

**GENERAL MEETING - Tuesday, April 5th 1:00 PM on ZOOM**

Speaker: **Valerie Knowles**, *The Life of Senator Cairine Wilson* - the first woman senator. Valerie is a journalist and writer.

RESOLUTIONS - DISCUSSION AND VOTING.**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING May 3rd Tuesday 1 PM on ZOOM**

Speaker: **Diana Pepall**, *The Code Breaking Unit in Sandy Hill during WW1*
Diana is Library Manager, Collections Branch, City of Ottawa

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL April 19th 1:00 PM

Lynne Crocker will present a travelogue on South Africa

Greetings!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope that everyone has recovered from the time change and isn't still missing that hour of sleep! We need every hour we can get to keep on top of all that is happening in our Club these days.

I hope that some of you joined the GWI Peer to Peer conversation about Celebrations co-hosted by CFUW Nepean and CFUW Ottawa. Thanks to **Beth Junkins** and **Joan Conrod** for volunteering to facilitate the small group sessions at this event.

A group of us have been working very hard with members of the Ottawa Club and the Kanata Club to organize **TACKLING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS: TOGETHER WE CAN** – three evening events in April featuring amazing speakers – Rebecca Prince-Ruiz, author of *Plastic Free* and founder of the Plastic Free July global movement; Diana Beresford-Kroeger, author of *To Speak for the Trees* in conversation with Bill Steer; and Seth Klein, author of *A Good War: Mobilizing Canada for the Climate Emergency*.

If you were unable to attend the March meeting and see **Women Like Us**, written by **Joan Conrod** and featuring our Nepean Players **Carole Baker**, **Sharon Carew**, **Beth Junkins** and **Marlene Sylvester**, you missed a real treat

Thank you to the teams who met to study this year's six resolutions for consideration at our April meeting. I look forward to hearing their recommendations as to how our Club representative should vote on these at the CFUW National AGM in August. It's great to know that almost half the Club membership is involved in this process. Thank you to **Joan Conrod** for organizing the teams.

At the March Board meeting, the decision was made to continue with Zoom meetings for April and for the May AGM and hopefully, sometime in May or June, we can get together for a potluck picnic at a park. It will be so nice to see everyone in person! It's been a long time!!!

Until then, stay well!

Marcia

THE GREEN GRAPEVINE

Beth Junkins

Hearing from people who have read something in the Green Grapevine that they can use to make a change is their environmental footprint is great. Whether the changes are big or small, every change makes a difference.

This month you can also make a difference far beyond your own recycle bin by participating in the City of Ottawa newly launched engagement on the plans for waste management. <https://engage.ottawa.ca/solid-waste-master-plan>.

Since 2019, The City of Ottawa has been pursuing a **Solid Waste Master Plan**. Last year they held consultations on curbside garbage collections and are using much of what they have learned in these consultations to put together a Phase 2 report.

One element of the new engagement is a survey looking at a wide range of priority topics, including organics collection in multi residential properties. Trying to get green bin collection in apartments has been a source of frustration for many residents so it is encouraging to see it on the list for exploration. Other topics include turning waste into renewable energy, new and creative ways to reduce and reuse waste, how we manage garbage and recycling in parks, and education opportunities. The survey will be open until **Sunday May 8, 2022**.

There are also public virtual events targeting number of different areas. For example, March 28 looks at prioritizing implementation of programs related to reusing, reducing, recycling, and expanding the **Take It Back Program**. On Tuesday May 3 the topic is “**Let’s Talk Waste Plan Options on Multi-Residential Properties**” exploring increasing Green Bin participation.

The City of Ottawa is also looking for volunteers for smaller focus groups being held for young people, older adults, racialized residents, new immigrants, and members of the 2SLGBTQQIA+ community who would like an opportunity to discuss options and the way forward.

So, if this is something that interests you, take a few moments, go to the website: <https://engage.ottawa.ca/why-engage> and participate in the survey, a public event or focus group – have your voice heard!

Heard it through the Grapevine....

March 2, 2022 At the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEP 5.2) meeting in Nairobi, UN member states unanimously agreed to start negotiations for the first ever, legally binding global treaty on plastic pollution. Recognized as an historic beginning, treaty content is targeted to be finalized in 2024 with the goal to rein in soaring and disastrous plastic pollution.

Rebecca Prince-Ruiz, (Founder & Executive Director of the Plastic Free Foundation) writes from the UN meeting “*This is a victory for every single person who has taken action to reduce plastic waste in their own lives ... This will hold all nations, businesses and society accountable in ending plastic pollution in the environment*”.

Join us Apr 6 at 7PM when Rebecca Prince-Ruiz will be our guest speaker on how each of us can be part of the solution to plastic pollution – register at <https://cfuwkanata.ca/Tackling-the-Environmental-Crisis>

TACKLING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS

Join us for a series of free webinars
on 3 Wednesday evenings in April
April 6th, 13th, & 20th, 2022
at 7 p.m. (ET)

Click the link below to read biographies of the
three internationally renowned speakers
and to **register for each webinar individually.**

TACKLING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS

Together We Can

Highly Acclaimed Speakers Free Webinars 7 p.m. (ET)

- April 6 Rebecca Prince-Ruiz: *Plastic Free July*
- April 13 Diana Beresford-Kroeger & Bill Steer: *To Speak for the Trees*
- April 20 Seth Klein: *A Good War*

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ADVOCACY Joan Conrod

Our 2021 resolution on **Banning Single Use Plastic** has inspired much action for CFUW Nepean. The **Environment Action Committee** and the **Green Grapevine** both originated in our increased concern for the world that came from the discussion of our resolution.

As important as those activities are within the club, we have planned webinars for all CFUW members and guests , **TACKLING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS - TOGETHER WE CAN.**

In collaboration with CFUW Kanata and CFUW Ottawa, we have planned three evenings with world-class speakers telling us more about what needs to be done, what actions we can take, to help our ailing world. I urge each of you to register and attend. Please register, and invite a friend.

RESOLUTIONS Vice President Joan Conrod

The resolutions proposed for 2022 are now in the hands of capable teams who will report at the April meeting. Based on their reports, we will decide whether our club will vote to approve, to approve with amendments or to withhold our approval.

My thanks to all members who are helping by reviewing and discussing the proposed policies. At the club meeting on April 5th their recommendations will assist us in voting.

ONTARIO COUNCIL

Ontario Council's Election Toolkit – Part 2 Our Issues of Concern. Thanks to members of the Advocacy Committee, our Issues of Concern cover 10 issues which you might find useful in discussion with candidates. Areas covered include:

- [Affordable Housing](#)
- [Child Care](#)
- [Climate Crisis](#)
- [Environmental Assessment](#)
- [Gender Based Violence](#)
- [Home Care](#)
- [Human Trafficking](#)
- [Indigenous Peoples Welfare](#)
- [Long Term Care](#)
- [Poverty](#)

DEMOCRACY IS NOT A SPECTATOR SPORT

NOMINATIONS REPORT Dolores Dufresne

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PROGRAM 2022-2023

Do you want to suggest a speaker for next year?

Give Sue Carter the speaker's name, topic contact details - phone number, website, or email address. If possible when the speaker is available in person and/or zoom and what months they might be available. Ask if they have a presenter fee.

Sue needs this information by early June to plan for the fall.

Andrée Anderson, (née Savoie)

A tribute by Susan Russell

Andrée, a long-time club member, made a unique contribution to the Club. With Ann Tomlinson, she designed the CFUW Nepean banner and she led the way in establishing the CFUW Nepean Scholarship Fund. She leaves a unique legacy.

Andrée died peacefully of natural causes on February 16th, 2022. Although she had Parkinson's disease for more than 15 years she retained her strength, patience, and determination to fully enjoy and partake of life.

Andrée is deeply mourned by her family. Her husband Francis and her son John both died last May. She leaves behind many friends from the Wrens, CFUW, the Redwoods, and St Patrick's Home.

Andrée was born in 1926 in Plessisville Quebec, part of a long line of Savoie and Huard ancestors. She earned her first of several degrees from Université de Laval. She started her career at Quebec Hydro, and then served as an Officer in the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service (Wrens), including an appointment as the Aide to the Admiral at HMCS Stadacona in Halifax. She made many life-long friends amongst her fellow Wrens. She also enjoyed having meals and socializing at the Officer's Mess, including with one officer who caught her eye by the name of Francis. They were married for over 60 years. After marrying, she devoted herself full time to raising her family. She was fluently bilingual and for her final career, she became a Professor of French language and finally taught English as a second language (ESL).

Throughout her life she was an avid reader, gracious in conversation, keenly interested in current events and the human stories behind the people that she met. Attention to detail and style were her hallmarks. She always remembered to thank people.

Members of CFUW Nepean will remember her and Francis as warm and gracious hosts

**CFUW Webinar: The Pay Gap & the Gendering of Care Work: Women's
Economic Insecurity amid the COVID-19 Crisis**
Wed. March 30 @ 1pm ET

LIVE CANADIAN FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN PRESENTS

THE PAY GAP AND THE GENDERING OF CARE WORK

WOMEN'S ECONOMIC INSECURITY AMID THE COVID-19 CRISIS

MODERATED PANEL DISCUSSION



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MARCH 30, 2022 - 1:00-2:00 PM (EST) | Register: cutt.ly/payequitypanel

Join us on **Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at 1pm ET** for a panel with pay equity experts and care work advocates to discuss the current state of gender inequalities in paid and unpaid care work and future solutions for a gender-inclusive economic recovery plan.

Moderated by: Kadie Ward, Commissioner and CAO of the *Pay Equity Commission of Ontario*

Panelists: Katherine Scott, Senior Researcher at the *Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives*; Karen Jensen, *Canada's Federal Pay Equity Commissioner*; Deena Ladd, Executive Director at the *Workers' Action Centre*; Rachel Vickerson, Executive Director at the *Association of Early Childhood Educators of Ontario*; and Valerie Frey, Senior Economist, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs at the *OECD*.

CFUW policy on Pay Equity: *Resolved, That the Canadian Federation of University Women support the principle of equal pay for work of equal value and urge the enactment of legislation, encompassing this principle by the Government of Canada and the provincial and territorial governments where such legislation has not already been adopted. The legislation should apply to all workers without exception.*

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