



Newsletter January 2024

Realizing potential. For all women.



*January General Meeting*

# Beecraft 101

By Craig Kelman, Urban Beekeeper



Cultivating  
Colonies for  
Sweet  
Rewards



Join us in person or on Zoom as Craig who oversees bee colonies on private property and at Durham College talks about sustainable beekeeping in the local farming community.

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024 - 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](mailto:cfuw.oshawa@gmail.com)

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## 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.

*Sandy P's husband, Joseph, has recently died.*

*Janet B is receiving physio treatments and does not know when she will be released. It would be good for her to have visitors from time to time. Her room number is 3171 Whitby Rehabilitation Hospital. 300 Gordon Street Whitby, ON, L1N 5T2*

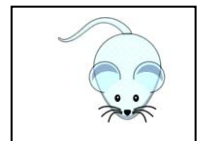
*JoAnne P's brother, Al, has recently died.*

## Ontario Council

We have an exciting line up of topics and speakers for this year's Ontario Council Speakers Series. To make access to the Speakers Series equitable, CFUW Ontario Council will be using the virtual platform of ZOOM. Each event takes place on a Saturday morning and is two hours in length from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The format allows for questions from the floor through the chat function of ZOOM. Please save the dates and plan to join us.

### **February 24: Artificial Intelligence and its Potential for Women in a Digital World.**

Experts in the field of artificial intelligence (AI) will discuss how AI will shape the near future for women. They will address the perils and possibilities in addition to giving a brief introduction to AI – what it is, how it works and where it lurks. This session will be chaired by [Helen Robb](#), OC Chair, Education.



Holiday dinner at KB restaurant in Whitby. Top row: Lina Z, Judy H-G, Lindy K, Sirpa H, Donna H, Sue S, Hedy G, Judy B, Carol S, Lynn M, Karen D. Bottom row: Sirpa, Eleanor G, Melanie K, Sandy P, Judy, Barbara L, Ruth F, Pamela G, Marilyn F-L, Jo-anne T, Dianne H, Pat D.



**Holiday Dinner update:** we wore white ribbons in memory of the 13 women students who were murdered in Montreal on December 6, 1989. Hedy G read their names aloud.

Our donations to the Denise House shelter in Oshawa were delivered on December 7. There are currently 21 residents there - women and children. The staff were very grateful for the gifts.

### **Interest Groups**

**Janet N**

### **Reading Group One**

**Barbara L**

Tuesday, January 16 at 1:30 pm.

Book selection: *Persuasion* by Jane Austen

Discussion leader: Barbara L

Host: Sheila L

### **Book Chat**

**Jane R**

Wednesday, January 10 at 10 am

Book selection: *Page Boy* by Elliot Page

Host, Janyce C

### **It's a Mystery**

**Mary K**

Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 1:30 pm Book selection: *A Presumption of Death* by Jill Paton Walsh

Discussion leader, Lindy K

Host, Lina Z

### **Ladies Who Lunch**

**Shared**

Friday, January 26, 2024 at 12:30pm

Convenor for January: Lynn M

## Bridge Buddies

Karen D

January 8<sup>th</sup> and January 22<sup>nd</sup> - Northview at 1:15 pm. Please check the schedule to see if you have a "bye". We play social bridge, and we welcome Club members to join us. Contact Karen.

## 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 Lewis. 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.

**10th ANNUAL  
CFUW ETOBICOKE  
STOP THE VIOLENCE  
FUNDRAISER**

**KATHLEEN WYNNE**  
New Permission for Misogyny:  
Are we going backwards?


Kathleen has had a unique view of how high profile women are seen and treated. Changes to the social and economic landscape impact each and every one of us. She will share her thoughts and answer your questions. Please join us!

Kathleen's bio is available at:  
[cfuwetobicoke.ca/stop](http://cfuwetobicoke.ca/stop)

On Valentine's Day, we ask that you open your heart in support of Women's Habitat.

When: 9 AM Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2024  
Where: via Zoom  
Tickets: \$35  
Registration: [cfuwetobicoke.ca/stop](http://cfuwetobicoke.ca/stop)

IN SUPPORT OF:



Eleanor G spoke about the struggles of women composers of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. She played a piece of music by each of these composers. This program had been postponed in November because of bad weather. It was well received by a good-sized audience of members and guests. *December 13, 2023*

There was an article about two of our members in the Toronto Star on December 5, 2023. Lina Z did the CN Tower "Edge Walk" at the age of 75 and next May, on Mother's Day, she plans to go skydiving with her friend Mary K. Lina has travelled the world on adventure trips and wants to show her grandchildren that age is not limiting. Don't call 79-year-old Lina Z "dear." And never, ever use that "ageist, insulting" term on her friend Mary K who just turned 80 and is going skydiving with Lina on Mother's Day 2024 – just because they can.



## CFUW Websites

Main website: [www.cfuw.org](http://www.cfuw.org)

Ontario Council Website: [www.cfuwontcouncil.org](http://www.cfuwontcouncil.org)

CFUW Oshawa & District <http://cfuw-oshawa-and-district.weebly.com>

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](mailto:barblewis@rogers.com)

Items for the February newsletter should be received by Sunday, January 28<sup>h</sup>

**Used book sales will resume in January. If you plan to buy books @ \$3 each or want to spend Happy Bucks, bring loonies, as we can't make change. Please bring your own mug for punch.**

**Personal contact information of CFUW Oshawa and District members is considered confidential and not to be used for personal or business solicitation purposes.**

Happy New Year!

