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January General Meeting

Queen Nefertiti: The Eternal Mystery

Our January Meeting will be quite historic!

DATE: Monday, Jan. 12, 2015, 1 p.m.

PLACE: Riverside United Church/

Anglican Church of the Resurrection, 3191 Riverside Dr., Ottawa. ON K1V 8N8

TIME: 1 p.m. Presentation (our first

daytime General Meeting!)

SPEAKER: Hassan M. Eltaher, BA, MBA,

Founder and President, Forum

of Alexandria

TOPIC: Queen Nefertiti: The Eternal

Mystery

CFUW-Ottawa General Meetings are open to the public at no charge.

Please join us at 12 noon for a special pre-meeting light lunch featuring Egyptian specialties! Price \$12.

Register for lunch by Jan. 7:

- online at our website at <u>www.cfuw-ottawa.org/events</u>;
- at the Holiday Party on Dec. 7; or
- by phoning Jean Chapman.



Mr. Eltaher is currently an Adjunct Lecturer with the Canadian Foreign Service Institute. He is a former university lecturer in Ottawa, Calgary, and the U.S.,

as well as a former diplomat and aviation specialist with longtime interest in intercultural and international issues, specifically those related to the Mediterranean region. He is a published writer with two books to

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CHARLOTTE RIGBY

It's almost December, and we're putting on our snow tires, pulling out our winter jackets, boots, and mittens, and looking forward to the Holiday Season as we enter CFUW-Ottawa's 105th year. We are in a strong position to meet the many challenges, old and new, that await us.

And so far this year has been challenging indeed! One of CFUW's national priorities is to deal with violence against women. We support groups working to put an end to the heartbreak of so many murdered and missing aboriginal women, and we are strong advocates for programs to address this ongoing national tragedy. Yet this week's national press has front page headlines about yet another vicious attack on yet another aboriginal teen. As the article says, these attacks are "both singularly disturbing and familiar." Also disturbing are so many recent national headlines about sexual harassment, abuse, and victimization of women by public figures. Over and over again, we are reminded how pervasive violence against women is throughout Canadian society. CFUW has earned international respect for our support of women and girls, and we must continue to "roar" for an end to violence against women.

One area of CFUW support is our commitment to Ottawa's Elizabeth Fry (EFry) Society, the United Way agency which serves women in, or at risk of, conflict with the law. Did you know that CFUW-Ottawa is a founding member? It dates from 1951, when five volunteers from the University Women's Club of Ottawa (now CFUW-Ottawa), encouraged by the Archambault Report which stressed the benefits of visiting people in prison, began to visit women

incarcerated in the Ottawa Jail. Alice Bolt and Marjorie Melick are our representatives to EFry. Every November CFUW-Ottawa members donate household items and Christmas gifts to support EFry clients and their children.

We've had an active fall with a full slate of club activities. Our first fundraising "Shopping Night" was held Nov. 13 at Chapters Pinecrest branch. It was great fun – and raised over \$500 for our Scholarship Trust Fund. Many thanks to Nancy Simmons-Wright and her team for making it happen.

And don't forget about our next General Meeting, at 1 p.m. on Jan. 12. It's our first daytime General Meeting and features speaker Hassan Eltaher on Queen Nefertiti of ancient Egypt. You are invited to a light lunch before we meet – details in the announcement in column 1 on this page.

This issue is full of news about more events planned for this year. Information about them is posted on our website and our Facebook site, and will be included in forthcoming issues of the *Carillon* and in our email blasts. I urge you to enjoy the fun and friendship that participation in CFUW offers, and offer my best wishes for a happy Holiday Season.

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his credit. Educated in French schools in Egypt, he obtained his first degree from the American University of Beirut, followed by an MBA in Aviation Management from the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Fla. He lived and worked for many years in Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Libya, Tunisia, Morocco, and the U.S., before settling in Canada in 1980.

Mr. Eltaher is often invited to speak about archaeology, history, culture, and religions of the Near East aboard select cruise ships sailing in the area between Southern Europe, the Eastern Mediterranean, the Red Sea, and the Persian Gulf region. He is a longtime member of the Canadian Institute for Mediterranean Studies and the Society for the Study of Egyptian Antiquities.

Nefertiti, the star of this presentation, will host the audience in her capacity as Queen of Egypt, wife of the most intriguing Pharaoh Akhenaten, mother, woman, and universal symbol of fashion and beauty. The illustrated presentation will cover the discovery of her famous bust at Tell el-Amarna in Egypt by a German archaeological expedition in 1912 and the international row caused by this discovery. A pictorial visit to Nefertiti's celebrated bust at the Neues Museum in Berlin will serve as an introduction to the presentation before we sail through history to find out more about her and how important she and her husband were to Egypt, as well as about the current status of archaeological explorations at the site.

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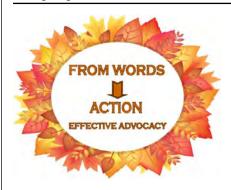
Please send all material for the next issue to the Editor: Mary Butterill at marpathb@storm.ca.

Next issue: February 2015 Deadline: Jan. 15, 2015

Links to electronic issues going back to February 2001 are found under Newsletter, Archives on the Club website at

www.cfuw-ottawa.org.

Highlights of the 2014 Ontario East Regional Fall Gathering



Five of our CFUW-Ottawa members made the trip to Belleville on Oct. 25, joining 55 members from other clubs in our Ontario East Region for an interesting, challenging, and enjoyable day. Hosted by CFUW Belleville and District, the theme of the Gathering, "From Words into Action: Effective Advocacy", focused on women and their communities. Three outstanding speakers provided thought-provoking views of different aspects of women's lives.

Photojournalist Kimberley Stinson of the Journalists for Human Rights Northern Initiative spoke on *Mobilizing the Media to Change Lives: Journalists for Human Rights*. She provides practical

training in isolated northern communities using media as a tool for development.

Dr. Dawn Lavelle-Harvard, the first aboriginal Trudeau scholar and VP of the Native Women's Association of Canada spoke very movingly about *Breaking the Cycle of the Murdered and Missing Aboriginal Women (MMAW)* with her personal viewpoint.

Sandy Watson-Moyles, Executive Director of the Three Oaks Shelter for abused women and their children in Belleville, spoke movingly about *Providing Shelter – Our Present, Past, and Future* and her experiences in providing support and shelter in a small community.

We agreed that it was an excellent day. The CFUW Regional Fall Gatherings are a rare opportunity to meet fellow members from other clubs in a hospitable and welcoming setting. The 2015 Gathering will be presented by CFUW/Kanata, and I encourage all those who can to attend. You'll enjoy it!

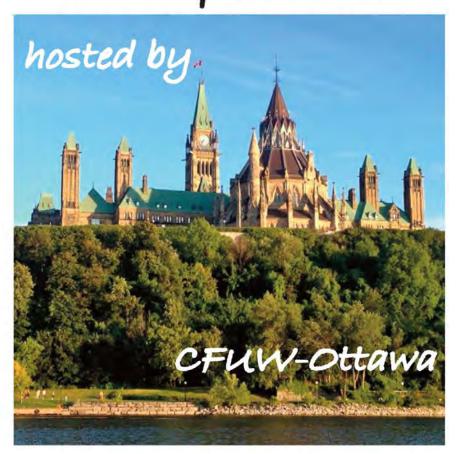
Charlotte Rigby President, CFUW-Ottawa

UWHAW now on Twitter!

- The University Women Helping Afghan Women Study and Interest Group is now on Twitter under its acronym UWHAW. They would love for you to "Follow" them and help spread the word by "Retweeting" their tweets. Selecting tweets as "Favourites" will also be appreciated.
- To find UWHAW, go to Twitter (type "twitter.com" in the address field of your browser and press the "Enter" key), sign in or sign up, and type "UWHAW" in the "Search Twitter" box on the upper right of the page. Select UWHAW@4UWHAW from the dropdown list that appears. You will recognize key components of UWHAW's Facebook page on their Twitter page.
- Twitter limits usernames to 15 characters. The username @4UWHAW was selected because @UWHAW was already taken.
- Please feel free to offer suggestions and comments on the new UWHAW Twitter page to help complement the Group's Facebook page.

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Defying the Odds . . . One Step at a Time



SAVE the DATE

CFUW ONTARIO COUNCIL
AGM & Conference
May 29 & 30, 2015
Hilton Garden Inn - Airport



New Members' Tea

Members of the Board welcomed new and returning CFUW-Ottawa members at the New Members' Tea held on Sunday, Nov. 2 at the home of Mary Partington. It was a good opportunity for new members to meet and learn more about the Club, its history and its goals, on a lovely afternoon. Members of the Board spoke about their roles within the organization and encouraged new members to become involved by joining some of the many Study and Interest Groups and projects, and by taking part in the wide range of activities that the Club provides.

Club President Charlotte Rigby outlined the organization of CFUW provincially, nationally and internationally, noting that CFUW-Ottawa is the largest club in Canada, a club that plays a significant advocacy role in Canada and abroad. Scholarship Trust Fund Chair Margaret Haines spoke of the support given to students of Carleton and Ottawa Universities by the many CFUW-Ottawa scholarships and of the Club's ongoing efforts to sustain these scholarships which depend on donations (including funds raised through the annual Holiday Party and other special events). Others who spoke about their roles within the Club included Nancy DeVillers, Past President, Sue Hurtubise, VP Communications, and

Patricia O'Flaherty, Study and Interest Group Convenor.

Over tea and tasty treats, we shared ideas and made new friends. We look forward to cementing those friendships in the coming months. Many thanks to all who made the afternoon a success and a special thank you to the new and returning members who shared such a pleasant afternoon with us.

> Judith Neale Holtzhauer VP Membership



From the top, left to right, clockwise: Mary Partington, Glenys Pike, Dr. Charlotte Rigby, Zahide Sezerman, Dr. Kevser Taymaz, Pat Mainwaring, Evelyn Horsky, and Sue Hurtubise **Photos by:** Joanne Robertson

Happening at Local CFUW Sister Clubs

The 2014-15 programs of our local sister clubs may interest you. To see the schedules of events and meetings that are open to the public and the names of guest speakers, go to their websites:

CFUW/Kanata: www.cfuwkanata.ca General Meetings: 2nd Wed. of the month, 7 p.m. at Stonehaven Apts., 70 Stonehaven Dr., Kanata

CFUW/Nepean: www.cfuwnepean.ca General Meetings: 1st Tue. of the month, 1 p.m., except September and April, at Bells Corners United Church, 3955 Old Richmond Rd., Nepean

CFUW Perth: <u>cfuw-perth-district.com</u> General Meetings: 3rd Mon. of the month 6 or 6:30 p.m. at Royal Canadian Legion Hall, 26 Beckwith St. E., Perth **SPECIAL EVENT:** <u>9th Annual CFUW Heritage Perth Christmas House Tour.</u> Saturday, Dec. 6 and Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets \$30 go on sale Nov. 1, 2014, available at Tivoli Florist, 282 Richmond Rd., Ottawa, (613) 729-6911. Ticket inquiries: Call Muriel at (613) 267-2270

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Membership Report - Fall 2014

Again this year, our numbers are down compared to the last few years and we are below our goal of 500 active members. New member recruitment is an ongoing priority for CFUW-Ottawa. We accept new members throughout the year and a university degree is not required.

CFUW-Ottawa - Membership by Status at Nov. 14, 2014							
Status	Nov-14	Nov-13	Nov-12	Nov-11	Nov-10	Nov-09	Nov-08
Renewing	410	433	439	448	427	454	463
New	51	47	56	45	60	40	40
Returning	8	9	14	12	17	7	5
TOTAL	469	489	509	505	504	501	508

Invite your female friends and neighbours to join us.

This is the fourth year for the online registration and membership renewal. The online system works well and allows our members to access and update their own profiles at any time. Thank you to the membership team of Aleyamma Samuel and Christine Rollo for their excellent help in processing the mailed-in registrations and cheques.

A limited printing of the Membership Directory is under way. In early December, the directories will be mailed to the 140 members who have already purchased it for \$6. If you paid for a Directory and have not received it by Dec. 15, please contact Carol Hinde at membership@cfuw-ottawa.org.

Judith Neale Holtzhauer, VP Membership and **Carol Hinde**, Membership Administration Convenor

'Who knows who Viola Desmond was?'

This was the question that guest speaker, Constance Backhouse, legal scholar and historian, specializing in Canadian gender and race discrimination, and professor of law at the University of Ottawa, posed at the beginning of her presentation to a rapt CFUW-Ottawa audience on Nov. 3, 2014.

Viola Desmond was a professional businesswoman, whose car broke down in New Glasgow, N.S. on Nov. 8, 1946, while she was en route to a business meeting in Sydney. To put in time while she waited for the car repairs, she went to the Roseland Theatre to see a movie. These banal, every day occurrences set off a chain of events that revealed the racial segregation that was practiced, but unnamed, in Nova Scotia and indeed throughout Canada at that time. She was black. Her crime? Her desire to sit in the downstairs section (the white section) of the cinema so that she could see better.

Weighing less than 100 lbs., she was literally manhandled by a policeman and

the manager of the cinema, who carried her by her feet and arms to a waiting police car. Suffering hip and knee injuries as a result of this mistreatment, she was put into a prison cell for 12 hours. She was tried, offered no legal counsel, found guilty, and ordered to pay \$26 for "tax evasion" (the tax on the difference between the "upstairs" and "downstairs" tickets). The fact that she was black was never mentioned as the reason for her "guilt".

Professor Backhouse painted a compelling portrait of this dignified woman whose belief in her rightful place in society, for which she had worked so hard, was forever shattered. Her marriage broke down and she eventually left Nova Scotia for Montreal and New York.

In 1954, segregation in Nova Scotia was legally ended, in large part because of Viola Desmond's determination to be treated as an equal human being.

Nancy Simmons-Wright Program Co-Convenor





CFUW-Ottawa Takes Tea With Famous Five!

CFUW-Ottawa members went to a Tea Party with the Famous Five on Monday, Oct. 20, 2014! The event is hosted annually by the Ottawa Council of Women to commemorate the *Persons Case* decision of the British Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on Oct. 18, 1929, which legally recognized that women are qualified persons who could be

appointed to the Canadian Senate. The Tea is held each year on Parliament Hill, at the "Women are Persons!" monument created by sculptor Barbera Paterson to pay tribute to the Famous Five women who fought for and won the *Persons Case*: Nellie McClung, Irene Parlby, Emily Murphy, Louise McKinney, and Henrietta Muir Edwards.



From left to right: Sheila Pepper, Charlotte Rigby, Edeltraud Neal, Janet Parry, Nancy Simmons-Wright, Fran Manning, and Susan Olmstead

Photo by: Beverlee McIntosh



Our sincere condolences to CFUW-Ottawa members, and their families, who recently lost loved ones: *Carillon* Editor Mary Butterill on the death of her mother-in-law Elizabeth Constance "Betty" Butterill in Ottawa on Nov. 13, 2014 in her 94th year and to Board Secretary Christine Marland on the death of her mother Olga Ridley in England on Nov. 1, 2014.

We invite all CFUW-Ottawa members to let us know about deaths in their immediate families or of other significant persons in their lives if they wish to have notices published in the *Carillon*.

J.F. NORWOOD HOUSE WISH LIST

Since 2002, the Elizabeth Fry Society of Ottawa has offered transitional housing at J.F. Norwood House to women and girls who are, or may become, criminalized. Beds are available to women who have been released from an institution on parole or probation, clients of the Drug Treatment Court and the Ottawa Hospital. Norwood House offers the women a safe and encouraging environment where they can focus on education and employment and access other EFry services and wider community supports.

Alice Bolt and Marjorie Melick, our Club's representatives to EFry Ottawa, are asking for donations of new or gently used items for the women and for use in the House. To see a list of required items, click on J.F. Norwood House Wish List.

If you have donations, please call Marjorie at (613) 523-2545 or Alice at (613) 731-5221 to make arrangements for pick up or delivery. If you'd like to bring your donations to the Club's General Meetings, please contact Alice or Marjorie beforehand.

Our members can make a difference and we thank you in advance for your support.



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CFUW-OTTAWA HOLIDAY PARTY 2014



Clark Room, RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Dr., Ottawa Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014, Noon to 3 p.m.

It's Time to Focus on the Scholarship Trust Fund and Help the Students at Carleton University and the University of Ottawa

Elegant Hot and Cold Buffet - Family and Friends Welcome

Bake Sale • Grab Bags • Raffle • Door Prizes • Entertainment

Sign-up/Payment for Bridge Luncheon Sponsored by Dawn Torsein (purchase is only available at the Holiday Party)

Last chance to buy your tickets.

Ticket price \$38 (incl. taxes and service charge)

Call Alice Bolt at (613) 731-5221 or Mary Broderick at (613) 421-1445; or register online at www.cfuw-ottawa.org/events.

Please contact either Mary or Alice if you can donate door prizes and/or grab bag prizes. The items must be new.

The more donations we have, the more money we'll raise for the scholarships.



NEXT ONTARIO COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES MEETING

Saturday, January 24, 2015

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church
1585 Yonge Street, Toronto (Two blocks north of St. Clair Subway Station, East Side)

Morning Program: Getting There: Integrated Public Transportation for Ontario

Speakers: Three experts from government and transportation advocacy organizations have been invited to form a panel. Each will have an opportunity to provide a brief presentation on strategies and challenges. A moderated panel discussion will follow.

This builds on the ongoing campaign of CFUW Stratford, *You Can't Get There from Here*. See the campaign's website www.gettingthere.ca.

Registration: \$30 prepaid includes lunch. Catering requires a **registration deadline** and **dietary requirements** by the Monday prior to the meeting. The **Registration Form** is located at **www.cfuwontcouncil.ca**/.

Registration starts at 9 a.m. The meeting begins at 10 a.m., lunch is at 12 noon, and the afternoon sessions end around 3 to 4 p.m.

CFUW-Ottawa funds registration fees and partially funds accommodation and travel for attendance by the Club President, the VP Liaison and two Standing Committee Chairs or their designates.

All CFUW members are welcome to attend. If interested, contact: Fran Manning, CFUW-Ottawa VP Liaison, for further details.

Future Meeting: Saturday, March 14, 2015

REMINDER: Cost Recovery of Print Version of the *Carillon* to Start Next Year

In June 2014, the CFUW-Ottawa Board of Directors approved an an**nual subscription fee** to recover the cost of printing and mailing seven issues of CFUW-Ottawa's Capital Carillon newsletter. Starting on Feb. 1, 2015, new and renewing members for 2015-16 who request the Carillon in paper format will be required to pay \$15 per year. The 2015-16 Registration Form will be amended to include this option. Note: We will continue to notify all members by email as soon as the electronic version of each issue is published on the Club website. For more details, see page 7 of the October 2014 issue of the Carillon or go to the Club website at www.cfuwottawa.org/Newsletter/Printed.

Your CFUW membership may be worth more than you think!



In an effort to provide benefits that increase the value of your membership, CFUW (National) signed an agreement in 2011 with The

Personal Insurance Company so that our members can buy home and auto insurance at preferred group rates. In addition to CFUW preferred pricing, The Personal offers you and your dependents further discounts, customized coverage and other advantages like 24/7 *Call from the Scene* emergency assistance and Identity Theft Assistance. With The Personal, you also benefit by dealing directly with non-commissioned, licensed insurance professionals.

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For more information about accident-free protection, loyalty savings, and identity theft, click **here**.

If you have switched to The Personal, either for home or auto insurance, please let us know of your experience, by contacting me at (613) 824-1321 or judithneale@rogers.com.

Judith Neale Holtzhauer

VP Membership

SAVE THE DATE!

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

11th Annual International Women's Day (IWD) Celebration

Centrepointe (Council Chamber & Atrium)

on Monday evening, March 2, 2015 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Join us as we join women around the world to celebrate women's history, accomplishments, and challenges.

Our guest speaker is Greta Kroeker, PhD, who will be speaking about *The Early Modern Witch Hunts and Their Modern Legacy*. Entertainment will be provided by Triple Trouble, a terrific young musical group from Ottawa (visit their website: tripletroublemusic.ca/index.html). A stand-up supper (sandwiches, hors d'oeuvres, and other delicious nibbles) will be served, a cash bar will be available, and door prizes will be won.

Tickets will be available online or by cheque starting in January.

Save the date - it's going to be great!



In Memoriam

Hylda Doreen Dick (née Knox) 1925-2014

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of former CFUW-Ottawa member Hylda Dick who passed away peacefully in her 90th year on Nov. 1, 2014 at the Lord Lansdowne Retirement Residence, with her son and daughter at her side. Hylda graduated with a BN in 1952 from the School of Nursing at McGill. She was an avid crafter, reader, and bridge player who loved dogs and the outdoors. Her nursing career included working in community health in Montreal's poorest neighbourhoods with Child and Family Services and the VON as well as in occupational health in the Federal Government with a special interest in

addictions counseling. After living in Montreal, Kirkland Lake, and Saint John, Hylda and her husband George settled for 30 years on a Loyalist farmstead in Spencerville, moving to Ottawa in 2000. Hylda was a member of CFUW-Ottawa Literature Study Group V till a few years ago.

Friends were invited to attend a Celebratory Reception at the Central Chapel of Hulse, Playfair & McGarry, 315 McLeod St. on Friday, Nov. 7, 2014 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. A private family service was held in advance. Hylda's obituary appeared in the *Ottawa Citizen* on Wednesday, Nov. 5, and Thursday, Nov. 6, 2014 and can be located online.