



# White Rock / Surrey

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



*Trudy Handel*

I can't believe how quickly fall has arrived. Suddenly the leaves are on the ground and the days are way too short to accomplish all we need to do. It was a good summer, so our freezers are filled to the brim with berries. Now we have to "winterize" everything, and get ready for anything that comes our way, from snow to wind and power outages.

Our first club meeting of the year was a great success, with forty seven members and guests in attendance. Our theme was "*Where did we come from, and where do we go from here?*"

The CFUW National is approaching a huge milestone – 100 years since the club was founded in 1919. How has our world changed in that time? In 1919, the world was celebrating the end of the "Great War" with the Treaty of Versailles. Humanity was in the midst of a pandemic called the "Spanish Flu", which would ultimately kill one hundred million people. Telephone service was just getting started, and television was just an idea.

Now think about where we are today, with all the changes in humanity and technology. We are able to speak face to face, instantly, to a person on the other side of the world. We can watch a movie on our hand held telephone. Cars can run on batteries, and soon they'll drive themselves. But sadly, there are still wars. There are still incurable diseases that terrify the world, and children are still going to bed hungry. Does the CFUW have a viable role in this new society?

Yes. As long as there are women who need a helping hand, or children that need assistance, the CFUW has a role to fulfill. Our task is to identify and reach out to those individuals, using new technology as a tool for societal change. Here's to the adventures ahead!



## CLUB NEWS



"Alice" takes a well-deserved nap after all the counting.....

### "Alice" Reviews the New Directory

*submitted by "Alice" (with help from Monica von Kursell)*

Well, what can I tell you? It's a bore, has way too many characters and not much of a plot. Then I'm told it is a directory with a list of members of CFUW White Rock Surrey. At least it has a pretty bright green cover.

But, there is some interesting information apart from the list of names and addresses. For example, when it comes to first names, the Ms have it with 18. The J's with 13 and Ss with 11. Most other letters are represented and if it weren't for Betty (Bishop), Faye

(Koll), Naomi (Born), Olga (Friele), and Veronika (Bichler) there would have been no B, F, N, O, or V. We have no Is, Qs, or XYZs. We must search for a few Irene, Xenias, Yolandas, and Zeldas.. Just for fun – google female names starting with Q. Doubt that we will ever get one of those.

When it comes to surnames, there is a tie with 11 Bs and 11 Fs.

We have 98 members and from that list there are three Elizabeths. If Betty Bishop who might be an Elizabeth and Liz Harvey is, indeed, an Elizabeth and were listed as such, there would be five Elizabeths. Of the various forms of Ann; we have five and if we borrow the Ann from the two Mary Anns there would be seven. Who wins? But this is not a contest. Honourable mention goes to the four Susans and three Margarets.

The club now has fewer than 100 members. We hope that we will find a whole lot more soon. It doesn't matter what their names will be or if they have a dog. All of them will be welcome.

**The Directories will be distributed at the Bursary Luncheon and at subsequent meetings.**

### Next General Meeting:

Date:	<b>November 22</b>
Time:	11:30a.m. - 1:30p.m.
Where?	<b>WHITE ROCK COMMUNITY CENTRE, 15154 Russell Avenue, White Rock, BC, V4B 0A6</b>
Program:	Eliza Olson - Burns Bog - Update

The Environment Group is still collecting Canadian Tire money which will be presented to Eliza Olsen at the November meeting.

For those who will not be at the meeting but would like to contribute their money, they can call Mary Ann Rainer at [604-536-8472](tel:604-536-8472).



## **A Message from Ama House**

Letter received and submitted by Sherrill Berg



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Surrey, BC V4P 0E6

October 9, 2014

Dear Delightful Sisters:

On behalf of Ama House I would like to thank each and every one of you for your kindness and generosity. You help lighten the load and brighten the day for our guests.

We currently have eight women staying at Ama.

Our current immediate needs are:

Deodorant

Razors

Underwear

Flashlights

Journals and Pens

Nutritional Supplements ie: Boost, Ensure, Hemp Powder, Yellow Pea Flour and Whey Powder.

Thank you for your ongoing support and compassion.

Respectfully,

Linda Taylor

Program Manager

Ama House

A warm welcome to our three new members:

## Membership



### **Pauline Carter**

I immigrated from the U.K. in 1979. I moved directly to Williams Lake in the Cariboo, which was quite a culture shock, later moving to Coquitlam then retiring to White Rock.

I have a B.A. in Social Sciences from Liverpool University, a BSW from UBC, and a gerontology diploma from SFU. I worked as a social worker for 18 years at George Derby Centre care home for veterans.

I am married with two sons and four grandchildren. My husband and I enjoy travelling especially to historic places in Europe. I love living in this beautiful area by the ocean.

**Pauline Carter, 15821 Columbia Ave., White Rock, B. C., V3B 5H7  
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### **Kathy Steele**

Kathy grew up in New Westminster and attended SFU. She began her teaching career in Delta and then moved to the Surrey School District where she enjoyed 33 years. Kathy worked as a Primary teacher spending most of her time teaching Kindergarten. She found working with young children a delight, but also loved interacting with parents and collaborating with her peers. This interest in adult education led her to the role of Early Learning Helping Teacher at the Surrey School District's Education Centre where she was able to support teachers and the community through her work. Kathy and her husband, Rob, have two wonderful children who are both beginning their adult journey. Recently retired, Kathy has been traveling, reading, cooking, gardening, walking, and spending more time at their cottage at Point Roberts. She is interested in continually learning and is looking forward to the new friends and experiences that will come with joining CFUW.

**Kathy Steele, 12352 -24th Ave, Surrey BC V4A 5P4T: 604-542-0408;  
e-mail: katherinemsteele@gmail.com**

### **Lynn Mckay**

Lynn was born in the UK and graduated from Durham University with a degree in English. She trained as a teacher, but was soon swept off her feet by a handsome Canadian and the couple moved to BC in 1979.

Soon, a family came along, and Mike, Lynn and their three children lived in several communities throughout the Province. Lynn mixed her various teaching gigs with employment in both the non-profit sector and the book industry. Along the way, she graduated from U.Vic with an M.Ed, operated a small, hobby farm and started up a number of Book Clubs, which are still going strong today.

Lynn retired from full-time employment in 2011 but continues to be involved in teaching English to new immigrants. She takes piano lessons and is trying to learn how to play golf

She and Mike ( now semi-retired) love to travel, bike, read, canoe and watch movies. They are completely smitten by their three young grandchildren, who visit regularly and stay for sleepovers.

**Lynn Mckay, 7-14968 24 Ave., Surrey, B. C., V4A 9Y6  
T: 604-536-1783, e-mail: mckaylynn@me.com**



## Where Is She Now ?.....

submitted by Helen Christiansen



During our search for members in 1999 for the 40th anniversary party, the committee wrote letters to as many former members as possible. I remember how much fun it was to receive their replies. I hope we can have a few lines like this in every issue. If you have a name to suggest to me for an upcoming issue, please let me know. (T: 604-536-8134; e-mail: helenjeanchr@gmail.com)

### Diana Sells was our co-president with Sandra Kraft, and she writes:

*We still love it here in Florida - had lots of visitors over the winter, some from the Club. We haven't found a house yet, but are living in an old tear-down on a lovely lot where we want to be, trying to decided whether to build on it ourselves or sell it and find a better house - our furniture is still in storage in Surrey so we are living with furniture from estate sales for the moment. But we have good air-conditioning, a wine fridge, and a pool, so can wait for the right house to come along.*

*We joined the local garden club since we have a big lot that needs landscaping and guess what? - they own a building that needs a lot of maintenance and do a lot of community outreach so have to fund-raise all the time. They began a Garden Tour last year and I find myself on the organizing committee, in charge of the volunteers! Plus ca change.....Diana*



## Interest Groups



### Who Can Play, Who Can Host bridge players

from left to right: Jay Donald, Joyce Beley, Joyce Sorensen, Sandy McKenzie, Taylore Fox in Anne Low's garden on a hot summer morning.

*"This is how 'Who Can Play, Who Can Host' bridge group celebrated July 1st. Join the group and have fun playing bridge.*

(Photo courtesy of Anne Low)



### **The Bridgets Afternoon Bridge**

1st & 3rd Tues.,  
1:00 p.m.

Monica von Kursell (T: 604-576-6075)

### **Newbies Bridge**

1:30 p.m., Thurs.

Monica von Kursell

### **Duplicate Bridge**

2nd Mon., 1:00 p.m.

Eileen Fuller; Donna Freeze

T: 604-541-1870 (Eileen)

T: 604-538-8210 (Donna)

### **Who can play, Who can host? Bridge**

Tues. & Fri.,  
9:30 a.m.

Sandy McKenzie

(e-mail: mcksandy@telus.net)

## Golf for Fun - Beginners



submitted by Joanne Cunningham



play between these experienced members and new members would not be compatible.

Therefore, Joanne Cunningham and Eileen Fuller have volunteered to lead a group of beginners in getting started with lessons, work at

the driving range and practice at par 3 courses to get them ready to golf Nico Wynd (our default course for our weekly games).

Once our new beginner members feel confident enough to play Nico Wynd, they will play with the experienced members, but in their own group. So, for example, if we have eight regular players and three beginners, we would make three tee-times and the eight regulars would go out in two groups of four players and the beginners would follow in a group of three. Then we would all meet up at the clubhouse after the game to have a drink and socialize.

If you are interested in joining this beginner group, please contact Joanne Cunningham at **604-541-2432**, or [joannecunow@gmail.com](mailto:joannecunow@gmail.com).

Joanne will organize an orientation play day and from there you can arrange lessons or whatever the group wants to do.

Hopefully, we will get more members out to golf!



## Bring a Book, Buy a Book!

Bring your once loved and slightly used books to the next meeting, and find a great read for \$2.00.

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### CFUW News Update

- **The lamp on the CFUW masthead** is part of the modernization project (for clubs to use or not to use). The lamp of learning is an ancient symbol of seeking knowledge (also used by IFUW).
- **Betty Dunlop, National Fellowships Program manager**, can provide members (plus their family and friends) with information of a proposed Caribbean cruise tour April 2015. Call toll free 1-888-220-9606.
- **On Sept. 8, International Literacy Day**, CFUW called on federal, provincial and territorial governments to address the troubling growth in low literacy among Canadians. 48% of the population has literacy skills below level 3 which is the internationally accepted level for modern jobs and functioning in modern society. Since 2003 there has been an 8% increase in low literacy.
- **Hunger in Canadian classrooms:** one in seven children goes to school on an empty stomach. 85% of hungry pupils have problems concentrating, 71% are lethargic and 53% are regarded as unable to learn.
- **Ideas for Attracting New Members:** have a table at shows and fairs, actively use a club brochure, bookmarks, posters in stores, hand out invitation cards, send the club newsletter to guests and speakers, hold a public debate or workshop, hold joint meetings with other related organizations, club business cards, plus hold a membership drive/open house.

### CFUW BC Council & Clubs Update

*"If not you, who will act?"*

- **BC Interior Clubs:** Prince George, Cranbrook & District, Kelowna, Nelson & District and Vernon.
- **Vancouver Island Clubs:** Comox Valley, Cowichan Valley, Nanaimo, Parksville & Qualicum, Saanich Peninsula, Saltspring Island and Victoria.
- **BC West Clubs:** Abbotsford, Coquitlam, New Westminster, North Delta-Surrey, North Vancouver, Richmond, South Delta, Sunshine Coast, Vancouver, West Vancouver and White Rock-Surrey.

### IFUW Update

- **Tweets: 70% of the world's one billion poorest persons** are women; women typically reinvest 90% of their income into their families; and the most lucrative industries pay women the least.
- **Over 70 members of the University Women Europe (UWE)** met Sept. 4-7 in Bucharest, Romania, to discuss "Quality Education for All of Europe."
- **Oct. 23-28 is the next IFUW Board Meeting in Geneva** (any member may observe in person/let them know you are coming)



## Camino Trek Raises over \$17,000 for Women's Postgraduate Awards

submitted by Susan Wingate



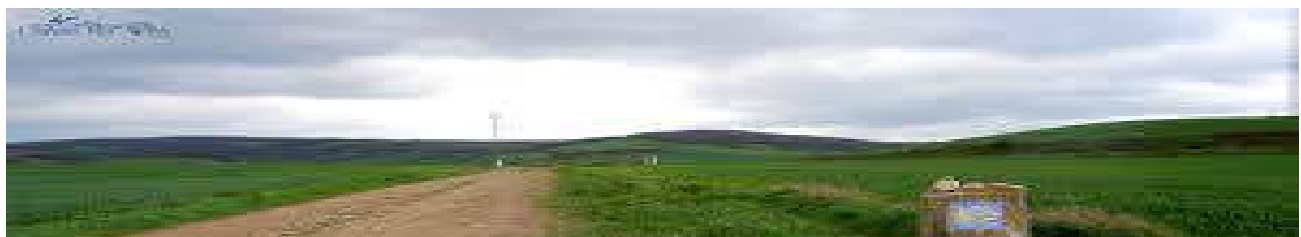
**Susan Murphy**, immediate Past President of CFUW, and her friend **Monika Oepkes** just completed a 22 day trek of 500 kilometres on the **Camino de Santiago** in northern Spain, and arrived in Santiago de Compostela on September 6th. Their walk was a fundraiser for the **CFUW Charitable Trust** to raise \$100,000 in celebration of the CFUW 100th Anniversary Project in 2019. All funds raised will be used to help increase the number of National fellowships and awards presented in that year.

The CFUW Charitable Trust is a registered charity that accepts and invests donations, and provides funding for the CFUW Fellowship Program which awards over \$80,000 annually to Canadian women researchers. Over \$30,000 has been committed to the 100th Anniversary Project to date, as well as many new local CFUW club initiatives. For more information, [www.cfuw.org/charitabletrust](http://www.cfuw.org/charitabletrust)

Susan presented **Fiorenza Albert-Howard**, Chair of the CFUW Charitable Trust, with donor cheques from many CFUW clubs and members, friends and family, on Thursday September 25th at the CT Annual Meeting in Toronto. Murphy said, "The walk was beautiful, but long, hot and sometimes difficult. However, knowing that we had such strong backing often made our steps lighter. We were excited to walk and very grateful for the support." This was the pair's third Camino experience and second as a fundraiser.



L to R: Fiorenza Albert-Howard, Chair of the CFUW Charitable Trust, Ann McElhinney, Treasurer, and Susan Murphy Immediate Past President of CFUW.





## CFUW White Rock/Surrey Interest Groups ~ Activities and Leaders

### Monday

#### **Dames Who Dine**

1st Mon., 5:30 p.m.  
Trudy Handel;  
Georgia Fontaine

#### **Duplicate Bridge**

2nd Mon., 1:00 p.m.  
Eileen Fuller;  
Donna Freeze

#### **Symphony at the Bell Centre ~**

Linda Lee Henriksen

#### **Club Cuisine**

5-6 times a year  
Elizabeth Bordeaux

#### **New Members**

Elizabeth Bordeaux

#### **One-on-One**

#### **Literacy Group**

once a week  
Patricia Hyde

### Tuesday

#### **Alpha Book**

**Group**  
2nd Tues. 1:30 p.m.  
Shirley Nord

#### **Who can play, Who can host? Bridge**

Tues. & Fri.,  
9:30 a.m.  
Sandy McKenzie

#### **The Bridgets**

#### **Afternoon**

#### **Bridge**

1st & 3rd Tues.,  
1:00 p.m.  
Monica von Kursell



### Wednesday

#### **Afternoon**

**Matinee-Dinner**  
2nd Wed., 3:00 p.m.  
(varies) Sandra Kraft

#### **Golf for Fun**

Wed. Afternoons  
Sandra Kraft

#### **Art Appreciation**

3rd Wed. (varies)  
Marilyn Dyer-Seidel

### Thursday

#### **Fully Booked**

**Book Group**  
2nd Thurs. 1:30 p.m.  
Joanne Cunningham

#### **Newbies Bridge**

1:30 p.m., Thurs.  
Monica von Kursell

#### **Evening Book**

2nd Thurs., 7 p.m.  
Marjorie Mooney

### Friday

#### **Stitch and Chat**

2nd Fri., 1:00 p.m.  
Joan Hoyles

#### **French**

#### **Conversation**

2nd Friday  
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
Sylvia Riddell

#### **Environment**

4th Friday  
1:00 p.m.  
Mary Ann Rainer

#### Interest Group Info\*

For more information contact Interest  
Group Leaders,

or you may contact **Anne Low**, Interest  
Groups Coordinator

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*\*Groups subject to change.*



## Member Resources

### NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

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**Deadline** for November Newsletter submissions  
is **Friday, November 7th, 2014**

Please submit news by email with the subject  
line 'Newsletter' to: [vbichler@shaw.ca](mailto:vbichler@shaw.ca)

Ads are prepaid. Please contact our Club  
Treasurer, Eileen Ennis. email: [wennis@telus.net](mailto:wennis@telus.net)

### Web Resources for Members

**CFUW White Rock/Surrey**

[www.cfuw-wrsurrey.org](http://www.cfuw-wrsurrey.org)

**BC Council**

<https://sites.google.com/site/cfuwbccouncil/home>

**CFUW (National)**

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

**IFUW (International)**

[www.ifuw.org](http://www.ifuw.org)

**Semiahmoo Arts**

[www.semiahmooarts.com](http://www.semiahmooarts.com)

**Arts Council of Surrey**

[www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca](http://www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca)

*(Click on the URL to  
connect to the Website)*

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**Send a Card...** Please advise Elizabeth Bordeaux about any member of our Club who is ill or bereaved, so she can send a card. Contact information: Telephone - 604-538-1477; Email - [ebordeaux@shaw.ca](mailto:ebordeaux@shaw.ca)

### Need a Ride to a CFUW Meeting or Interest Group?

If you are unable to attend club meetings or enjoy club Interest Groups because you don't have transportation to get there, please call **Sandra Kraft at 604-535-8824**. Sandra will find a ride for you.