

## CFUW Fredericton Newsletter

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### September 2020

It is hard to believe that the summer is gone so fast, despite the challenges we all face with COVID-19. However, we in New Brunswick are the fortunate ones. We have a low case count and have seen little community spread. Nevertheless, it is not easy, particularly when you have family or friends outside the Atlantic Bubble.

We are slowly picking up CFUW activities again, either in person or via Zoom. Some committee meetings will be in person while our Executive and General meetings are still going to be conducted by Zoom.

This year we will not have an Open House. **This year we will provide 20 female students with scholarships. The amount ranges from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per scholarship.** Once we have more information on the scholarship winners, they will be highlighted in the upcoming newsletters.

Our hard work around the book fairs over the years has paid off. Hopefully we will continue with a book fair in 2021, albeit it will look different from the previous years.

Bo Miedema, CFUW Fredericton President.



## CFUW Fredericton Activities

Although the in-person activities have been restricted, we are planning to engage in the following activities:

- Executive meetings will take place via Zoom at the regular time.
- General meetings, including guest speakers, will commence via Zoom.
- Various Committee meetings, either by Zoom or in person, will continue.
- We have created two new Committees:
  - 1) Book fair Committee to examine its future
  - 2) A digital publicity Committee to make the community aware of our scholarship activities.
- **On Monday, October 26** we will host a Zoom meeting entitled "***Climate Change, Women and Atlantic Canada***". All Maritime Clubs will be invited to participate. The speakers will be Dr. Louise Comeau and a member of the Hayes Teaching Farm.
- We will also commence the monthly luncheons.
- **If you have not done so, please pay your membership fee for 2020-2021. There are three ways to pay your membership fee:**

1. Write a cheque for \$78 to **CFUW Fredericton** and mail it to Pam Love, 508-5 Riverside Dr. Fredericton E3A 8C2

2. You can e-transfer \$78 to Pam's account and she will transfer it to the CFUW account. Use the following email: [pamdawnlove@gmail.com](mailto:pamdawnlove@gmail.com) Security Question: **membership** and Security Answer is: **CFUW2020**.

3. You can also email me and I can pick up a cheque from your mailbox, if that is easier.

## CFUW Fredericton Issues

Issues we have to work on in the coming years:

- ✚ How to attract new members?
- ✚ How to attract younger members?
- ✚ What should the future book fair look like?
- ✚ How can we raise our public profile?

These are some of the issues, we have to work on. Please do not hesitate to share your ideas by sending e-mails or share your thoughts during our meeting!

## Book Club News

The book club is very active and will conduct the meetings via Zoom for the time being. Pam Love has created a list of this year's books. The first book, for October, is *The Baker's Secret* by Stephen Kieran. I read the book earlier and loved it.

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Book Club

Synopsis: In the WWII years that her sleepy coastal village has suffered under the enemy, Emma has silently, stealthily fought back. Under the cold, watchful eyes of armed soldiers, she builds a clandestine network of barter and trade that she and the villagers use to thwart their occupiers. Her gift to the village is more than these few crusty loaves. Emma gives the people a taste of hope—the faith that one day the Allies will arrive to save them.

The November book: *The Huntress* by Kate Quinn.

Synopsis: Nina Markova always dreamed of flying. When the Nazis attack the Soviet Union, she risks everything to join the legendary Night Witches, an all-female night bomber regiment wreaking havoc on the invading Germans. When she is stranded behind enemy lines, Nina becomes the prey of a lethal Nazi murderess known as the Huntress, and only Nina's bravery and cunning will keep her alive.

Please contact Pam Love if you want to join the book club and get the entire book club list for this year. You can email Pam [plove@mta.ca](mailto:plove@mta.ca)

## Some Items for the CFUW National AGM

The minutes are available from the National AGM that was held over 3 days, two days in June and one day in August.

The new officers at the National CFUW for the 2020-2022 Biennium are:

**Kathryn Wilkinson** (Mississauga): President

**Kathy Wosnick** (Auroa-Newmarkter): Vice President of Education

**Bev Rhodes** (Scarborough): Vice President of Finance

**Lynne Kent** (Vancouver): Vice President of Membership

**Jeannette Mergens** (Kelowna): Vice President of Advocacy

**Joy Hurst** (Edmonton) President International

**Barb DuMoulin** (Salt Spring Island): Vice President of British Columbia

**Heather Lewis**: Vice President of Ontario

**Judy Hopps** (Sherbrooke): Vice President of Quebec

Important Motions:

**Motion 1:** That the statement "CFUW shall be a member of Graduate Women International (GWI)" be struck from Article 4 (constitution) of the articles and Bylaws of CFUW, and the following statement "CFUW support international advocacy for the education and welfare of women and girls" be inserted.

This motion **failed**: 308 votes cast, and 206 were required to adopt the motion, 197 in favor and 110 opposed.

**Motion 2:** That the CFUW voting body adopt a per capita dues increase of \$ 5,- to cover all of it expenses including the Graduate Women International (GWI) per capita dues increase.

This motion **failed**: 284 votes cast, 189 votes required, 142 in favor and 141 opposed.

