

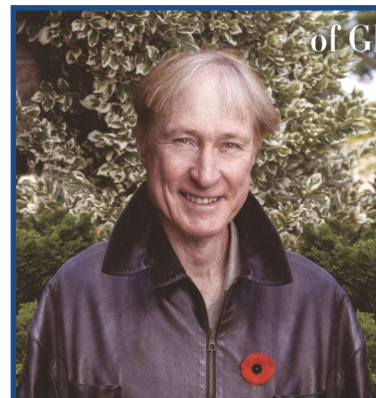
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March's Speaker: **Stephen Ilott**

Downsizing for Seniors

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Those who know Stephen have discovered a man of multiple talents, large dollops of humor, dedication, humor and a ferocious hands-on work ethic. For over twenty years and 3000+ homes worked on, his passion for organizing, downsizing clients and decluttering still touches an ever-receptive audience eager to have an ally who will motivate, downsize and reinvent their lives.



He has carved a unique niche for his varied talents in the diverse field of Professional Home Organizing and balances his life with writing non-fiction and fiction including a mystery novel and book of humorous cartoons, art, travel and love for languages.

He lives in Oakville, Ontario, his home base. Discover more at www.decluttering.ca or email decluttering1@cogeco.ca.

We are looking forward to our next General Meeting with you at 7 pm on Monday March 16, 2026, in person at Trafalgar Park Community Centre, 133 Rebecca Street, and via Zoom.

Our annual May Dinner will be held on Monday May 4th so please Save the Date! Details to follow.



From our Leadership Team

As members of the Leadership Team for CFUW Oakville, March gives us a special opportunity to reflect on who we are, what we stand for, and the difference we continue to make in our community.

CFUW Oakville is proud to be part of the broader Canadian Federation of University Women, an organization dedicated to promoting education, improving the status of women and girls, and advocating for social justice and human rights. Our mission is grounded in the belief that education empowers individuals, transforms communities, and builds a more equitable future.

This month, we are especially proud to celebrate one of the most meaningful expressions of our values. March 8 marks International Women's Day. A time to celebrate the achievements of women, recognize ongoing challenges, and renew our commitment to gender equality. While much progress has been made, important work remains. As members of CFUW Oakville, we continue to advocate for equal opportunities, life-long learning, and the advancement of women and girls locally, nationally, and globally. We invite everyone at our General Meeting on March 16, to join in for a photo shoot with palms open honouring the theme "GIVE TO GAIN" symbolizing our unity with the global community in honouring this cause.



As a measure of CFUW's efforts with GIVE TO GAIN – every year, we **give** awards of scholarships to several outstanding local high school students. These young women represent intelligence, resilience, leadership, and promise. By supporting their educational journeys, we are not only investing in their futures, but also strengthening the future of our community. Education opens doors, builds confidence, and creates opportunities that extend far beyond the classroom. It is an honour to play a part in that journey.

Looking ahead, our hope for the future is both simple and powerful:

- That every girl has access to quality education.
- That women's voices are heard and valued in every sphere of society.
- That our organization continues to grow, evolve, and inspire the next generation of leaders.
- That through friendship, advocacy, and action, we create meaningful and lasting change.

Thank you to our members, volunteers, and supporters whose dedication makes this work possible. Together, we are building a future defined by opportunity, equality, and empowerment.

Warm regards,
The Leadership Team
CFUW Oakville



International Women's Day 2026 theme is 'Give To Gain'.

When we give, we gain.

Together let's help forge gender equality through abundant giving.

The IWO 2026 Give To Gain Campaign encourages a mindset of generosity and collaboration.

Give To Gain emphasizes the power of reciprocity and support. When people, organizations, and communities give generously, opportunities and support for women increase. Giving is not a subtraction, it's intentional multiplication. When women thrive we all rise.

The Dinner Party - Supporting SAVIS -

Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention Services of Halton & Right to Learn Afghanistan, on March 4, 2026 at The Oakville Conference Banquet Centre

Details are available at

<https://www.thedinnerpartyiwd.ca/>

Or you can go directly to purchase tickets [here](#).

Learn about or donate to SAVIS [here](#).



**Join us to Celebrate
International
Women's Day**

March 4, 2026

OAKVILLE CONFERENCE CENTRE

<https://www.thedinnerpartyiwd.ca>

December Holiday Dinner

Sadly I missed some of the holiday dinner door prize donors in our last issue, so here is a more complete list.

Thank you to all those who donated such great door prizes.

Monastery Bakery - large gift basket
The Royal Windsor - gift certificates
Milestones - Burloak - gift certificates
Burloak Indoor Golf - gift certificate
Classic Bowl - one hour of bowling for 6
Abbeywood Spa - facial
Book - Jane Jewett
Gift Basket - Angela Vassallo
Wine gift baskets - Carolyn Collings Merk/Golf group
Wine gift basket - Susan Stavin/Dragon Boaters



The lucky prize winners were:

Angela Hantoumakos, Sandie King, Erica Simon, Leanne Siracusa, Janis Fournier, Susan Newman, Donna Logan, Joanne Badame, Marjorie Bell, Jane Garnett, Catherine Logan, Jane Jewitt, Lauren Fountaine, Nancy Ferris-Hostick, Sandy Thomson.

Our Club has several important vacancies to consider for 2026-27.

1. The next new member on the Leadership Team. This is a three year commitment. Kyoko Kobayashi will transition to Honorary President and we are looking for someone to work with Katherine Beaudry and Palma Robinson.



2. Chair of Advocacy

Are you interested in public policy, social justice, and making a difference in our community?

The Chair of Advocacy leads and coordinates our club's advocacy initiatives in alignment with CFUW priorities and local interests. This role involves keeping members informed about key issues, organizing advocacy activities or communications, and providing updates to the Leadership Team.

We're looking for someone who:

- Has an interest in public policy and current issues
- Communicates clearly and confidently
- Enjoys engaging and motivating others

This is a rewarding opportunity to help shape the voice and impact of our club.

Please reach out to the Leadership Team - leadership@cfuwoakville.ca if you are interested and we will provide more details on the roles. Thank you everyone.

Housing for seniors who are no longer able to live independently is an issue that most families may have to address eventually. The following document was sent after Mayor Burton's Community Leaders Round Table after a brief discussion about the status of two senior's buildings on Hospital Gate. Oakville Estates has recently opened and the Schlegel Village is under construction.

Halton Seniors' Housing

1. Executive Overview

This brief outlines the operational realities of the senior housing and assisted care infrastructure within the Halton Region. The system is heavily segmented, functioning strictly across three distinct tiers: private market facilities, municipal subsidized housing, and regional long-term care.

2. The Three-Tiered Infrastructure

The Halton senior care grid operates on a rigid continuum of care, dictated almost entirely by an individual's financial capital and medical acuity.

- **Tier 1: Private & Market-Rate Facilities**

- **Operation:** Corporate-owned campuses (e.g., Amica, Chartwell, Venvi) offering independent living, assisted care, and specialized memory care.
- **Access:** Open market. Immediate access for those with the private capital to bypass regional waitlists.
- **Vulnerability:** Highly susceptible to market inflation, pushing out middle-income seniors who do not qualify for regional subsidies but cannot sustain private rates.

- **Tier 2: Subsidized Housing (The HATCH Bottleneck)**

- **Operation:** Municipal and cooperative buildings functioning on a Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) model, legally capping rent at 30% of gross household income.
- **Access:** Strictly controlled by Halton Access to Community Housing (HATCH). Applicants are subjected to strict asset caps (\$50,000 for singles, \$75,000 for couples).
- **Vulnerability:** Severe waitlist congestion. The system is heavily backlogged, with the only bypass mechanisms being extreme medical or police-documented priority triggers (e.g. terminal illness, domestic violence).

- **Tier 3: Long-Term Care (LTC)**

- **Operation:** 24/7 heavy-duty clinical and nursing environments operated directly by the Region (e.g. Post Inn Village, Allendale).
- **Access:** Controlled provincially through Home and Community Care Support Services, strictly reserved for those who can no longer live independently.

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3. The Oakville Footprint

When mapping this infrastructure across Oakville's seven wards, a distinct polarization emerges in the town's housing grid.

- **The Premium Concentration:** Oakville holds the region's highest density of premium, private continuum-of-care facilities. The town is highly attractive to corporate developers building luxury senior campuses.
- **The Subsidized Dependency:** Conversely, lower-income seniors are highly dependent on a few massive, legacy infrastructure targets—most notably the 242-unit John R. Rhodes Residence on Kerr Street.
- **Pipeline Developments:** The municipality is actively pushing to expand the subsidized footprint, with the new Kerr Street and Rebecca Street supportive housing developments moving through the pipeline. These additions will be critical in relieving local HATCH congestion.

4. Takeaways & Next Steps

The current regional infrastructure relies heavily on the private sector to absorb the bulk of the aging population, while the municipal RGI system acts as a tightly constrained safety net for the most vulnerable. The primary policy friction point remains the HATCH waitlist timeline and the sharp drop-off in options for seniors caught in the "missing middle"—those with too many assets to qualify for HATCH, but insufficient income to survive the private market.

Anne Douglas

Anne has provided a **five page chart of the Seniors' Homes in Halton**. ... too long for our newsletter but you can see it on our website [here](#).

Below is a sample of the information on those five pages

Classification Key:

[PRIVATE]: Market-rate retirement, independent, or assisted living.

[SUBSIDIZED]: HATCH-controlled Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) 65+ buildings.

[LTC]: Long-Term Care homes operated by Halton Region with 24-hour nursing.

Facility Name & Classification	Address	Care Level
Amica Bronte Harbour [PRIVATE]	160 Bronte Rd	Independent, Assisted, Memory Care
Amica Glen Abbey [PRIVATE]	2330 Khalsa Gate	<i>Opening Spring 2026</i>
Chartwell Oakville [PRIVATE]	180 Oak Park Blvd	Independent, Care Assist
Chartwell Waterford [PRIVATE]	2160 Baronwood Dr	Independent, Memory Care

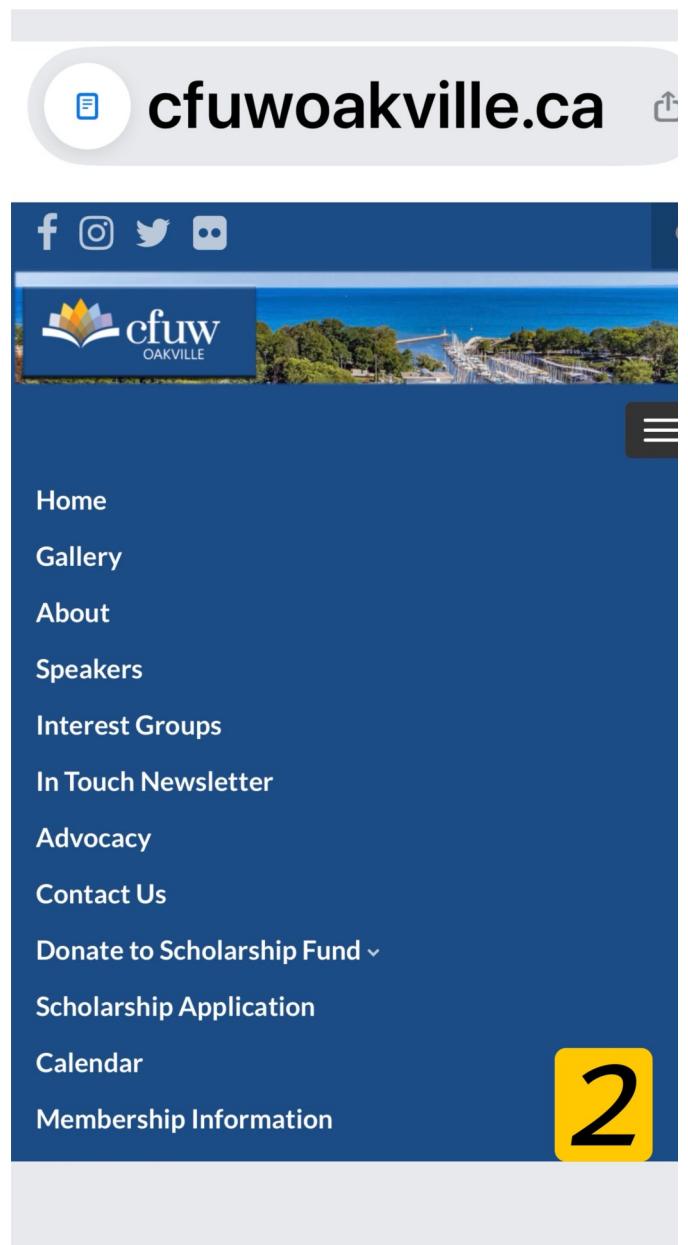
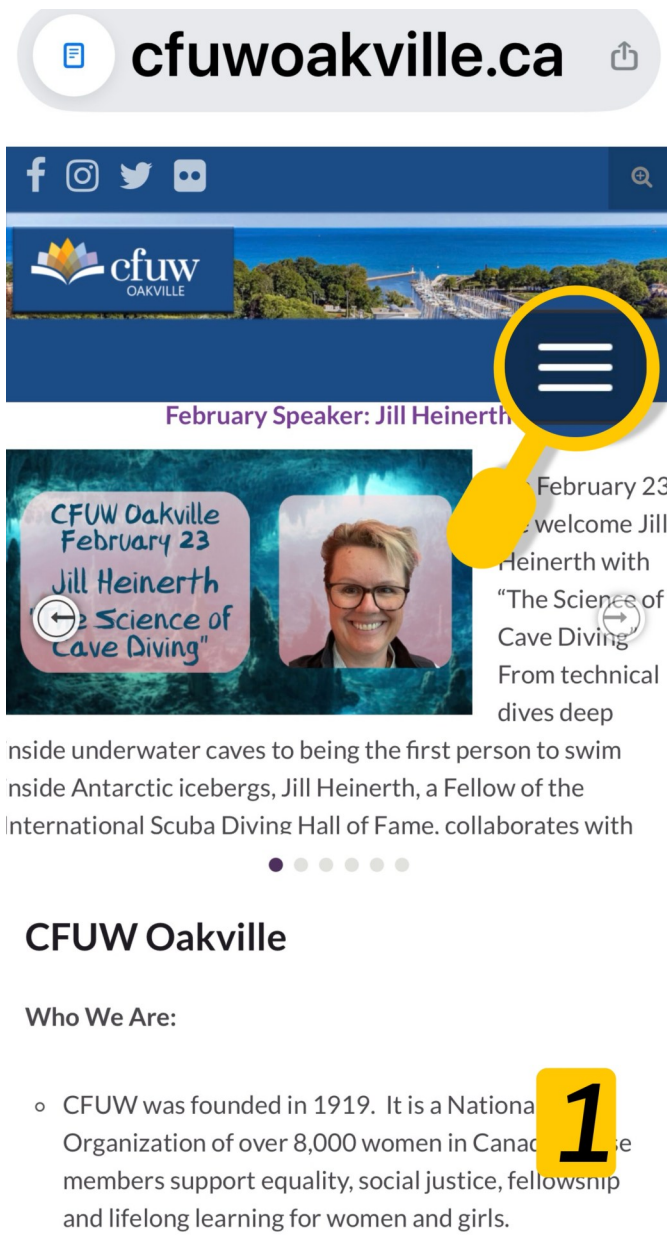
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Our website looks a little different on your phone than the big view you see on a larger device or computer desktop. The home page has all our recent posts. Seeking beyond that, you can find just what you are looking for by trying this:

1. Select the 3 horizontal lines at the top
2. This takes you straight to all menu items

Some of the more popular items are: Gallery, Interest Groups, In Touch Newsletter, Calendar and more. You can look forward to future changes and updates as we add or simplify content to make useful content easy to find.

Raine Greenwood



Scholarship News

Last week I received this lovely email from Leah Berger, the recipient of the CFUW Oakville Arts Award (\$3000) last year

Jane Garnett, Chair, Awards, UWCO Committee

Hi Jane!

I hope you are doing well. I wanted to provide an update and share what I have been achieving since receiving the grant.

I am currently in my second semester at McMaster University in the Social Sciences program, and I am doing very well academically, which is reflected in my A average from last semester. I have met so many wonderful people and learnt so much across my classes and experiences. I am considering going into social work or teaching in the future, and have continued my dance career with Mac Dance. We recently had our showcase, and I am so grateful for the opportunity to continue my love for performing through the programs McMaster provides.

First year has been an incredible experience, and I look forward to continuing my studies next year and am currently on the job hunt to keep busy over the summer!

Once again, I would like to thank you and CFUW for the scholarship. Your support has played a meaningful role in helping me get to where I am today, and I hope to stay in touch and continue to share updates on my progress.

Wishing you all the best,

Leah Berger (2025 CFUW Oakville Arts Award Recipient)



We are still without a Co Chair for the Awards Committee. Currently Jane Garnett is the solo Chair, with no one to Co Chair with this year, and she will be stepping down at our year end in November 2026.

The committee itself is a well oiled machine, they know the various tasks and the time lines, however they will require a new leader. So we are realistically looking for two volunteers to Co Chair together! Start now with Jane as Chair and learn the ropes for next year.

It is a rewarding position, our future Scholarship winners need you!

Deb Hindmarch, Chair, UWCO Committee

Lilian Fulford Memorial Scholarship: Aubrie Chan

The Lilian Fulford Memorial Scholarship (\$1600) honors Lilian Fulford, a former President of CFUW Oakville. Applicants require a strong interest in Computer Science and Music, and significant school and or community service. Financial need is a requirement for this award.



Aubrie is an outstanding student and multi-talented individual who excels academically, musically, and athletically. As a well-rounded individual, Aubrie demonstrates exceptional leadership, empathy, and a commitment to her community.

Aubrie's academic talents are particularly noteworthy, with a natural aptitude for mathematics and a passion for learning. As a contributor to CBC Kids News, Aubrie has co-produced and animated engaging videos for children aged 9-13 explaining topics such as misinformation, greenhouse gases, and strategic voting. The Creative Producer at CBC acknowledges Aubrie's ability to lead expert interviews with confidence, and come up with creative solutions for illustrating subject matter.

Aubrie's accomplishments extend beyond academics, with a professional designation in ballet and numerous musical awards in piano and trumpet. She also demonstrates a strong commitment to community service, having mentored elementary students in debate, and hosted a debate competition to raise funds for LGBTQ teens. Her leadership roles include executive positions in WOSS debate and ski team.

In 2022, Aubrie's family faced a significant personal challenge when her father suffered a serious workplace injury, resulting in a brain injury that prevents him from working. Despite this difficulty, Aubrie has demonstrated remarkable strength and resilience, continuing to excel academically and in her extracurricular pursuits.

Aubrie's exceptional abilities, passion, and dedication make her an outstanding candidate for this scholarship.

It is with great pleasure that the CFUW presents Aubrie Chan with the Lilian Fulford Memorial Scholarship.

High School: White Oaks Secondary School

School Experience & Extra Curricular Activities:

Certified professional ballet dancer, numerous stage performances; Corps de Ballet member 2020; Taekwondo black belt; Member of WOSS ski team 2023 – present; Debating accomplishments: Junior champion at Hart House Women and Gender Minorities March 2022; Top Ontario speaker at the Canadian National Debate Seminar, 2022; Executive of WOSS debate 2023 – present; Leader of WOSS French debate 2024 – present.

Volunteer: Mentored elementary students in competitive debate, Sunningdale and Munns Public Schools, 2023; Organized and participated in two fundraising concerts 2023; Organised ballet summer camp for young dancers, July – August 2021.

Awards: Honour Roll 2020; Trumpet: Gold medal Golden Horseshoe Music Festival, 2023; Silver medal Musicfest Nationals, 2024; Gold medal Musicfest Nationals, 2024; Piano: RCM piano training: Gold medalist and scholarship recipient 2017.

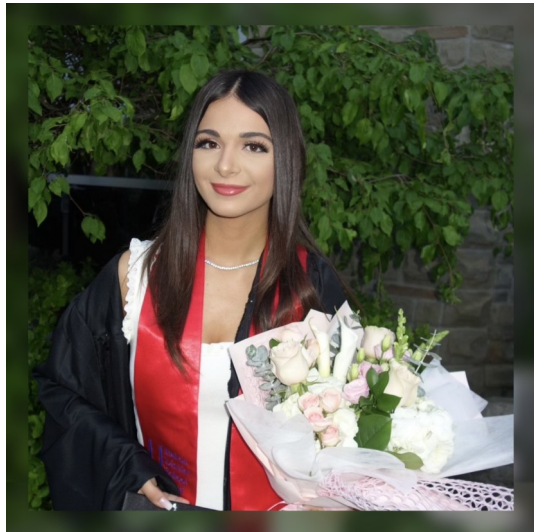
Work Experience: Academic tutor-Scholars of Oakville Joshua Creek 2023, 8 hours per week; CBC Kids News' Words in the News 2023, 10 hours per week.

Post Secondary: University of Waterloo, Computer Science

University Women's Club of Oakville Scholarship Fund

The Jean Malcolm Smith Award: Marinella Gaios

The Jean Malcolm Smith Award (\$1500) honors Jean Malcolm Smith, a past President of CFUW Oakville, who was well-known for her contribution to the community. The ideal candidate will have demonstrated leadership skills and have outstanding school and/or community service.



High School: Thomas A. Blakelock High School

Volunteering & High School Experience: Co-op student, Oakville Trafalgar Hospital, 220 hours; Relay for Life Leader, 20 hours; Tiger Crew & Link Crew Mentor, 30 hours; Sending Sunshine, 50 hours; Greek Community Volunteer, 70 hours; Letters for Destiny, 20 hours; Rotary Club of Oakville Ribfest, 17 hours; Community Development Halton, 100 hours; Top Fundraiser - Relay for Life (Iroquois Ridge H.S., 2023); Future That Fits Facilitator, Lead presenter for Ontario SHSM Program, 2024.

Awards: T.A. Blakelock H.S. Honour Roll 2023-2024; Iroquois Ridge H.S. Honour Roll 2021-2022 & 2022-2023; Mississauga Hellenic Academy Honour Roll, 2021; Joshua Creek Public School Honour Roll, 2021; Top Student, 99% academic average across grade 12 courses.

Work Experience: Owner, Baking business, 2018-present; Co-founder, TuneFrames, 2021-present; Longo's, cashier; StuTaught, Tutor; Demetres Café, server.

Post Secondary: York University, Health Science

Marinella is an exceptional student and dedicated individual who has excelled academically and personally. She transferred to T.A. Blakelock High School in grade 11 to seek opportunities beyond the standard curriculum and enrolled in the Healthcare and Medical Technologies Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM). Eager to apply her learning to real-world experiences, Marinella completed over 200 Co-op hours at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, where she created a lasting tribute wall for healthcare workers. Her supervisor praised her empathy, professionalism, and ability to de-escalate tense situations and comfort patients.

With a goal to become a cardiac surgeon or anesthesiologist, Marinella has contributed over 400 volunteer hours to her school and community, demonstrating leadership and community involvement. As a Tiger Crew mentor, student ambassador, and active member of MedLife and the Ontario Leadership Council, she has supported and guided her peers, fostering a welcoming and inclusive school environment. She has also raised over \$3000 for Cancer Research as a Relay for Life leader and volunteered extensively with the Greek community.

Marinella stands out as an exceptional student leader, excelling academically with a 99% average while juggling demanding coursework, leadership roles, volunteer work, and entrepreneurial ventures. Overcoming the challenges of bullying at a previous school, she has transformed that experience into a driving force, emerging as a compassionate leader who empowers others and showcases remarkable resilience and determination. Her dedication to advocacy shines through her community service, including initiatives with Strong Minds Strong Kids, Halton's Women's Place, and thoughtful gestures like writing to isolated seniors. Marinella's impressive achievements, leadership, and passion for creating positive change make her a standout candidate for this scholarship.

It is with great pleasure that the CFUW present Marinella Gaios with the Jean Malcolm Smith Award


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See a recent edition of the OC newsletter: [February 2026](#)

For information about the **2026 OC Resolutions** see the newsletter [here](#).

Ontario Council organizes many events throughout the year. See a list [here](#).

In particular, all members are welcome to attend the Speakers Series.

Reports from past Speakers Series events are available [here](#).



Realizing potential. For all women.
Le pouvoir par le savoir.

Click on the date to read a recent newsletter from **CFUW National**.

[February 6](#), [February 13](#), [February 20](#), [February 27](#)

Nominations for Board positions at CFUW National are open until April 13. More info [here](#).

Interest Group Activities

March 2026 Interest Groups update

Thank you to all the Interest group convenors for doing the member check and letting me know. As of Feb 20, I have received member confirmation from all but 2 groups.

For comparison, in September 2024's newsletter, there were 42 groups listed. We now have 37. Recently, Pickleball and "Playing with Ideas" (previously known as "Great Books") have been removed from the groups list. If anyone has a suggestion for a new interest group, please let me know.

A reminder to group convenors to take pictures of your activities and send them to Pat Z for the newsletter and Raine G for social media, along with a short write-up.

Christine Forber, Interest Groups Chair



The Gourmet III group had a lovely lunch at Cucci Ristorante in Bronte on February 12th.

Interest Group Activities for February 2026

New and returning members who would like to join one of these groups are encouraged to let the Interest Group Chair know at interestgroups@cfuwoakville.ca. They will try to accommodate your wishes.

Book Discussion and Exchange Clubs, morning or evening. Members of these book clubs choose books to read and discuss each month. 'Playing With Ideas' members read one short selection each month from an anthology.

Name		Convenor	Date and Time
BookBeat AM	I	Angela Hantoumakos	1st Wednesday @ 10:00 am <i>A History of Burning, Oza</i>
	II	Marla Newton Martina Eisleb	4th Wednesday @ 1:00 pm OPEN
BookBeat PM	I	Charlotte Jeneway	Last Thursday @ 7:30 pm <i>God of the Woods</i> - Liz Moore OPEN
	II	Mary Wood	1st Wednesday @ 7:00 pm <i>Nothing Good Happens in Wazirabad on Wednesday</i> , Jamaluddin Aram
	III	Helen Litton	First Tuesday @ 7:30 pm <i>The Moth</i> , Razac
Crime & Caffeine	I	Leigh Mayers	Last Monday @ 1:30 pm OPEN
	II	Carolyn Collings Merk	4th Monday @ 1:30 pm <i>The Guilty Plea</i> , Rotenberg.
	III	Susan Walkinshaw	2nd Monday @ 1:30 pm <i>Frozen River</i> , Lawhorn
Central Book Exchange		Marion Davis	Books are chosen in September for the year,
West End Book Exchange		Sue Stephens	Books are chosen in September for the year,
We the North Book Exchange		Joan Dunn	Books are chosen in September for the year, <i>When The World Went Silent</i> , Jones Alward; <i>Framed</i> , Grisham
Literary Ladies		Pam Schwartz	1st Thursday @ 10:00 am <i>Careless People</i> , Wynn-Williams

Bridge, Scrabble and other Board games: Friendly social groups to test one's skill and enjoy different scenarios.

Name	Convenor	Date and Time
Marathon Bridge	Margaret Pospisil Laurie Nordin-MacLeod	Times vary through the month. OPEN
Word Power through Scrabble	Wanda Crichton Lyndsey Thom	2nd Tuesday @ 1:00 pm

Exploring Ideas Together: Issues to Advocacy presents an opportunity to educate ourselves on current issues and explore ideas together. Aging Collaboratively members want to discover the possibilities to create a better journey later in life; Beyond Bloomsbury members meet once a month to listen to speakers and discuss topics of interest such as health, politics, education,

Name		Convenor	Date and Time
Advocacy Committee		Diane McCullough	2nd Wednesday @ 7:00 pm OPEN
Aging Collaboratively		Janice May	4th Tuesday @ 3:30 pm beginning January 27 OPEN
Beyond Bloomsbury	I	June Cockwell	4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Meditation and Mindfulness Evening Meditation enjoys the relaxation of a guided meditation followed by a group discussion. Mindfulness and Meditation explores through readings, discussions and practice and Psychology / Spirituality explores the human soul in a cheerful and friendly atmosphere. Research is shared and discussed.

Name		Convenor	Date and Time
Evening Meditation		Leanne Siracusa	2nd Tuesday @ 8:00 pm OPEN
Mindfulness and Meditation	I	Jeanne Crockatt Reet Kazakoff	3rd Tuesday @ 10:00 am OPEN
	II	Chris Connell	1st Thursday @ 1:30 pm OPEN
Psychology and Spirituality	I	Sue McArthur	2nd Thursday @ 9:30 am

Celebrating Good Food and Conversation: Gourmet groups meet monthly to share fine food, menus, recipes and good company; Ladies@Lunch is a fun group that meets monthly for lunch and socializing; Foodie World Adventures members enjoy cooking, baking and experimenting with unusual ingredients from around the world. Social Eves focuses on exploring a wide variety of interests and topics while providing an opportunity to socialize, network and have lots of fun. Couples' Chat and Chow: Couples dine out on a weekday evening

Name		Convenor	Date and Time
Gourmet	I	Alison Gemmell	2nd Thursday @ 6:30 pm
	II	Anne Douglas	2nd Thursday @ 6:30 pm
	III	Laurie Nordin-MacLeod Sue Stephens	2nd Thursday @ 6:30 pm
	IV	Krystyna Skrabka	4th Thursday @ 5:00 pm OPEN
Ladies @ Lunch		Lise Moras	3rd Thursday @ 12:30 pm OPEN
Social Eves		Marjorie Bell Nancy Stavert	4th Wednesday, OPEN
Foodie World Adventures		Eva Baxter	3rd Wednesday, time TBD
Bakers Club		Hilary Vavasour	3rd Tuesday @ 2:00 pm
Bronte Neighbourhood Group		Sheila Aldoroty	TBD OPEN
The Singles Network		Dianne Murphy	Dates and times of events are determined by participants OPEN
Couples' Chat and Chow		Leanne Siracusa	Weeknight, during the last week of the month OPEN

Physical Activity: Dragon Boating, Golf, and Happy Hikers are opportunities for members to participate in the activities they enjoy, in the company of friends and other members; Walking with Friends chooses flat paved routes.

Name		Convenor	Date and Time
Dragon Boating		Judy Pielsticker Susan Stavin	OPEN Any CFUW members who are interested in Dragon Boating are asked to contact Susan Stavin or Judy Pielsticker
Golf		Katherine Beaudry Angie Vassallo	OPEN
Happy Hikers	I	Marcia Hays Jane Underwood	Tuesday am, weather permitting, Sept. to June
	II	Wanda Crichton Judith Setton	Wednesday am, bi-weekly, weather permitting, Sept. to June OPEN
Pickleball		Pickleball is no longer a CFUW Interest Group but play continues. Please contact Katherine Beaudry directly if you'd like to join them.	
Walking with Friends		Brenda Walker Jane Jewitt	Mondays @ 9:15 am OPEN



Happy Hikers 1 at Joshua Creek on February 17.

CFUW Oakville Leadership Team Portfolio Contacts for 2025-2026

Kyoko Kobayashi	Katherine Beaudry	Palma Robinson
Meeting Venues, Rentals Finance Charitable Trust Technology Membership	Dinners Interest Groups National Contact Ontario Council	Scholarship Advocacy Programme Communications, Publicity

CFUW Oakville Board for 2025-2026

Executive Committee	
Leadership Team	Kyoko Kobayashi, Katherine Beaudry, Palma Robinson
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Finance	Jillian Birnie
Hospitality	Marlene Bristol
Interest Groups	Christine Forber
Membership	Sheila Aldoroty, Janis Fournier
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CFUW Oakville – Committees by Appointment Chairs for 2025-2026

Committees by Appointment Chairs	
Archivist	Hilary Vavasour
Nominations	Leadership Team
Technology	Kyoko Kobayashi
Dinners	Katherine Beaudry

CFUW Oakville Event Calendar



March 8 is
International Women's Day
[More info here.](#)

Event	Location	Date	Time
CFUW Oakville Board meeting	Zoom	Mar 2, 2026	7:00 pm
The Dinner supporting SAVIS see page 3		Mar 4, 2026	
International Women's Day see page 3		Mar 8, 2026	
CFUW Oakville General Meeting Stephen Illott, Downsizing for Seniors	TPCC and Zoom	Mar 16, 2026	7:00 pm
CFUW Oakville Board meeting	Zoom	Apr 6, 2026	7:00 pm
CFUW Oakville General Meeting Derek Gray, Fraud 101/ Financial Crimes	TPCC and Zoom	Apr 20, 2026	7:00 pm
Spring Dinner	Oakville Conference Centre	May 4, 2026	6:00 pm

Need your Directory?

Membership has quite a few directories that were not picked up this year. They will be available at the next in-person meeting but if you would like yours sooner please arrange with either **Sheila Aldoroty** or **Janis Fournier** to obtain one.

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