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September General Meeting
Virtual 

"YWCA Durham - Changing Lives- Saving lives since 1945"
Issues facing women in Durham and the services offered



Debra Mattson
Communications and Fund Development Manager, YWCA, Oshawa will highlight the work that they do.

YWCA Durham has served the women of the region for **75** years.
Each era presents challenges unique to the time in history.



Wednesday, September 9th, 2020 - 7:00 P.M.
Zoom Link will be emailed to members.
Guests are welcome. Email your request for link to be sent.

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Membership News

Our membership committee will be phoning everyone to check on well-being, note any changes of address or emails, and provide information about our first meeting.

The fees will be the same as last year (\$115), and cheques can be made payable to “CFUW Oshawa and District”. Although we won't be paying rental fees for a couple of more months, our expenses continue with National dues, Ontario Council dues, and of course speaker fees. Cheques can be mailed to Hedy Gadd at 6 Glenelge Court, Bowmanville ON L1C 4J1.

Our program committee has performed a miracle and engaged speakers for each of the fall meetings. All meetings, however, will be on Zoom as Kingsview United Church will not be open for community groups for a while; our phoning committee will be talking to you about using Zoom. We will also need the names and contact information of any prospective new members so that we can ensure they receive an invitation to the September 9 Zoom meeting the day before. We do need that email address in advance.

Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions. It will be good to see the faces of all our members on that Zoom screen. Be safe. *Janet N.*

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.

Condolences to Ruth F. who recently held a celebration of life for her husband, and to Catherine R. who recently lost her only sister after a brief illness.

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 June newsletter should be received by Sunday, September 27th.



'Doing lunch' outdoors at Parkwood:

Barb L., Melanie K., Jo-anne T., Pat M., Hedy G., JoAnne P., Judy B.

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Program News: *Catherine R.***Upcoming Speakers at general meetings-**

September 9 Debra Masson from the Durham YWCA “75 years of Caring for Women”

October 14 Kiran Bissoon: local foodie, caterer and blogger specializing in healthy vegan dishes. “Cooking with Herbs and Spices”

November. 11 Dan Buchanan, author and history buff “The Wreck of the HMS Speedy”. The shipwreck that may have changed the course of Canadian history.

All presentations on Zoom

Interest Groups*Elaine L.*

The dozen members of the golf group have been playing every Friday morning this summer.
Hedy G., Sandy P., Judy B., JoAnne P., Janyce C., Barb L.

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READING GROUP 1 BARB L.

Tuesday, September 15 at 1:30 pm Host: Zoom meeting Discussion leader: JoAnne P.

Book Selection: *The Dutch House* by Anne Patchett Watch your mailbox for your invitation

BRIDGE

Playing Bridge during Covid.

As we begin another CFUW year, it is sad to know that we won't be able to meet up in person in the same ways as we have in the past. One popular interest area, Bridge, is especially affected by this. It's just not possible to social distance or avoid touching things others have touched.

The good news is that we can still play bridge, just not the way we used to. There are a variety of online options, but the most popular and user friendly and free is Trickster cards which you can find at <https://www.trickstercards.com/>.

To get the most out of the experience you need a camera and microphone on your computer, or you can use your I-pad or Tablet which come equipped with both of those. Some of us tried it out in the spring and were happy with the experience. We could see and speak with each other while the program handled our bidding and playing.

If there is interest in giving this a try, we will see if we can give it a go. Contact JoAnne P at proutj5@gmail.com if you would like to participate.

CFUW Oshawa and District Annual General Meeting

Thurs. May 14, 1:00 pm

***Note: Meeting held on social media platform Zoom due to restrictions of the global pandemic**

Call to Order and Welcome: Donna H. at 1:22 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes of the General Meeting of Wed. April 29, 2020

Motion: Moved by Catherine R. Seconded by Hedy G. All in favour. Carried.

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Annual General Meeting 2019-2020

1. Report of Registration-Janet N- there are 22 voting members present
2. Adoption of the AGM Agenda
Motion: Jane Rowe, Lorraine V. All in favour. Carried.
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, May 8, 2019, reviewed at 1/28/2020 Executive Meeting and circulated in the April 2020 Newsletter. **Motion:** Catherine R., Hedy G. All in favour. Carried.
4. Nomination of Teller(s)-JoAnne P.-Electronic voting on Zoom
5. Co-President's Report: Sheila S.
- Report read as presented in Annual Report
6. Acceptance of Annual Reports (emailed to the membership) excluding Treasurer's and Nominating Committee.
Motion: Melanie K., Jennifer C. All in favour. Carried.
7. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report- Hedy G.
- as written in Annual Report
Motion: Moved by Hedy G. Seconded by Barb L. All in favour. Carried.
- Acceptance of Scholarship Report- Hedy G. - as written in Annual Report
Motion: Moved by Hedy G. Seconded by Lina Z. All in favour. Carried.
8. Motion to approve the Revised Club Constitution 2020.
- draft and notice of motion were sent by email to the General Membership 4/30/2020
Motion: JoAnne P., Lorraine V. All in favour. Carried.
9. Appointment of Interim Chair: Janet N.
Constitution Articles: Article V: Board of Directors and Article VII: 1-6 read by Catherine R
10. Nominating Committee Report: Joan W.
a) list of nominees read out as listed in report

-Lina Z. has agreed to continue as Archives Convenor with Jone W. being the Club photographer

- As no one has volunteered to stand as Treasurer, Hedy G. has agreed to extend her term beyond the 4 yrs. As stated in the Constitution this must be approved by the membership.

Motion to approve to extend Hedy G.'s term as Treasurer by one year.

Moved by Jone W. Seconded by Janet N. All in favour. Carried.

b) Interim Chair- Janet N. called for further nominations from the floor 3 times

- no further nominations were presented

c) Motion to Accept the Nominating Committee's Report and the slate of officers as presented **Motion:** Jone W., Janet N. All in favour. Carried.

New President Donna H. took over as Chair

New Business

1. a) **CFUW National:**

-A Mediator was retained by CFUW National and a Working Group formed to discuss our future relationship with GWI. A report will be presented in early June.

b) **The Articles and Bylaws of CFUW National** have been updated, as of October 2019, to reflect changes required to bring them into alignment with the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act (NFPAct). A lawyer, Karen Cooper, was retained to review the documents and provide input.

See <https://cfuwadmin.org/governance/articles-and-bylaws/> . Any suggestions for Amendments are due **May 19, 2020.**

Some of the changes include the following:

- no references to "graduate women" as a membership requirement

- change re weighted voting- currently larger Clubs have more votes. New Legislation for non- profits states one Club, one vote. Organizations can apply for an exemption to this rule.

- new legislation states that the National organization determines any fee increases needed to be fiscally responsible. Currently our National board must submit a motion for an increase that requires approval of 2/3 of the delegates at an AGM.

2. CFUW Ajax /Pickering has made us aware of the financial difficulties that Scientists in Schools are facing due to COVID-19. This is a project started by that club but now is an independent charity. They have established a gofundme campaign, "Stand Up for Future Scientists", with a goal of raising \$100,000 to offset the loss and to help them recover. Club members are welcome to donate if they choose but are encouraged to share the information on social media.

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/covid-19-stand-up-for-future-scientists>

3. Other Business:

There are several motions that will need to be voted on at the National AGM. Our delegates or proxies need to know how our Club wants to vote.

The Guelph Motion is of particular interest because it relates to GWI and in particular, its financial management. The motion will require a 2/3 majority of delegates to pass. Guelph feels that they already have approval of 51% of delegates. The feeling is that Clubs are leaning towards leaving GWI. A change in weighted voting due to the new non-profit legislation could change the outcome. It would take at least three years to withdraw from GWI as this can only occur at a Triennial meeting of the General Assembly. The report of the GWI working group will be sent out in the June Newsletter if we have it in time.

Motion: Donna H., JoAnne P. to hold a special **General Meeting on Zoom**, to discuss the GWI Working Group results and motions to be voted on at the AGM. As per revised Constitution this motion must be approved by at least 10 members. Carried. Meeting tentatively booked for Wed. June 10 at 1:00 pm.

4. Future Dates:

-Joint Executive Meeting: Wednesday May 27th 1-4 pm, on Zoom.

-Submissions for June Newsletter due May 29th

*Members are invited to submit a short story on how they have dealt with Covid-19. With your permission, we will archive these as part of our club's historical record.

-Ontario Council AGM: Sat. May 30th, 8:30 am.-10:30 am. online.

-CFUW National AGM: Fri. June 19, 12-3pm, Sat. June 20, 12-4pm, Zoom

- let Donna know if you plan to attend so voting can be discussed

5. Happy Bucks and Show and Tell –members shared good news, projects, etc.

6. **Motion to Adjourn:** JoAnne P. at 3:14 p.m.

Please note the Ontario Council Speakers Series/Workshops for the 2020-21 term:

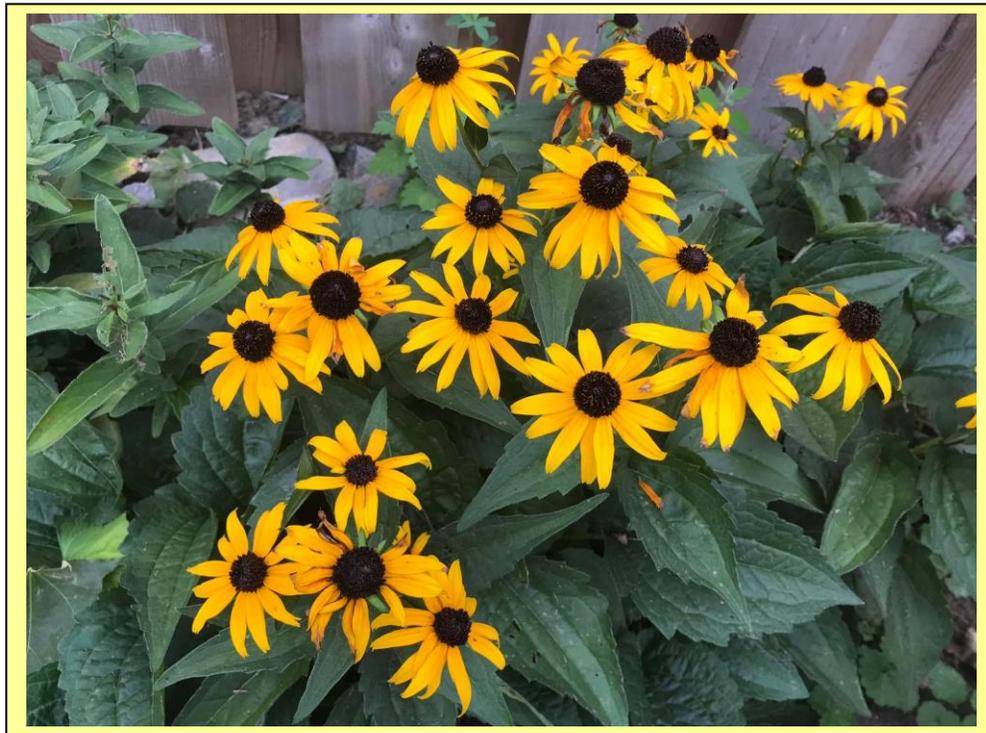
October 3, November 21 and February 27, 2021.

The October 3rd program will be virtual, more details to follow.



August 26 Board meeting: your executive working hard for you.
Donna H., Barb L., JoAnne P., Hedy G.
Lorraine V., Janet N., Jone W., Catherine R.
Elaine L., Sandy P.

Stay safe and well



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