

September General Meeting
**Durham Ukrainian
Relief Project (DURP)**

By Mariia Pitolai, Immigration Consultant



Join us in person or on zoom as we hear Mariia who oversees the legal team at the DURP and holds a weekly pro-bono information session at the Ukrainian Canadian Congress of Durham.

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 - 7:00 P.M.

All Guests Welcome - Free Admission

St Mark's United Church, 201 Centre St S, Whitby

Email your request for a Zoom Link to cfuw.oshawa@gmail.com

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WELCOME BACK!

A new year is beginning for our club. We can look forward to a series of excellent general meeting programs organized by the Book Chat group.

Catherine R., our past president, has received a well-deserved Certificate of Special Recognition on behalf of the International Relations Committee of CFUW National for her work in helping a group of young refugee women from Afghanistan settle in Canada. Our club helped with money, but Catherine was very generous with practical assistance: driving them to medical appointments, finding household items, and helping with paperwork.

Part of a message from Catherine: "Kobra, Monuwar and Farzana moved to an apartment in a big house in west Toronto in July. They feel there are more opportunities there and transportation is certainly better. They can walk to the bus and subway. All three already have jobs at the airport cleaning planes.

They made me a lovely farewell dinner before they left. I gave them each a Canada Day tee shirt. We will keep in touch, but they are well on their way." *ed.*

FRIENDSHIP**MAUREENA**

Significant news about a member (serious illness or injury or death of member, or death of her spouse or child) should be reported to Maureen Aikin who will advise all members through an email from Barb Lewis and send an appropriate card on our behalf.

ADVOCACY**DONNA H**

Don't let this title scare you! We are a small enthusiastic group who meet monthly online. Come and join our chat group. We aim to make the world a better place. Your ideas are important. As professional women we have ideas to share. Give us a try.

Contact Donna Henderson to obtain a link to our meeting on Monday, September 18 at 2 pm. on Zoom. If you need help with Zoom let us know; we can help.

THIS YEAR'S EXECUTIVE BOARD

Executive Board	2023 - 2024
President	shared
Vice-President	vacant
Past President	Catherine R
Treasurer	Hedy G
Membership	Sheila S
Advocacy / Zoom Team	Donna H
Social	Karen D and Ruth F
Program	Book Chat Group
Publicity	Jone W
Scholarship	Sharron B
Newsletter	Barbara L
Board Recording Secretary	Melanie K
General Recording Secretary	shared
Archives/Webmaster	JoAnne P
Interest Groups	Janet N
Friendship	Maureen A
Holiday Dinner	Hedy G

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INTEREST GROUPS

JANET N

LADIES WHO LUNCH

SHARED

This month’s lunch will take place on Friday, September 29. A notice about location, time and contact person will be sent soon.

BRIDGE BUDDIES

KAREN D

The Bridge Buddies will meet at Northview on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 1:15pm. The first date will be September 11th. If you are unable to attend, please get a sub and contact Karen.



Summertime bridge at Northview:
Large slam bid by Lynda B, made by
JoAnne P.

BOOK CHAT

JANE R

Wednesday, September 6 10:00 am Host: Jane R
Discussion leader: Melanie K Book Selections: *My favourite book*



Book Chat members are looking forward to a new year of interesting discussions.

Back, l to r: Janyce C, Diane H, Jane R

Front: Lindy K, Melanie K, Marilyn F

READING GROUP 1

BARBARA L

Tuesday, September 19 at 1:30 pm Host: Jane R

Discussion leader: Jone W

Book Selection: *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger

IT'S A MYSTERY

MARY K

Monday, September 25 1:30 pm Host and discussion leader TBD

Book selection: *Standing in the Shadows* by Peter Robinson

GOLF

SHARED

Golf will continue during September, on Friday mornings at about 10. Contact Hedy G this month. New golfers welcome.

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Jone W, Donna H and Janet N enjoying a beautiful day and nine holes of golf.

FOR YOUR BENEFIT **BARBARA L**

This is an information feature providing networking news from and for our members. This includes announcing local business affiliations of you or your loved ones, and charity/volunteer work that you are involved in that needs support from the public. Send submissions of ½ page or less to Barbara L. Business notices will be posted once annually.

The criteria for submission to *For Your Benefit* are:

1. that this information is of benefit/interest to our members, and
2. you are involved/passionate about it.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES **MAY 2023**

Wednesday, May 10, 2023 6:00 pm. St. Mark’s United Church, Whitby

President Catherine R welcomed everyone and gave the land acknowledgement. Lina Z said grace,

Potluck Supper

Introduction of Guests- Scholarship chair Sharron B introduced our guests. Abbi Longo from Durham College described activities and growth at the college. She read a letter of thanks from our bursary recipient. Jody Cowan from Ontario Tech University gave an update on the university’s expansion and noted its 20-year anniversary. Bursary winner Danah S. spoke about her gratitude for the help from our club and described her educational goals in nuclear engineering.

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Outgoing president Catherine R was presented with a hanging basket by Ruth F and Hedy G, in appreciation of her two-year term in office.

The annual meeting followed. Those minutes will be printed in the April 2024 newsletter.

CFUW WEBSITES

Main website:

www.cfuw.org

Ontario Council Website:

www.cfuwontcouncil.org

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The Ontario Council newsletter is available on-line on their website.

The CFUW Club Action newsletter is available via the sign-up link on their main website.

NEWSLETTER

BARBARA L

Please submit all newsletter items to barblewis@rogers.com

Items for the October newsletter should be received by **Thursday, September 28.**

