

A Word from the President

Welcome to the October issue of the CFUW Sudbury Newsletter.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back our members and to welcome two new members, Sarah Dost and Michelle Labelle.

There are many reasons for joining and for renewing memberships. Some join for the interest groups. Others join to support women and girls through our scholarships and bursaries. We promote education and are committed to advocacy. CFUW Sudbury offers life-long learning opportunities and friendships.

All members are asked to sign the Covid waiver in anticipation that we may be able to meet in the future. Due to the current situation as we enter the second wave of Covid 19, the Executive has decided that CFUW Sudbury will not sanction any in person meetings held in private homes until further notice. Poling, hiking and singing which take place outdoors and are socially distanced may proceed. Masks should be worn in the parking lot before the actual activity begins. The Revolving Book Club will do contact free delivery of books. All other interest groups will meet on Zoom. The only exception is our community outreach program, Adopt-a-Family. The committee meetings will be on Zoom. Communication with the schools will be done by phone or email. However, all Covid protocols will be followed when packing and delivering the bins to the schools. While the need for this program is greater than ever before, the safety and well-being of all our members is our top priority.

The interest groups are up and running. Some groups have already been meeting online while others have met outdoors with COVID protocols in place. If you missed the September meeting, or missed signing up for an interest group, please notify Liz Moratz or Trudy Bolduc as soon as possible. They will forward names to the facilitators.

Ontario Council has great plans for its Speakers Series. This year, they will be online. You don't have to travel to Toronto. You can see the speakers from the comfort of your own home.

CFUW National is busy. In the next few weeks, a club survey will be coming out. Questions to be considered are: Who are we? What do we do? Whom do we serve? These and other questions will help CFUW as we move to a more virtual community. CFUW has an official Facebook page where you can follow current events and see what National is working on. There is no log in information required to view the page.

We are living in difficult times but there are still things that we can appreciate. Just take a look outside and enjoy the autumn view. The fall foliage is beautiful.

Clare Ann



Next Meeting

When: October 19 at 7:00pm
Where: Zoom -
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86338344151>

Topic: Dianne Dodd,
Writing the History of CFUW

Executive Members

Clare Ann Greco, President
Teresa Stott, Vice President
Andrea Levan, Past President
Shelley Machum, Treasurer
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Libby Marinilli, Awards
Sue Stapleton, Corr. Secretary
Liz Moratz, Interest Groups
Kathy Webkamigad, Mentor
Elaine Carlyle, Mentor
Elizabeth Denton, Program
Laura Young, Program
Harriet Kideckel, Publicity
Andrea Levan, Social
Alison Sivers, Newsletter/ Webmaster
Brenda Koziol, Archivist

VACANT, Membership (x2)

This Month's Speaker

Dianne Dodd, *Writing the History of CFUW*

Dianne Dodd earned her PhD from Carleton University (1988) in Ottawa, and did a postdoctoral fellowship from Hannah/Associated Medical Services) at the University of Ottawa before working at the National Archives (now Library and Archives Canada). She has published in the fields of birth control, domestic technology, public health and nursing.

From 1996 to 2018, Dianne Dodd was employed at Parks Canada as an historian where she helped to enhance the commemoration of women in the Parks/Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada's program, writing research reports that led to new plaques and a few new historic sites, many devoted to women's role in history.



Recent projects include a project on the commemoration of 61 Canadian military nurses who died during the First World War and a centennial history of CFUW, *Our 100 Years, The Canadian Federation of University Women*.

Membership and Meetings this Year

All members are asked to please use the following link to register as a 2020-2021 CFUW Sudbury Member.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/17O52SU5BAf4vtfu4fEIQH7JvDK6xb8NvfileHbBilRM/edit>

Fees are \$85.00 and \$42.00 for students.

There are 2 methods of paying fees:

1) By Cheque – please mail a cheque made out to "CFUW Sudbury" to our Treasurer at the following address:

Ms. Shelley Machum
604-2000 Regent Street,
Sudbury, ON P3E 5T5

2) By eTransfer - please send an eTransfer to the following email address:

CFUWSudburypayment@gmail.com

It has been decided by the executive, that we will be holding all our monthly meetings in 2020 virtually. We will re-evaluate the process in the New Year.

COVID Waiver

The COVID Waiver form is being sent to you with this October Newsletter as an email attachment. There is a separate attachment on COVID protocols that are being followed by sanctioned CFUW activities.

Through this waiver you acknowledge that:

- You know and are willing to take the risk of contracting COVID-19 whenever you physically get together for meetings and activities.
- You understand that there is no pressure to physically attend a meeting or activity. If you feel unsafe, you can leave.
- You will not attend a face to face meeting if you are sick with any COVID symptom (this includes you or anyone in your household). You will go home if you begin to feel unwell.
- You will wait for 14 days after you or anyone in your household travels outside of Canada (or Ontario) before attending any physical meeting or activity.
- You will follow Public Health / government guidelines (hand washing/hand sanitizer, social distancing, wearing a mask, self-isolation if required).
- You waive and release any and all claims against CFUW Sudbury.

In anticipation of future occasions, every member is required to sign and submit this waiver. The waiver is to be used for face to face events; it is not required for activities taking place by Zoom or telephone. It is not necessary to submit the waiver for each activity, each member submits only ONE signed waiver – it will become part of your membership record this year. You must submit this waiver prior to attending any CFUW face to face activity – do it now if you haven't already!

What to do: **Submit the Waiver only ONCE!**

Print off the waiver, and complete the form (Printed Name, Signature, Place and Date)

Mail your completed (paper) waiver to:

Ms. Liz Moratz
Box 472,
Copper Cliff, ON P0M 1N0

OR

Scan the completed form and send it electronically to cfuwsudbury@gmail.com.

Please put **CFUW WAIVER** in your **Subject** line

NOTE:

Remember, you must sign and submit a Waiver first before you can participate any In-Person activity. If you attend your **first** Face to Face activity within the next week, you can print the waiver, sign it and give it to the facilitator (or organizer) of that event who can send it along to the Interest Group convenor. Only ONE signed Waiver is required.

Interest Groups

Our Interest Group leaders are rising to the challenge to redefine how we connect socially to meet and share our common interests!

As groups are moving to Zoom meetings, we are re-imagining how to share our common interests with others. We're ready to explore different ways to share safely at a distance while developing new skills to get there! How amazing is that!!!

If you haven't already visited the Online Interest Group Sign-Up Sheet, click here to access the form.
<https://forms.gle/VwqZ7tov6eB73Zwi8>

Need more information about Interest Groups, Give Liz or Trudy a call or send an email.
Liz Moratz 705-682-2152 elizabeth.moratz@sympatico.ca
Trudy Bolduc 705-690-7185 trudybolduc@hotmail.com

Revolving Book Club

The Revolving Book Club is into its last couple of months as we finish up our titles from last year after a delay due to Covid. Current members should expect to receive a book in October and November.

Then, we'll move forward with our 20/21 group. We anticipate that the first book will be circulated for Jan 1/21, considering that we've just finished our last book from last year in November.

In order to meet this deadline, Revolving book club members, those returning and those who wish to join must sign up by Oct 16th, 2020. Please complete the online interest group sign up form. After this date, we'll know our group's size and will begin to plan our book numbers and our book rotation schedule. We'll canvass, probably by email for book suggestions, then purchase the books ready to distribute by Jan 1/21.

We're looking forward to another year of interesting books and great reading!
Barb and Wendy

Singing Group

Our next meeting in Monday Oct. 5 @1:30 in Copper Cliff Park. Our backup plan is a Zoom session filled with an interesting playlist of old favourites. Contact Liz Moratz for more information.

Antiques Group

Antiques Appreciation had a fun and interesting zoom on September 9. Shelley gave us a marvelous tour of her cottage on Manitoulin Island filled with fantastic artifacts. We will have our second zoom call on Wednesday October 14 at 1:30 so be ready to enjoy something of historical interest.

Speakers and Webinars

Speaker Sharing with Ontario North Clubs

The Ontario North Clubs will be sharing speakers. On October 21 at 7 pm, CFUW North Bay's speaker is Rosemary Nagy who teaches at Nipissing University. Her topic is Human Trafficking in Northern Ontario. There will be more information and the zoom invitation closer to the date.

For Your Viewing

CFUW Orillia created a video to celebrate International Women's Day 2020. It is entitled CFUW Guess Who? It is 8 minutes long and can be viewed on YouTube. It is enjoyable and will test your knowledge of famous Canadian women. Visit <https://youtu.be/Gmxjecv7a7w>. If you have difficulty, you can go on the CFUW Orillia website to access the Link

Upcoming Webinars

October 6, 2020, 1pm - Gun Control in Canada

CFUW Nepean invites CFUW members across Canada to join CFUW Nepean to hear Dr. Wendy Cukier speak on advocating for more effective gun control. Dr. Cukier co-founded the Coalition for Gun Control, a network of more than 200 organizations ranging from police to women's groups, after the Montreal Massacre. She is an advocate for evidence-based gun control in Canada. She co-authored the book, Global Gun Epidemic.

To join the webinar, register at the link below.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlvdeupqj4iGdR_oJYSAQbNgcCnKaWE1Tsj

October 16, 2020- 1.30 -2.15 pm – CFUW Charitable Trust Webinar

Topic: "My Journey as a Neuroscientist"

Speaker: Dr. Diane Lagace

Diane won the CFUW Dr. Alice E. Wilson Award almost 20 years ago. At the time, she realized she loved going into the research lab everyday in order to understand more about the brain. This presentation takes you through her journey, the ups and downs, from her days in graduate school days at Dalhousie University to becoming a Professor at the University of Ottawa. She will share her passion and research findings in regenerative medicine and stroke recovery, as well as the synergies she finds within her career and family.

To join the webinar, register at the link below.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpfumqrz8sEt1kQj8nflLoDy84vAoNP-M1v>

You may also check out the Club Action Newsletter if you have difficulty registering or email National at cfuwadvocacy@rogers.com.

Declaration of Climate Change Emergency by the City of Greater Sudbury

On May 28/19, the Council for the City of Greater Sudbury declared a Climate Change Emergency. The following describes why this matters and how it was accomplished.

As we all know, time is running out for the mitigation of Climate Change. We are already having to adapt to events resulting from Climate Change. (Parry Sound fires and expensive/destructive storm/flood in New Sudbury). The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is the United Nations body for assessing the science related to Climate Change. Political, community and industry action to these successive reports have been too slow and inadequate as Greta Thunberg and the FFF (Fridays For Future) youth movement point out. The IPCC report requires a 50% reduction in green house gases by 2030. We have all heard about the ramifications of enormous climate disruptions. There with increased social injustice particularly for those with the fewest life choices.

In 2019 our local FFF made up of children under 12, asked adults "to do something". Another local woman Carole Lavallee and I, noted that multiple municipalities in Quebec had declared a Climate Change Emergency. This became our "something".

What would you do if you set yourself to accomplish a goal that you knew little about and were warned had little chance of success? Carole and I did the following. Commit. Study. Seek out a mentor. Listen. Find council champions. Communicate with all city councillors regularly. Support council champions in a motion to council at a timely date. Spend time and more time in acquiring political will via a petition. Compile letters of endorsement from community groups. (Thank you CFUW Sudbury!). Seek out media attention. On the date of the city council meeting when the motion to declare a climate change emergency comes forward, fill the gallery at city hall. Publicly and privately thank all council members and the community of Greater Sudbury. Big credit and thanks to our mentor Naomi Grant. The local FFF youth thank us.

The Declaration of a Climate Change Emergency in 2019 has given significant focus to the Council of Greater Sudbury. The Council retreat post 'declaration' rated Climate Change as one of the five priorities for the city. Our city has adopted a climate lens for policies. The CEEP (Community Energy and Emissions Plan) for the future energy needs of Sudbury, was retooled to reflect IPCC/Climate Change goals.

Note: By the end of December, 2019, over 350 municipalities across Canada had 'declared' Climate Change an emergency.

2020 Adopt-A-Family Program



Thus far we have 16 Community Partners that are supporting our program and 10 schools/churches that are working with us.

Canadian Tire money will be collected at the South End Canadian Tire Store for the months of October and November.

If you have any children/teen books, knitted items, children's games or toys (gently used/new) or large toiletry items that you would like to donate please contact any Adopt-A-Family Committee member.

Thank you to those who have already made donations. Please NOTE that there will be a separate email regarding donations sent the week before Thanksgiving. Donations can be mailed to:

Barb Booth
2264 Mallard's Landing Drive
Sudbury P3E 6L7
705-673-8083
barb7booth@gmail.com

Your Adopt-A-Family Committee

The CFUW Mission

CFUW's vision is of a strong national organization working to ensure that all girls and women have equal opportunities and equal access to quality education within a peaceful and secure environment where their human rights are respected. Our vision includes a world where poverty is reduced, discrimination eliminated, where there are equal opportunities for leadership, employment, income, education, careers and the ability to maximize potential.

CFUW will continue to enhance its role as a national, bilingual, independent organization striving to promote equality, social justice, fellowship and life-long learning for women and girls.

Member and CFUW News

BCLA Champion of Intellectual Freedom Award

Ashley Machum (daughter of club Treasurer, Shelley Machum) recently received the British Columbia Library Association's "Champion of Intellectual Freedom Award". The award reflects the association's commitment to intellectual freedom including the right to seek, receive, hold and disseminate information from all points of view. In her position as Youth Services Librarian at the main branch of the Okanagan Regional Library (ORL) she initiated "Drag Queen Story Time" in the fall of 2019. It was ultimately well attended and well-received, but mounting the program was not without challenges. With the support of other professional librarians, she convinced skeptics that the tenets of intellectual freedom meant that a Drag Queen Story Time, where stories with a theme of "it's ok to be different" are presented by vetted drag queens, should be a welcome part of library programming. The event was attended by a record breaking audience of parents and children and was lauded by the Library Board, local media and community members. Ashley is now Head of Youth Services for the thirty branches of the ORL.

General Meetings

October 19, 2020
November 16, 2020
December 7, 2020
January 18, 2021
February 15, 2020
March 15, 2021
April 19, 2021
May 17, 2021
June 7, 2021

For at least the rest of 2020, meetings will be held on the Zoom platform. The format will be as follows:

7.00 – 7.25 – Business meeting
7.25 - 7.30 – 5 minute break
7.30 – 8.00 - Guest Speaker
8.00 -8.30 – Q. and A.

Ontario Council Speakers Series

October 3, 2020 - 9.30 am - 12 pm – Elder Care – Protect the Vulnerable

Register by October 1, 2020. You may access the registration and more details by going on the CFUW Ontario Council website if you do not receive the CFUW Ontario Council Newsletter.

November 21, 2020 – 9.30 am – 12 pm – Women in the COVID Economy

November 21, 2020
February 27, 2021

Ontario Council AGM - May 2021
National AGM - June 2021

Submissions for the newsletter are due by the 25th of the month.

Please submit any information you would like to see in the newsletter to:

cfuwsudbury@gmail.com or
alison.sivers@gmail.com

Do you have news you would like to share with our members?

Let us know!

Don't Forget

CFUW Sudbury's Corresponding Secretary will send out cards for happy news or in condolence, but we need to know about these events in order to do so. Please contact Sue Stapleton at staple1050@yahoo.ca if you have any events you would like recognized.