

## Our history

After WW1 women's participation in the war effort created the desire for women to advocate for equality and women's rights.

The Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) was founded in 1919 and is a non-profit, non-partisan, self-funded organization working for the improvement of the status of women and girls, promotion of quality public education and advancement of human rights, justice and peace. These goals are achieved by lobbying the government with resolutions submitted annually by members from individual clubs across Canada.

Kincardine CFUW received its charter in 1991 and are now celebrating our 25th anniversary. Our Club locally administers a trust fund to provide 2 yearly Bursaries given to female graduates of Kincardine and District Secondary School who are going on to higher education. This year for the first time, we are initiating a Bursary at The Lake Huron Learning Centre for a mature female graduate who is proceeding on to higher learning.

CFUW is different from the other women's groups in that it gives members the opportunity to do more than just one thing. You can make new friends, advocate on a variety of issues, socialize with like-minded women, engage in life-long learning and enjoy a feeling of empowerment linking women locally, nationally and internationally.

Our meetings include educational guest speakers focusing on current issues, fundraising activities, social outings and special interest groups such as Book Club, Mahjong and Breakfast Club.

Membership is open to any woman who supports the goals of CFUW. Through the years CFUW has grown to include over 100 clubs Canada-wide with over 9,000 members. For more information [www.cfuwkincardine.com](http://www.cfuwkincardine.com); [www.cfuw.org](http://www.cfuw.org) or call Jane 519-396-6060.

Submitted by Corabelle Danahy

2004

Jan. 19th:

Elaine and Glenn Holmes speaking on eye surgery in Ecuador and eyeglasses programme

As published in the local newspapers.

On Monday, January 19, the Canadian Federation of University Women, Kincardine Club, met in the library at KDSS. Our guest speakers, Elaine and Glen Holmes, presented an excellent slide show and talk about their two trips to Ecuador with Medical Ministeries International to provide eye care for people who have little or no access to such care. Each trip was for two weeks. The volunteers pay a participation fee and their own air fare.

The Holmes' first trip, in January of 1998, was to an urban setting. As it was summer in Ecuador, the clinic was set up in a school. Working in hot, humid cramped conditions, with only the supplies that they were able to bring in, the team of 70 volunteers saw about 700 people each day. Their second tip, in 2001, was to a rural setting in the mountains in southern Ecuador near the Peru border. Here again they worked out of the local school, providing eye care for as many people as possible in the two week period. A drop off box for eye glasses and sunglasses is located in the basement of the United Church. These donations are greatly appreciated.

The next CFUW meeting is on Monday, February 16th at 7:30 pm in the library at KDSS.

Feb. 16th:

Probable games night or film followed by a discussion

Mar. 22nd:

Miggs Wynne Morris speaking about her book,  
*Return to the Drum Teaching Among the Dene in Canada's North*  
As published in the local newspapers.

CFUW Kincardine branch – welcomes Miggs Wynne Morris.

On March 22, 2004, the Canadian Federation of University Women, Kincardine welcomed Miggs Wynne Morris to speak about her book "Return to the Drum—Teaching Among the Dene in Canada's North". Her experiences in the North started in the sixties, two years after she immigrated to British Columbia from Wales. She taught in Fort Franklin, NWT, a tiny, isolated community of hunters and trappers located just south of the Arctic Circle on Great Bear Lake. It was a community of 250 Dene Indians, 9 non-Native and 400 dogs. There were no roads to anywhere, no radio, television, nor phones, only a small six-seater airplane for monthly scheduled flights. Her presentation was enhanced by her slides and her storytelling. The slides showed many glimpses of her past, how food was stockpiled for the year by the non-Natives. These food stocks were traded for fresh fish and game. Her stories showed how her experiences with the Dene changed her life and her philosophy of education.

The stories she told also depicted how the Dene changed and adjusted to life in the North over the last forty years – the decline of the fur trade, the introduction of mining, computers, and television. It was an eye opener on how interconnected life in Canada is. Her talk was greatly appreciated by our members and guests.

The CFUW Kincardine branch holds monthly meetings, usually the third Monday of the month at the KDSS library at 7:30 p.m. Our April meeting will be discussing resolutions for CFUW AGM. The April book club book is "The Girl With a Pearl Earring" by Tracy Chevalier and is on April 4<sup>th</sup> (Sunday). All meetings are advertised and everyone is welcome to attend. Call 396-9177 for more information.

Apr.20th:

A Tuesday evening - Resolution meeting with supper

As published in the local newspapers.

The Canadian Federation of University Women – Kincardine met Tuesday, April 20. It was a combined social and Resolutions meeting beginning with a delicious Chinese supper at the New Seasons restaurant.

Every year CFUW clubs across Canada meet in April to discuss a slate of Resolutions developed nationally from proposals submitted by individual clubs or committees. This year there were seven Resolutions:

1. Professional standards for school libraries staffed by qualified teacher librarians with information literacy.
2. The right of all people to higher education overcoming social, economic, political and funding barriers.
3. Establishing education programs about the damage caused by invasive species and endorsing the U.N. Convention on Biological Diversity.
4. Amending the Hate Provisions of the Criminal Code to include the word "gender" to the list of identifiable groups to be protected.
5. Proposing that the Refugee Protection Act passed in June 2002 include an appeal division.
6. That there be a National Education policy and council as opposed to only provincial input.
7. The development of a protocol on the responsibility of the state to protect citizens and what other nations should do if a state cannot or will not protect its own citizens.

The groups, after in-depth discussion, either pass the Resolutions or give suggestions and directions for amendments or clarification. The Resolutions are then returned to the National Office then go to the Annual General meeting for further discussion and adoption. This year, in July, the AGM is being held in Regina.

A few years ago, CFUW Kincardine developed a Resolution on Fetal Alcoholism that was accepted by the National CFUW. Submitted as a Canadian Resolution, it was adopted at the International Federation conference in China. A part of its result can be seen worldwide in women's washrooms where signs are posted warning women of the danger of consuming alcohol when pregnant. We are justly proud of our work.

The next meeting is held at the KDSS Library, Monday, May 17, 2004. Pauline Whelan, a fellow member, will present her study of Henry Bayfield who surveyed the local coastline.

#### May 17th:

Guest speaker: Pauline Whelan presents her study of Henry Bayfield and his survey of the area

As published in the local newspapers.

The CFUW Kincardine met on May 17th 2004 for their May meeting. The presenter was a CFUW member Pauline Whelan, her presentation was on Henry Bayfield who surveyed the Huron shoreline. Henry Bayfield was born in Hull England in 1785. He became a soldier at the age of 10 and was wounded in battle at the age of 11. Over the years he was promoted and posted in Kingston Ontario with the Royal Navy. In 1816 he accompanied Captain W.F Owen in surveying Lake Ontario and Lake Erie. Owen left this post and Henry Bayfield took over and continued to survey shorelines, he was 22. He surveyed Lake Huron, mapping the shores for unseen hazards and looking for safe harbours. It took Henry 2 years to survey Lake Huron. Henry named all the inlets using names of royals. After surveying Lake Huron he surveyed Lake Superior. This experience was much different and lasted 3 years. He then returned to England and created all the charts and maps for the lake shores that he had completed. Henry then wanted to go back and survey the St Lawrence. Henry also surveyed the shorelines of PEI, Nova Scotia and part of Newfoundland. At the age of 43 Henry married and had 6 children. In 1856 Henry retired as an Admiral in the Royal Navy. In 1885 he died at the age of 90. Pauline Whelan presentation was very interesting and made you want to find out more about Henry Bayfield. The next meeting for CFUW Kincardine is June 21st for their Annual Pot Luck Dinner

#### June 21st:

Annual potluck dinner

#### SPECIAL EVENT

The Southwest Regional Spring Gathering was held on Saturday, April 24th, 2004 at the CAW in Port Elgin. This event was co-hosted by the Port Elgin/Southampton, Saugeen and Kincardine Clubs. The theme was *Shorelines and Lighthouses*.

#### 2004-2005

- Sept. 20 Opening Wine & Cheese plus "Bring a Friend"
- Oct. 18 Guest speaker John Welwood from the Citizens Coalition will discuss how factory farming and intensive livestock operations have implications for our environment.  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- Nov. 15 Local Real Estate and you - Fiona Wilson (Remax)  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- Dec. 13 Annual Christmas Dinner and gifts for Bruce County Women's House
- Jan. 17 Pesticides - Dr. Art Wiebe  
[Newspaper Article...](#)

- Feb. 21 Film or Games Night (as weather is usually poor)
- Mar. 21 The Hon. Marion Boyd - Guest speaker
- Apr. 19 Resolutions and Chinese supper Nominations for 2005 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- May 16 Film Night - The Station Agent
- June 20 Annual pot luck dinner

#### 2005-2006

- Sept. 19 Opening Wine & Cheese
- Oct. 17 Guest speaker - Sandra MacDonald - Watercolour Techniques  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- Nov. 21 Youth Gambling Prevention. Speaker - Suzanne Koessler  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- Dec. 5 Annual Christmas Dinner and gifts for Bruce County Women's House
- Jan. 16 Guest speaker - Don Arscott - car maintenance - bring your owner's manual  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- Feb. 20 Film or Games Night (as weather is usually poor)
- Mar. 20 Guest speaker - Jennifer Byrd - her time at the South Pole  
[Newspaper Article...](#)
- Apr. 18 Resolutions and Chinese supper Nominations for 2006 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
- May 15 Fred Dobbs III - Water Quality Issues
- June 19 Annual pot luck dinner

#### 2006-2007

- Sept. 18 Opening Wine & Cheese
- Oct. 16 Visit to the Bruce County Museum in Southampton
- Nov. 23 Dinner and theatre - The Sound of Music - note the change of day from Mon. to Thurs.
- Dec. 4 Annual Christmas Dinner and gifts for Bruce County Women's House
- Jan. 15 Guest speaker - Bruce Edmunds - slide show about his visit to the Galapagos
- Feb. 19 Film or Games Night (as weather is usually poor)
- Mar. 19 Guest speaker - Janet Moyser - Kincardine Horticultural Society
- Apr. 17 Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2007 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
- May 28 Guest speaker - Geoff Peach - Lake Huron Centre for Coastal Conservation
- June 25 Annual pot luck dinner - note change of date

#### 2007-2008

- Sept. 17 Opening Wine & Cheese
- Oct. 15 A fun filled evening of belly dancing - [see newspaper article](#)
- Nov. 15 Dinner and theatre
- Dec. 10 Annual Christmas Dinner and gifts for Bruce County Women's House
- Jan. 21 Guest speaker - Dr. Rick Mann - trip to Peru
- Feb. 18 Nicole McKay - massage therapy - cancelled due to weather

- Mar. 17 Nicole McKay - massage therapy
- Apr. 22 Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2008 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
- May 12 Prance - Port Elgin
- June 16 Annual pot luck dinner

2008-2009

- Sept. 15/08 Opening Wine & Cheese
- Oct. 20/08 National Service Dogs
- Nov. 17/08 Dinner and theatre - Guys and Dolls - date to be confirmed
- Dec. 08/08 Annual Christmas Dinner and gifts for Bruce County Women's House
- Jan. 19/09 Guest speaker -Ruth Ball - Feeling Well in 2009
- Feb. 16/09 Film or games night
- Mar. 16/09 Guest speaker- Marg McDonald will talk about her Grandmother who was a Quarries child from Scotland
- Apr. 21/09 Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2009 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
- May 25/09 Guest speaker - Betty Lamont - container gardening
- June 29/09 Annual pot luck dinner
- Sept. 21/09 Opening Wine & Cheese
- Oct. 19/09 World Cruise - Kathleen Dunn Guests are welcome.
- Nov. 19/09 Dinner and theatre - Annie
- Dec. 14/09 Annual Christmas Dinner and gifts for Bruce County Women's House

2009-2010

- Jan. 18/10 No formal meeting
- Feb. 15/10 No formal meeting
- Mar. 22/10 Duplicating the Voyage of David Thompson - Eric & Lynda Williams Guests are welcome,
- Apr. 20/10 Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2010 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
- May 17/10 Guest speaker Margitta Large of the Saugeen Grannies - please bring unwanted jewellery for donation. Guests are welcome
- June 21/10 Guest speaker Rose Lootsma talks about her time in Haiti during the earthquake. Guests are welcome.
- July 26/10 Pot Luck - details to follow
- August 17/10 A dinner evening
- Sept. 20/10 Opening Wine and Cheese - Speakers: Terry Rintoul and Holly McAdam
- Oct. 18/10 Guest Speaker - Debbie Bodkin
- Nov. Thurs  
18/11 Dinner and Theatre - A Christmas Carol - note the change in evening
- Dec. 13/12 Annual Christmas Dinner

## IMPORTANT DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

1. The Mahjongg Club meets every Wednesday morning at 10:00
2. The Scrabble Club meets the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am at Beans Bistro
3. Friday, October 22 at 11:00 am - lunch, film, book discussion
4. Ontario South Fall Gathering - Welland - Saturday, November 6th
5. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, November 9th at 9:00 am
6. Meeting - Thursday, November 18th at 6:00 pm for dinner then the theatre

### 2010-2011

- Jan. 17/11 No formal meeting
- Feb. 21/11 No formal meeting
- Mar. 21/11 Guest speakers Art Wiebe & Janice McKean - Cuba Today - Guests are welcome,
- Apr. 19/11 Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2011 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
- May 16/11 Guest speaker Susan Earle - Bruce County Housing Authority. Guests are welcome
- June 20/11 Guest speaker Adrienne Mason - The Pine River Watershed rehabilitation. Guests are welcome.
- July 18/11 Pot Luck - details to follow
- August 15/11 20th Anniversary Dinner
- Sept. 19/11 Opening Wine and Cheese
- Oct. 17/11 Guest speaker - Brian Luinstra
- Nov. 24/11 Dinner and Theatre
- Dec. 12/11 Annual Christmas Dinner

## IMPORTANT DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

1. The Mahjongg Club meets every Wednesday morning at 10:00
2. The Scrabble Club meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am at Beans Bistro
3. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, November 8th at 9:00 am
4. Meeting - Thursday, November 24h at 6:00 pm - dinner and theatre
5. Book Club - Thursday, November 10th at 1:00 pm

### 2012

Jan.	16/12	No formal meeting
Feb.	20/12	No formal meeting
Mar.	19/12	Guest speaker Margaret Orr will speak about her experiences as a nurse in northern aboriginal communities. Guests are welcome,
Apr.	17/12	Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2012 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
May	14/12	Guest speakers Janice Mackean and Art Wiebe will talk about their native plants project. Guests are welcome

June	18/12	Guest speakers Dr. Donna Taylor and David Kohul will speak about a trip to Ukraine which included a medical project and a search for family connections. Guests are welcome.
July	16/12	Pot Luck - details to follow
August	20/12	Dinner at 6:30
Sept.	17/12	Annual Wine and Cheese
Oct.	15/12	Guest speaker - Karen Alexander - Lake Huron Coastal Ecology - See newspaper article <a href="#">HERE</a>
Nov.	22/12	Dinner and Theatre - South Pacific - production by the Kincardine Theatre Guild
Dec.	10/12	Annual Christmas Dinner

### IMPORTANT DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

1. The Mahjongg Club meets every Wednesday afternoon @ 2:00PM
2. Scrabble Club - Last Tuesday of the month at 10:00am
3. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, November 13th at 9:00am
4. Book Club - Thursday, November 15th at 1:00pm
5. November meeting - Thursday, November 22nd - dinner at 6:00 then the theatre
6. Annual Christmas dinner -Monday, December 10th at 6:00pm
7. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, December 11th at 9:00am

2013

Jan.	?/13	Northern Storm Birds meeting
Feb.	?/13	Northern Storm Birds meeting
Mar.	18/13	Guest speaker Angela Hazelwood - information on the Ontario Early Years Centre (Kincardine)
Apr.	16/13	Resolutions and Chinese supper - Nominations for 2013 executive - Please note meeting is Tuesday not the usual Monday
May	13/13	Guest speaker Robert Barnett - Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy
June	17/13	Guest speaker - Janice Matchett - Financial Literacy, Investments
July	17/13	Pot Luck - details to follow - note change of day
August	20/13	Dinner Meeting
Sept.	16/13	Annual Wine and Cheese
Oct.	21/13	Guest speaker- Sandy Thomson - about CFUW and the Fall Gathering
Nov.	9/13	Fall Gathering in Orangeville - "Celebrate Women: We Can! We Will!"
Dec.	5/13	Annual Christmas Dinner

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1. The Mahjongg Club meets every Wednesday afternoon @ 2:00PM
2. Scrabble Club - Last Tuesday of the month at 10:00am - will be announced
3. Meeting - Saturday, November 9th - Fall Gathering in Orangeville
4. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, November 12th at 9:00
5. Christmas Dinner - Thursday, December 5th, 6:00pm
6. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, December 10th at 9:00

2014

- Jan. 30 /14 - Bones are Forever - Kathy Reich
- Feb. ? /14 - People of the Book - Charlotte Booker
- Mar. ? /14 - Alice Munro - (2013 Nobel Prize Winner for Literature) Pick your favourite short story and discuss
- April 21 /14 - Light Between Oceans - M.L. Stedman
- May 29 /14 - The Book Thief - Marcus Zusack
- June 26 /14 - Don't Have Your Baby in the Dory - Gordon Green
- July 24 /14 - Toby's Room - Pat Barker
- Aug. 28/14 - Shopping For Votes - How Politicians Choose Us and We Choose Them - Susan Delacourt
- Sept. 25/14 - Flight Behaviour - Barbara Kingsolver
- Oct. 21/14 - The All Girl's Filling Station Last Reunion - Fannie Flagg
- Nov. 27/14 - Old Filth - Jane Hardam
- Dec. ? /14 - The Whistling Season - Ivan Doig

[Kincardine Library Website](#)

suggested reads

- Major Pettigrew's Last Stand - Helen Simonson
- The Luminaries - Eleanor Catton

2015

Jan.	?/15	No meeting
Feb.	?/15	No meeting



Mar.	23/15	Resolution meeting
Apr.	20/15	Guest speaker - Jeff Suchak - Mental Health Issues
May	25/15	Guest speaker - Sheila Clarke - Concerns about lack of transportation in rural Ontario
June	15/15	Guest speaker - Meagan Daniel - Violence against Aboriginal women
July	06/15	Pot Luck - details to follow
Aug.	19/15	Theatre/lunch outing
Sept.	14/15	Appetizer Social
Oct.	19/15	Guest Speaker - Loretta Dunn from the VON
Nov.	?/15	Theatre Outing
Dec.	?/15	Annual Christmas Dinner

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1. Mahjongg Club meets every Wednesday afternoon at 2:00PM
2. Book Club - Thursday, Sept 24th, 2:00PM
3. Breakfast Club - Tuesday, October 13th at 9:00AM
4. Meeting - Monday October 19th, 7:00PM
5. Book Club - Thursday, October 29th at 2:00PM

2016

Jan.	?/16	No meeting
Feb.	?/16	No meeting
Mar.	21/16	Resolution meeting
Apr.	18/16	Guest speaker - Lake Huron Learning Centre
May	16/16	Guest speaker - Adrienne Mason from the Pine River Watershed network
June	13/16	Guest speaker - Mayor Mitch Twolan
July	18/16	Tour of Ripley Food Garden
Aug.	16/16	25th anniversary dinner at the Best Western
Sept.	19/16	Appetizer Social
Oct.	17/16	Guest Speaker - Joan Ealgesham - The plan for hospice services in Kincardine
Nov.	?/16	Theatre Outing
Dec.	?/16	Annual Christmas Dinner

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1. Mahjongg Club - meets every Wednesday afternoon at 2:00PM
2. Breakfast Club - 2nd Tuesday of every month, 9AM at Watercress
3. Fall Gathering - Sat. Oct. 22, 2016 - Kanata ON
4. Book Club - Thursday Oct. 27, 2016 - 2PM at Beans Bistro
5. Fall Gathering - Sat. Oct. 29, 2016 - Guelph ON
6. Fall Gathering - Sat. Nov. 5, 2016 - Burlington ON
7. November meeting - Theatre outing TBA
8. Book Club - Thursday Nov. 24, 2016 - 2PM at Beans Bistro

Jan.	?/16	No meeting
Feb.	?/16	No meeting
Mar.	21/16	Resolution meeting
Apr.	18/16	Guest speaker - Lake Huron Learning Centre
May	16/16	Guest speaker - Adrienne Mason from the Pine River Watershed network
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Nov.	?/16	Theatre Outing
Dec.	?/16	Annual Christmas Dinner

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Jan.	?/18	No meeting
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Feb.	?/18	No meeting
Mar.	19/18	Resolution meeting
Apr.	16/18	Guest speaker - Sandra Thomson - CFUW relevancy and successes
May	22/18	Guest speaker - Deb Sturdevant - Curatorial Assistant, Bruce County Museum, Focus on Kincardine - Note Tue evening
June	18/18	Guest speaker - Dr. Andrea O'Reilly, the changing role of motherhood
July	18/18	Annual Pot Luck
Aug.	6/18	Treasure Sale
Sept.	17/18	Appetizer Social
Oct.	15/18	Guest Speaker - Freya Hunter - Autism Behavioral Services
Nov.	?/18	Theatre Outing
Dec.	?/18	Annual Christmas Dinner

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2. Breakfast Club - 2nd Tuesday of every month, 9AM at Bean's Bistro
3. Book Club - Last Thurs of the month - 2PM at Bean's Bistro

2019

Jan.	?/19	No meeting
Feb.	?/19	No meeting
Mar.	18/19	Resolution meeting
Apr.	15/19	Guest speaker - Ron and Marla Chapleau - We will discuss national pharma care
May	22/19	Guest speaker - Jenny Raspberry - Community Living
June	17/19	Guest speaker - Margot Denomme
July	16/19	Annual Pot Luck
Aug.	TBA	TBA
Sept.	16/19	Appetizer Social
Oct.	21/19	Constitution Discussion
Nov.	21/19	Theatre Outing
Dec.	9/19	Annual Christmas Dinner

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2. Breakfast Club - 2nd Tuesday of every month, 9AM at Watercress
3. Book Club - Last Thurs of the month - 2PM at Library

2020

Jan.	?/20	No meeting
Feb.	?/20	No meeting
Mar.	?/20	Resolution meeting Cancelled
Apr.	15/20	Cancelled
May	?/20	Cancelled
June	15/20	Cancelled
July	20/20	Cancelled
Aug.	TBA	Cancelled
Sept.	21/20	Appetizer Social
Oct.	19/20	Zoom Meeting - guest speaker Kendra Fisher. Topic; a personal journey to de-stigmatize mental health issues in society
Nov.	16/20	Zoom meeting with Sandra Thomson. Topic; CFUW Ontario Council
Dec.	?	Annual Christmas Dinner

\*\*\* CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE \*\*\* IMPORTANT DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

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## ACTIVITIES ARCHIVES



*April 1, 2020*

Co-chair Jane Rigby, left, presents a donation to the Kincardine Food Bank on behalf of CFUW Kincardine.

*April 18, 2020 Support for Students with Student Loans during COVID-19*

To:

The Honourable Lisa M. Thompson; Minister of Government and Consumer Services

From: Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Kincardine

Subject: Support for Students with Student Loans during COVID-19

Dear Minister Thompson:

I am writing on behalf of CFUW Kincardine. We work to improve the status of women and girls, to promote human rights, public education, social justice and peace in Ontario, Canada and abroad.

We commend the Government of Ontario for its recent action, as part of the responses to COVID-19, in placing a six-month interest-free moratorium on the repayment of Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) for all individuals currently in the process of repaying these loans.

We know these are troubling times, but they are particularly troubling for students who may have been counting on summer jobs or their first job placement after graduation. We know that those opportunities may not be there. We urge you to keep Canadian students in mind when you are planning your next wave of strategic planning.

The Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Charitable Trust has been working with Canadian students since 1976. The CFUW Clubs across Ontario and Canada work towards supporting girls and women in their education goals. Between the CFUW Charitable Trust and the Clubs we issue about one million dollars every year to support fellowships and scholarships. We know how great the need is and we know how important education is for the future of all of us. Education is one of the primary mandates of CFUW and we are proud that we have been such a significant contributor to the future of Canada.

Please continue to remember Canada's students in your planning. Consider increasing scholarship money, consider increased deferrals of student loans, and consider additional supports to our educational institutions – all of which will be under serious pressure because of this unprecedented situation.

We have always seen ourselves as partners, important ones, in the support of the future of our country – the education of Ontario's women and girls. We will continue to offer financial support and genuine encouragement. We ask that you continue to see how you can augment your assistance to students and educational institutions.

Thank you for your consideration to date and we will look forward to future developments.

Yours sincerely,  
Sheila Gillson,  
Secretary, CFUW Kincardine

*Sept 16, 2019 Presentation of Sage Awards*



To: Lori Ker, CFUW regional director, on the left, presents the Sage Awards to Sylvia Kirby, Mary Wightman, Kathleen Dunn and Jackie Clements at the annual September social. On the right is Sandy Thomson president of Ontario Council. Absent from the picture is Pauline Whelan. The recipients of this award are original members of CFUW Kincardine and are still active in the club today.

*May 2018 Meeting*



Deb Sturdevant, Curatorial Assistant at the Bruce County Museum, was our guest speaker. Deb



provided us with a great deal of information about the services offered by the museum. To access information online about local history, genealogy, marine history and much more, visit the museum websites at [www.brucemuseum.ca](http://www.brucemuseum.ca) The Archives area is open to the public for research. In the left hand picture, Jane Rigby, Past President, introduces Deb Sturdevant, our guest speaker. On the right, Corabelle Danahy, Publicity Chair, thanks Deb for her interesting and informative presentation.

#### *April 2018 Meeting*



Sandra Thomson, President of the Ontario Council of CFUW and a member of CFUW Kincardine, was the guest speaker at our April meeting. Sandy spoke on the relevancy of CFUW today and gave an overview of CFUW on a national and international level. Joan Thompson, president of CFUW Kincardine, is pictured on the right.





Sylvia Kirby, a member of our club since its inception, will present the book "Putting Trials on Trial" by Elaine Craig to the Kincardine branch of the library on our behalf.  
(Photos courtesy of Linda Norminton)

### *Remarkable Women*

Recently six of our members were honoured as Remarkable Women and received certificates, presented by MPP Lisa Thompson and Kincardine Mayor Ann Eadie, from the Ontario Government. These certificates were presented at A Remarkable Assembly of Bruce County Women in November, 2017. Jackie Clements, Kathleen Dunn, Sylvia Kirby, Pauline Whelan and Mary Wightman were original members of CFUW Kincardine when it was founded 27 years ago and are still active members today. Jane Rigby, a Past President of our group, was honoured for her work with the therapy dog programme.







*CFUW Kincardine celebrated its 25th anniversary (Click photo to ENLARGE)*



On Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at the Best Western, Governor's Inn in Kincardine. 22 members and former members attended. 5 of our members have been with the group since the first meeting was held in September 1990, Jackie Clements, Kathleen Dunn, Sylvia Kirby, Pauline Whelan (a member of the steering committee), and Mary Wightman.



Another guest, June Emond, was an original founding member on the steering committee that formed our group. These 6 ladies were presented with wrist corsages. After the presentation a delicious buffet dinner was enjoyed by all. Before dessert, Jane Rigby, our President, introduced our new Regional Director Ontario Huron, Judy Gay. Sandy Thomson, a member of our club, went from Regional Director to President of the Ontario Council. The evening was an informal, relaxing event with plenty of time to visit. The memorabilia table prompted lots of conversation. Thank you to everyone who attended the event and made the evening so much fun. (Photos courtesy of Corabelle Danahy)





*Ripley Botanical Food Garden*



Our July meeting was a little different. We took a tour of the Ripley Botanical Food Garden.







What an interesting place! The garden occupies 1.5 acres with over 250 varieties of food plants. Included are heirloom, rare and endangered food plants. The fencing around the garden perimeter is made from mattress springs. Some of the springs also serve as stakes for climbing plants. A wagon wheel, the logo of Ripley, contains plants as well. A tin man made of old tin cans rests against some hay. Volunteers work in the gardens weeding and maintaining them. The gardens are open to the public for tours and for picking your own produce for a donation to the garden. The garden is also the developer of the Ripley apple tree. It was an interesting learning experience.



*Luncheon and Theatre Outing*



In August nine members enjoyed a lunch and theatre outing. The first stop was in Bayfield for lunch at The Black Dog Pub and some shopping. Then we went on to Grand Bend to the theatre to see Les Iserables. Everyone enjoyed the excellent production. As we had car pooled we went our separate way for the trip home. One group stopped in Goderich to have dinner at Thyme on 21. The day was enjoyed by all who went.

*Resolution Committee* - The Resolution Committee, with unanimous support from the club, was formed last year to do research on Industrial Wind Turbines. As a result of the work done a resolution has been presented to national CFUW in Ottawa for consideration

RESOLVED, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW), strongly urges all levels of government (municipal, provincial, federal, territorial) to institute a moratorium on the construction of industrial wind turbine developments until such time that evidence-based, impartial, scientific research studies have identified issues relating to site placement, economic efficiencies and potential effects on human health and the environment resulting in the development of national, uniform standards and regulations.

The Kincardine resolution has been distributed for discussion among CFUW club members across Canada in April. It is one of six resolutions to be presented nationally. If accepted, the resolution will be further discussed at the AGM in Victoria, B.C.

The Kincardine club continues to follow this advocacy issue.

We also welcome members to propose new Advocacy Resolutions for consideration.

The resolution can be downloaded as a PDF file below-

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*Afternoon Garden Tea Party* - On August 14th, 2012 an Afternoon Garden Tea Party was held to raise funds for our annual bursary which is presented at the local high school commencement in the fall to a graduating female student who is going on to university or college. On the Saturday before the tea, several members met to make fancy sandwiches. Many members contributed squares and cookies. On the morning of the tea some members set up the tables and chairs and got everything ready. At 1:00 guests started to arrive, were greeted by a member and seated at their table. Sandwiches, scones with strawberry jam and clotted cream, cookies, squares and tea were served. There was also a white elephant table. The guests enjoyed their afternoon. The tea was a success.