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## CFUW Ajax-Pickering

Monthly Newsletter
June 2016



Message from the President. . .

I was unable to attend the Ontario AGM at Hockley Valley resort. I know, seems like a great setting for a weekend away. Sometimes there are just too many things converging at the same time. I did send our proxy vote to our Regional Director and the one Resolution passed. For anyone who thinks they might be interested in the Vice President's position this is usually a conference that the VP attends on our behalf.

I will be attending the National AGM in St Catharines at the end of June though. It is being held at the Brock University campus. This is the conference where we will vote on the rest of the resolutions we reviewed.

See you all at the June dinner!



Summer is the annual permission slip to be lazy. To do nothing and have it count for something. To lie in the grass and count the stars. To sit on a branch and study the clouds.

Regina Brett

## Next General Meeting

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

"June Year-end Dinner"



## **Location:**

Safari Bar and Grill, 60 Randall Dr, Ajax Lower room

Entrance off the parking lot and down the stairs on the right

## **Meeting Time:**

7:00 p.m.

Connect with friends and enjoy the last meeting of the club year!

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Meeting was held at the offices of Scientists in School, Ajax.

Cathy M called the meeting to order and thanked Cindy for accommodating us since V!VA is closed to outsiders with another outbreak.

#### • Treasurer report – Jane

The account balance was not available. All National and Ontario council fees have been paid. Cathy M is not attending the Ontario Council meeting at Hockley Valley in May and this will have no cost to the budget. Cathy is not staying in St Catharines for the AGM in June, resulting in reduced cost to budget.

Jane will create a budget for the 2016-2017 year for June 1 meeting.

#### • Membership – Lori

Lori will send the official membership list to Sandy for the newsletter. For next year, it was suggested that the membership list be published with the November newsletter. The \$110 membership fee will be due by the end of October. Members who have not paid will not be sent the newsletter.

#### • Scientists in School (SiS)- Cindy

Cindy requested that members, family and friends go to the **CST Inspired Minds** website to vote for the Scientists in School project that would adopt 20 schools in low income neighbourhoods. These classrooms would benefit from SiS workshops without cost. You can vote every day, more than once each day if you use Twitter and Facebook. Last year, the SiS proposal won second place and \$25,000. This year, the top prize will be \$100,000. The project must be in the top 10 by votes in order to be judged. Cindy will send an email with a link. VOTE! VOTE!

Other news from SiS: Cindy announced that they will be moving to new quarters near Brock Road and Dillingham.

#### • Future meetings- Cathy M

We need to find a new location for our monthly meetings since we have been locked out of V!VA again.

Cindy mentioned the possibility of meeting at the new SiS facility which will have a large meeting room.

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The next meeting on June 1 will be our annual dinner. Locations were discussed. Cathy will check. Book club will be going to Amici for their June dinner/planning meeting on Tuesday June 2.

(FYI: Cindy recommends the Galley restaurant on Church for fish and chips.)

#### • Executive 2016-2017 Cathy M

We are looking for a chair for Fundraising as well as a VP. VP position would be for 2 years with the understanding that that person would move up to be President.

As current President, Cathy M will be attending the AGM in St Catharines in June but will not be staying overnight.

Cathy wants to have an executive meeting in June. Louise S has offered her home for this evening. Possible dates will be sent by email.

#### • Ontario Council AGM, Spring 2018.

The Oshawa club will host with assistance from the Ajax/Pickering club. Louise S and Louise Z have volunteered to help with the Steering Committee. Jane and Dale are considering their assistance. Please think about what you can do to help.

#### • IFUW- Cathy M

IFUW is changing its name to GWI, Graduate Women International and significantly increasing the required membership dues. CFUW is considering withdrawing from IFUW/GWI. Cathy will forward an email to be circulated to members discussing this change.

- Scholarships Dorothy is looking for presenters.
- Interest Groups

The **Book Group** will meet at Donna's home on Wednesday, May 25 at 7:30 to discuss *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins.

#### • Social – Louise S

Tonight's treats were provided by Caroline and Louise S



Have a great summer! See you in the Fall for the 2016/2017 Club year!

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#### Dates and Data

#### **CFUW Websites:**

Main website: http://www.cfuw.org

Ontario Council Website: <a href="http://www.cfuwontcouncil.ca/">http://www.cfuwontcouncil.ca/</a>

#### **CFUW on Facebook**

CFUW has a Facebook group! If you are a Facebook user you can join the group by searching for Canadian Federation of University Women, or visit

http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2232370205

#### Ajax-Pickering on Facebook:

Our club now has its own Facebook page. You do not have to have a Facebook account to view this page. Simply Google Ajax-Pickering CFUW Facebook page or click on the following link: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CFUWAjaxPickering?ref=stream">https://www.facebook.com/CFUWAjaxPickering?ref=stream</a>

### Ajax-Pickering on Twitter: Use @CFUWajax

The Ontario Council newsletter, *Dates and Data*, is available on-line on the Ontario Council website. *The Communicator* newsletter is available on-line on the main website.

# **Upcoming CFUW Events**

#### Oshawa Club Let's Do Lunch

Venue: Waterfront Bistro Dining and Bar



Overlooking beautiful Frenchman's Bay and Swan's Marina – a stylish maritime village destination with eclectic menu, nautical ambience, rooftop patio and views of the marina. Great Trip Advisor reviews too. We will explore the interesting shops and the waterfront trail. A hidden gem of a location.

Date: Friday, June 10, 2016 - Time: 12:45 p.m.

Address: 590 Liverpool Rd

Menu: <a href="www.waterfrontbistro.com">www.waterfrontbistro.com</a> Contact Convenor Pat Davies if coming: patjdavies@rogers.com

## **Interest Groups**

#### **Book Club**

The book club dinner is on **Tuesday**, **June 21**<sup>st</sup> at **6:00 pm** at **Amici Restaurant** at Liverpool and Pickering Parkway.



RSVP to Cathy H at <a href="mailto:chayhow@yahoo.com">chayhow@yahoo.com</a> so Cathy can make reservations. Please bring your book recommendations for next year's list.

All are welcome!

**Doing some summer reading?** Head to the city to explore and when you need some downtime, try one of these top 10 quiet nooks in the City to read a book:

- 1. Trinity Square right behind the Eaton Centre. Greenspace with a historical backdrop.
- 2. Green roof at City Hall up the ramp for a quiet spot with a great view.
- 3. Courtyard in the Sheraton Centre Hotel on Queen St two beautiful waterfalls stunning!
- 4. Grange Park beautiful mix of modern and historical architecture.
- 5. Osgoode Hall graceful, intimate and tranquil.
- 6. Sunnyside Park right on the Lake. Curl up, read and watch the dragon boats practice.
- 7. High Park lots of great hidden oases here and a peaceful Grenadier Pond to relax beside.
- 8. Rosetta McClain Gardens for garden lovers, with a bubbling rock water feature in the middle.
- Toronto Islands verdant greenery with a gorgeous view of the city, especially in late afternoon.
- Edwards Gardens/Sunnybrook Park lots of hidden trails, garden nooks and you may see a horse and rider from the stables canter by.

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#### **Newsletter Deadline**

Information for the September newsletter should be submitted by <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 26<sup>th</sup></u>, <u>2016</u>. Submissions can be mailed, dropped off, or sent via e-mail (jbriell@bell.net). Contact Sandy at 905 428-0003 for further information.

## **Note from the Editor**

The Grapevine is available in both electronic (Adobe PDF) and hardcopy formats, with electronic being the preferred, more cost-efficient format. If you have recently changed your e-mail address or other contact information, please let me know so I can update the club membership list and get the newsletter to the right place!

## CLUB WEBSITE

#### http://www.ajaxcfuw.ca/

Our website has a brand new look. If you have anything you wish to add, or any new content you would like to see, please contact Sandy. This is still a work in progress so keep checking back!

#### Facebook/Twitter

This year we will be sending out meeting information via these social media platforms to try to encourage new members. Visit our new **Facebook page** (see page 2 for more info) or connect with us on **Twitter** (@CFUWajax).

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