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## Message from the Leadership Team

Yippee! Summer has finally arrived!

On May 11th, Denver, Mieke and I attended the CFUW Ontario Council AGM held at the U of T Faculty Club in Toronto. After the business meeting was concluded, we enjoyed Kathleen Wynne as the keynote. She was personable, intelligent, genuine and engaging. I thoroughly enjoyed her part of the program. After lunch, we attended various workshops on "Continuing Education in the Jane Finch Area", "Experiences of Refugee Women through Education" and "Book Clubs in Prisons". I chose the first two, both of which were in the format of a panel discussion with a moderator. It was interesting to hear the experiences of these women from their own perspectives.

At the AGM we learned of the plans for next year's speaker series. October 5th will feature Elizabeth Moore, a former white supremacist who now works for equality and against radicalism. This sounds really interesting and perhaps some of you might be interested in attending. (I already have plans to be canoeing in Algonquin that weekend. Otherwise, I would definitely go!) On November 30th, the theme of the day will be "Aging". The morning will be about "Brain Health" with Dr. Andrea Wilkinson, a psychologist. The afternoon will feature other aging-related topics with specifics still being planned. The theme for March 28th is not yet set, although the planning committee is considering either "human trafficking" or the "environment". Stay tuned for more details in the coming months.

Next year's Ontario AGM will be held at a resort in Orillia. Perhaps we can make a weekend of it and go as a whole contingent from CFUW Brantford? Who's in? Our own AGM and Banquet was held on May 22nd at the Brantford Golf and Country Club.



Enjoying social time before the AGM and banquet!

Approximately 60 members attended and were treated to a wonderful meal, an engaging speaker and lovely entertainment by our Centenary Scholarship winner, Avery Kadish. What a very talented young woman! A highlight of the evening for me was having her award presented by Elizabeth Cavanagh (our longest-standing member at 59 years) and Denver H. (our youngest member). This was captured in a great photo which appeared in the Expositor a few days later.





The outgoing Leadership Team of Patti Kunaschko, Penelope Jeffery, and Tish James were thanked at the AGM.

## News from National

### Important Dates and Deadlines:

June 3-6, 2019 – Women Deliver Conference in Vancouver which can be watched via live Broadcast

June 28, 2019 - last day to provide updated executive information to National

June 30, 2019-- last day for IFUW pins draw

July 12, 2018 – last day for Early Bird Registration for the AGM

August 12, 2018 – last day for AGM Registration

August 15-17, 2019 – 2019 AGM & Conference in Winnipeg at the Fort Garry Hotel



CFUW Brantford acknowledges long standing membership at their AGM on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. From left, Penelope Jeffery, President, Barb Perry 35 Years; Barbara Melara 25 Years; Mary Jane Waszynski Regional Director, and Lorraine Lawrence 25 Years. Thank you to Lynne McEwen for all her work in putting together this event. And thank you to the many other members who helped in various capacities.

Next year, we are trying a new leadership model - a Presidential Team. Each month, a different person will take on the responsibilities of the President. There may be a few glitches as we work our way through this, but hopefully it will result in a greater sharing of the workload.

President in Name: Janet Rubas

Rotating Presidential Team: Jane Binkley, Elizabeth Capitano, Lin Fines, Lynn Haylock, Tish James, Carol Kent, Brenda Malvern, Anne Martin, Diane Morgan, and Mieke Schroeder

And, our final event before we break for the summer, is the Annual Blue Lake Picnic, hosted by Pat Clemons. I hope to see you all there on June 26th!

Respectfully submitted by: Penelope Jeffery (President's Team Member for June)

**GWI:** For those CFUW members who wish to actively support, collaborate with, and raise the visibility of GWI within CFUW a new club has been created within CFUW, being CFUW Canada GWI, and as of May 9, 2019 this club was granted its charter by CFUW National.

The Material from National sets out the following:

It will operate regardless of the outcome at the AGM of the "Winnipeg Motion respecting GWI dues" ;

Anyone can join this club – either having this club as a primary club or having dual membership with the club in the members geographic region;

Voting allocation for the club will be based on the number of primary members;

Fees for the primary members will include a component for the club, GWI and CFUW (national). Dual Members will pay the club dues and a top up between what CFUW collects for GWI and the actual GWI amount as established by GWI;

and

Anyone who wants to join can email the club at [CFUWCanadaGWI@gmail.com](mailto:CFUWCanadaGWI@gmail.com).

Have a wonderful June Everyone! Betsy

## 2019-2020 EXECUTIVE

**PRESIDENT in NAME:** Janet Rubas  
**ROTATING PRESIDENTIAL TEAM:**

June: Penelope Jeffery

**SECRETARY:** Dian Kuzyk

**TREASURER:** Nora Leung

**STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

**Advocacy:** Betsy Capitano

**Communication:** Committee

**Interest Groups:** Jane Binkley

**Membership:** Bev Osborn

**Programme:** Anne Martin

**Scholarship:** Naomi Kral

**Social:** Norah O'Leary

**\*\*\*Our Treasurer, Nora Leung, would like to step down. Please consider whether you will take on this role in our club!**



## CFUW Brantford Scholarship News

The Award A winners for 2019 have been selected. Each will receive \$1500. They are:  
Noelle Adams - North Park Collegiate  
Maia Sitzer - Pauline Johnson Collegiate

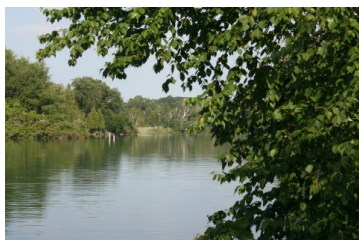
## News of Members

**Congratulations to all those who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary this year! There are quite a few members celebrating this event!**

## Community News

The Anglican churches in Brantford/Brant plan to sponsor a second refugee family. If you would like to be involved, please speak with Mieke S. We could use help with settlement support, financial support and in the fall with furniture and household items.

## Annual Blue Lake Picnic Wednesday, June 26, 2019



Swimming and conversation from 4:00—6:00 followed by a Pot Luck Dinner (and more conversation) beginning at 6:00. **Please bring:** a Pot Luck dish, plate and cutlery, perhaps some wine, lawn chair and a bathing suit and towel for a dip in the lake. Thank you, Pat, for opening your home to us once again.

**DIRECTIONS:** Go north on Highway 24. Turn left onto Blue Lake Rd. Follow for 3 km until you come to an open wrought iron gate on the north side at number 501. Enter and follow the driveway. Where the drive splits, follow the centre drive to the white house.

501 Blue Lake Road, R.R. #1, St. George

## Interest Groups

**Monday Night Book Group** met at the home of Sandra H. on Monday, June 17th @ 7:00. We discussed **BOAT PEOPLE**, written by Sharon Bala. Barb M. lead the discussion. The group also decided the organization and agenda for next year. The group leaders will be Barb M. (September to December) and Kay R. (January to June). A hearty thank you to Barb P. for your many years as our efficient and thoughtful coordinator!



## Dining Out Group:

Our Dining Out Group enjoyed our finale event for the year today at The Twisted Lemon and then spent a bit of time at the nearby Coach Pyramid Ladies' Store. The food was outstanding, and I hope you have the opportunity to go there sometime. We will likely keep it on our list for future consideration for our Dining Out adventures. Our September restaurant choice is Six Forty-Nine in Woodstock, for lunch on September 26th. Lin F.

## Next General Meeting

**Have a safe and enjoyable summer!**

**See you at the next General Meeting on Wednesday, September 25, 2018 at Thorpe's Carriage House at 7:00 p.m.**



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