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Capital Carillon

November General Meeting

Nov. 3, 2014 7:30 p.m.

DATE:

TIME:

PLACE: Riverside United Church/

Anglican Church of the

Resurrection,

3191 Riverside Drive, Ottawa. ON K1V 8N8

SPEAKER: Prof. Constance Backhouse,

Full Law Professor and University Research Chair, University of Ottawa, feminist, legal historian, and author

TOPIC: Viola Desmond: Canada's

Rosa Parks



Prof. Constance Backhouse, Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa, Canada's pre-eminent feminist legal historian,

is quoted as saying, "We have such a lovely sentiment – Canadians think of ourselves as a nation of fair people, promoting equality and diversity and multiculturalism, and in fact when you probe down into our history, you see some pretty bad laws, really bad governments, people who were really discriminating against women, against racial minorities, against gays and lesbians, against people with disabilities. There was a wide gamut in which Canadians are very blameworthy."

She holds a BA (Man.), an LLB (Osg. Hall), and an LLM (Harvard) as well as four honorary doctorates (Law

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CHARLOTTE RIGBY

As I write, we are looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving this weekend, and I'm reminded once again of how much we Canadian women have to be thankful for. As CFUW members, we have extraordinary opportunities to enjoy fellowship; join in a wide variety of activities and social events; support causes we believe in; and make our voices heard. And as I reflect on our recent events, I see that we are taking full advantage of our opportunities.

One of CFUW's national priorities is to address Violence Against Women, especially the national tragedy of so many murdered and missing Aboriginal women. Our members wrote letters and signed petitions calling on the federal government to conduct an inquiry, and on Oct. 4, we joined CFUW President Doris Mae Oulton on Parliament Hill for the 9th annual Sisters in Spirit vigil. These moving vigils, launched by the Native Women's Association of Canada, honour the memory of the hundreds of Aboriginal women and girls who have been murdered or gone missing in Canada in the past few decades. We must continue to demand justice and urge our governments to address this national shame and remedy its underlying causes.

Another CFUW priority is supporting education of girls and women. We celebrated the 3rd annual United Nations International Day of the Girl Child (Oct. 11) by participating in a study day with a wonderful group of Ottawa high school students. These future leaders debated strategies to

promote financial literacy and political engagement for young people. Our own UWHAW group has had a remarkable year, raising awareness and funds to support the education of Afghan girls who are future leaders of their country. And it was so exciting to hear the news today that Malala Yousafzai and Kailash Satyarthi have been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for their courageous and passionate work for childrens' rights to education!

CFUW-Ottawa was represented at an Oct. 1 reception to celebrate the United Nations International Day of Older Persons where we had a chance

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Society of Upper Canada, University of Manitoba, Western University, and University of Ottawa).

Prof. Backhouse became a member of the Order of Canada in 2008 and the Order of Ontario in 2010. She received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 and the Governor General's Award in Commemoration of the Persons Case in 2013. This award honours people who have made outstanding contributions to the quality of life for women in Canada and commemorates the legal case through which Emily Murphy, Henrietta Muir Edwards, Louise McKinney, Irene Parlby, and Nellie McClung won the right on Oct. 18, 1929 for women to be legally recognized as "persons" in Canada.

She is a prize-winning author on the history of law, women, and race and is currently writing a biography of the second woman appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada, the Hon. Madam Justice Claire L'Heureux-Dubé.

Please join us for a stimulating talk. CFUW-Ottawa General Meetings are open to the public.

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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.

New Members' Tea



We are delighted to welcome so many new members to CFUW-Ottawa as well as

those returning after an absence. We hope you will ALL be able to attend our traditional New Members' Tea on Sunday, Nov. 2, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Partington, 43 Queensline Dr., Ottawa. An invitation to the Tea, with directions to Mary's home, is coming soon, so please save the date. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other new members and the CFUW-Ottawa Board, to connect with others who live in your area, and to learn more about CFUW-Ottawa's activities and role in the wider community. We look forward to meeting all of you and to a great year together.

Judith Neale Holtzhauer

VP Membership

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to advocate for a national seniors strategy. And who can forget MP Elizabeth May's wonderful presentation at our Oct. 6 General Meeting from which we learned so much about how parliament actually works?

But we also remember that there is a lot more to do. In this difficult economic climate, more students need our support, and if we are to continue to offer scholarships, our Scholarship Trust Fund (STF) needs more fundraising and donations. The First Annual "Benefit Bridge Plus" event, so capably organized by Dawn Torsein, was a great fundraiser for the STF - and we look forward to many more! Remember that our STF is a registered charity, and your donations of \$20 or more will receive tax receipts. And watch for more events: the ever-popular Holiday Party luncheon on Sunday Dec. 7; and the new "CFUW-Ottawa Shopping Evening" at Chapters-Pinecrest on Nov. 13. See more details in this issue.





Our sincere condolences to CFUW-Ottawa member Patricia Boyce on the death of her husband Norbert on Oct. 13, 2014, at the age of 81.

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*.

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CFUW-Ottawa Season Opener

The 2014-15 CFUW-Ottawa Season Opener was held on Sept. 15, 2014 at the Richelieu-Vanier Community Centre. It was a new venue for us and, overall, it worked very well. Having the refreshments in the same space as the group tables (Project, Issues, Study and Interest, and Service) was

terrific and added to the excitement of the new season. Parking presented problems – though the parking lot is big, it filled quickly.

Many of you stopped at the Scholarship Trust Fund table and over \$1,600 was donated. The Board members and the STF trustees wish to thank everyone who made a donation!

This year, the Club offers 37 Study and Interest (S&I) groups, two Service Groups, and three Special Projects for members. The new Summer Social Group that began last May reported great success with a variety of summertime activities



Top: Eva Stumes and Mary Wilkinson; Middle: Jean Chapman, Nancy Simmons-Wright, and Mary Broderick; Bottom: Olwyn Schoorl, Sandi Stanko, and Janet Parry. Photos by: Mary Butterill

and plans to continue this May. Also, six book clubs (Groups I, III, VI, and VII; Historical Fiction; and Crime Fiction) are welcoming new members this year. Book Group VII is a brand new group that meets the third Thursday evening of each month. To find convenor contact information for any S&I Group, login to the Club website, go to the Member-only section and select "Group Convenors Contact Info". For Committee contact information, select "Committee Convenor Contact Information" in the Member-only section.

Thank you to all on the Season Opener Planning Committee for giving CFUW-Ottawa a wonderful start to the new year!

Patricia O'Flaherty

Convenor, Study and Interest Groups

CFUW-Ottawa Scholarship Trust Fund

Statement of Financial Position as at May 31, 2014	
Assets	
Cash	\$ 3,158
Investments	\$ 569,433
Total Assets	\$ 572,591
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	\$ 1,695
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,695
Net Assets	\$ 570,896

Statement of Operations & Net Assets as at May 31, 2014	
Revenue	•
Donations:	
Tax receipted	\$ 15,190
Non tax receipted	\$ 5,804
CFUW-Ottawa	\$ 6,767
Interest	\$ 10,262
Total Revenue	\$ 38,023
Expenses	
Scholarships & Awards:	
Carleton University	\$ 13,500
University of Ottawa	\$ 9,500
Ottawa Little Theatre	\$ 500
Donations to CFUW National	\$ 1,500
General & Administrative	\$ 2,167
Total Expenses	\$ 27,167
Net Income	\$ 10,856
Net Assets at May 31, 2013	\$ 560,040
Excess of Revenue over Expenses \$ 10,856	
Net Assets at May 31, 2014	\$ 570,896

Chartered Accountant Karyn Sheridan compiled CFUW-Ottawa's Scholarship Trust Fund financial statements for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2014. They include a statement of financial position, a statement of operations and net assets, and notes to the financial statements.

Respectfully submitted,

Pierrette MacLean

Treasurer, Scholarship Trust Fund for 2013-14

Violence Against Women: Make It Our Business

As keynote speaker at the CFUW Ontario Council Standing Committees Meeting in Toronto on Sept. 27, Barbara MacQuarrie, Community Director, Centre for Research and Education on Violence Against Women and Children spoke about Violence Against Women, explaining that with recent amendments to Section 32.0.4 of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA), domestic violence is considered workplace violence. Consequently, Ontario employers must take every reasonable precaution to protect the worker from exposure to physical injury resulting from domestic violence. Studies have shown that domestic violence affects work performance and, for 70 percent of its victims, follows them into work through actions such as threatening phone calls and/ or texts, preventing them from getting to work, stalking, etc.

Although originally thought to be exclusively men abusing women, research has shown that women abuse men, and that there are heightened rates of domestic violence among homosexual couples, transgendered, the disabled, first nations women, young women, rural women, and immigrant women (though they do not have heightened levels they are often unaware of services). As a result, domestic violence is defined as a pattern of behaviour used by one person to gain power and control over another with whom he/she has had an intimate relationship. There are seven major types of domestic violence: physical (slapping, choking, punching, threats); sexual (threats, force used for sexual acts); verbal (degrading comments); emotional (confinement, threats to children/pets); economic (stealing/controlling money/possessions); spiritual (using beliefs to manipulate, control); and stalking (persistent, unwanted following/watching). And there are three types of domestic control: situational couple violence is the most common form of abuse and occurs when an argument escalates to violence; coercive control when the abusive partner coerces and controls the victim often without physically abusing the victim; and violent resistance when the victim of coercive control fights back. This last type is the most dangerous and is almost always exclusively male-on-female.

Coroners have reported that in almost every case of domestic homicide, the people around the victim, including colleagues and managers, knew what was going on but didn't know what to do about it. In Canada, victims have been silent and those who are aware of the violence often feel it is a private matter. The Centre for Research and Education on Violence Against Women and Children

offers workshops for employers on how to recognize domestic violence (recognize, respond, refer, report) and how to set up a safety plan for employees.

Ms. MacQuarrie's afternoon session focused on a recent Canadian study on domestic violence and compared its preliminary results to studies in Australia, the United Kingdom, and Turkey. The final report will be published on Dec. 6, 2014. This was hardly a light, frothy musical, but it was a most informative and important session.

Frances Manning
VP Liaison

Proportional Representation: Make Every Vote Count!

Proportional Representation (PR) was the topic of the afternoon session of the Legislation Committee at the CFUW Ontario Council Standing Committees Meeting in Toronto on Sept. 27. It was particularly timely, because fair election issues were core to two resolutions passed at the 2014 CFUW AGM. June Macdonald of Fair Vote Canada National Council, sporting a scarf worn by Doris Anderson, and a T-shirt with the message "Well-Behaved Women Rarely Make History," informed and inspired us. She

presented the case that Canada's current first-past-the-post voting system is unfair. It results in parliaments that do not reflect the will of the people and governments that are not properly accountable. It is time for electoral reform; in particular, to consider a proportional representation system that will be fairer, and include more women and minorities. For more information, see the Fair Vote Canada website at www.fairvote.ca.

Charlotte RigbyPresident, CFUW-Ottawa

"Proportional representation and a wider choice in political parties have been shown to work to the advantage of women and other minority groups in country after country in Europe." Doris Anderson

- 1991 "The Unfinished Revolution.
The status of women in twelve countries."

- Co-founder of Fair Vote Canada

Suffragette artist Hilda Dallas (1878-1958) created the artwork used on this poster from the Fair Vote Canada website. It came into the public domain 50 years after her death. It is not copyright-protected and is free to use.

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AUTUMN COLOURS SUPPER

The joy of autumn colours, hors d'oeuvres in the garden, and the ambience of a candlelight dinner greeted guests at the canal-side home of University Women Helping Afghan Women (UWHAW) Chair, Hally Siddons and her husband Hugh, Sunday evening, Sept. 28. The event was a sequel to the garden party on June 18 where guests signed up to attend. All proceeds go toward scholarships for girls attending Dr. Sima Samar's Gawharshad Institute of Higher Education in Kabul.

Guest speakers, William Crosbie, former Canadian Ambassador to Afghanistan, and Deborah Chatsis, Director, South Asia Division, DFATD, brought news of events in Afghanistan since the June garden party. Mr. Crosbie explained the election process which resulted in the second vote and the eventual establishment of a unity government. He also noted that Canadian government policy is to consult with the Afghan government on desired projects and forward funds for the ones designated. Ms. Chatsis spoke about Canada's priorities for aid to Afghanistan for the next three years, stressing education for women and girls, human rights, and humanitarian aid.

Both speakers stressed that the women and girls in Afghanistan are obtaining a better education now than at any time since Taliban rule. This education is empowering them to participate more fully in the economic, social, and political life of their country. While there are many obstacles



From left to right: Tara Fischer, CFUW Advocacy Coordinator; Laura May Roth, DFATD, Senior Policy Officer, APEC; Doris Mae Oulton, CFUW President; and UWHAW member Nancy Vrooman, chat in the garden before the candlelight supper. Photo by: Angela Rodzinyak

to overcome, one of the most hopeful signs is that many men are stepping forward and assuring that their daughters, as well as their sons, obtain an education.

> Wilma Clapham and Norma Pike UWHAW Study and Interest Group

SISTERS IN SPIRIT VIGIL

CFUW was well-represented at the ninth annual Sisters in Spirit vigil on Parliament Hill on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014 to remember and honour Canada's murdered and missing Aboriginal women and to demand an inquiry to help end this tragic history. Since 1980, over 1,000 indigenous women or girls have been murdered or are missing. The event included a march from the Canadian War Museum, speeches, songs, a moment of silence, family sharing, a walk to Victoria Island, and light refreshments. Sponsored by the Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC) and its partners, these vigils, in various forms, are held each year across Canada. Over 125 vigils were registered and held at over 200 locations on Oct. 4, 2014.

From left to right: CFUW-Ottawa President Dr. Charlotte Rigby, CFUW-Ottawa Status of Women and



Human Rights Chair Sue Wilson, CFUW President Doris Mae Oulton, IFUW VP Susan Russell, CFUW-Ottawa Program and Special Projects Convenor Nancy Simmons-Wright, and CFUW-Ottawa VP Liaison Fran Manning. CFUW-Ottawa's Economic Realities for Women Convenor and longtime member and activist Janet Parry also attended. Photo by: Cam Mackie

Who We Are – How We Can Rebuild the Canada We Want

A record-breaking number of CFUW-Ottawa members and non-members turned out to hear guest speaker Elizabeth May at our General Meeting on Oct. 6, 2014.

Judging from their warm welcome and strong applause at the end of her presentation, members of the audience were not disappointed. She was generous with her time and candid in her observations.

Right off the top, she declared that she has been a member of CFUW for years (with no undergraduate degree). Several times throughout the evening, she applauded CFUW for its "strong policy work" and said that she felt as if she was "preaching to the choir".

A week previously, Ms. May officially launched her eighth book, *Who We Are: Reflections on My Life and Canada*, which she described as part autobiography, part economics, and part politics.

She read from the Introduction of her book as a backdrop to her key themes of the evening: the drop in international esteem for Canada on its lack of action on environmental issues; the leadership vacuum in the federal government; the need to restore Westminster democracy in Canada; the urgent need for an active and informed citizenry despite the fact that we are actually getting less information than we were 20 years ago; the Americanization of our political system; and the size and influence

of the Prime Minister's Office (PMO).

Although Ms. May spoke passionately on the above issues, she was adamant on the need to get Canadians voting (one of CFUW's resolutions) as turnout levels are at record lows. She described voting as being a personal responsibility, as is the need to get involved, and to get young people attending and asking questions at All-Candidates Meetings and to vote. She spurned the excuse of not voting as a means of showing disapproval as "vote abandonment".

She gave her audience a great deal to ponder and act on.

Nancy Simmons-Wright
Program Co-Convenor

Benefit Bridge Plus 2014

The first annual Benefit Bridge Plus event on Monday, Oct. 6 at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, turned out to be extremely enjoyable. CFUW members and their guests, 80 in total, enjoyed a light luncheon of herb-roasted chicken, steamed vegetables, and roast potatoes, followed by cookies and coffee.

There were two door prizes: two complimentary tickets to a National Arts Centre Orchestra concert; and a spa gift basket prepared and donated by Patricia Thurlow, a CFUW-Ottawa member. Two exquisite raffle gift baskets of items donated by CFUW members and put together by Alice Bolt, raised \$300. Basket one had a gourmet theme and included a bottle of wine amongst other gourmet treats. Basket two had a coffee and tea theme and included lots of yummy chocolate goodies.

During the afternoon, forty persons played social bridge; twenty-four participated in duplicate bridge, eight played mah-jong, and five enjoyed a challenging game of scrabble. Prizes were awarded to the participants who received the highest scores.

The final amount raised was

\$4,326.50. After expenses of \$2,155.54, the balance, to be given to the CFUW-Ottawa Scholarship Trust Fund, was \$2,170.96.

The following day, Patricia O'Flaherty, Convenor, Scholarship Trust Fund, observed:

"Wow – excellent. It was a lovely day. There were so many positive comments about how enjoyable the event was, both at the Royal Ottawa Golf Club yesterday and at the General Meeting last night. Thank you both very much for hosting such a wonderful event."

Our sincere thanks to everyone who helped promote the 2014 Benefit Bridge Plus event. The organizing committee comprised Nancy DeVillers (Scrabble), Kawsar Kruithof (Mahjong), Joan McKee, Patricia Thurlow, Eva Stumes (Social Bridge), and Salwa Hafez (Duplicate Bridge).

CFUW-Ottawa is especially grateful to The Royal Ottawa Golf Club for providing an excellent meal at an extremely competitive price in its comfortable and distinguished club house environment.



Top, from left to right: Ruth Henderson, Barbara Brandreth (former CFUW-Ottawa member), Hope Ross-Papezik, Flora Crombie, and Elizabeth Weber. **Bottom:** Enjoying scrabble and mah-jong in the Sunroom. **Photos by:** Valerie Wilmot

Dawn Torsein, Benefit Bridge Plus Chair 2014, and **Alice Bolt**, Fundraising Chair 2014

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WORK OF UWHAW HONOURED IN SALT LAKE CITY Hally Siddons on the Road Again

Following Hally's invited presentations on Afghan women at the AGM of Women Graduates-USA in Salt Lake City, Utah in mid-September 2014, she was awarded honorary membership in this dynamic group.

Having spoken twice before to WG-USA audiences and worked with members at the Istanbul IFUW Triennial and the UN Commission on the Status of Women, she is no stranger to the organization which is a virtual group of knowledgeable and activist graduate women from across the United States.

The first part of Hally's presentation, *Reach Out to Connect: Empower Afghan Women and Girls*, set the scene with details of issues, especially education, facing Afghan women and girls. The second part focused on the AGM theme and outlined the many ways UWHAW has reached out locally, nationally, and internationally.



Hally Siddons being "pinned" at the Women Graduates-USA 2014 AGM in Utah, becoming an honorary member of the group.

She wished them success in reaching out in their own areas of concern, reminding them that there would be obstacles in their path but if their work was well researched and their passion was in the issue, they would succeed. Following a lively and productive discussion, some members asked how they could join UWHAW.

At its concluding Round Table discussion, the Education Group agreed

to forward the following "step" to the National Education Committee "to maintain our connections and support for the Ottawa women and the Canadian Federation in areas related to Afghanistan education so that we might collectively keep the story alive". And also of interest, the *Road Map for WG-USA Advocacy in the Future* included the main steps of education, raising awareness, and action to support that UWHAW has used in its work.

On the road again, on Oct. 8, Hally made a similar presentation to CFUW/Kanata.

To see these presentations and information on UWHAW, click on <u>CFUW-Ottawa.org</u>, and look under Club Projects. Google "UWHAW Facebook" for current news on Afghanistan.

Dianne Rummery

UWHAW Study and Interest Group

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

Buy tickets \$38 (incl. taxes and service charge):

- By contacting Alice Bolt at (613) 731-5221 or Mary Broderick at (613) 421-1445; or
- · At the Nov. 3 General Meeting; or
- By registering 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.

CFUW Resolutions: Advocacy & Review Plans

The CFUW National Office has prepared the 2014 Post-Resolution Advocacy Tool Kit to help clubs carry out advocacy on the six resolutions, now policies, approved at June's Annual General Meeting in Waterloo. The new policies are: An Enhanced Canada Pension Plan; Culture of Peace; Preservation of Democracy: Increasing Voter Turnout; Promoting Plain Language; Preservation of Canada's Documentary and Scientific Heritage; and Fair Elections for Canada. The Tool Kit can be accessed on the CFUW National website through this link: www.fcfdu.org/en-ca/advocacy/ takeaction.aspx. The CFUW-Ottawa resolutions review group will be writing letters on these new policies from our club to the nine federal MPs and eight provincial MPPs who represent our area.

Three draft resolutions for the 2015 CFUW AGM have been received at the National Office: 1. Moratorium on the Use of Neonicotinoids Class of Pesticides proposed by CFUW Edmonton; 2. Age Discrimination in Canadian Employee Benefit Programs proposed by CFUW-Ottawa; and 3. Reducing Climate Change through the Use of Carbon Taxes proposed by CFUW Victoria. They are currently being reviewed by the National Resolutions Committee and will be distributed to the 107 CFUW clubs for discussion and review in mid-November.

At our next meeting, we will review the 2015 proposed resolutions received from the National Resolutions Committee, determine which of this year's six policies we will be championing, and decide on an action plan for our advocacy activities.

The resolutions review group will present all proposed resolutions

for approval, amendment, or rejection at our club's General Meetings in the spring. Our comments will be sent to the originating club who will make final amendments and present the amended resolution for approval at the next National AGM in Quebec City in June 2015. Resolutions that are approved at the AGM become part of CFUW policy, and can be used by CFUW Clubs, Provincial Councils and the National Office for advocacy and action.

If you are interested in joining the resolutions review group to discuss this year's new policies and next year's proposed resolutions, you are most welcome to join us. Please send me an email at fe.manning@rogers.com or call me at (613) 830-3086. If you are not able to join us, but are interested in advocating on one of these or other CFUW policies, you can find information sheets, sample letters to legislators and officials, action plans along with CFUW's advocacy hand book, and a wealth of information about dealing with politicians and issues on the National website at www.fcfdu.org/en-ca/home.aspx.

Frances Manning
VP Liaison

Jaunters Visit Stone Carvers' Workshop



Jaunters visited the Smith & Barber Sculpture Atelier in Ottawa on Oct. 2, their first outing this Club year. Co-owners and stone sculptors Philippe Smith and Danny Barber conducted a very informative two-hour tour of their workshop. Jaunters learned a great deal about the stone mason's craft and were able to observe the skilled workmanship and creativity of this workshop's stone carvers. The Atelier is presently involved in the restoration of the West Block and the creation of memorial tables for the Memorial Room in the Peace Tower. **Photo by:** Barbara Miles

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Update on HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters)

2014-15 is the fourth year that CFUW-Ottawa volunteers have actively supported HIPPY Ottawa. Last year was a year of growth and development for the program as the Vanier Community Services Centre (VCSC), HIPPY Ottawa's home, received funding from Citizenship and Immigration Canada for a three-year pilot project.

The pilot project introduced a "hub" model whereby VCSC delivers the HIPPY program in two locations or "pods". The "hub" is the HIPPY Program Coordinator at VCSC. One pod is located at VCSC and the other in Ottawa South. Each pod has a senior Home Visitor who supports the HIPPY Coordinator.

Between 60 and 70 families are expected to participate in 2014-15. The home visits began the week of Oct. 20.

CFUW-Ottawa volunteers support HIPPY-Ottawa in two ways. The first is by helping with monthly events that introduce the HIPPY families to local institutions such as libraries and museums and provide a venue for the parents to meet other newcomers and share experiences. These events usually involve two and a half to three hour time commitments. The first of seven

Good Ideas!

Email us at suggestions@cfuw-ottawa.org
OR
Use the Suggestion Box at General Meetings

Share Your

monthly events for the HIPPY families is the Winter Celebration, scheduled for Dec. 6.

The second way CFUW-Ottawa HIPPY volunteers support HIPPY is by providing administrative assistance in the HIPPY office in the VCSC. Our volunteer work frees up valuable time for the Home Visitors (who, as part-time employees, work only 20 hours per week) to work with the families of the preschool youngsters. Feedback

from HIPPY staff on CFUW-Ottawa support has been extremely positive and heartfelt.

If you are interested in volunteering with HIPPY Ottawa throughout the school year, please contact either Janet Hagey at (613) 231-5111 or Nancy Simmons-Wright at (613) 421-1370 for more details.

Janet Hagey, Carol Hinde, and Nancy Simmons-Wright Co-Convenors, HIPPY Project

Save the Date!

Join us at Chapters-Pinecrest for the

CFUW-Ottawa Shopping Evening

Thursday, Nov. 13, 2014, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Chapters Pinecrest Shopping Mall 2735 Iris St. Ottawa ON K2C 317

For CFUW members, families, & friends

Chat with your friends, family, & neighbours • Enjoy a variety of baked goods (\$1 per portion) & a cold beverage at our CFUW-Ottawa table • Do some early Holiday shopping & support our Scholarship Trust Fund.

CFUW-Ottawa will receive 10 percent of the value of our purchases of regularly priced merchandise* to support the STF.

Come & join the fun & be eligible for door prizes (Chapters gift certificates)

*Some restrictions apply: gift certificates & discount promotions are ineligible for the 10 percent to CFUW-Ottawa

Contacts: Charlotte Rigby (819) 778-3438 & Nancy Simmons-Wright (613) 421-1370

In Memoriam



Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of **Elinor Eberlee** and **Janet Fox**, both former longtime members of CFUW-Ottawa who recently passed away.

Elinor EBERLEE (née Calnan)

Elinor passed away peacefully at age 85 on Sunday, Oct. 5, 2014 at the Queensway Carleton Hospital. Wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, with a BA from the University of Toronto, she had been a keen member of the Canadiana Study and Interest Group. Elinor never let the fact that she needed a walker prevent her from attending monthly Canadiana meetings. Always an active contributor to the discussions, she once brought a particularly memorable piece of Canadiana — a menu from a dinner for journalists from across the British Empire which her aunt had attended in London, England before WWI. At that time, her aunt was a young reporter for the Picton newspaper owned by her family. The people at her table had signed the menu — including Sir Winston Churchill, also a young journalist at that time!

Defying the Odds . . . One Step at a Time



SAVE the DATE

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



Visitation was on Wednesday, Oct. 8 and a Celebration of Life on Thursday, Oct. 9, both at the Walkley Chapel of the Kelly Funeral Home. Elinor's obituary appeared in the *Ottawa Citizen* on Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014 and can be located online.

Janet FOX (née Macdonald)

Janet passed away peacefully at age 86 on Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2014 at the Ottawa Hospital (Civic Campus) after having suffered a stroke about a month earlier. As well as raising three sons with cherished husband Edmund "Eddie" Fox, Janet was the sister of the Hon. Donald Macdonald, a grandmother of four, and an aunt to seven. She had a BA from Carleton University and was involved in various organizations, including UNICEF, IODE, Save the Children, and the May Court Club. She particularly enjoyed meeting with her friends in the CFUW-Ottawa American Standard Duplicate Bridge Group. They, in turn, will miss her enthusiasm for people, her good nature, and her stories – about her many adventures growing up in Ottawa in the days when people had debutante parties (including her own), about her summers at Blue Sea Lake, and about longtime Ottawa residents and political people.

A Memorial Service was held at First Baptist Church Ottawa on Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014, with a private family interment at the Beechwood Cemetery. Her obituary appeared in the *Ottawa Citizen* on Friday, Oct. 3 and Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014 as well as in *The Globe and Mail* on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014. It can be located online.

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

at

Centrepointe (Council Chamber & Atrium)

on

Monday evening, March 2, 2015 5 pm to 9 pm

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

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