
Please send to Moira Hoogeveen,
e-mail: mohoog@sympatico.ca*

**Reminder: There will be no
January newsletter.....**

For Membership Inquiries, please call
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our President Pat Ferbyack, please call
(number in roster) or e-mail:
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The newsletter is also posted on our
website, and because of privacy concerns,
the executive has decided not to print
telephone numbers of members in the
newsletter. Please look them up in your
roster.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE . . .

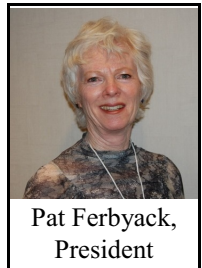
Our November meeting was a great book evening. Before the meeting started we had our annual Book Sale. I want to thank Diane Hercus, Moira Hoogeveen, Pat Bruce and Nancy Rogers for organizing this - thanks to their work and your participation, we raised approximately \$610. Our speaker continued with the book theme of the evening. Sarah MacLachlan, publisher at Anansi Press spoke about the role of a publisher and the relatively healthy state of book publishing in Canada. She generously donated books that will be used as prizes at our December meeting and offered members a discount on any of Anansi's books ordered by members on-line. You'll find details from Pam Crabb about this elsewhere in the newsletter.

Our roster is printed, labelled and was handed out at the November meeting. Thanks to Bonnie McGuire, Linda Johnson and Eleanor MacLean who worked to get this together for us.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will see a proposed amendment to the membership section of our Constitution. At the National AGM last June a new CFUW Constitution was passed. One of the changes was to eliminate the category of Associate Member. As the constitution now says a woman is eligible for membership if she has earned a degree, diploma or equivalent qualifications from an institution of higher education and/or supports the purposes of CFUW. You can find the details of this on the CFUW website www.cfuw.org. Our constitution must be changed so that we are aligned with the National on this matter. To that end, we are printing the proposed amendment that will be voted on at our January General Meeting. If you have any questions about this, please talk to any of us on the Executive.


On matters more fun than constitutional amendments, December and January are months of celebrations for many of us. The Winter Solstice on December 21 marks the shortest day of the year after which days begin getting longer - a reason to celebrate. Hanukkah begins on December 9 and then we have Christmas on December 25. Both are times for families and friends to gather together, to feast and to share gifts. December 26 begins the week long festival of Kwanzaa that celebrates and honours African Canadian heritage with more feasting and gift-giving. And then the New Year begins on January 1. Orthodox Christmas is celebrated on January 7. CFUW Etobicoke has our own festive time at our meeting on December 13 - we'll enjoy the singing of the Harmony Singers and have our annual raffle to raise money for the two women's shelters in Etobicoke, Women's Habitat and Ernestine's Women's Shelter. I hope you can join us on that evening.

Our first meeting of 2013 is on January 10: our speaker is a member of our Club, Elaine Hamilton - don't miss her talk.



Pat Ferbyack,
President

House of Anansi Press



Sarah MacLachlan, our November speaker, has offered 30% off purchases from the online bookstore at houseofanansi.com with the promotional code 'university' for members of our club. She has also donated copies of the recent releases she is so enthusiastic about!

They are : 'Swimming Home' by Deborah Levy ; 'Mister Roger and Me' by Marie-Renee Lavoie; 'Inside' by Alix Ohlin and 'Working the Dead Beat- 50 Lives That Changed Canada' by Sandra Martin. These books will be included in the Christmas raffle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS...



CFUW Etobicoke ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 13

Holiday Harmonies

The Harmony Singers, a group of over 30 female vocalists, will serenade us again.

Come early and buy lots of raffle tickets:

(Use your address labels to stick your name on the back of the tickets.)

Proceeds go to the two women's shelters in Etobicoke.

Your loonie or toonie collected, by your interest group convenor, will be used to purchase a gift to be raffled.

Refreshments and good fellowship.

Wear your brightest reds and greens!

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

Topic: **Historical and Geological Anomalies of the Mid-Atlantic**

Speaker: **ELAINE HAMILTON MA, CFA**, member of CFUW Etobicoke



The mid-Atlantic ridge is the world's longest mountain range extending the length of the Atlantic Ocean. The mountains are remnants from ancient geological time when the land masses detached into what are now the Americas, and Europe and Africa separated by the Atlantic Ocean. These mountains are under the seas with few exceptions. In the southern portion of the mid-Atlantic ridge rising from the seas are St. Helena, Tristan da Cunha and Ascension Islands.

With photographs and videos taken on a spring,

2011 expedition on the National Geographic Explorer, Elaine will describe these mere volcanic specks on the world atlas.

Since her retirement from the Professional Investment Industry in 2001, Elaine has travelled to some of the countries less traveled including trips to Libya, Laos, Mongolia, the Antarctica regions, and North Korea.

CFUW BULLETIN BOARD AND NETWORKING TABLE

Please remember to read the information which is posted on our Bulletin Board at General Meetings. There is a variety of notices from our own club, The Ontario Council, CFUW National and IFUW. This board is located on the stage at Fairfield.

Advance Notice - February General Meeting

VICKI BARRON

Director of Administration and Regeneration initiatives for the Waterfront Trail along Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River will speak about the work of the organization.

CFUW NATIONAL NEWS...

CFUW CANADIAN
FEDERATION OF
UNIVERSITY WOMEN

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

July 11-14, 2013

Sheraton Cavalier Hotel, Saskatoon, SK



November & December Advocacy Highlights

November 20th - National Child Day

National Child Day is celebrated on November 20th each year. The date marks the occasion when Canada adopted the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), spelling out the basic human rights for children and youth.

The Public Health Agency Canada website also provides some information and resources about National Child Day and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child to help promote awareness of rights and ways to celebrate National Child Day.

November 25th - International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women & the Beginning of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence

For more information visit the website of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Campaign:

<http://16dayscwg.rutgers.edu/index.php>

December 1st - Global Day of Action International Demonstration on Climate Change

Visit the website of the Global Climate Campaign for more information:

<http://www.globalclimatecampaign.org/>

A resolution on Climate Change - Mitigation, Adaptation and Inclusion of Women was passed at CFUW 2012 Annual General meeting. Leading up to December 1st, you can visit our website for suggested actions including template letters to write to your elected representatives:

<http://www.cfuw.org/en-ca/advocacypolicy/campaigns/climatechange-mitigationadaptationandwomen.aspx>

December 3rd - International Day of Persons with Disabilities

For more information visit <http://www.un.org/disabilities/default.asp?id=1597>

A resolution on Full Accessibility and Barrier Free Environments for Persons with Disabilities was passed at CFUW 2012 Annual General meeting. Leading up to December 3rd, you can visit our website for suggested actions including template letters to write to your elected representatives:

<http://www.cfuw.org/en-ca/advocacypolicy/campaigns/fullaccessibilityandbarrier-freeenvironments.aspx>

December 6th- National Day of Action and Remembrance on Violence against Women

December 10th - Human Rights Day & the End of the 16 Days of Activism to End Violence against Women

CFUW ONTARIO COUNCIL NEWS...

Ontario Council, Canadian Federation of University Women
STANDING COMMITTEES

LEGISLATION - EDUCATION - STATUS OF WOMEN

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church
1585 Yonge Street

Saturday, January 19, 2013

STUDENT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY MATH PREPAREDNESS

Speaker: **Laurel Schollen,**

Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering Technology,
The York/Seneca Institute for Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education

Check In 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Meeting Begins at 10:00 a.m.

Catering requires pre-registration

Any member is welcome to attend these meetings.

Please contact Pat Ferbyack by Dec 12th if you wish to attend.

CFUW ETOBICOKE NEWS...

The following MOTION will be voted on at the January, 2013 General Meeting of the CFUW Etobicoke:

Re: CFUW Etobicoke Constitution: that Article III, Membership, be changed to read:

1. Membership shall be open to all women who meet the membership requirements set out in the Articles and Bylaws of the CFUW*.
2. Every paid Club member is entitled to all the privileges associated with CFUW membership, including voting privileges on all motions brought to the Club membership.
3. A member who has not paid her annual fee by October 15th shall lose the rights and privileges of membership until such time as the fees are paid.

*Articles and Bylaws of CFUW are found at:
www.cfuw.org/en-ca/aboutus/articlesandbylaws.aspx.



Elinor Fillion
is deeply grateful to her CFUW friends
for their sympathy and support at the time of
her daughter Helen's death in June.

Included with this mailing is a roster correction sheet.

Please attach it to your roster.

Please welcome these new members into your groups and activities:



Janet Adamson

Joan Fulford

Mary Horgan

Roma Mehta

Welcome!

Thanks to our Hospitality Helpers !

Many thanks to the "Tuesday at the movies" team who volunteered for the November General meeting under the leadership of Rosemary Campbell. Greeters were Christine Gude and Ginny Marshall and the wonderfully prepared snacks were provided by Christine Gude, Linda Johnson, Bev Judson, Ginny Marshall, Jean McDiarmid, Sharon Smith and Rosemary Campbell.

Thanks also to Evelyn Sylvester who brought memorabilia about her fathers service to our country and decorations provided by Pat Joyce and Rosemary Campbell.

Thanks also to all of you that are so considerate in bringing your mugs and wearing your permanent name tags. Please contact me if your interest group has not yet volunteered during the past two years so that we can set up the schedule for the coming year.



- Many thanks, Audra Hudek

Sophie Lucyk was a long time member and past president of CFUW Etobicoke. When she died several years ago, she left a substantial sum of money to the Toronto Public Library Foundation. The following is quoted from the Library brochure on

SOPHIE'S STUDIO:

"Sophie loved libraries and was a life long library user and steadfast donor to the Toronto Public Library Foundation. To her, libraries built lifelong learners who were active participants in the world around them. She believed in doing what she could to enhance this role. This she did in part by making gifts to the Toronto Public Library Foundation during her life as well as through a significant gift in her will. With her final gift, Sophie created a wonderful legacy called *Sophie's Studio*, which supports early literacy, creativity and writing skills in children from a young age, through a

range of collections, programs and spaces. It recognizes that successfully nurturing our youngest readers and writers today will create the leaders of tomorrow and positively shape our future."

INTEREST GROUP NEWS ...

Lively Arts II

invites all CFUW members and potential new members to join us for our Stratford day trip this year. We have booked seats for **Monday May 13th** to see

Fiddler on the Roof!

We will pickup from Fairfield where parking is available as well as from the Islington Subway. We expect the cost for theatre and coach to be much the same as last year. Since we must pay a per seat deposit when we are assigned the seats in January, we are offering an EARLY Bird Rate of \$100 to cover your ticket and coach fare. After January 1 the cost will be \$110. Your money is fully refundable until April 12th when the final payment to Stratford is due. Seating will again be assigned in order of receipt of your money. Please forward your cheque ASAP to Audra Hudek 416 233 6787.



DATE	BOOK	LEADER	HOSTESS
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AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP

Jan . 22	The Cat's table - Michael Ondaatje	Halla	Joan
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Dec. 4	The Cat's Table - Michael Ondaatje	Dorothy S.	Dorothy S.
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BOOKENDERS

Jan. 15	The Alchemist - Paulo Coelho	Susan E.	Liz S.
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BOOKWORMS

Jan. 22	Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China - Jung Chang	Gail R.	Elaine H.
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CANADIAN BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Dec. 5	6:00 p.m. Potluck at Sharon M's Bring two titles of books you have enjoyed and would like to recommend to the members.		
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Jan. 9	Every Lost Country - S. Heighton	Kathy	MarylN
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HORIZONS

Jan. 15	The Hare with Amber Eyes - Edmund DeWaal	Nancy	Nancy
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JAUNTERS

Jan. 15	TIFF Bell Lightbox - Kathy D., Luciana K. And Joan S, convenors.		
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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.

Nov. 27	Evelyn S.	Robin M.
Dec. 4	Tish H.	Moira H.
Dec. 11	Marjorie D.	Shirley S.
Jan. 8	Jean P.	Margaret K.
Jan. 15	Mary Ann D.	Elinor F.
Jan. 29	Sandra M.	Marney S.
Feb. 5	Evelyn S.	Robin M.

IN THE COMMUNITY...

Remember The Book Mark?

And how sad you were when it closed? Here is some good news: Sarah Pietroski, who used to work there, has opened her own shop in Humbertown! It is located next to Laura Secord, and is called *A Novel Spot Bookshop*. Pay a visit to the world's smallest bookstore with the biggest welcome!



Government of Canada

DO NOT CALL LIST

Cell phone numbers go public this month and all cell phone numbers are being released to telemarketing companies, so you will start to receive sales calls.

YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THESE CALLS!!

To prevent this, go to the following web-site for Canadian Telephone Numbers: www.lnnte-dncl.gc.ca

It is the National **DO NOT CALL** list - click on 'Register your Number'. Type in your phone number and block your number for five (5) years.

From the office of Donna Cansfield :

January 14, 2013, 2.30 to 4 p.m.

Seniors Advisory Group

Richview Library, 1806 Islington Ave .

January 20, 2013, 1 to 3 p.m.

Levee and Community Recognition Awards

Neilson Park Creative Centre, 56 Neilson Drive

For details please contact Donna Cansfield's Constituency Office at 416.234.2800 or dcansfield.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org