



Jone W. and Hedy G. at the launch of the Women for STEM program at UOIT, November 18. The program will provide scholarships, bursaries and mentoring for women in STEM.

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"In the bulb there is a flower..." N. Sleeth



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK JONE W.

We are entering the month of special significance for many religions, and of happy social gatherings of family and friends. As it is also the time of giving and sharing with those less fortunate, I trust that you will donate what you can to your charity of choice. This year, our Advocacy committee is not asking for donations to any specific charities but is encouraging you to contribute to our scholarship fund at Durham College. We have been supporting this program for over 50 years. The scholarship recipients are so thankful for our financial assistance with their studies. Those of you who attended our November general meeting were fortunate to hear our latest award winner, Sylvia R. tell us how the financial aid permitted her to quit her second job to focus on studies and working at an on-campus computer lab. That hands-on work resulted in her receiving an employment offer in computer

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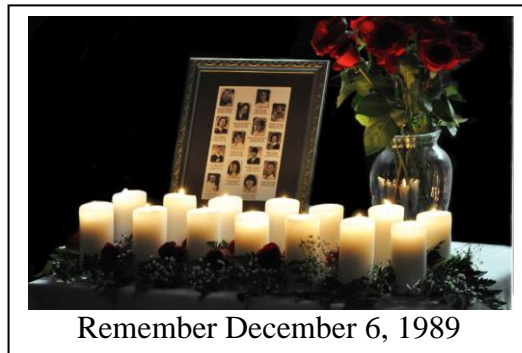
technology upon graduation. Sylvia has also offered to help our club with her computer skills. A definite win-win.

This celebratory month does not take a vacation from our efforts to end violence against women. December 6th is a date to reflect on the untimely death of 14 innocent women at L'Ecole Polytechnique in 1989. We are currently in the 16 days of action to end gender-based violence. Let's show our support when we can to advance this initiative. For more information, go to <https://www.facebook.com/canadabpw/videos/756405494719257/>.

I regret that I will miss our social evening on Dec 5. Here's hoping that the weather is good and the elevator is working. Have a safe and joyous holiday season and a happy, healthy and memorable new year!

Next Executive Meeting

Wednesday, January 30 at 1:30 PM at Barb L's



MEMBERSHIP *JANET N.*

Please let Janet N. know of any changes to your contact information. It's important for the roster to remain up to date.

ADVOCACY *MARY K.*

Just a reminder to the membership, especially to those who are attending the Christmas/Holiday dinner on December 5th, about donations to Durham College. The committee will be collecting the donation envelopes that evening.

FRIENDSHIP *MAUREEN A.*

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 A. who will advise all members through an email from Barb L., and send an appropriate card on our behalf

EDITOR *BARBARA L.*

Only the last name initials of members are published in the newsletter.

Please refer to your roster for contact information.

Please submit all newsletter items to barblewis@rogers.com Next deadline is December 28th



Christmas/Holiday Dinner: Wednesday, December 5, 6:00 for 630 pm. Harmony Creek Golf Centre, 1000 Bloor St. East, Oshawa (east of Harmony). If you wish to use the elevator, ring the bell on the left of the door. An attendant will come down and ride up with you.

INTEREST GROUPS *ELAINE L.*

Book Lovers



"IT'S A MYSTERY" MARY K.

**Monday January 28 at 7:30 pm Host: Lina Z. Discussion leader: Lindy K.
Book Selection: *Fire in the Stars* by Barbara Fradkin**

MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK CLUB 2 JANET B.

**Monday, January 28 at 7:00 pm Host: Marianne C. Discussion leader: Janet B.
Book Selection: *Behind Closed Doors* by B. A. Paris**

READING GROUP 1 BARB L.

**Tuesday, December 18 at 1:30 pm . Host: Elaine L. Discussion leader: JoAnne P.
Book Selection: *The Red Notebook* by Antoine Laurain**

MORNING COFFEE AND BOOK CHAT: MELANIE K.

**Wednesday, December 12 at 10 am Host: Melanie K. Discussion leader: Lindy K.
Book selection: *The Almost Nearly Perfect People* by Michael Booth**



DINING

LET'S DO LUNCH MONTHLY ORGANIZERS

**Catherine R. will now be the co-ordinator for this group.
Next lunch: Friday, January 25-at 12:30 pm please contact Linda P.**



BRIDGE

BRIDGE BUDDIES: MONDAY EVENINGS KAREN D.

Start time: 7:15 pm
 December 3 @ Joan M.
 December 17 @ Carol S.

MONDAY AFTERNOON BRIDGE HEDY G.

December 10th at 1:30 p.m. at Northview Community Centre on Beatrice St., Oshawa.
There are two tables this year. If you cannot attend, please contact first a player that has a bye, secondly a substitute from the list and then notify Hedy.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BRIDGE DOROTHY W.

All games start at 7:00 p.m.
 December 12 @ Carol T.
 December 19 @ Judy B.

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CFUW Oshawa and District
 General Meeting Minutes November 14, 2018

Attendance: 25

7:15 p.m. – Upcoming Events- Jone W.

- World Day of Prevention of Child Abuse – Nov 19
- International Day to End Violence against Women – Nov 25
- National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence against Women – Dec 6 – to remember 14 female engineering students killed in 1989 at Montreal's Ecole Polytechnique - 16 days of activism against gender-based violence

Speakers –Don Loviso – “Durham College over 50 years” & Sylvia R. – scholarship recipient

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Break

Call to Order- 8:30 p.m. Jone W.

1. **Minutes** - Secretary Catherine R. moved that the Oct. 10 general meeting minutes be accepted as circulated in the newsletter. Seconded by Betty S. All in favour. Carried.
2. **Treasurer's Report** – Hedy G. Presented the budget for 2018/19. Previously approved by the Executive. Hedy moved for acceptance of the budget. Seconded by Janet B.

Financial statement highlights as of Oct. 31, 2018: Balance as of May 31, 2018- \$3060.01

Total receipts- \$5984.50

Total disbursements-\$1788.33

General Account balance- \$7256.18

Scholarship Trust Account balance- \$311.18

3. **Ontario Council**

Next Speaker Series – Nov 24 - Rosemary Ganley on “*Participation with the Gender Equality Advisory Council for Canada’s G7*” – Janet N. & Jone W. attending

4. **National News**

- as part of the 100th Anniversary celebration, the member with longest membership at each club will receive a pin and certificate. National membership campaign will start in the new year.

5. **Committee Reports**

- **Advocacy**- Mary K.
-This year’s focus is on our scholarship fund. No financial commitments will be made to any other organizations. We will participate in “Take Back the Night’ but not “Empty Bowls” as the fee has gone up to \$75. The March speaker is confirmed. Informed us that both the Whitby/Oshawa and Port Perry Hospices have their land secured and fund raising has begun.
- **Membership** – Janet N.
- 51 paid members (one is dual member)
- **Interest Groups**- Lunch group will meet at Lake Grill on Nov. 30 – RSVP to Hedy
- **Christmas dinner**: 22 tickets are sold- deadline is Nov. 24.

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- **Program** – Janet B.

-Terry Fallis will speak on “Tracing the Roots of an Identical Twin and a Novel” on Jan. 9

Ways & Means

A fashion show will be held at Cachet on Sunday April 14, 2019. The planning committee meets Nov. 22. The 50 tickets will go on sale in February.

Hedy G., on behalf of the executive, proposed that \$1000 from the profits of the fashion show be used for a special 100th Anniversary of CFUW Scholarship for a female Durham College student. (possibly a student in a STEM program). The members were in agreement.

6. New Business

Women for STEM, UOIT, Nov 7 – Hedy & Jone attended the launch of this program that has goals of providing \$100,000 for 20 entrance scholarships of \$5,000 each and senior mentors.

50/50 Draw – Sue S.

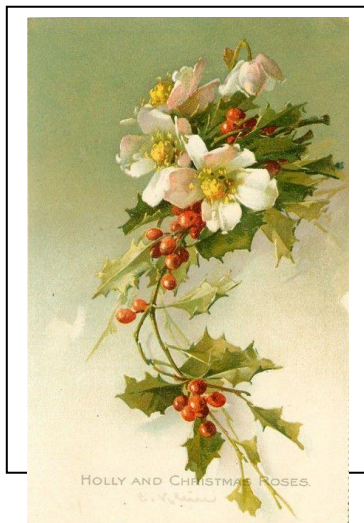
Happy Bucks

Next Meeting – Jan 9, 2019

Motion to Adjourn – moved by JoAnne P.

Save the Date: Sunday, April 14, 2019
Lunch and spring fashion show at Le Cachet in Bowmanville
This will be a fundraiser for our Durham College endowment fund.

Happy holidays to all!



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