



Canadian Federation of University Women – Ottawa

# Capital Carillon

## November General Meeting

DATE: Nov. 4, 2013  
 TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
 PLACE: Riverside United Church/  
 Anglican Church of the  
 Resurrection,  
 3191 Riverside Drive,  
 Ottawa, ON K1V 8N8  
 SPEAKER: Hally Siddons, Convenor,  
 University Women Helping  
 Afghan Women  
 TOPIC: The Afghan Story Told at the  
 IFUW Triennial in Istanbul



**From left to right:** Dr. Leila Metcalf, Dr. Sima Samar, and our speaker Hally Siddons at the IFUW Triennial in Istanbul, August 18, 2013

The University Women Helping Afghan Women Study and Interest Group (UWHAW) was created by CFUW-Ottawa members deeply affected by the message Dr. Sima Samar, Chairperson of the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission, delivered about the plight of Afghan women at the 2010 AGM in Ottawa.

The focus of UWHAW is learning, advocacy and support. Over the past three years, under the dynamic leadership

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

NANCY DEVILLERS

We are in the midst of a busy fall. A time when members get re-acquainted with friends in their Study and Interest Groups and possibly join new groups. A time when we have the opportunity to hear great speakers, free of charge, at our monthly General Meetings. And a time when we begin our fundraising activities in support of the many projects we sponsor.

Last month, I mentioned that we had donated almost \$40,000 last year to scholarships here in Ottawa and in Kabul. I think we can do equally well, or better, this year. Here are some questions to ask yourself:

Have I given a donation to the Scholarship Trust Fund this year? (Make out cheque to CFUW-Ottawa Scholarship Trust Fund and mail to STF Treasurer, Box 8392, Station T, Ottawa, ON K1G 3H8 or press the Donate Now button under the Scholarships and Donating Tab on the website.)

Have I purchased a ticket to the Holiday Party? (Alice Bolt will be selling tickets at the General Meeting on Nov. 4. She can be reached at (613) 731-5221)

And why do we do this? For women and girls who have not had the remarkable good fortune that most of us have had. We do it because we know that a relatively small donation can make a big difference. I think that this poem says it best:

If you give a girl a book she will want to learn to read.  
 If she wants to learn to read she will need to go to school.  
 If you send a girl to school she will get an education.  
 If she gets an education she will earn more income.  
 If she has more income she will spend it on her family.  
 If she spends it on her family she will give her girl a book.  
 If she gives her girl a book, the girl will want to read and go to school and get an education. . . .  
 (Project TEMBO)

There is a new group of students waiting for our support again this year, hoping that they are able to get some financial assistance to enable them to keep pursuing their dreams. Thanks to all who have helped make this a reality.

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## Meeting — continued

of Hally Siddons, this vibrant CFUW-Ottawa group has advocated strongly for the protection of Afghan women's human rights and freedoms, has supported their education in various ways, and has tried to counter the cynicism and misinformation that pervades.

Thanks to the tireless energy of UWHAW, this initiative is no longer confined to just CFUW-Ottawa, nor just CFUW. UWHAW was instrumental in getting the story of Afghan women on the IFUW Triennial agenda in Istanbul this past August. IFUW President, Catherine Bell, recognizes the work of UWHAW and that of partner affiliates in Istanbul (U.S., U.K., Australia, and Rwanda) and hopes to work to create an Afghan project that is IFUW-wide.

CFUW-Ottawa is immensely proud of the accomplishments of UWHAW and invites all members and members of the public to come to the November General Meeting to hear Hally Siddons present the paper she co-authored with Dianne Rummery and delivered in Istanbul, to share glimpses of this intriguing city and the superb conference, and to learn of the exciting new ventures that have resulted.

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Mary Butterill  
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Links to electronic issues going back to Feb. 2001 are found under Newsletter, Archives on the Club website at [www.cfuw-ottawa.org](http://www.cfuw-ottawa.org).

## CFUW-OTTAWA ENCORE ON ROGERS TV

On Monday morning, Sept. 16, CFUW-Ottawa President Nancy DeVillers was interviewed on "daytime Ottawa" by co-hosts Lois Lee and Derick Fage (Rogers TV, Cable 22: Weekdays 11 a.m. | 2 p.m. | 5 p.m. | 11 p.m.). She had appeared on the same program, interviewed by the same hosts, on Sept. 13 last year. She spoke about the role of CFUW-Ottawa as an internationally linked organization dedicated to improving the status of women and girls, and about some of its events and projects, mentioning the Season Opener to be held at Library and Archives Canada that evening.

Scheduled just before Nancy's interview, Grete Hale spoke about the importance of volunteerism, a subject in which she is well versed. She has received many honours for her lifelong commitment to volunteering, including the Order of Canada in 2006. Cur-



Nancy DeVillers and Grete Hale in the Rogers TV Studio just before their interviews. **Photo by:** Lisa Sabatini, Producer, "daytime Ottawa"

rently serving as Honorary Colonel of the Governor General's Foot Guards, and the first woman appointed to this ceremonial post, Grete proudly wears their uniform.

**Grete Hale will be the speaker at the  
CFUW-Ottawa January General Meeting.  
SAVE THE DATE: Monday, Jan. 6, 2014, at 1 p.m.**

## The CFUW 2013 Advocacy Tool Kit

Each year, the CFUW National Office prepares a *Post-Resolution Advocacy Tool Kit* to help clubs carry out advocacy. You can find information sheets, sample letters to legislators and officials, and action plans for all six resolutions approved at the 2013 National AGM (Bullying and Cyberbullying; Hypersexualization of Children; A Federal Commissioner for Canada's Children; Moving Canadians Out of Poverty; Reduction of Dietary Sodium; and The Long Form Census)

at [www.cfuw.org/en-ca/advocacypolicy/currentandupcomingissues.aspx](http://www.cfuw.org/en-ca/advocacypolicy/currentandupcomingissues.aspx). Check it out! The site also has an advocacy handbook and a wealth of information about dealing with politicians and issues. We will be sending letters from our club to the nine MPs and eight MPPs who represent our area in federal and provincial governments.

**Charlotte Rigby**  
VP Liaison

## A Successful Season Opener Once Again

The CFUW-Ottawa Season Opener held on Sept. 16, 2013 at Library and Archives Canada on Wellington St., was a great success, thanks to the commitment and hard work of the organizing committee (Mary Broderick, Jean Chapman, Nancy DeVillers, Carol Hinde, Sue Hurtubise, Christine Marland, Patricia O'Flaherty, Dr. Charlotte Rigby, Nancy Simmons-Wright), all participating group convenors, and the assistance of other volunteers. Between 150 - 200 people attended and 18 new members were registered. Though there were challenges in booking the premises, all went well in the end. Participants responded favourably to the new signage, the new location in the foyer and meeting room

156 near the auditorium, and to the friendly reception. As well as coffee and tea provided by Bridgehead, a wine cash bar was available. Light refreshments were offered, including cheese, crackers, and sweets. BLP Engineers, operated by Carol Hinde's husband, provided laminated signage.

Next year, a new venue will be needed. Responsibility for renting space at the Archives has been taken over by Public Works and Government Services Canada, resulting in dramatic escalation in rental cost. This year, the rent was increased to \$400, next year it will be \$800, the following year \$1,200, and then up to \$1,600. This is clearly way out of CFUW-Ottawa's price range. If anyone



Mary Broderick arranging munchies at Season Opener. **Photo by:** Nancy Simmons-Wright

has connections or ideas for a new venue, they will be welcomed.

**Jean Chapman**  
VP Operations

### CFUW Ontario Council Standing Committees Meeting – Sept. 28, 2013

What a pleasure it was to hear the keynote speaker at the recent Standing Committees Meeting in Toronto! Alia Hogben, Executive Director of the Canadian Council of Muslim Women (CCMW) began by musing that both of our organizations have exactly the same goals – the equality of women, higher education for women, peace initiatives, etc.

The three pillars under which she works are the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Islam, and the UN's Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Working with a small budget and no office, she nevertheless manages to accomplish great things. She has campaigned against Sharia law in Ontario and is pleased that no religious laws can be used to decide issues in the Canadian court system. Another situation at a school led to a young people's initiative entitled Common Ground Project which provided outreach to other religious groups in 10 cities across Canada, building bridges of understanding and respect.

Ms. Hogben stressed that the Muslim population in Canada is as diverse as the rest of the population, coming as they do from various parts of the world, each with its own language, culture, and belief system. Major challenges include pressure to believe in one interpretation of Islam, an interpretation that can be rigid, conservative, and inflexible. Under this interpretation, women are not seen as equal. However, the mosque which Alia attends in Toronto has men and women praying together in the same place and sharing all aspects of worship.

Her answer to a question from the audience about the proposed Quebec Charter of Values was "I believe that no state has the right to tell women how to dress."

It was a thought-provoking address which will stay with those of us who heard it for a long time. If you get a chance to hear this warm and vibrant woman speak, I recommend that you take it.

**Nancy DeVillers**  
President, CFUW-Ottawa

### RECENT CFUW-OTTAWA APPOINTMENTS

- **Janet Hagey** is now the **Website and Internet Services Convenor**.
- **Mary Houston-Lambert** and **Mary Butterill** will be **Co-Editors** of the 2013-14 **CFUW-Ottawa Annual Report**.
- **Sue Roseman** is the contact person for the **CFUW-Ottawa Twitter account**. If you have questions, suggestions or would like to post a message on the Club's account, please contact Sue.
- The post of **Hospitality Convenor** remains unfilled. Please contact Wilma Clapham, Chair of the Nominating Committee, if interested.



From the Environmental Toxins and Health Group

## *Toxic BPA in Cash Register Receipts!*

### What Can We Do?

#### The Problem:

BPA is toxic. It is widely used in receipts. This calls for action on our part.

#### Background:

Studies have demonstrated that the chemical Bisphenol A, which coats many cash register receipts, can enter one's body by absorption through the skin or by mouth. BPA is a colour developer for the printing dye in thermal paper, now routinely used for printing receipts. Although the precise amount of BPA which enters the body is unknown, it is long established that BPA is an **endocrine disruptor** which – *even at very low levels* – can mimic or block hormones, thus disrupting the body's normal function. Harmful effects can include reproductive, developmental, and neurological disturbances. BPA has been implicated in cancers, heart disease, and other illnesses. Studies have shown that retail workers had 34 percent more BPA in their bodies than other workers.

There has been limited progress in tackling the BPA problem. Japan completed the phase-out of BPA in paper by 2003 and several U.S. states have followed. In 2008, Canada became the first country to ban BPA in baby bottles but has not banned BPA in receipts - though some shops have switched to BPA-free paper.

**It is therefore up to consumers to protect themselves.**

#### What To Do:

1. Limit taking a receipt, if not needed (e.g. for tax purposes).
2. Store receipts separately in your purse or wallet.
3. Do not let children hold or play with receipts.
4. After handling receipts, wash hands thoroughly, especially to prepare or eat food.
5. Avoid hand creams or other skin products before, or alcohol-based cleansers after, handling receipts. These products can increase BPA absorption.
6. Ask local storeowners to reduce or eliminate use of BPA-tainted receipts.
7. If you own a business, seek out safe alternative paper for receipts.
8. Ask your MP to press government to phase out use of BPA in all products.
9. Do not recycle receipts: their residue contaminates recycled paper products. Dispose of them in regular garbage. (Test: When rubbed with coin, grey streaks show on receipt, if BPA is present.)

#### References:

1. [environmentaldefence.ca/blog/tip-month-%E2%80%93-would-you-bpa-filled-receipt](http://environmentaldefence.ca/blog/tip-month-%E2%80%93-would-you-bpa-filled-receipt)
2. [www.alive.com/articles/view/23508/bisphenol\\_a](http://www.alive.com/articles/view/23508/bisphenol_a)

## ARE YOU BUYING SOMEONE A GOAT FOR CHRISTMAS?

In many developing countries, a goat, or chickens, or a well, can mean the difference between self-sufficiency and poverty. In Canada, the equivalent could be a university degree.

The employment rate of people with disabilities – a mark of self-sufficiency and inclusion – is lower in Canada than in eight of 16 peer countries. The most recent Conference Board of Canada data shows that only 44 percent of working-age people with disabilities are employed in Canada. If we are truly

living in the information age, what you have in your brain matters more than how the rest of your body functions.

Canadians with disabilities who are employed earn 87 percent of what people without disabilities earn. That's not great, it should be equal, but getting the job is the key. The means to that is the best education.

If you are thinking of a charitable gift for Christmas, please consider a donation to the CFUW-Ottawa Members' Gift Scholarship for a Woman with a

Disability. **Cheques should be written to CFUW-Ottawa Scholarship Trust Fund (indicating "for Members' Gift Scholarship") and mailed to STF Treasurer, Box 8392, Station T, Ottawa, ON K1G 3H8. A receipt for income tax purposes will be issued for donations of \$20 or more.**

**Fran Harding**  
Founder, CFUW-Ottawa  
Members' Gift Scholarship



## Diplomatic Hospitality's "Canadian Oktoberfest"

On October 4, CFUW-Ottawa members and their guests met 35 diplomats for lunch at the Maple Leaf -Almrausch Club, a Bavarian-themed clubhouse southeast of town, its interior colourfully decorated with German flags and paintings. This new initiative of Diplomatic Hospitality aimed to promote our German conversation subgroup that meets every week at the homes of its members, and to feature German heritage within Canada. Diplomatic Hospitality also includes subgroups for French and Spanish language and culture, English conversation for the benefit of non-anglophone diplomats, and bridge.

Some of the diplomats came with young children and a few Canadians brought their husbands, so the occasion had a family atmosphere. Five people wore authentic German *dirndls*, lent by Vija Kluchert. After the welcome from Dr. Ülle Baum, President of Diplomatic Hospitality, I told the gathering about the origins of Oktoberfest in Germany and Canada and sang a German folksong. Ülle then initiated a dance to the accompaniment of her accordion, generating a lively atmosphere. One of the dances was a game about guessing people's names, a fun way of getting to know one another. As well as providing a podium and public address system and opening the bar for us, the Club staff served everyone a meal of chicken *schnitzel* with potato salad and *sauerkraut*, followed by *apfelstrudel* and coffee. Oktoberfest background music played during our lunch, the dining tables with their checkered tablecloths decorated with flowers, autumn leaves, and pinecones.

Along with Ülle, whose idea it was, a whole team of us worked hard to make the occasion a success, new members Mira Hadden and Lisa Haley, as well as Sandy Bason, Eva Hammond, Carol Hinde, Rita Kapadia, Elvira Matthews, Dr. Lolan Merklinger (German Conversation Group Co-Convenor), Sue Roseman, Muriel Scott-Smith, Danielle Séguin, and Nancy Vrooman.

Thanks to everyone involved!

**Alison Hobbs**

Co-Convenor,

Diplomatic Hospitality German Conversation Group



Alison Hobbs, wearing a light-coloured German *dirndl*, and Ülle Baum, playing her accordion, leading the dance at Oktoberfest! **Photo by:** Carol Hinde



**From left to right:** Alison Hobbs, Vija Kluchert (one of the founding members of the German Conversation Group some 18 years ago), Ülle Baum, and Rosemary MacDonald (a former Convenor of the German group) **Photo by:** Mira Hadden



## Should the NCC be Abolished?

At the first General Meeting of the 2013-14 CFUW-Ottawa year (Oct. 7), Russell Mills, Chairperson of the National Capital Commission, ably supported his thesis, through reference to the past, present and future, that the NCC is still relevant and should not be abolished.

With respect to the past, Mr. Mills gave a chronological history of the efforts made by successive governments since 1867 to forge a national capital out of what was originally a rough and tumble lumber town. Many preferred Montreal, Toronto, and Kingston as the capital. He spoke about the 1950 Gréber Plan, which recommended large-scale works that dramatically altered the National Capital Region.

In 1958, the National Capital Commission was established to implement

the Gréber Plan through passage of the *National Capital Act*. The NCC was authorized to develop, conserve, and improve the National Capital Region in accordance with its national significance. With this mandate and the authority to acquire and manage lands and buildings and construct projects in the Capital, the NCC was able in the 1960s and '70s to realize Gréber's vision for the National Capital Region.

With respect to the present, Mr. Mills underscored the need for a balanced approach in dealing with two provinces, several federal government departments, two large and 11 smaller municipalities, as well as many interest groups.

Mr. Mills touched upon the current disagreement between the City of Ottawa and the NCC with respect to

the placement of the Light Rail Transit system along the Sir John A. MacDonald Parkway. In his opinion, the disagreement gap is lessening, with the NCC holding firm to the notion that accessibility to the Ottawa River must be maintained.

He gave a glimpse of the NCC's future plans for the National Capital Region in his account of the ongoing development of LeBreton Flats and the future development of Victoria Island. He emphasized the need to respect the great historical and spiritual significance of the latter to Canada's aboriginal peoples.

On behalf of CFUW-Ottawa, Dr. Abba Sherif, Program Co-Convenor, both introduced and thanked Mr. Mills for being our guest speaker.

**Nancy Simmons-Wright**  
Program Co-Convenor

## More News from the 2013 CFUW National AGM

Three interesting news items came my way from the National AGM held in Saskatoon in July:

1. Since CFUW turns 100 in 2019, it is not too early to start thinking about this event. The National Board has begun discussions and has come up with the following ideas - a CFUW stamp, a CFUW award, a foundation for research and training for women as spokespeople, a collection of CFUW histories and the 100 women who made a difference over 100 years of CFUW. Areas of focus will be peace, education, and advocacy. If you can think of a centenary project that would increase CFUW visibility and celebrate the achievements of our clubs, please speak to me.
2. CFUW National Board is encouraging all clubs to support a gender-based anti-violence project of their

choice in 2013-14. It can be an extension of an existing project, or something which directly relates to a current initiative, or something new. It may be anything suitable for our community which supports women and children who are victims of violence. If you have any ideas, please contact Charlotte Rigby.

3. AGMs are becoming increasingly expensive. With this in mind, the National Board is debating how to change the structure of the CFUW AGM/Conference to reduce costs for participants (thereby paving the way for greater participation) and the National Office.

We currently have a blended annual general meeting and conference every year. The Conference includes speakers and workshop presenters (the professional development) whereas the AGM includes

the business which CFUW conducts. One idea is to separate the two by putting the conference on one day and the AGM on another. Already we see evidence of this separation at the upcoming 2014 CFUW AGM/Conference in Kitchener-Waterloo which will run from Thursday evening, June 19 until Sunday noon, June 22. Friday will be a full day of guest speakers (Conference) while Saturday and Sunday will be devoted to Club business (AGM). One advantage of this model is that those who work during the week can still attend the AGM which falls on the weekend.

Another idea was to move the AGM/Conference to every second year or even to have part of it accomplished electronically. Other ideas no doubt will also be tried until we have a model which accommodates us and allows more members to attend.

**Nancy DeVillers**  
President, CFUW-Ottawa



## *A Tribute to Our 50 Year CFUW Members*

Four CFUW-Ottawa members were officially recognized at the Club's General Meeting on Oct. 7 for having been members of CFUW for at least 50 years. They were briefly introduced by President Nancy DeVillers and presented with bouquets of flowers and certificates of honour by VP Membership Nancy Simmons-Wright. Honorees were enthusiastically applauded and congratulated and both individual and group photos were taken.



We herewith introduce our remarkable entrants to the 50 year CFUW member category!

### **Hope Ross-Papezik (Top left)**

Hope has been an active member of CFUW since joining the St. John's Club in 1961. Over the past 52 years, she has held many leadership positions in the St. John's and Ottawa Clubs, including secretary, membership, treasurer, vice-president, and president. She first came to Ottawa in 1968 on her husband's first sabbatical from Memorial University and moved here permanently in 1993. She is a member of Canadiana, Jaunters, Leisure Walking, Literature Study, and Tea, Tales, and Treasures which she first convened in 2004.

### **Marny Emmerson (Top right)**

Marny joined CFUW-Ottawa in 1957 upon her return from a stint as an officer in the Canadian delegation to NATO from 1953 to 1956. Marny served as President of CFUW-Ottawa in 1971-72, belonged to the Canadiana and International Cuisine Groups for many years, participated in Issues Committees, and is a member of Economic Realities for Women. A seasoned traveller, with a prodigious memory, she has visited every continent except for Antarctica.

### **Marian Thomson (Bottom left)**

Marian graduated in Home Economics at the University of Toronto in 1950. She became a founding member of the Elliott Lake Club in 1958 where she experienced her first literature study group composed mainly of English majors. She so enjoyed the literary discussions that she has attended and convened literature study groups in the Kingston, Cornwall and Ottawa Clubs and is currently a member of Duplicate Bridge, Gatineau Trails, and Literature Study.



### **Mary Sabiston (Bottom right)**

Mary joined CFUW Dartmouth in 1954. With a husband in the navy, they travelled across Canada a lot, including two postings in Victoria where she joined the CFUW club there. She said that the Dartmouth Club was lots of fun, due in part to member Helen Creighton, a folklorist from Dartmouth who was a nationally recognized collector of folk music and stories and Celtic music. A member of Gatineau Trails, Mary joined many groups over the years and was President of the Dartmouth Club from 1971-72.



**Thank you, Hope, Marian, Marny, and Mary for enriching CFUW by your loyalty and participation!**

**Photos by:** Mary Butterill (Certificates also by Mary Butterill adapted from a Serif PagePlus template)



# October is Women's History Month in Canada



The 2013 theme of Women's History Month is "Canadian Women Pioneers", selected profiles of whom are found on the Status of Women Canada website at [www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/commemoration/whm-mhf/profiles-eng.html](http://www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/commemoration/whm-mhf/profiles-eng.html).

October was proclaimed Women's History Month in Canada in 1992 because of the landmark *Persons Case* decision in October 1929 which achieved for women the right to serve in the Senate, thanks mainly to the efforts of "The Famous Five" Alberta women: Henrietta Muir Edwards, Nellie McClung, Louise McKinney, Emily Murphy, and Irene Parlby. These pioneers in women's equality are celebrated each year on Persons Day, Oct. 18 and are commemorated on Parliament Hill by an intriguing sculpture by Canadian artist Barbara Paterson. As well, since the 1979 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the *Persons Case*, the Governor General's Awards in Commemoration of the *Persons Case* are given each year around Persons Day to five individuals to recognize their contributions to women's equality. The legal citation name of the *Persons Case* is *Edwards v. Canada (Attorney General)*. The historic ruling by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, the court of last resort in the British Empire at that time, overturned, on appeal, an earlier

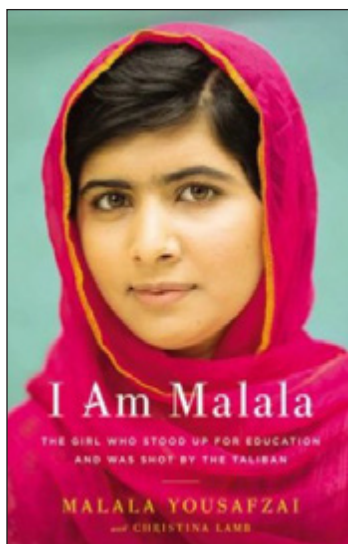
negative decision of the Supreme Court of Canada.

In 2012, another October commemorative date was proclaimed: Oct. 11, *International Day of the Girl Child*. Its 2013 theme is "Innovating for Girls' Education."

Notable awards received by women or girls this month, this year:

On Oct. 10, 2013, Alice Munro was awarded the Swedish Academy's Nobel Prize in Literature for being a "master of the contemporary short story". She is the first Canadian citizen and 13<sup>th</sup> woman to receive this prize awarded annually since 1901 for lifetime achievement in literature. Saul Bellow, who received the prize in 1976, was born in Quebec, but was a naturalized U.S. citizen.

Also on Oct. 10, 16-year-old activist Malala Yousafzai was awarded the European Union's top human rights prize, the Sakharov Prize, for "freedom of thought". She was also a contender for the Nobel Peace Prize, awarded on Oct. 11 to the watchdog Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), based in the Hague. Malala is the Pakistani schoolgirl from the Swat Val-



ley who survived being shot in the head in 2012 by the Taliban for speaking out for education for girls. A fearless advocate for girls' rights, Malala is much admired and a worldwide media darling. Her memoir, *I Am Malala*, just published on Oct. 8, 2013, is already a bestseller, on order at the Ottawa Public Library. The Taliban in Pakistan is banning bookshops from selling the book, warning dire consequences.

## In Memoriam

**Benita LANGDON**  
**1944-2013**



Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of **Benita Langdon**, a former longtime member of

CFUW-Ottawa and several of its groups, including Tea, Tales, and Treasures and Canadiana. Benita passed away on Monday, Sept. 2, 2013 after an illness which she consistently took in stride. She leaves to mourn her husband Don Langdon, daughter Tina, son Jamie (Ann Barbara), and granddaughter Ada Lily. She is also very much missed by her step-children and step-grandchildren. A well-travelled and amusing storyteller, Benita's cup was always half full. Cheerful, loving, caring, and positive, she is missed by her friends and leaves a positive impression upon those who knew her.

A funeral service was held at the Cwinn Chapel of the Jewish Memorial Gardens in Osgoode on Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2013, later followed by interment. Her obituary appeared in the Ottawa Citizen on Tuesday, Sept. 3 and Wednesday, Sept. 4, 2013 and can be located online by "googling" her name followed by term "obituary". (i.e. "Benita Langdon obituary")





## CFUW-OTTAWA HOLIDAY PARTY 2013



Clark Room, RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Dr., Ottawa  
Sunday, Dec. 1, 2013, Noon to 3 p.m.

### Main Fundraiser For Our Own Charity The CFUW-Ottawa Scholarship Trust Fund

A great opportunity to celebrate the beginning of the Holiday Season with friends and family at an elegant hot and cold buffet lunch

BAKE SALE

GRAB BAGS

RAFFLE

DOOR PRIZES

ENTERTAINMENT

Ticket price remains the same at **\$35** (incl. tax & service charge)

- By contacting Alice Bolt at (613) 731-5221; or
- At the Nov. 4 General Meeting; or
- By registering and paying online at [www.cfuw-ottawa.org/events](http://www.cfuw-ottawa.org/events).

For further information, please call  
Alice Bolt or Mary Partington, Holiday Party Co-Convenors

### New Members' Tea



Our traditional New Members' Tea will be held on **Sunday, Nov. 3, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.** at the

home of VP Membership, Nancy Simmons-Wright. **All new Club members and those returning after an absence**, are encouraged to attend. Board members will be there to meet and greet you. We will explain our roles in running our most dynamic Club and outline its place in the larger community. Invitations to the Tea and directions to Nancy's home will be issued. This will be a wonderful opportunity to meet other new members and the CFUW-Ottawa Board, to learn how best to get involved in activities that interest you and to connect with members who live in your area. We offer over 40 study and interest groups, as well as several project, service, and issues groups! We look forward to meeting each of you!

## SAVE THE DATE!

Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW)-Ottawa, Kanata & Nepean & the Ottawa Council of Women (OCW) will present our

### 10<sup>th</sup> Annual International Women's Day (IWD) Celebration

at  
CentrepoinTE (Council Chamber & Atrium)  
on

Thursday evening, March 6, 2014

This popular event features delicious refreshments, fascinating speakers, entertainment, and door prizes, as we join women around the world to celebrate women's history, accomplishments, and challenges.

10 tables in the Atrium will be available to members who wish to sell their publications or crafts. Please contact Beverlee McIntosh for information.

For information about IWD, see [www.internationalwomensday.com](http://www.internationalwomensday.com)

For information or to volunteer, please contact Co-Chairs  
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### Share Your Good Ideas!



Email us at [suggestions@cfuw-ottawa.org](mailto:suggestions@cfuw-ottawa.org)  
OR

Use the Suggestion Box at General Meetings

## CFUW-Ottawa Scholarship Trust Fund

Statement of Financial Position As at May 31, 2013	
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash	\$7,359
Accounts Receivable, Bank	\$29,000
Investments	\$520,791
Accrued Interest	\$4,585
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$561,735</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	\$1,695
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$1,695</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$560,040</b>
Statement of Operations & Net Assets As at May 31, 2013	
<b>Revenue</b>	
Donations - Tax receipted	\$11,625
Donations - Other registered charities	\$1,292
Donations - Non tax receipted	\$105
Donations - CFUW-Ottawa	\$9,509
Interest	\$13,447
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$35,978</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Scholarships & Awards	
Carleton University	\$12,500
University of Ottawa	\$13,500
Ottawa Little Theatre	\$1,000
Donations - CFUW National	\$3,000
General & Administrative	\$1,907
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$31,907</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$4,071</b>
<b>Net Assets at May 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$555,969</b>
<b>Excess of Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>\$4,071</b>
<b>Net Assets at May 31, 2013</b>	<b>\$560,040</b>

Chartered Accountant Karyn Sheridan compiled CFUW-Ottawa's Scholarship Trust Fund financial statements for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2013. They include a statement of financial position, a statement of operations and net assets, and notes to the financial statements.

Respectfully submitted,

**Janet Riehm**

Treasurer, Scholarship Trust Fund for 2012-13

## Seeking Dragonauts for the 2014 Races

If you are interested in finding out more about dragonboating or have already decided that you want to join an enthusiastic and spirited group of paddlers, you will want to contact Adell or Freda to find out the January date for our first organizational meeting. We have a list of over 30 women who have expressed an interest in

paddling and we are looking for a few more spunky gals to add to our roster. It would be wonderful to field two teams next spring! Call us to find out more about this sport that our 2013 Dragonauts demonstrated is accessible to women of all ages! Further information will be posted in the January newsletter.

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## Diplomatic Hospitality German Conversation Group



**From left to right:** Dr. Lolan Merklinger, Dr. Eleonore Wnendt-Juber, wife of German Ambassador Werner Wnendt, Rosemary MacDonald, and Alison Hobbs at a reception at the German Ambassador's residence on Oct. 3 which celebrated the Day of German Unity 2013 (*Tag der Deutschen Einheit*). Alison and Lolan are the current Co-Convenors of Diplomatic Hospitality's German Conversation Group, and Rosemary is a former Convenor. Eleonore has been attending the Group's meetings from time to time since her arrival in Ottawa. The German Conversation Group was started around 1995 by Barbara Hellner, wife of one of the diplomats at the German Embassy, and Edeltraud Neal from the Diplomatic Hospitality Group. **Photo by:** Lois Siegel