



January/February 2024 CFUW Fredericton Newsletter

Welcome to 2024 everyone! As I write this, my household is emerging from the great community flu virus. For any of you who have experienced it - my full sympathies. While I have been lucky to be thrust only in the role of caregiver, it gives me a moment to pause and consider as a member of CFUW - that is a major role each of us takes on. While maybe not as a direct caregiver, definitely that of giving care to the rights of women, care to those less fortunate who require us to take on the role to the universal rights and of each other. list - we all know quite a distance, take on and to



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Our upcoming potential, sense of hope! We will have opportunities to share lunches, great ideas, our amazing book sale activities, and our first guest speaker on Jan.25 at our General Meeting, Nhu Phuong Vo Trieu, our Dr. Althea Warren Macaulay Graduate Scholarship recipient, 2023. I hope January is treating all of you well and I look forward to seeing you soon!

year has a lot of promise and

Shelley Delano Parker, President (sparker@unb.ca).



Meetings

We have changed our monthly meeting format to allow more time for guest speaker presentations and discussion as well as attention to CFUW Fredericton business. We now separate the two types of meetings, alternating meetings with a guest speaker and meetings devoted to CFUW Fredericton business.

Our first meeting this year, **Thursday, January 25**, will be a guest speaker meeting. Our **own scholarship winner**, (see below) Nhu Phuong Vo Trieu, graduate student in science at UNB, recipient of our Dr. Althea Warren Macaulay Graduate Scholarship, will be our guest speaker. Her talk is entitled "*Unconventional Paths and Education: A Meandering Journey as a Mature Student and Early Career Scientist*". The meeting will be held at the usual place, the lounge at the Christ Church Parish Church, 245 Westmorland Street, starting at 1:30pm. **All are welcome!**

Our Thursday, **February 22nd** meeting will be a business meeting.

The Thursday, **March 28, 2024** guest speaker meeting will feature **Alex Boyd, CEO of Greener Village** (title talk TBA).

The Thursday, **April 25th** meeting will be a business meeting.

All meetings are held at the Christ Church Parish Church Lounge, 245 Westmorland Street, starting at 1:30pm. **All are welcome!**

We are still in the process of organizing a webinar for February or March.



December 2023 Happy Yappie



Thanks Ruth and Steve for hosting!

Holiday Luncheon



December Cookie Delivery



Thanks Edye and Sharon



Scholarship Winners 2023-2024



CFUW-Fredericton Scholarship (\$4500.00)

CASEY BRIANNE LEONARD

Fredericton, NB, Year 4, BSc (Biology)

University of New Brunswick



Casey (she/her) recently completed an honours thesis which involved isolating and determining the temporal dynamics of cyanophage (viruses) from the Wolastoq River. At UNB, she has been a part of the *Girls STEM Up Executive Team*, the *UNB Undergraduate Biology Society Executive*, and is currently the Sponsorship and Finance Director for the *Unlock Your Mind Mental Health Conference*. She has also volunteered

at the *Center for Gender and Sexual Diversity*. Casey is grateful for this scholarship as it will allow her to complete her final year at the University of Bergen in Norway.



Congratulations Casey!



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CFUW Fredericton Dr. Althea Warren Macaulay Graduate
Scholarship (\$2000.00)

Nhu Phuong Vo Trieu

Masters of Science, UNB, Fredericton



As a budding scientist she is working and
completing her graduate studies part-time.

Nhu tries to inspire future scientists and
also coaches athletes at the aerial gym,
Brass Monkey Pole Sport.

Nhu represented Canada at the Pole Art
World Championships in Italy in 2023 and her journey is
published in *Muscle & Fitness HERS*.

She is thankful to the *Canadian Federation of University
Women* for the recognition, celebration, and support for
her studies and pursuits.

Congratulations Nhu!





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CFUW Fredericton Charlotte van Dine Scholarship
(\$2000.00)

SAMARA WILSON

Bachelor of Nursing, Year 3
University of New Brunswick



Samara is the proud mom of two young boys, who keep her busy. She enjoys spending time with family, crafting, and volunteering with the *Canadian Red Cross*.

Her future plans are to pursue a Master's in Nursing!

Samara would like to thank CFUW Fredericton for the Scholarship. It will truly have an impact on her continued studies.



Congratulations Samara!

DID YOU KNOW? WOMEN IN CANADA'S SENATE

Two Fredericton women were appointed to the Canadian Senate in October 2023:



Joan Kingston, registered nurse, health advocate, former MLA and current chair of Fredericton's Community Action Group on Homelessness and **Krista Ross**, business woman and former head of the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce, who also served as a commissioner with the Electoral Boundaries and Representation Commission for New Brunswick. The two new senators are part of a 105-member body that currently includes approximately as many women as men. We should note that it was not until



1930 that the first woman was appointed to the Senate in Canada, following a legal case that recognized women as "persons" under the constitutional British North America Act. The first woman from the Atlantic Provinces appointed to the Senate was Shediac-born **Muriel McQueen Fergusson** in 1953.

For more on the representation of women in the Senate and New Brunswick electoral politics, see Senate of Canada website: <https://sencanada.ca/en>; Elspeth Tulloch, *We, the undersigned: A Historical Overview of New Brunswick Women's Political and Legal Status, 1784-1984* (Moncton, NB Advisory Council on the Status of Women, 1985); J. Guildford and S. Morton (eds.), *Making Up the State: Women in 20th Century Atlantic Canada* (Acadiensis Press, 2010); R.J. Sharpe and P.I. McMahon, *The Persons Case* (U of Toronto Press, 2008); Heidi MacDonald, *We Shall Persist: Women and the Vote in the Atlantic Provinces* (UBC Press, 2023).

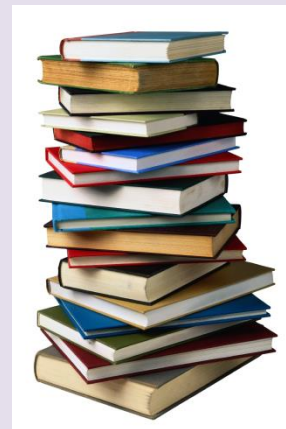
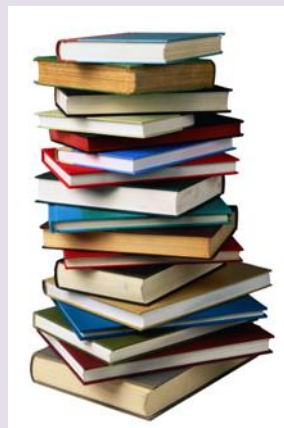
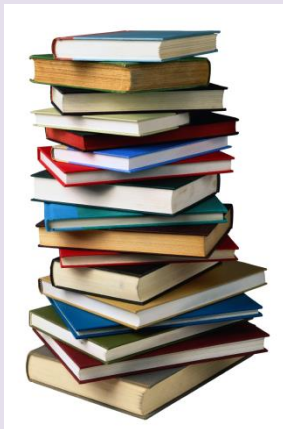


BOOKS AND PUZZLES FOR 2024 BOOK SALE

CFUW Fredericton is already gratefully accepting donations of gently used books and puzzles for our annual spring Book Sale, planned for **May 24, 25, and 26 in the Brookside Mall**. We are collecting fiction and non-fiction books in the categories below, as well as the ever-popular jigsaw puzzles, large print books and audio books on CD.

1. Fiction - General
2. Mystery
3. Sci-fi
4. Western
5. True crime
6. Canadiana and New Brunswick
7. World History/War
8. Birds
9. Art
10. Religion
11. Gardening
12. Knitting/needle point, crochet and quilting
13. Biographies & Autobiographies
14. Cookbooks
15. Children's book - picture books
16. Large print books
17. Audio Books on CD
18. Jigsaw puzzles

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