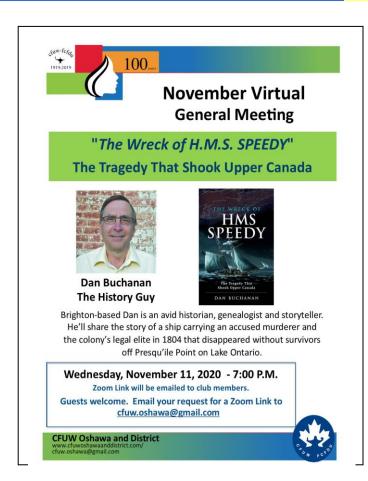
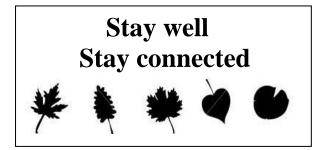
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FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT: LORRAINE V.

Dear Members.

This President's message contains information from CFUW NATIONAL. If you wish to read about various topics of interest to you, please click on the links. I thought the financial position would be of great interest to you, so I included the complete article. I would also recommend reviewing some of the policies adopted by CFUW. *Lorraine V*.

Turning the Amber Light to Green – An Update on CFUW's Financial Situation

Some clubs have been asking about the CFUW financial amber light warning that flashed out to clubs several months ago. At the national level, CFUW is working on many initiatives to get securely into the green zone. These include the following: •The CFUW Board has taken steps to implement the two

recommendations of the Mediation Report and has March 2021 as the time to share the results with Clubs. •We have applied and received funding of \$20,553 under the Covid19 Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy. •We are working on a strategic planning exercise and in that context, have prepared an operational review with various possible scenarios of membership reductions at the 10%, 20%, 30% 40% and 50% levels with implications for operating at each level. In the very worst-case scenario at 50% membership reduction, volunteers could still carry on CFUW virtually. As part of the strategic planning exercise, we are surveying clubs to get a sense of their situations and see how we can assist them more effectively; •We are compiling lists of former fellowship winners to contact them about joining CFUW. •We are reviewing the young working women proposal (for women between the ages of 18 and 35) to see if it is viable and how to implement it if so. •We are approaching some foundations for funding- the first one is the Resilient Communities Fund which is part of the Ontario Trillium Foundation. •The Restricted Reserve Fund of \$202,000 is still in place and will not be touched unless there is some dire emergency. •The Finance Committee is monitoring the effects of COVID on our membership numbers and should it be necessary, we will prepare and embark on a more austere budget and restricted operations. •We are keeping GWI informed of our situation. These measures that are underway will keep CFUW viable and in the green zone. We count on our members to work with us to ensure that CFUW continues for another 100 years!

Below are the eight policies that CFUW adopted in 2020. Each policy contains a background sheet and a template advocacy letter to guide CFUW clubs in their advocacy work.

1. Long-Term Care under the Canada Health Act

- Backgrounder & Take Action
- o <u>Template Letter</u>

2. Long-Term Care - Protect the Vulnerable

- Backgrounder & Take Action
- Template Letter

3. Canada Health Act & National Standards for Medically Necessary Care

- Backgrounder & Take Action
- Template Letter

4. Payday Loans

- Backgrounder & Take Action
- Template Letter

5. Achieving the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action

- Backgrounder & Take Action
- Template Letter

6. Climate Emergency – Declarations and Action Plans

- Backgrounder & Take Action
- Template Letter

- 7. Climate Emergency Declarations and Action Plans
 - Backgrounder & Take Action
 - Template Letter
- 8. Protecting Children from Exposure and Access to Pornography and Sexual Violence
 - Backgrounder & Take Action
 - Template Letter
- 9. Enforcement of the Protection of Communities and Exploited Persons Act
 - Backgrounder & Take Action
 - o Template Letter

We encourage you to review the "Who Does What?" guidelines to better understand target audiences for advocacy initiatives. <u>Click here to access the "Who Does What?" document.</u>

This information is also available on the CFUW Member Site under the Take Action>>Advocacy tab. Click here to access the Member site.

CFUW Ontario Council will be offering a special virtual presentation on Saturday, November 21st from 10am-12:30pm. The topic will be "Women in the Covid Economy". To read about the details of the workshop and to register for the event, visit www.cfuwontcouncil.org

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT HEDY G.

CFUW Durham College Award

\$1500 to Kirsten Bland, Business – Human Resources, Second year

School of Bus, IT and Management

Centennial Award CFUW Oshawa and District (75th anniversary)

\$1000 to Hayley Dawn Nakamichi, Chemical Laboratory Technology (CHLT), Second year

School of Science & Engineer Tech

19-20 Durham College CFUW Oshawa and District Endowment Fund Report

Donations \$1,670

Award disbursement \$1,500

Ending balance \$57,712 Submitted by Hedy G.

How to Donate to the CFUW Endowment Funds

To Durham College

- Make a cheque or money order payable to "Durham College Foundation", but on the memo line write "CFUW Oshawa and District Endowment Fund".
- Make sure your cheque has your name and address on it. Donations of \$20 or mor will receive a tax receipt from Durham College.
- Mail to: Durham College, Office of Development,
 2000 Simcoe St. North Oshawa, ON L1G 0C5

To Ontario Tech University

- Make the cheque or money order payable to "Ontario Tech University" but on the memo line write "CFUW Oshawa and District Endowment Fund".
- Ensure that your cheque has your name and address on it as donations of \$10 or more will receive a tax receipt.
- Mail to: Ontario Tech University Advancement Office

2000 Simcoe St. North Oshawa, ON L1G 0C5

Donating Online

- Visit each school's website. Click on "Donate" or "Giving". Complete the form provided
- If it says "please use my gift for" or "other", type in CFUW Oshawa and District Endowment Fund.

ZOOM MEETINGS - CFUW

CFUW National has set up a number of accounts on ZOOM to enable member clubs to continue to meet online. Interest Groups can use this resource to continue their meetings.

To set up a schedule of meetings you need to contact Rachal Deneault, Member Engagement Coordinator at cfuwgen@rogers.com

Provide her with your dates and times and she will get you set up. You will receive an email from her with Username and Password.

Once set up

To begin your meetings, go to Zoom.us and enter the User Name and Password provided by Rachal to access the account to send out the invitations to your meeting.

I would suggest that you copy the invitation (it allows you to do that) and paste it in your own email to your group.

One other note. When I was preparing to send out my Reading Group 1 email, I discovered that National had only the US contact phone numbers.

I therefore had to edit the meeting invitation, deleting those numbers and inserting the Canadian phone numbers which they also provide, but you have to edit the meeting particulars to do that.

It would be a good idea to ask Rachal to be sure that she has changed that before she sends out your links. *JoAnne P*.

Our club is staying connected via Zoom Virtual Technology. If you would like to learn how to become more connected with the club, contact Donna H at nurseforyou28@hotmail.com. Donna will set up a special meeting to assist you to use your smart phone, computer, IPAD or landline phone to join our meetings. Stay in touch. We need you with us.

FRIENDSHIP MAUREEN A.

Significant news about a member (serious illness or injury or death of member, or death of her spouse or child) should be reported to Maureen A. who will advise all members through an email from Barb L. and send an appropriate card on our behalf.

EDITOR BARBARA L.

Only the last name initials of members are published in the newsletter.

You may refer to your roster for contact information.

Please submit all newsletter items to barblewis@rogers.com

Reminder: items for the December newsletter should be received by Friday, November 27th

People have been asking for contact information for Kiran Bissoon, our October speaker. Ki said she would be happy to answer questions & provide recipes *Catherine R*.

info@kiskitchen.com

kiranbissoon@gmailcom

Honour the past. Hope for the future.



INTEREST GROUPS ELAINE L.

Book Lovers

"IT'S A MYSTERY" MARY K.

Monday, November 30th at 1:30 pm Host: TBD Discussion leader: Hedy G.

Book selection: The Gilded Cage by Camilla Lackberg

MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK CLUB 2 JANET B.

Please contact convenor.

READING GROUP 1 BARB L.

Tuesday, November 17th at 1:30 pm Host: Zoom (JoAnne P. will send invitation)

Discussion leader: Barbara L. Book Selection: Forgiveness by Mark Sakamoto

MORNING COFFEE AND BOOK CHAT: MELANIE K.

Wednesday, November 4th at 10 am Host: Dianne H. Discussion leader: Jane R.

Book Selection: *The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid* by Bill Bryson

BRIDGE

Trickster online bridge is underway. Please contact JoAnne P.

Please remember that only members who have paid their 2020-2021 dues may participate in interest groups.



CFUW Oshawa & District General Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2020

7pm - Zoom Videoconference Attendance: 30

- 1. Welcome and meeting format: Donna H. (host) Jone W. (co-host)
- 2. Land Acknowledgement
- 3. Introduction of the guest speaker: Catherine R

Kirran Bissoon, Ki of Ki's Kitchen on "Cooking with Herbs and Spices".

The speaker was thanked by Carol T.

Break

5. Business Meeting: Donna H

- a) **Motion**: JoAnne P., Lorraine V. to accept the minutes of the September General Meeting 2020, as posted in the October 2020 newsletter. Carried.
- b) Treasurer's Report: Barbara L. for Hedy G.

Balance as of April 30, 2020 \$4,008.12

Receipts: Membership (30 x \$115.00) \$3,450.00

Disbursements: Program \$ 75.00

General Account balance \$7, 383.12

Scholarship Trust Fund balance \$82.55

Motion: Barbara L., Linda P. to accept the treasurer's report. Carried.

c) CFUW News; Donna H.

· Ontario Council Speakers' Series: Sat. Oct. 3. 2020 on long term care and community care.

- · National: CFUW National has developed a strategic plan for implementation of the Mediation Report. Also, a fall Advocacy package will be available in October with action plans for newly adopted 2020 policies.
- · Nov. 15, 2020: Due date for intentions to submit a resolution for the 2021 AGM.
- · Dec. 1, 2020 is the due date for preliminary club numbers.
- d) Committee Reports:
- 1. Membership: Janet N. –Thirty members have paid their dues for 2020-2021
- 2. Program: Catherine R. Nov. 11: Dan Buchanan will speak on *The Wreck of the H.M.S. Speedy*.
- 3. Scholarship: Donna H will arrange to have information put in the November newsletter regarding donations to our endowment funds during this tax year.

Stem Workshop Invitation from Ontario Tech. "Women for Stem 2020 Virtual Summit" Oct. 15, 1 p.m. No cost.

- 4. Interest Groups: Elaine L
- -The golfers have been active this summer.
- -the Morning Book Chat Group and the two Mystery Book Groups have met either outside or socially distanced. Reading One has been meeting by Zoom.
- -Bridge players are planning to play on-line. Members will download the app. The schedule, once finalized, will be posted.

The Board of Directors will discuss the use of a waiver for in person meetings on October 28th

- 5. Newsletter: Barbara L. Newsletter items are due Friday, October 30th
- 6. Zoom Committee: Donna H.: JoAnne P presented information about using the CFUW National Zoom accounts for interest groups. She will put the details in the next newsletter for interest groups to access. There is no charge and meetings can be prebooked with no time limits.

Donna will continue to offer Zoom help sessions for anyone who requires assistance. Practice session dates will be posted in the newsletter.

New Business: Donna H.

Advocacy members information: Joint Truth and Reconciliation Group: four books to be discussed monthly. This is an opportunity for us. https://ecorcucann.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/jtrag-reading-group-invite-final-sept-16-compressed.pdf

Announcements: 1. Board of Directors' Meeting: Wednesday, October 28, 1 p.m. Zoom

2. General Meeting: Wednesday, November 11, 7 p.m. Zoom

3. Speakers' Series, November 21, 2020 Ontario Council

Motion to Adjourn: Melanie K, at 8:55 p.m. Happy bucks

The golf group just before the last game of the year on October 23: Pat M, Jone W, Judy B, Carol S, Lynda B, Janet N, Sandy P, JoAnne P, Barbara L, Donna H, Jo-anne T & Hedy G.



