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## CFUW Fredericton Newsletter

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### January/February 2022

Here we are, a new year, same old pandemic. Although it may get worse before it gets better, many predict that this year the pandemic may become endemic. This may mean frequent vaccinations, better treatment options but above all, a more normal day-to-day live. Let's hope for that.

We will conduct our meetings and get-togethers again via Zoom for the time being. It is not clear if we are able to have our beloved and needed book fair in May. Our pre - COVID-19 book fairs were huge events with lots of books for sale and the fair would span 3 days. These events were spearheaded by Edye Besner and Ruth Holmes and supported by most of our members through helping with the sorting, the book fair and the clean-up. Most of us enjoyed these activities; but more importantly, the book fair raised large sums of money, in excess of \$ 30,000 over a weekend. This money went towards our scholarships; 20 at the moment. .

If we are able to have a book fair in May, the format will likely be a bit different, but it is not clear what it will look like yet. So stay tuned.

Bo Miedema, President and Anne Soucy VP.

## Profile of our Scholarship Winners

CFUW Fredericton has 3 endowed scholarships at **ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY**, Fredericton, for a total scholarship value of \$ 6,000.



CFUW-Fredericton Scholarship (\$2000.00)

**MIKAYLA ANNIS**, Burtts Corner, NB, Year 4, BA, Human Rights Major

**Mikayla** is a 4th year student at St. Thomas University majoring in Human Rights and Sociology with a minor in Women's and Gender Studies. She is passionate about helping others. She is hoping to pursue a Master of Social Work degree once she has completed her Bachelor of Arts. Mikayla has experience volunteering and working in the non-profit sector. As a summer student, she worked in the recreation department at the York Care Centre and at the Fredericton Community Kitchen where she gained experience in volunteer coordination, grant writing, research, and fundraising. Mikayla is also passionate about advocating for women's equality, volunteering with Lift: The Bra Project, an NGO that collects used bras and donates them to women's shelters and organizations. She also volunteers with The University Women's Centre where she is the Events Coordinator for the upcoming school year. Mikayla is an avid reader, animal lover, and a houseplant enthusiast. She is grateful for the hard work of the Canadian Federation of University Women volunteers and honoured to have been selected as a CFUW scholarship recipient.

### Congratulations Mikayla!



CFUW-Fredericton Adult Learner Scholarship (\$2000.00)

**EMILIE DALLAIRE**, Sainte Marie de Kent, NB, BA, Criminology



**Emilie** is from the small town of Sainte-Marie de Kent, NB. Growing up, she was taught the importance of being involved in her community. She followed in her parent's footsteps by volunteering in her community. Emilie was also involved in many activities at school, church and in Air Cadets. Emilie graduated from high school and obtained her diploma *in Delinquency Intervention Techniques* at the Community College of New Brunswick at the Dieppe Camps in 2018. During that time, at her elementary school in her hometown, she developed a project promoting relaxation and mindfulness for children so they can mitigate anxiety. Emilie also worked with a non-profit organization that helps federal inmates integrating in society after their sentence. Emilie will graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice and a minor in Psychology. She is an excellent student and made the Dean's list every year. Emilie hopes to return to university to pursue a post graduate degree sometime. Recently, she started a new job and bought a house with her boyfriend (and of course, their dogs). In her spare time, she likes to ride her motorcycle, walk her dogs and spend time with close friends and family.

**Congratulations Emilie!**



CFUW-Fredericton Entrance Scholarship (\$2000.00)  
**ELISA SIMON**, Saint John, NB, Year 1, BA



Elisa grew up in Saint John, NB, with her mom, stepdad, and three younger brothers. From a young age, she has aimed high and has worked hard to achieve her goals. Elisa began working part-time during her first year of High School and has had the opportunity to work in different environments. She graduated from High School with high honours and her French Immersion certificate. Now she is attending St. Thomas University. After completing her Bachelor's degree, she hopes to study for her B.Ed. She aspires to teach English as Second Language and travel the world. She wants to learn several languages as well as the various cultures related to those languages. Elisa is excited and thankful to attend university and to begin the next chapter of her life.

## Congratulations Elisa!

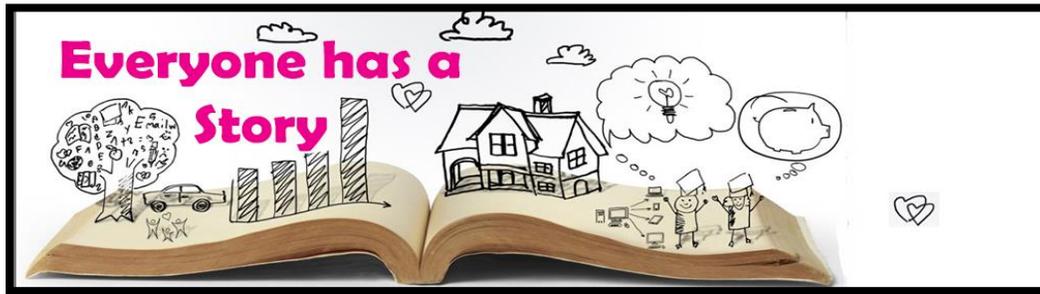


# (Tentative) Calendar of Events 2022

Thursday, Jan: 20:	13.30 Executive Meeting
Monday, Jan. 24:	14.00 "Share your Story"
Thursday, Jan. 27:	13.30 General Meeting
 Tuesday, Feb. 8:	13.30 Book Club
Wednesday, Feb. 9:	12.00 Luncheon?
Tuesday, Feb. 15:	19.00? Panel Discussion Topic TBA
Thursday, Feb. 17:	13.30 Executive Meeting
Thursday, Feb. 24:	13.30 General Meeting
 Tuesday, Mar. 8:	13.30 Book Club
Wednesday, Mar. 9:	12.00 Luncheon?
Tuesday, Mar. 15:	19.00? Panel Discussion Topic TBA
Thursday, Mar. 17:	13.30 Executive Meeting
Thursday, Mar. 24:	13.30 General Meeting
 Tuesday, April 12:	13.30 Book Club
Wednesday, April 13:	12.00 Luncheon?
Tuesday, April 19:	19.00? Panel Discussion Topic TBA
Thursday, April 21:	13.30 Executive Meeting
Thursday, April 28:	13.30 General Meeting
 Tuesday, May 10:	13.30 Book Club
Wednesday, May 11:	12.00 Luncheon
Thursday, May 19:	13.30 Executive Meeting
Friday to Sunday	09-18.00 Book Fair
May 27, 28, and 29:	Brookside Mall
Thursday, June 2:	18.00 CFUW Fredericton AGM
Wednesday, June 8:	12.00 Luncheon?

 Please note: Book Club has a new day and date!





*Welcome the New Year*

*CFUW Fredericton Members Engagement Committee*

*Invite you to a Zoom Get Together*

*Monday, January 24, 2022, 2:00 p.m. (via Zoom)*

*RSVP Sharon Crabb (sharonacrabb@gmail.com)*

*Share your story of:*

- + A favourite CFUW Fredericton event*
- + A favourite holiday*
- + A favourite hobby*
- + A professional life and what you liked about it*
- + A volunteer life and what you liked about it*
- + Growing up in . . .*
- + Any story you wish to share*

*Over the past almost two years, we have had very few opportunities for in-person get togethers. We have new members we have only met via Zoom. We have missed our social times when we could share stories, laughs, memories, jokes and just getting to know each other.*

*Let us welcome in the New Year with smiles on our faces as we take this time to tell stories and share our memories*



# CFUW Fredericton Workshops

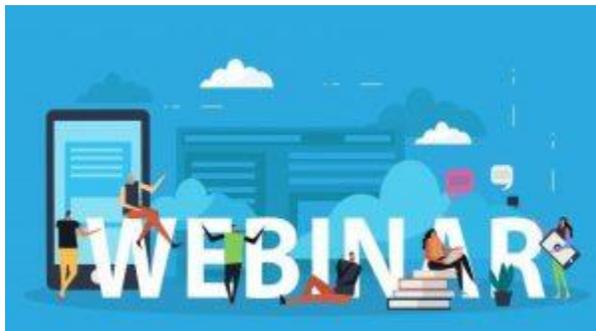


**Pay Equity Workshop:** On January 11, staff from the New Brunswick Coalition for Pay Equity, Johanne and Rachel, and members from CFUW Fredericton, Wendy, Jean and Sharon, held a Zoom planning session for the development of two Pay Equity Workshops specific to New Brunswick, one in English and one in French. This work is being done in

conjunction with Mackenzie Cielen-Gough, CFUW Pay Equity Advocacy and Workshop Coordinator.

The Workshops, tentatively planned for late February or mid March, will address Pay Equity advocacy and Pay Equity negotiations with such topics as pay transparency, pay transparency legislation, systemic solutions to systemic problems and other relevant information. The target groups for these Pay Equity Workshops are young professional women and women graduating from post-secondary institutions and preparing for entry into the workforce. The Workshops, however, are not limited to those groups. All women are welcome to attend. Submitted by Sharon Crabb

## SAVE THE DATES!!!



The CFUW Fredericton Membership Committee will be hosting a series of panel discussions on the third Tuesday of February, March and April 2022. These one and a half hour evening webinars via Zoom will be open to CFUW members from across Canada as well as the general public.

We will tackle three important topics, starting with pay equity on February 15 (speakers will include New Brunswick Coalition for Pay Equity activists), followed by women in leadership and finally systemic racism. Watch for further information and updates. Submitted by Wendy Johnston

## Some Feminist History

1867 Emily Stove became the first woman to practice medicine in Canada.

1875 Grace Annie Lockhart received a bachelor's degree in Science and English Literature from Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick. It was the first degree awarded to a woman in Canada.

1903 Emma Baker became the first woman to receive a Ph.D. from a Canadian university. She earned the degree in psychology at the University of Toronto.

1916 Manitoba women were the first in Canada to gain the right to vote in provincial elections, thanks to the efforts of Nellie McClung and the Political Equality League.



1918 Some white women over the age of 21, who were Canadian citizens, were granted the right to vote. It took another 40 years before all women in Canada were granted the same right.

1960 All women in Canada were granted the right to vote in federal elections. Until the Canada Elections Act was enacted in 1960. However, Indigenous people, living on reserves, could not vote unless they gave up their treaty rights and Indian status.

1981 Women's rights, ensuring equality before and under the law, were enshrined in the new *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.



## News from our Members



Our CFUW member Edey Besner is providing our CFUW Life Time member, Eileen Wallace, with at least 25 books a month for her to read.

Eileen is perhaps the most active reader of all our members.

Thank you Edey for keeping Eileen provided with books.

Submitted by Edey Besner

In December, the CFUW Fredericton Membership Committee, on behalf of all members, delivered tins of Christmas cookies and Christmas cards to 5 of our members who currently live at home with some home care support or live at a retirement residence.

On a beautiful afternoon with large, gentle snowflakes falling, Edey Besner and Sharon Crabb rang doorbells, handed out tins of cookies and cards and received beautiful smiles.

One of our stops was a visit with Doreen.

Submitted by Sharon Crabb



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