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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is a blustery day in early September as I sit and write my first message to you as your new President. Summer is over for another year, and my thoughts are turning towards the club and all it has to offer..

Jenny Lindsay, as your new Vice President, and I are excited about the job ahead. We are both quite new to the club, and we have been overwhelmed by the support and encouragement offered us by so many of you! It is wonderful to know that everyone has our backs and will help us along the way.

We have a lot to learn, but we will do our best to guide the club through this new year, the 60th Anniversary of the CFUW White Rock/Surrey.

We are looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you in the months to come.

CLUB NEWS

CFUW WHITE ROCK/SURREY BOARD MEMBERS 2018 - 2019

At the club AGM in May, the following board members were elected by acclamation:

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| President | : Kristin Baillie |
| Vice President | : Jennifer Lindsay |
| Past President | : Sue Foley-Currie |
| Bursary Board Chair (ex officio) | : Carolyn Oram |
| Treasurer | : Eileen Ennis |
| Secretary | : Joanne Cunningham and Lorna MacGregor |
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Communications Committee : Vacant
Membership Committee : Faye Koll
Interest Groups : Sandra Kraft
Program Committee : **Chairs:** Robin Funk and Lynn Robertson
: **Board Liaison:** Penny Harrington
Members-At-Large : Mary Fran Bateman, Penny Harrington, Lynda Tedman
Board Appointed Positions: : **Archivist** - Lois Hunter; **Newsletter** - Veronika Bichler;
: **Parliamentarian** - Jean Putman: **Web Masters** - Veronika Bichler and
Trudy Handel

CFUW would like to extend a warm welcome to our new President, Kristin Baillie, and Vice President, Jennifer Lindsay.



KRISTIN BAILLIE

Our new President, Kristin Baillie, grew up in Edmonton but moved to Vancouver to attend UBC and study Linguistics. However, a move back to Alberta with her husband, Bob, interrupted her studies for an extended period of time, during which she worked with him in his various business ventures. A new business brought them back to Vancouver in 1986 and afforded Kristin the opportunity to finish her degree. "A mere 29 years start to finish!" says Kris.

After moving to Surrey in 1999, Kristin became President of Newcomers and was on various strata corporation executives over the years, including as president. She is now treasurer of their current strata. She says that grandma duty fills in the rest of her time, "and

I wouldn't want it any other way!"

Kristin has two children. Her daughter, Jill, is a veterinarian, who, along with her husband, Nat, has two teenage girls, and they live locally. A lot of lovely family time is spent together. Her son, Dan, who is a general surgeon, has four children with his wife, Kate. Unfortunately, they live in Pennsylvania, so visits are a bit more difficult - but manageable!

Kris originally joined the club for the social activities (Interest Groups: Bridgets, duplicate, mahjong, book club), but quickly grew to appreciate what CFUW does in the community. She is inspired by the amazing women who make up the club and looks forward to working with them through this, the 60th Anniversary of CFUW White Rock/Surrey.



JENNIFER LINDSAY

Our new Vice President, Jennifer Lindsay, was born and brought up in Montreal, where she attended Trafalgar School for Girls. Upon graduation in 1968, she went into technician training in the Cardiology Department of the Montreal General Hospital, where after three years, she moved to the Respiratory Function Department.

Jenny married her husband Bill in 1974. They have two children, Christopher in 1977 and Gillian in 1980. She was a stay-at-home mom but was an active volunteer in both her children's schools. She was president of the Trafalgar School Alumni for two years then moved on to be a member of the school's Board of Governors for a further two years. She also volunteered at the seniors' residence at the Montreal Institute for the Blind.

In 2000, Bill's career took the Lindsays to Vancouver, where Jenny joined Newcomers and their executive. In 2007 Bill's job took them to Florida, but they returned to South Surrey in 2014, when Bill retired. Jenny is a member of Peace Portal Golf Club, where she is the assistant captain and a member of the executive for the ladies league. In the club, golf and bridge are Jenny's two main interests, but she is now enjoying the mahjong group as well.

Jenny's son Chris lives and works in Montreal, and he and his wife Andrea have seven- year-old twins, Ben and Maddy. Her daughter Gillian lives and works in Calgary. She and her husband Jamie have a three-year-old daughter, Chloe.

Jenny looks forward to an exciting anniversary year with CFUW White Rock/Surrey and will do her best to make a positive contribution as Vice President.

Welcome Back

Fall "High Tea": September 22, 2018

(Submitted by Robin and Lynn, on behalf of your Program Committee)



This year, our club begins celebrations for our 60th Anniversary. To kick off this very special year, your Program Committee is hosting a "High Tea" on September 22nd. We are excited to acknowledge and honour our founding and longtime members of the first three decades of CFUW White Rock / Surrey at our first General Meeting of the year.

Let's look into our closets and consider finding a hat and other attire that will add to the "High Tea" atmosphere. Perhaps you could find some long gloves? A string of pearls? A fancy hat? Or something that you are comfortable in wearing to the tea. (Remember Elizabeth's hat?...a lovely creation for our Canada Day AGM Luncheon...so simple and yet so delightful!)

Your new Executive, Program and 60/100 Celebration Committee have news about our upcoming 2018–2019 year to share with you.

As our summer draws to a close, let's enjoy and celebrate the fall equinox at our "High Tea" on:

**Saturday, September 22, 2018
Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
2350 148th St. Surrey, BC**

**Doors open at 10:15 am
General Meeting starts 10:30 am**

Bring your mug for morning coffee! If you have books for the Book Donation Program be sure to bring them along and put on the display table.

See you all on the 22nd!

Heads up for the October General Meeting!

(Submitted by your Program Committee)

Be sure to mark **October 27** on your calendars as you will not want to miss the first of an exciting new format for our October general meeting. What will it look and feel like? Well, the location will be different, the time will be different, the style and format will be different. Presenters will be high profile and dynamic.

CFUW Program Committee is working in collaboration with the 60/100 Celebration Committee and plan to shift the format of some of our regular general meetings. We have termed these meetings "Lunch and Learn".

One goal is to bring awareness and profile to the workings and mandates of our club by extending an invitation to include the general public and members of other local CFUW clubs to two informative and interesting panel presentations in this upcoming year.

The first " Lunch and Learn" will be October 27th.

More information and details will be coming your way as plans unfold.

CLUB HISTORY

(Elizabeth Bordeaux)

Based on information from the Jubilee booklet, *Celebrating Fifty Years, 1959-2009* **CFUW WHITE ROCK/SURREY**

In 1958, under the dynamic leadership of Jessie Casselman, a group of university graduates started the University Women's Club of White Rock, which Jessie hoped would be inspirational to its members and a force for good in the community. On June 18, 1959, the club, with 32 charter members, was admitted into the Canadian Federation of University Women. A few years later, the name CFUW White Rock/Surrey was adopted.

In its early years, the club was small enough to meet in members' homes, allowing for great camaraderie, but there were also serious aims and active interest groups. A bursary program was soon established, and members became involved in such diverse projects as staffing the White Rock Family Planning Clinic, hosting career days at Surrey high schools, and, currently, volunteering in our "One-to-One" literacy program in local elementary schools. Meanwhile, interest groups were burgeoning; from the original four - one bridge group, two book clubs and a cooking group - we now have three book clubs, four bridge groups and 11 other interest groups, ranging from Art Appreciation to Golf for Fun. As our fundraising skills improved, we used proceeds from casino licenses and a major endeavour, "Gardens in Bloom," to expand our bursary program and support local community projects for the betterment of women's lives.

In addition to the diversity in projects and interest groups, the club's demographics have also changed over the years. In the 60s and 70s, before it was common for married women to work outside the home, there were almost as many young mothers in the club as there were retired teachers and other professional women. However, as women being in the workplace became universal, our median age has increased.

The club's involvement with our national and international organizations has been ongoing, with delegates attending CFUW (national) conventions annually, and international (GWI) triennial conferences. In addition, we have been involved with the BC Council since its inception, assisting in hosting its AGM on two occasions. Studying and supporting CFUW resolutions has also been a club practice since 1959.

Throughout the years of the club's history, CFUW White Rock/Surrey has fulfilled Jessie Casselman's vision that our club should be a source of inspiration for all of its members and an influence for good in our community.

Bursary Board News

(Carolyn Oram)



At the AGM in May we introduced the 2018 bursary winners, and our members enjoyed meeting the young women and hearing their stories. The photo shows two of our winners, Shawna Narayan(l) and Alycia Cannell(r). For privacy reasons, the third winner can neither be part of the photo nor in the newsletter, since it will also be featured on the Internet. The board was very pleased with the reception our members gave the winners, and we thank you all for it.

Our first meeting will take place on October 3, and at that time we will begin to plan for a special bursary called the Jubilee Bursary in honour of the celebration of CFUW's 60th anniversary. In addition, we will still give out our usual three bursaries.

The bursary board remains the same as last year with the exception of one member who stepped down. We thank Mary-Ellen Johnston for her time on the bursary board. Next month we will have more news after our meeting in October.

Important News from Diane Salter Menzo

Our former vice president is in Grenada teaching at St. George's University

Hello, Everyone, and Greetings from Grenada,

I am helping a friend in Grenada who is collecting children's books for a free library for young children on the island. We are seeking donations of lightly used or new children's books - suitable for babies, toddlers and early primary school ages. Books in Grenada are very hard to come by - children often aren't even able to 'hold' a book until they get to school - and even there, books are limited. If you have any books waiting to go to a good home, I'm inviting you to donate a few to this cause. I'm hoping to bring a suitcase of books for young children when I come back to Grenada at the end of October.

If you have any books you would like to donate, you can give them to either Elizabeth Bordeaux, or Nancy Cassie (my sister, who is a new member), or you can call me at 604-385-0419 in October (when I will be home) and I'll pick them up. Alternatively, you can take them to the October 27 general meeting, which I am hoping to attend.

Thanks so much for considering contributing to this project.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Diane Salter Menzo



Children in Grenada and Cynthia Taylor, the organizer of the initiative, proudly displaying some of the few books they have.

Our first membership meeting in the new club year

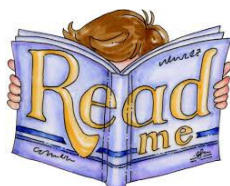
(Monica von Kursell)



Faye Kohl, our club's membership chair, convened a lively meeting at her home Wednesday, September 6. After an hour of slogging through all the parts of keeping records, updating data, strategies for attracting new member, and many other things, it was time for a coffee break.

*In the photo, from left to right are Faye Kohl, Diane Desjardins, Elizabeth Bordeaux and Beverly King.
(Photo Monica von Kursell)*

INTEREST GROUPS



One to One Literacy Program

(Carolyn Oram)

We welcome about 20 volunteers back to school this fall.

Our program volunteers continue reading with children at Peace Arch Elementary School and H. T. Thrift Elementary School. We begin our first session this year on October 9 with both morning and afternoon times. If there are members who are interested in volunteering, we provide training and workshops to assist volunteers with their work at the schools. You do not need to be a teacher to volunteer with One to One.



Environmental Interest Group

(Ann-Marie Steenge)

This small group meets once a month on the 4th Friday.

We each contribute by raising concerns that have been in the news or brought to our attention in other ways. The main purpose of our interest group is education and some outreach to the CFUW members. Last year, one of our members was often asked to present a very short suggestion at the general meeting to highlight an additional way that the individual might do her small part in caring for the environment. We have circulated petitions for Burn's Bog and have always supported that organization. Field trips to the Bog and to recycling facilities have also been arranged.

We welcome new members and new ideas. If you are interested, please sign up or phone:

Ann-Marie Steenge at **604 535-0553**

**Our first meeting in the fall will be held:
Fri. Oct. 26th - 1.30 p.m. at #73 3500 144th St.**

CFUW White Rock/Surrey Interest Groups ~ Activities and Leaders

Monday

Dames Who Dine

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

Duplicate Bridge

2nd Mon., 1:00 p.m.
Betty Bishop; Donna Freeze

Symphony at the Bell Centre I

Linda Lee Henriksen

Club Cuisine

4 times a year
Elizabeth Bordeaux

New Members

Gloria Kelly

One to One

Literacy Group

once a week
Carolyn Oram



Tuesday

Alpha Book Group

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

Evening Book Club

3rd Tues., 7 p.m.
Kathy Steele

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)

Barbara Cook

Golf for Fun

Wed. Afternoons
Sue Foley-Currie

Art Appreciation

3rd Wed. (varies)
Marilyn Dyer-Seidel



Thursday

Fully Booked

Book Group

2nd Thurs. 1:00 p.m.
Joanne Cunningham

Newbies Bridge

1:00 p.m., Thurs.
Monica von Kursell

Mahjong

3rd Thurs. 1:00 p.m.,
Majorie Foxall; Joy Thompson



Friday

Stitch and Chat

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

French

Conversation

3rd Friday 1:30 –2:30 p.m.
Sylvia Riddell

Environment

4th Friday 1:00 p.m.
Ann-Marie Steenge



Interest Group Info*

For more information contact Interest Group Leaders,

**Groups subject to change.*

Need a Ride to Meetings?

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and the closed group page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1547358335477392>

(to access, you must be a member of Facebook)

CFUW White Rock/Surrey Website

<http://cfuwwhiterocksurrey.com/>

BC Council

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

CFUW (National)

<http://www.cfuw.org/>

GWI (Graduate Women International)

<http://www.graduatewomen.org/>

Semiahmoo Arts

<http://www.semiahmooarts.com/>

Arts Council of Surrey

<http://www.artscouncilofsurrey.ca/>

NOTE:

just click on the URL and you will be taken to the respective website.

Please contact Membership Chair, Faye Koll if you have changes to your contact information:

Telephone - 604-599-0714;

email: kollfm@shaw.ca

Send a Card... Please advise Joanne Cunningham about any member of our club who is ill or bereaved, so she can send a card. Contact information: Telephone 604-541-2432; email: joannecunow@gmail.com

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Deadline for October Newsletter submissions is Friday, October 5th, 2018

Please submit news by email with the subject line 'Newsletter' to: vbichler@shaw.ca

Ads are prepaid. Please contact our Club Treasurer, Eileen Ennis. email: wennis@telus.net

