



**April General Meeting**  
featuring  
**Marjorie Mason—Master Gardener**  
Inspirations from gardens around the world



**Wednesday, April 10 2019 7:15 P.M.**  
Kingsview United Church 505 Adelaide Ave. E. Oshawa

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Spring is here!



**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK JONE W.**

I woke up this morning reflecting on my CFUW family. Yes, family. It is so rewarding to know a group of ladies who have similar interests in advancing the status of women and girls, and sharing pastimes.

On the last Monday of March, two book groups met. My group, as usual, started by catching up on everyone's lives, moved on to trying to discuss the selected book while digressing to talk about related topics and personal experiences, and ended very late with more personal discussion over a table of delicious treats with hot beverages.

On the last Wednesday of March, the club executive met. Thirteen committed, hard-working volunteers gathered to report on their portfolios and plan club events for the next couple of months.

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Everyone came prepared and worked together to stay on topic. Everyone contributed to the discussions and offered to help where needed.

On the last Friday of March, the Let's Do Lunch outing attracted 12 of our members and two from our sister club of Ajax-Pickering. For two hours, we talked to each other about our families, travels, and experiences. Even a bit of club business was dealt with. It was heart-warming to look down the long table of diners where everyone was engaged in lively conversation.

I am honoured to be a part of this wonderful group of ladies. As we enter the last months of the 2018-19 year, I hope to see many of you at our April general meeting and our May AGM and potluck. The dinner is another great opportunity to converse with old friends and make new ones.

*Jone*

Next Executive Meeting:

Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 1:30 PM at Janet N's (note the change of venue).

WAYS AND MEANS

Fashion Show



Fundraiser

We have some great door prizes and a light lunch will be served at noon. The store will remain open after the fashion show to allow you to shop. No sales tax will be charged.

**Cachet** is located in downtown Bowmanville at 49 King St. West on the south side of the street. On Sunday, there is free on street parking on both sides of the road. There is also a small municipal parking lot, free on Sunday, located on Silver Street right across from the store. **Please bring your ticket as we will use half of it to enter into our draw for door prizes.**

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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.

**During March, get well cards were sent to Joan M., Carol T. and Linda P. Best wishes to Kathryn B. on her recent marriage.**

EDITOR *BARBARA L.*

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

Please refer to your roster for contact information.

Please submit all newsletter items to [barblewis@rogers.com](mailto:barblewis@rogers.com)

**Reminder: items for the May newsletter should be received by Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.**

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**INTEREST GROUPS ELAINE L.****Book Lovers****“IT’S A MYSTERY” MARY K.**

Monday, May 27 at 7:30 pm      Book selection: *In Prior’s Wood* by G. M. Malliet  
 Discussion leader: Mary K.                      Host: Hedy G.

**MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK CLUB 2 JANET B.**

Monday, May 27 at 7 pm      Book Selection: *The Couple Next Door* by Shari Lapena  
 Discussion leader: Marianne C.      Host: Pat D.

**READING GROUP 1 BARB L.**

Tuesday, April 16 at 1:30 pm      Book Selection: *The Perfume Collector* by Kathleen Tessaro  
 Discussion leader: Sandy P.      Host: Sheila S.      Refreshments: Janet N.

**MORNING COFFEE AND BOOK CHAT: MELANIE K.**

Wednesday, April 3 at 10 am      Book Selection: *You Are Not So Smart* by David McRaney  
 and a left over from February *The English Patient* by Michael Ondaatje. Hosted by Diane H.

**DINING****LET’S DO LUNCH CATHERINE R.**

Friday, April 26 at 12:30 pm-The Piano Café, 217 Queen Street, Port Perry.  
 Please contact Pat D.

Lorraine V., March speaker,  
 Leigh Naturkach, Hedy G.





## **BRIDGE**

### **BRIDGE BUDDIES: MONDAY EVENINGS KAREN D.**

Start time: 7:15 pm

April 01 @ Lynn M.

April 15 @ Lynn M.

May 06 @ Karen D.

### **MONDAY AFTERNOON BRIDGE HEDY G.**

Monday, April 8                      1:30 p.m. at Northview Community Centre in Oshawa

Monday, April 22      NO BRIDGE as the centre is closed due to Easter Monday holiday

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT BRIDGE DOROTHY W.**

All games start at 7:00 p.m. Please note changes from the original schedule.

April 3 @ Nancy I.

April 17 @ Lina Z.

### **Speaker Series at Ontario Council: March 2, 2019**

The keynote speaker was Yaelle Gang from *Equal Voice*, a non-partisan, national and bilingual organization founded in 2001 to promote the election of more women at the various levels of government. Did you know that:

- 39 % of MPPs are women in the Ontario Legislature
- 17% of mayors in Ontario are female
- 34% MPs from Ontario in Ottawa are women
- Quebec is the first province to elect over 40% women in the last election in the fall
- Vancouver City Council is made up of 3 men and 8 **women**

Many women do not run as a candidate due to the following reasons:

1. Large time commitment
2. Family obligations
3. Financial cost
4. Not enough skills
5. Life in the public eye

The second speaker was Hafsah Asadullah, a student from U of T, who participated in the *Daughter of the Vote* conference in Ottawa in 2017. This is a program supported by the Status of Women Canada who bring 18-23 year old women from each riding to Ottawa to communicate their vision for Canada. *Hedy G.*

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**CFUW Oshawa and District General Meeting Minutes****7:15 pm, Wednesday, March 13, 2019**

Hedy G. welcomed everyone in the absence of President, Jone W.

Lorraine V. introduced our speaker, Leigh Naturkach, whose topic was *Talking About Death Won't Kill You*. Leigh was thanked by Hedy.

Social break with refreshments                      Attendance: 36

Hedy called the business meeting to order at 8:45 pm.

1. **Motion:** Mary K., Dorothy W.: to accept **the minutes** of the January 9, 2019 general meeting as printed and circulated. **Carried.** There was no February meeting due to bad weather.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Hedy reported a balance of \$3463.44 in the general fund. The balance in the scholarship trust fund is \$925.18. **Motion:** Hedy G., Janet B.: to accept the treasurer's report. **Carried.**
3. **Ontario Council**
  - a) Hedy reported on the Speaker Seminar, *Women Helping Women*, which she attended on March 2. The topics were women in politics (speaker from Equal Voice) and the self-image of women and girls.
  - b) Finalized registration forms for the OC AGM, May 10-11, *Helping Women on the Margins through Education*, are available. They have been emailed to the membership. Registration deadline is April 16, 2019.
  - c) There have been some OC by-law changes to conform to the Ontario Not for Profit Corporation Act.
4. **National News**
  - a) Eighteen Canadian delegates travelled to attend the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women this month. The focus was on gender equality and empowerment of women and girls.
  - b) International Women's Day 2019 fund raising: CFUW is supporting *Justice for Women in Antioquia, Colombia*, partnering with Inter Pares to support litigation for women and girls who were victims of sexual and gender based violence. Donations accepted until June 1.
  - c) There was an amendment to the Articles and Bylaws: to replace the terms "Member at Large" and "Club at Large" with E-Member and E-Club.

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## 5. Committee Reports

- a) **Advocacy:** Mary K. attended the UOIT donor recognition dinner at Bistro 67 on March 4. Our recipient, Claryssa Zimmerman, was unable to attend, but will be invited to come to our AGM in May..  
There are no national resolutions this year, but we have been asked to consider issues in order to form new ones for the future. Our advocacy committee has set the following priorities: the economy, health care/pharma care, immigration and climate. They have a sub-committee exploring how we can best be involved in the fall federal election campaign.
- b) **Membership:** Janet N. asked for three volunteers to work on the Nominating Committee with her and Sheila S. They are Elaine L., Lorraine V. and Jo-anne T.
- c) **Interest Groups:** The next *Let's Do Lunch* will be at The Greek Tycoon, Whitby at 12:30 pm on Friday, March 29. Contact Jone W. (not Catherine R.).
- d) **Christmas Dinner:** Elaine L. has researched Oshawa Golf Club. They are accessible. The ticket price would vary depending on meal choice.
- e) **Scholarship:** Donna H. reported that UOIT will award two bursaries for us of \$2250 each this year. In the last reporting period, \$600 was donated by our members. Value of the fund is in excess of \$152,000.  
Durham College will give one award of \$1,500 this year. Donations from our members totalled \$1,850. Value of that fund is in excess of \$55,500.  
**Motion:** Donna H., JoAnne P.: That \$1000 of the money raised from the April 14, 2019 fashion show be directed to a one time CFUW 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary award for a female student at Durham College who is in STEM, trades or renewable technology programs. A major criterion will be financial need. **Carried.**
- f) **Program:** Janet B. announced that, at our April meeting, we will welcome Marjorie Mason who will speak on *Gardens around the World*.
- g) **Ways and Means:** Only eleven tickets remain for the fashion show. There are six models, all CFUW members. Several good door prizes have been promised. The next committee meeting will be on March 21.

## 6. New Business

50/50 draw Sue S. (\$16 won by a guest and donated to the Scholarship fund.)

Happy Bucks

**Archives** have been purged by Lina Z. and her helpers. Selected items have been scanned by JoAnne P.

**Next meeting:** April 10 - Greeter will be Donna H.

**Motion to adjourn.** Dorothy W. at 9:30 pm. *Barbara L. for Catherine R.*

***Please do not wear perfume or perfumed products to CFUW meetings.  
Some people have serious allergies.***

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