

# **CANADIAN FEDERATION** OF **UNIVERSITY WOMEN ETOBICOKE**

## **CFUW** is committed to:

★ The pursuit of knowledge

- $\star$  The promotion of education
- $\star$  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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### **SEPTEMBER 2012**

#### **GENERAL MEETING:** Refreshments: 7:30 p.m. Meeting: 8 p.m., Thursday, September 13, 2012 Fairfield Seniors' Centre 80 Lothian Ave.

#### **EXECUTIVE MEETING: 7:30 p.m.** Thursday, September 6, 2012 Fairfield Seniors' Centre

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The final submission date for the **OCTOBER** issue of the newsletter will be Monday, SEPTEMBER 17, 2012.

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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The newsletter will henceforth be posted on our new 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 ...

As I begin my role as President, I want to say what an honour it is to represent such a wonderful Club. I have benefitted from the guidance and experience of seasoned members of the Executive over the past couple of years. I have learned from Barb Willoughby over the past year and am very grateful that she will continue to be an important resource to all of us on the Executive in her role as Past President.

September is fast approaching and with it CFUW Etobicoke begins its new season. Pat Joyce and the Programme Committee have arranged for interesting and entertaining speakers at our monthly meetings. We have all our many and varied Interest Groups ready to restart their meetings in September. At the Provincial level, the Ontario Council Standing Committee meetings are planned. On behalf of this year's Executive, we look forward to seeing you at these various events and activities: to renew old acquaintances and to make new ones. Whether you are a long-time member or have just joined us, welcome!

This year, 2012, is CFUW Etobicoke's 60th anniversary. In 1952 a group of 25 women met to form our Club. Our Club is very fortunate to have a wonderful mix of women: women who have been members for many, many years and help carry the traditions and the history of the Club, as well as new members who join us each year and help bring new ideas and perspectives. This makes our Club one of the larger Clubs in the country and helps ensure we will remain strong and healthy for decades to come.

If you are not a regular user of our website, I would encourage you to check it out regularly. You will find lots of information about what is happening within our Club. From there you can get to the websites of the Provincial, National and International parts of CFUW. Remember, your dues support the work of the Provincial, National and International Federations – keep informed of what is happening at these levels. Our web address is www.cfuwetobicoke.ca - and from there you can easily get to the others.

I attended the National AGM in Victoria, B.C. in June, with Vice President Shelley Pringle, who has written a report appearing on Pages 4-5.

Our September meeting will be at Fairfield Centre on Thursday September 13 starting at 7:30 p.m. Interest Groups will have tables for sign up. Plan to come to this

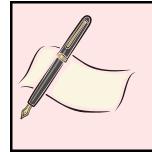
I look forward to seeing everyone there.

meeting to meet old friends, to welcome new members to our Club and to sign up for all the interests groups you want to join.



- Pat Ferbyack, President

# ANNOUNCEMENTS...



SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING Come and sign up for Interest Groups September 13, 2012 - 7:30 p.m. Fairfield Seniors' Centre, 80 Lothian Ave., South of Bloor, 2 blocks east of Islington 416.394.8687

#### Advance Notice: October General Meeting

Fairness Commission of Ontario Hon. Jean Augustine, PC, CM, Commissioner Former MP for Etobicoke South Hear the Commissioner explain how new qualified immigrants are helped to obtain fair access to professions in Ontario

## MAGAZINE CAMPAIGN

## -- your chance to win a Flat-Screen TV!

Everyone who enters our magazine fundraising campaign this year will have a chance to win a 19-inch flat screen TV -- AND help raise money for our club.

CFUW Etobicoke retains 37% of the cost of each magazine. You can purchase or renew online at any time or complete the forms and deliver them in person at the October and November general meetings. If you have a discount coupon, just attach it to your order. We will distribute magazine catalogues at the September meeting.

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> Next year's Ontario Council AGM is in Sudbury, May 3-4 2013, a week earlier than usual.

# Ontario Council, Canadian Federation of University Women STANDING COMMITTEES

# LEGISLATION - EDUCATION - STATUS OF WOMEN

Location: Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, 1585 Yonge Street (2 blocks North of St. Clair Subway Station, East Side) Saturday, September 29, 2012

Future meetings will be held in January and March, 2013 Mark your calendar! Our club subsidizes members who wish to attend. We share the responsibility of writing reports for our newsletter. For further information, or if you wish to attend the September 29 meeting, please contact Pat Ferbyack by September 15.

## **Roster Advertisements:**

You may advertise your business/professional information in the roster for \$20.00. Contact: bonniemcguire@sympatico.ca

# CFUW National AGM, June 21-24, 2012, Victoria, BC Voices: Yours, Mine, Ours

Pat Ferbyack, Pat Witol, Joanne Jamieson and I (Shelley Pringle) attended the CFUW AGM in Victoria. It was my first AGM, but it definitely won't be my last. The following is a short summary of the Conference highlights.

## Resolutions

The following resolutions passed at the AGM:

- Retention and promotion of women in skilled trades and non-traditional occupations

- Climate change: Mitigation, Adaptation and the Inclusion of Women
- Toward a mental health strategy for Canada
- Full accessibility and barrier-free environments for persons with disabilities
- Ensuring food security in Canada

The only resolution that did not pass was the one related to wind turbine developments.

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#### Fee Increase

After extensive debate the proposed \$10 fee increase passed at the AGM. It will be introduced in 2013/14. The fee increase is needed to make up for a cash shortfall at the International Federation of University Women (Canada accounts for 30% of IFUW dues). The shortfall was created when the American Association of University Women, and its 100,000 members, withdrew from IFUW in 2007.

## **IFUW & CFUW Initiatives**

Many worthwhile initiatives at the international, national and local levels were discussed at the AGM. Highlights included:

- IFUW (www.ifuw.org) and its national federated associations, including the CFUW, gave over \$2 million in grants and fellowships to promote secondary and higher education for girls and women

- CFUW (www.cfuw.org) held an International Women's Day Fundraiser to support CARE Canada's Maternal Health Initiative

- CFUW worked with a number of organizatons this past year including Amnesty International, Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada, UNESCO, UN Commission on the Status of Women and Oxfam Canada

I'd like to thank CFUW Etobicoke for sponsoring my attendance at the AGM. I met many wonderful women who are committed to our collective goal of promoting equality for women and girls through action, advocacy and education. - Shelley Pringle

# **MEET YOUR EXECUTIVE**



Barb Willoughby, Maureen Willis, Ginny Marshall, Pat Joyce, Nancy Zingel, Pat Ferbyack, Sandy Marven, Shelley Pringle, Audra Hudek

#### **PAT FERBYACK - President**

I joined CFUW Etobicoke in 2008, and have enjoyed being part of "Jaunters" and "Bookworms" Interest Groups. I have served as a trustee on the Charitable Trust and on the Executive of the Club in the roles of Corresponding Secretary and Vice President. In all these activities, it has been a pleasure to be involved with interesting, committed women who are fun to be with. I look forward to an exciting year as President of CFUW Etobicoke.

Before I retired, I worked at Humber College where I began as a faculty member and then moved into administration working primarily at Humber's Lakeshore Campus as Dean and Principal. Since retirement, I have had more time to enjoy gardening, boating and travel while continuing to do a bit of consulting work for Humber.

#### **SHELLEY PRINGLE - Vice President**

I joined CFUW in 2010 looking for a book club. I found the book club-and much, much more. I've met many vibrant women at CFUW and I enjoy staying informed about the community via the monthly meetings. This year I'm looking forward to giving back to the Club through my position on the board. I'm currently a member of Bookworms.

I'm also still a working girl. My background is in marketing communications and I currently operate Polaris Public Relations, a public relations, social media and inbound marketing agency I founded in 1999.

#### **BARBARA WILLOUGHBY - Past President**

I have enjoyed my year as president working with the executive and with our members who participate and give their time so generously to club activities. As I begin my term as past president it will be my 16th year as a member of the club. I have been a member of Revolving Books, Lively Arts 1, Five Star Investment Group, and the Issues Group. As usual, I am looking forward to our fall programs and interest group meetings, new activities, stimulating speakers, and great opportunities to form new friendships and renew old ones.

#### **SUZANNE WADE - Treasurer**

I joined CFUW at least 25 years ago. I had three young children then and discovered a CFUW Junior Jaunters group as a place to meet other young mothers. I am now a member of Lively Arts II and Badminton groups.

I graduated from University of Waterloo with a math degree and worked as computer programmer all my life. I retired three years ago.

#### AUDRA HUDEK - Hospitality Convenor

I am a retired biology teacher and some fellow Richview teachers introduced me to CFUWin 2007. I started with Lively Arts II and Gourmet 3. I was then introduced to Five Star Investment group and am now in my third year as its treasurer. I am also convenor for Lively Arts II, and this past year I joined the Jaunters. Mary MacMillan and I have started a new group "Winning at losing" and we meet on Monday mornings to support one another in this difficult task. I have served as your Hospitality convenor since September. I love this club and want to do my little bit to keep it running and to support women in Etobicoke.

#### PAT JOYCE Program Convenor

My working years were spent in education and I still supply teach. I worked as a librarian and special education teacher and organized workshops on the use of literature in the curriculum. I have served as Club President twice, Interest Group Convenor and continue as the Program Convenor. I Co-chaired a Fall Gathering hosted by Etobicoke and this year the Ontario Council Annual General Meeting that the Club also hosted. I helped organize the third Card Party to raise scholarship funds. I am active in bridge, badminton, cooking and revolving books and occasionally in the theatre group and Jaunters.

#### SANDRA MARVEN - Newsletter Convenor

In my work life I was an elementary school teacher for 34 years and was lucky enough to be in a job that I loved. Most of my career was spent working with Special Education students. For the last 10 years of work I was a resource teacher involved in both Primary literacy and programming for special needs students.

I currently work part time in Wild Birds Unlimited, a store selling bird feeders, bird food and other equipment for the backyard bird enthusiast. It is far different than being in the classroom but I love it too. My hobbies are cross country skiing, badminton, golf, gardening, walking, refinishing old furniture and feeding and watching my own backyard birds. I joined CFUW in 2010 after being encouraged by a few friends who were already members. It is an enjoyable experience and I am a member of a number of interest groups.

#### JO ANN MARRIOTT - Corresponding Secretary

The Canadian Authors book group was my initiation to CFUW Etobicoke. The stimulation and fun I experienced there convinced me that I wanted to expand my opportunities to meet more of the smart, dynamic and hospitable women in CFUW Etobicoke. Bookworms, Social Issues, Walk and Talk, Lively Arts, Jaunters and Art in the Gallery confirmed that CFUW is the right place for me to be after challenging and rewarding careers in social work and ministry.

I appreciate the opportunity to give back to the people who continue to enrich my life after employment. I look forward to my second year as Corresponding Secretary.

#### **GINNY MARSHALL - Membership Convenor**

This is the end of my third year with CFUW - Etobicoke. During my first two years, I belonged to Arts in the Gallery, Jaunters, and Afternoon at the Movies. These are the smaller groups in which one really gets to know other club members, especially over lunch. This year, I added Dining Out II to my interest groups.

Taking an active role on the executive has taught me about the inner workings of CFUW - Etobicoke and the women who report at the monthly meetings. I have found that being Membership Convenor is challenging but rewarding and gives one the opportunity to meet many more members than would normally be possible.

My background is in teaching with the Toronto District School Board. I worked at the elementary level teaching for 34 years in all grades from kindergarten to grade six in regular and special education, primarily at Swansea Public School.

On a personal note, I was blessed with my first two grandchildren this Spring both healthy boys nine weeks apart. I look forward to my time visiting with them and watching them grow.

#### LOIS NIELD - Interest Group Co-Convenor

I retired from my teaching career in 2010 and joined CFUW. I have been a member of Revolving Books and Lively Arts 1. I am very pleased to be working with Maureen Willis as Interest Group Convenors as I feel that the interest groups are of vital importance in the life of the club. This year I hope to become more involved in the Walk and Talk group, Jaunters and one of the book clubs.

#### MAUREEN WILLIS – Interest Group Co-Convenor

After graduating from the University of Toronto in Modern Languages, I joined the Royal Bank, working in Corporate Marketing and later in World Trade and Merchant Banking. In 1987, our family moved to Nova Scotia for three years, then to France for another three years before returning to Montreal and later Toronto. Once back in Toronto, I went to York University to obtain a degree in Translation and then worked as a French-to-English medical translator for RBC Insurance.

Wherever I've lived in Canada, I have always joined CFUW – a great place to meet people, to continue to learn, and to develop new interests. In CFUW-Etobicoke, I've been a member of Gourmet 3 and Lively Arts 2. Outside CFUW, some of my interests include learning Italian and volunteering in the Toronto Public Library's Adult Literacy Program.

#### NANCY ZINGEL Recording Secretary

I am a graduate of U of T & have spent my working career in Banking. I held several positions during that period. The most recent and long lasting position was in Private Banking. I worked in partnership with various professionals in the Wealth Management Group. I have been retired for six years, and joined CFUW in 2010. In addition to being Recording Secretary, I am a member of Revolving Books, Badminton, Jaunters, Lively Arts 11, Dining Out and Five Star Investment Group. I am so glad I joined CFUW, and now encourage my friends and family to get involved.

#### **PEGGY PINKERTON - Issue Group Representative**

I am on the fringe of the executive as non-voting representative of the Issues Group, to keep it and the Executive from stepping on each other's toes.

## ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER...

your newsletter electronically saves the Club substantial funds in postage

"Thinking of switching? Did you know that receiving and printing costs each year. If you have an e-mail address, please consider switching.

There are three ways to switch:

1. Check the box on your membership renewal form that you wish to have your newsletter delivered electronically;

2. Call Ginny Marshall, membership convenor, or,

3. Send Ginny an e-mail message at <u>ginnymmarshall@gmail.com</u> with notification of your change request."

# CONDOLENCES to



Elinor Fillion whose daughter, Helen passed away recently.

Members of the Club extend sympathy to Elinor and her family.



CONDOLENCES

Ann McElhinney whose mother, Edith Grace Wardell passed away recently.

Members of the Club extend sympathy to Ann and her family.

GREMELL, Barbara Ruth (nee Mayo) Passed away on Sunday July 8, 2012 She was a long time member of CFUW Etobicoke.

# CFUW ETOBICOKE NEWS...

# **History of the Charitable Trust**

An important part of CFUW-Etobicoke's statement of purpose is "to promote the continuing education of women". From its founding in 1952 until 1986, CFUW-Etobicoke funded scholarships and bursaries for women from the regular membership fees.

In September 1986 a committee met to discuss setting up a separate foundation so that charitable receipts could be given. The Trust was established in 1987 as The University Women's Club of Etobicoke Scholarship Fund with a contribution of \$8.00 per member increasing to \$10.00 in 1992.

In 1996, in order to provide funding to needy community organizations, an additional \$2.00 per member increased the contribution to the present \$12.00. In 1994, a capital fund was established to receive extra donations and the first memorial donations were made. In 1996 this capital fund was named the Elizabeth Sweet Capital Fund to honour our founding president. By 2002 this fund reached \$10,000.00 and the first Elizabeth Sweet Award in the amount of \$500.00 (accrued from the interest) was awarded. The capital fund now exceeds \$20,000.00

In 1998, a revised constitution for the Trust was adopted under the name The Charitable Trust of the Canadian Federation of University Women of Etobicoke. The five trustees of the charitable trust meet at least twice a year to administer the funds and disburse them as recommended by the Awards Committee and with the approval of the general membership.

With additional donations and memorial gifts from members, the total amount of money available for awards has increased substantially. Since 2006, the Charitable Trust has awarded \$6600.00 each year to women students at Ryerson, York, and U of T. and \$600.00 has been divided each year between two needy organizations in the community.

In 2010 an endowment of \$12,500.00 was given to York U. The province matched that making it \$25,000.00. In 2012 an endowment of \$11,000.00 was given to Humber College and it, too, will be matched by the Ontario Government.)

#### **Charitable Trust Nominations:**

Cathy Sbrolla has completed her three year term as trustee, and has agreed to stay on as trustee. Marg Gogarty has agreed to be nominated as a trustee. These nominations are to be voted on at the September General Meeting.

#### Membership Renewal 2012-2013

If you would like your name to appear in the 2012-2013 Club roster, membership renewal forms and cheques must be received by October 15th.

The membership renewal form was in the June newsletter. It can also be found at our website: www.cfuwetobicoke.ca. Ginny Marshall is our membership convenor. You can reach her at: ginnymmarshall@gmail.com or at 416-239-9320. Please remember to complete the Club participation section. The form also provides the opportunity to advise by what method you wish to receive your newsletter and to make an additional donation to our Charitable Trust. Please ensure you include a form with your cheque as it provides valuable information for Club organization.

Thank you !

- Ginny Marshall, Membership Convenor

# INTEREST GROUP NEWS ...

#### Interest Groups – Message from Co-Convenors:

We look forward to your enthusiastic participation in interest groups this year. Please contact your convenor to let her know whether you are continuing in a group. If you are interested in joining a new group, please contact the group convenor. Groups looking for new members will have tables at the September general meeting and convenors will be present to answer questions.

You will find descriptions of the interest groups in the Interest Groups Booklet which has been emailed along with this Newsletter to those who receive the Newsletter by email. Other members will receive their booklets by mail. The booklet also contains contact information for group convenors and a schedule of interest group meeting days. Please keep the booklet for reference.

Please note that all members of interest groups must be members in good standing of CFUW Etobicoke. The deadline for payment is October 15th, but we would appreciate your paying the Membership Convenor, Ginny Marshall, on or before September 15th.

Lois Nield: ald59@rogers.com Maureen Willis: mdwillis@rogers.com

#### NEW GROUPS FOR 2012-13

#### **NEW! ART IN THE AFTERNOON**

This group visits smaller galleries and afterwards discusses the exhibit over coffee and dessert. The first outing is October 10, 2012. Meets on the 2nd Wednesday.

Contact: Lydia Bell lydiajanebell@yahoo.ca

#### **NEW! EASY GOURMET**

Are you an eager and adventurous cook? Join us as we try a variety of healthy, tasty dishes using local ingredients....sharing ideas and enjoying each other's company. Each cook pays for the dishes she prepares on a rotational basis. We rotate from house to house, meeting 6-8 times a year on the first Monday evening of the month.

Contact: Audra Hudek audra@hudek.org or Mary MacMillan maryemacmillan@gmail.com

#### **NEW! WINNING AT LOSING**

Looking for the support of others who want to lose weight and maintain weight loss? The group will share goals, updates, recipes, and techniques to achieve and maintain a trimmer, healthier you. Start each week with encouragement. We meet every Monday morning at 10. Contact

Audra Hudekaudra@hudek.org orMary MacMillanmaryemacmillan@gmail.com

#### **REVOLVING BOOKS**

This group offers Club members the opportunity to read for pleasure. For approximately \$35 you read a book a month during the Club year and keep the final book. There are no meetings, only the obligation to pass the book to the next reader on a set date.

The committee selects the books and endeavours to provide something for everyone using these guidelines: current books published within the year, a variety of genres, time frames and topics, half fiction and half non-fiction and, whenever possible, a biography and a mystery.

The committee welcomes suggestions to add to our list of prospective titles and needs this information by mid August. We meet to determine next year's selections from what is available in late August. Our task is aided by the staff of an independent book store, Type Books, who work with us to obtain the copies we require at a discount.

Next year's titles will be on display at the September meeting. If you would like to participate you can sign up then OR contact any committee member before that date.. Don't forget, you get to keep the last book on your rotation list!

#### Convenors:

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DATE	BOOK	LEADER	HOSTESS
AFTERN	OON BOOK GROUP		
Sep. 25	On the outside looking Indian;	Mary	Joan
	- Rupinder Gill		
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Oct. 2	Requiem - Frances Itani	Peggy	Peggy
BOOKE	NDERS		
Sep. 18	The Social Animal - David Brooks	Halina O.	Jean P.
BOOKW	ORMS		
Sep. 25`	The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris	Judy M.	Pat F.
`	- David McCullough		
CANADI	AN BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP		
Oct. 3	The Best Laid Plans - T. Fallis	Nancy	Kathy
HORIZO	N		
Sep. 18	The Women Who Wrote the War	Lal	Lal
	- Nancy Caldwell Sorel		
JAUNTE	RS		
Oct. 16	White Rock Ostrich Farm	Rosemary N., Margaret R.	

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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.

Sept. 4	Evelyn	Joan
Sept. 11	Elinor	Shirley
Sept. 25	Tish	Marney
Oct. 2	Jean	Marney

IN THE COMMUNITY...

#### GYPSY MOTH CATERPILLAR INFESTATION SAVE OUR TREES (OAKS,BASSWOOD;POPLAR. BEECH)

For more information, visit: http://www.toronto.caltrees/qypsy-moth.

Gypsy Moth caterpillars eat oak leaves and can eventually kill the trees or make them susceptible to disease. Their droppings and presence make summers miserable.

Kristjan C.Vitols is the Supervisor, Tree Nursery and Natural Resource Management, Urban Forestry. He supervised the last spray program in 2008. Kristjan can be reached at kvitols@toronto.ca, or Fax: 416-392-1915 or telephone: 416-392-0432. Please contact him to ensure that the city will spray again next spring to control this pest.