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## NIAGARA DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WOMEN

Established 1918

### 2019- Fall-Winter Newsletter

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FUTURE NDCW MEETINGS AT ST.  
CATHARINES CENTRAL LIBRARY (54  
CHURCH ST. ST.CATHARINES)

November 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:15 p.m.

RACISM, DISCRIMINATION  
OPPRESSION

December 11<sup>th</sup> 11:30 a.m.

MEMBERSHIP LUN CHEON

'FOOD FOR KIDS' : Amber Hughs

(Raffle Baskets Welcomed)

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January 8<sup>th</sup> 2020 7:15 p.m.

YOUTH AND MENTAL HEALTH

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February 12<sup>th</sup> 2020

NIAGARA'S FUTURE HEALTH CARE  
SYSTEM

March March 11<sup>th</sup> RESOLUTIONS

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APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup> AGM –TBA

MAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NDCW AUCTION

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Dear Members,

As many of you know, on September 11<sup>th</sup> we got off to a very stimulating and educational start to our Fall programs, when over 50 attendees came out to hear environmental steward Ed Smith talk about Niagara's current global warming crisis, and the urgent need for us all to help counter this looming world threat!

To begin, Ed, a new Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) Board member, gave us a glimpse of the environmental damages Niagara has already experienced such as shoreline flooding and the warming of Niagara's only 'cold water' stream in Effingham. And, he warned of the newly limited role of Ontario's Conservation Authorities in ameliorating this and future warming events, due to the Province's recent Bill 108, which severely constrains the Conservation Authority's important environmental protection and educational work.

On a hopeful note, Ed cited several local climate change initiatives such as the beautiful Henley Island spit naturalization, but concluded by urging us to each make a "cultural shift", for instance to get away from the neat green lawn ideal, and into the preservation and cultivation of our natural areas.

Looking ahead, our program this month, "*Homelessness in Niagara-Community Solutions*" highlights another "crisis" which is growing at a rapid pace and demands that we work together as a community, province and country as quickly as possible to serve those in need of affordable, accessible, appropriate housing. We look forward to a compassionate, intelligent and helpful Forum!

**Gracia Janes. President**

**NDCW NEWS**

***OUR VOICE IS HEARD !***



**A GREAT TURNOUT AT OUR SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> FORUM WITH ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARD ED SMITH**

**RESOLUTIONS APPROVED AT THE 2019 NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF CANADA AGM**

- \*ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE
- \*CONSUMER CHARTER FOR SENIORS
- \*HUMAN TRAFFICKING: CANADIAN
- \*COMPLICITY IN THE CYBERSEX RAFFICKING OF CHILDREN
- \*NANOPARTICLE ADDITIVES IN CONSUMER PRODUCTS
- \*NATIONAL SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAM\*ndcw
- \*BAN SINGLE USE PLASTICS \*ndcw
- \*SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL WORKERS \*ndcw
- \*TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKER'S ACCESS TO PERMANENT STATUS (CAREGIVER PROGRAM)
- \*TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION; HISTORIC SITES AND MONUMENTS \*ndcw
- \*UPDATE: POLICY ON ADVERTISING OF ALCOHOL AND NEED FOR CONTINUED EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN ndcw
- \*EMERGING ISSUE CLIMATE CHANGE RESPONSE

**RESOLUTIONS APPROVED AT THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF ONTARIO 2019 AGM**

- \*SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL WORKERS \*ndcw
- \*PRECARIOUS EMPLOYMENT \* ndcw
- \*SUPERVISED CONSUMPTION SITES \*ndcw

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**NDCW Statement of Support for the October 3<sup>rd</sup> Green New Deal, St. Catharines Federal All-Candidates meeting.**

*"For over 100 years, the Niagara District Council of Women, as members of the National Council of Women of Canada, have challenged the Federal Government to seriously protect the environment.*

*Therefore we are most pleased to help sponsor this Green New Deal Niagara Federal election meeting, that rightly focuses on the huge and looming threat of climate change .*

*Over the crucial years ahead we will be watching closely and challenging the successful candidate to help the government be far better environmental stewards of the world! "*

NDCW President Gracia Janes  
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**DATES TO NOTE!**

**Provincial Council of Women of Ontario:**

**\*October 18, 2:00-4:00p.m.**· Invitation to visit with Ontario Lieutenant Governor Elizabeth Dowdeswell, at Queens Park to recognize the role of National Council of Women of Canada in the Federal Government's declaration of women as "**PERSONS**" .

**\*November 20<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m.-4 p.m.** Semi Annual Meeting , Presentation of 2019 Brief , with resolutions ;meeting with MPPs and visit to Legislature

**Niagara District Council of Women**

**\*November 13<sup>th</sup> 8:00p.m Forum: Racism, Discrimination and Oppression Panel:**  
**Laura Ip (Niagara Region)**  
**Nona Bader (Niagara Anti Racism Assc.)**  
**Nyarayi Kapisavanhu (TOES)**  
**St. Catharines rep (Equity & Inclusion)**