

GRADUATE WOMEN OTAGO NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2018



Graduate Women Otago

Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday, 25 October 2018

Time: 7.30 pm

Venue: Benham Room, 2nd Floor,
Zoology Building

Speaker: Rae Duff, ONZM BSc Dip Ed
Immediate Past President
National Council of Women of
New Zealand, Graduate Women
International

New Committee Members are welcome.
If you would like information about joining
the committee, please approach one of the
current members - see website.

Nominations will be received in writing by
the Secretary at least twenty-four (24) hours
before the time set for the commencement
of the AGM and in the event of more
nominations than are needed, a ballot will be
held.

Do you need a ride to the meeting?

Email: margaretbahr@fastmail.fm

Dear Members,

Coming up this month is our 2018 Annual General Meeting. We are fortunate in that Rae Duff is going to be our speaker which makes it much more exciting than just an AGM. Rae is well known in her many roles in both Graduate Women and the National Council of Women. She is currently a Board Member of GWI and very involved in the planning of the Centenary conference in Geneva next July. This will give us an opportunity to engage with the international "from the horse's mouth".

The AGM will give a chance for any one keen on joining the committee, especially Young Members who can then have a say in shaping the ongoing character of our branch and also gain experience in meeting procedures, the constitution and governance in general.

We also have our Young Members providing the supper afterwards so, all in all, we hope to see lots of you there, right across the age groups.

*Shirley Gillett
President and CIR*



President and CIR Annual Report, GWO

This year life has been busy on all fronts for the Otago Branch of Graduate Women. We set the theme of Suffrage for the year, with it being the 125th anniversary of New Zealand women getting the vote and began our first meeting with an excellent talk by Dot Page emphasising the role of women from Otago in the suffrage movement. We have an excellent committee all of whom are diligent and carry out their role awesomely. Our Young Members' Convenors Pouya Saeedi and Amy Dowdle have been impressively entrepreneurial, as seen in their contribution to the projects below. Regarding committee members we are both glad and sad with the news that Pouya Saeedi is leaving us, as she has a job in Brussels. As Young Members' Coordinator and initiator of the Stationery Boxes project she has been a star and will be greatly missed.

To give the flavour, some of our specific projects and events for 2018 are listed here:

- We joined a large number of groups around New Zealand at the Pioneer Hall for International Women's Day listening via the internet to hear Helen Clark interviewed.
- The website had a new look with the committee's photos and bios upfront.
- The Otago Access Radio "Girls Gone Grad" 6-part series features us interviewing a variety of talented graduate women with interesting stories. In the sixth session Sue Cathro, Lorraine Isaacs, and Louise Croot are interviewed on the history of GW.
- The Young Members' Winter Lecture was in July at the Hutton lecture Theatre with ethicist Josephine Johnston speaking. More than 110 people attended with \$300 raised for Women's Refuge.
- New GWO brochures were designed (an update of the old one) and 5000 printed highlighting our activities, incorporating the lamp logo, a koru design and the scholarships available. This is to be our "on the spot" flyer to be freely and generously distributed.
- The Shoebox Project completed with the first distribution to two low decile schools and The Books for Prison Bequest \$5000 for books for men in the Otago Corrections Facility and women in the Christchurch Women's Prison was also carried out.
- Winter lunch held at Plato's in August with speaker Janine Hayward- a successful mixed age attendance.
- Shirley attended and spoke at the 2minute Women in Science talks which were part of the Science Festival and which we funded.

Our special emphasis is education and in this we are so very fortunate to have the gowning endeavour (business!) which allows, via the Charitable Trust, the giving of scholarships and other awards which are orientated around this. At the end of this report listed are the amounts given for some of these for 2018. Many thanks you to all those who volunteer in the gowning as part of the team and to the co-ordinators.

Our contact with the International Graduate group is important to us and, although we have now completed the ambitious Sierra Leone project, our international connections continue with my attendance at CSW and latterly (as part of Educom) contributing to the writing of a Gender Equity Toolkit for GWI. Several of our committee hope to attend the centenary GWI conference next year.

A major part of the work this year was in a different vein from our usual happenings. This was our thinking about the National Executive advancing the project of a "refresh". As a branch we consulted our members heavily following the issues and debate, with some of us taking part in various NE Zoom meetings. Ultimately as a branch we voted against it. The majority vote was for the refresh to go ahead with Creative Strategy, however the committee remained ill at ease with this and seriously considered disaffiliating. Research showed us this would have consequences which we did not want, thus we cancelled the Special General meeting and put two of our members forward for the executive with the aim of contributing to our organisation in a positive way. Thus, it was a challenging and serious time for all of us.

GWO, continues to see a decline in membership, common to all types of voluntary and social organisations in the 21st century. The 2018-19 financial year saw us with a paid-up membership of 104. We continue to attract new members at a good rate, 31 this last year, however retention remains an issue. We plan to have some analysis of which members are being retained, and to investigate the reasons for leaving from those members who do leave (continued on next page...).

President's Report, GWO (continued...)

(continued from previous page) Despite our issues with member retention, the branch has continued to maintain a high level of varying activities throughout the year. The branch is in good heart and spirit and I have enjoyed being president of an organisation which I so very much believe in.

In addition, we funded the followed individual awards this year:

Travel awards	\$25, 000 (10 awards)
Helen Bensen awards	\$5,500 (4 awards)
Community Awards	\$7,740 (6 awards)
Dawn Ibbotsen Essay Award	\$500
Grant in Aid	\$1900 (2 awards)
Science Festival	\$1500
Queens High School	\$1500

Gifted to NZGW:

Mildred Keir	\$3000
Harriet Jenkins	\$3000
GWNZ Fellowships	\$15000
TOTAL	\$64,640



(Above) Amy with the Books for Prison Project.
(Left) Our new leaflet



- Shirley Gillett

Public Affairs Convenor Annual Report

This year most of my PAC activity was redirected through the National Executive as a member of the PAC committee. I personally wrote the submission on Education Amendment Bill 15-1, which was a steep learning curve for me as my first official submission to a piece of national legislation. The Bill primarily focused on the removal of National Standards, the removal of Partnership Schools, and the requirement of elected staff and student representatives on tertiary education and polytechnic councils. It was a relatively complicated Bill for my first submission as it required a lot of research on my behalf, as well as a diplomatic touch to balance disparate views within our own organisation, in particular with respect to Partnership Schools. In the end I was proud of the submission and believe it reflected our organisation's views accurately, and can make copies available to anyone who is interested. I also wrote a press release following the announcement of the Queen's Birthday Honours List. I reflected on the incredible number of women recognised from a diversity of fields and backgrounds, and also sought to establish GWNZ as a living breathing organisation, to rebut some of the misinformation in the media at the time of Dame Charmian O'Connor's recognition. Going forward, as the national PAC for 2018-20, I have learned a lot in my role as Otago's representative on the PAC committee, and have plenty of ideas to improve our system of advocacy. I am stepping down as branch PAC and look forward to working closely with the next Otago PAC to strengthen GWNZ's voice at the national level, and to identify more local issues on which to have a say. It's been a big learning curve for sure!

- Amy Dowdle

Academic Dress Conveners' Report to Graduate Women Otago 97th Annual General Meeting, Thursday 25 October 2018

GRADUATIONS: In December 2017 the first two Saturday ceremonies had a total of 666 (716) graduates, the Wednesday ceremonies had a total of 593 (577) graduates and the last Saturday had 687 (703) graduates. The spread of degrees was slightly better, although the Wednesday numbers still made it difficult to cope with the very short turn-around between the two Saturday ceremonies. The smaller numbers do not include the extra 80 - 90 hoods requested for second degrees. The graduate numbers for May 2018 were 643 (606) and 613 (620) graduates respectively. In August 2018 graduate numbers were 325 (333). Staff hiring averages between 60 - 90 per ceremony, with many attending more than one ceremony. We are very grateful to the Graduation Office for the provision of six students, who enable us to function with a core of 'young and fit' in December and to the students for their assistance.

OTHER HIRINGS: In February we hired 45 sets of regalia to staff for the University Convocation. Early in the academic year we provide staff with hoods and gowns for Department mihis, and in October for farewell dinners at Colleges. Otago hoods are also sent in October to Canterbury and other places for their schools' prize-givings. We also hired to 70 staff members of the Otago Polytechnic for their small graduation in March, and to approximately 100 staff for their main graduation in December.

STOCK. We are continually adding to our stock and have bought more trenchers, John Knox caps, and Masters and PhD gowns this year. One hundred and forty new hoods have been made over the year. Regular maintenance, repairs and fifty-one halter replacements keep our stock in good shape. We have had donations of several gowns and hoods. The room in the basement of the Clocktower building, where we keep material for hoods, play gowns, racks of gowns that will not fit into the Regalia rooms, and the suitcases has been extremely useful. The gowns and suitcases can be brought to the rooms when needed, especially in November and December.

INCIDENTAL HIRE. Rhonda Schlaadt and I open the rooms on Wednesday lunchtime for casual hiring. This year I have added up the total number of items hired over the year, only excluding hiring to the graduates and staff, hoods 696, gowns 444 and trenchers/JKCaps 247. There is steady and continuous demand for gowns and hoods throughout the year.

SCHOOLS HIRING. In 2017, we supplied 22 Otago, Southland, and city secondary schools with 600 plus gowns and 593 hoods from various NZ Universities and 36 gowns from Otago Polytechnic for their November and December prize-givings. Thank you to Sue, Rhonda, Jane, Walter, and Michael for their help getting the orders packed, unpacked, ironed, and rehung prior to our busy time in December doing University of Otago graduations!

- Jules Gross, Academic Dress Hire – Schools.



Academic Dress Conveners' Report to Graduate Women Otago 97th Annual General Meeting, Thursday 25 October 2018 (continued...)

THANKS. Our thanks to Glenice Johnston and Jeana Jackson of the Graduation Office, and the staff of Student Records for their assistance throughout the year. We are grateful too, to Damian Walls in the Geology Department, and to the staff of the Security Centre for their help at graduation times with unlocking the door to Geology, the staff of the Mail Room, and the men from Property Services who return the gowns to the rooms from the Town Hall.

On behalf of the Conveners - Jane Ashman (new in August), Yvonne Coughlan, Anne Cuthbertson, Linda Dunn, Jules Gross, Barbara Holborow, Jane Malthus, Rhonda Schlaad and Jane Ashman, I would like to record our personal thanks to all those members who come to help at Graduation times. This combined effort raises our profile and enables us to support many women and worthwhile causes with our grants and awards. It is a happy time for the graduates and their families, and it is acknowledged by the University that we make a very important contribution to the success of the graduation ceremonies.

We also acknowledge the expertise of Christine Clegg, our Academic Dress Accountant, in dealing with our Academic Dress finances, thank you Christine. Our thanks too, to the Branch Committee for their support during the year.

SHEETS FOR REGALIA ROOMS. We are always looking for sheets - especially double bed ones - to use as covers for gown racks and for returning gowns from the Town Hall to the rooms. If you have any that you no longer need, we would love to have them. Please contact Sue Cathro, 455 4640 or 022 171 5513.

- Sue Cathro, Academic Dress Convenor

Treasurer and Membership Report 2018

During the financial year 2017-18 the Graduate Women Otago branch received total subscriptions of \$7435, from a total of 104 financial members. A further \$1445 in interest on investments from various bequests and funds was received. Our expenses over the year was the audit fee of \$715. The capitation paid to Graduate Women New Zealand, at \$84 per member, totalled \$9558.

We are grateful that the branch continues to have the graduation robing operation, as a source of income, and that the branch has been willing to subsidise our dues to GWNZ over the years. While GWNZ capitation remains at a rate of \$84 per member for this financial year, as of 1 July 2019 it has now been set at \$70 per member. I will therefore have to propose that we raise our branch subscriptions, from \$70, to make a contribution to cover this rise.

In common with many other voluntary organisations we continue to see a reduction in membership numbers. Of the 104 current financial members 30 were new during the financial year. It remains difficult to retain members, in particular when many of our young members only remain in Dunedin for the length of their academic study. Despite this, as you will know from Shirley's President's Report, we remain a very engaged branch with a wide variety of activities throughout the year.

- Carol Jess, Treasurer/Membership Secretary

Summary of the Regalia Annual Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2018

- Total income was \$228,262 compared to \$240,189 the previous year. An overall drop of \$11,927.
- University & incidental hires were down while Schools & Polytech hire increased on 2017.
- Interest received on investments was \$22,423, a decrease of \$2,847 on the prior year. Interest had resident withholding tax of \$6,507.86 paid on it.
- Gown Hire expenses increased by \$12,079 to \$83,841 compared to \$71,762 the previous year. The main increase being in wages costs.
- Other expenses were down on 2017 by \$35,247 to \$78,336. Donations and Awards of \$30,400 were given compared to \$71,186 in 2017 with fewer Travel awards being applied for.
- Donations to NCW Dawn Ibbotson Prize, Queens High School (Awarded to students) & to the Science Festival were given during the year.
- Interest paid to the Charitable Trust remained at \$34,300.
- There was a surplus before tax of \$44,544. Tax yet to be calculated.
- Prior to taxation Members Funds totalled \$420,454.
- Total cash invested or on call was \$875,941 an increase of \$1,436 from the 2017 year.
- The main liability still being the loan from the Charitable Trust of \$490,000.

These figures are subject to Audit which was not completed at the date of the newsletter.

- Christine Clegg, Academic Dress Accountant

Summary of the Charitable Trust Annual Accounts for the year ended 30 June

- Total income from interest for the year was \$37,597 down \$47 from the previous year.
- The regalia loan rate was held at 7%.
- Community Awards totalling \$7,740 were made compared to \$11,128 in 2017.
- No Hardship Grants were made this year with \$1,000 given the previous year.
- Helen Benson awards were taken up of \$5,500 compared to \$5,840 in 2017.
- Donations were made to GWNZ Fellowship \$15,000, GWNZ Harriette Jenkins \$3,000 and the Mildred Keir Fund of \$3,000 the same as in 2017. These were paid after balanced date but provided for in the 2018 income year.
- Total donations and Awards being \$34,240 compared to \$38,968 the previous year.
- As a registered Charitable Trust an annual filing fee was paid of \$51 to file our accounts with the Charities Commission. The net result was a surplus for the year of \$3,306 compared to last year's deficit of \$1,375.
- Trust Funds at 30 June 2018 totalled \$602,272 represented by the loan to
- Regalia of \$490,000(unchanged), bank accounts and deposits amounting to \$134,072 less the provision for donations to GWNZ Charitable Trust of \$21,000.

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- Christine Clegg, Academic Dress Accountant



Marketing Report 2018

More than anything this year has been one of laying the groundwork for future marketing plans. Some low costs ideas were presented to the committee earlier in the year but it was felt it would be best to hold off on these while the form and extent of the Refresh project was still unclear.

As you are all aware, despite Otago voting against it, the expenditure of around \$65,000 was approved for the GWNZ Refresh project. As we felt it is important that we have a voice in the process since the funds have been committed we now have two 'brand representatives' on the Refresh committee, Amy Dowdle and myself. This committee has just completed a review of the strategy paper presented by the marketing company, Strategy Creative. In amongst a plethora of marketing 'talk' we have been distilling down our views GWNZ's goals and values, and identity. It is clear that the committee is in full agreement that our main point of difference from many other women's organisation is our focus on education. The key driver behind this project has been concerns over the future of GWNZ and how we position it to survive long term. This goes beyond just updating the website. However, there are some differing views on what shape any organisational restructuring should take. Expect to hear more on this in coming months.

However, we have not been completely off the radar. In August the ODT published an article our donation of books to the libraries of the Otago Correctional Facility and Christchurch Women's Prison while earlier in the year Shirley and Amy arranged a number of interviews on Access Radio about our organisation. Finally, as always, our Winter Lecture was a great opportunity to raise our profile and we were really pleased to see such a good number of young health science students attend.

We view next year as an excellent opportunity to improve GW Otago's profile and membership. There will be the opportunity to leverage off the back of publicity surrounding the 150th anniversary of the University of Otago while GW International will be celebrating its 100th. Hopefully we will also start getting some traction from the Refresh project kicking in.

- Joanne Rogers



Young Members' Annual Report

This year Pouya and I have mainly focused on creating a Young Members network on Facebook, via the use of a Page. In previous years, there have been private groups of young members on Facebook, but with the changeover in YM conveners these groups became dormant. Many young people do not attend meetings, nor do they read emails or the newsletter. However, they are actively involved in gowning and enjoy the opportunity to get involved with projects. Pouya and I considered it important to establish a semi-regularly active public Facebook presence that not only allowed members to follow our branch for news and events, but also promoted our branch to the wider online community. This has been a successful endeavour, and at the time of writing this report we have 83 followers. While continuing to grow our network, this additional source of communication has connected us to the Women's+ Group at the University and will hopefully form the basis of future collaborations to boost the profile of our branch alongside that of other similar organisations. Prior to establishing the Facebook page, we needed visual material to use online. At the same time, our brochure required an update, not least to include the name change from NZFGW to GWNZ. I undertook this earlier in the year – another steep learning curve – and once the brochure was complete, I created coordinating online materials for the Facebook page.

In addition, this year's Winter Lecture was a great success. We were very lucky to host Josephine Johnston, the Director of Research from the Hastings Center in New York. Born and raised in Dunedin, Josephine is a graduate of the University of Otago where she studied Law and Theatre. She is now a bioethicist with a strong interest in genetics, particularly gene editing and genetic screening of new-borns and children. Josephine delivered a fantastic, important Lecture to a packed Hutton Theatre – with 110 people in attendance, we also raised \$300 for Women's Refuge. Alongside this, there were a number of other projects undertaken this year by Pouya and myself. In brief, they are:

- **Books in Prison (Amy):** This project was made possible thanks to a generous bequest by Margaret Cameron and allowed us to purchase hundreds of books for Otago Corrections Facility and Christchurch Women's Prison. With fantastic expertise from Bronwyn at University Book Shop – and a wonderful 20% discount to help us buy even more books – we were able to deliver over \$6000 worth of books to the two prisons. The project was initially focused on our nearest women's prison, but it was decided that providing books to the men will not only benefit them but also their families and communities, and as such greatly aligned with our organisation's values. Our project was covered in the Otago Daily Times and ended with the delivery of the books to Milton accompanied by 5 branch members, including Mayford Dawson, Margaret Cameron's cousin.
- **Otago Access Radio show (Shirley, Pouya, and Amy):** Along with Shirley, 2018 saw us make our debuts in the radio studio with our show *Girls Gone Grad: Success Stories of Otago Women*. We each took the lead on two shows, interviewing a range of Dunedin women with the final episode helmed by Shirley and covering the history of our branch and wider organisation. Who knows, perhaps we will devise a second series in 2019!
- **Shoebox project (Pouya):** This project was conducted throughout 2018 which aimed to provide stationary items for primary school-aged students in Dunedin. The support and donation that we received for the project were beyond our expectation, resulting in collection of various stationery items worth about \$2000. The donated items were included more than 180 notebooks, 300 pencils, 900 pens, 75 packs of colouring pencil, 60 packs of colouring marker, and many more items such as rulers, pads, erasers, sharpeners, stickers, sticky notes, pencil cases, glue, paper clips, yoga mats, storage bins, etc. The items were distributed in two schools in Dunedin and we received very positive feedback from both schools. One of the schools organised a ceremony in appreciation of receiving the donation, which I attended. The school principal will send their newsletter to GWO committee that includes information about the donated stationery and a photo that was taken during the ceremony. We aim to continue this initiation in future as well.
- **GWO website (Pouya):** in early 2018, the GWO website was improved by the addition of the biographies and photos of the committee members. During the first step brief bios of the committee members were collected and the fun part was to organise a number of photo shooting for those who needed a new photo. After providing all required information and photos, the website was updated with the help of Carol and Claire Treweek.

- Amy and Pouya

National Council of Women Report

This month we heard from Professor Nicola Peart, who spoke on the topic of trusts and their status in modern relationships. In New Zealand, trusts are typically used as a means of “getting around” the law, although in fact they should be adhering to two principles: 1. Accountability – the trustees are accountable to the beneficiaries, and 2. Alienation – any property in a trust should be alienated from the trustees. However, these are rarely observed principles in many trusts across NZ, indeed many houses in trust are in fact inhabited by the trustees themselves. Generally, most members of the public do not have a complete understanding of what it means to hold property in trust, and this is causing problems for the courts when couples separate. The Property Relationships Act outlines division of assets in case of separation, but it usually applies only to owned assets – and by nature, property in trust is not technically owned by the trustees. Therefore, the current situation relies on the separating couple to agree how to divide the property, and it is understandably often very difficult to come to such an agreement. The Act is currently being overhauled by the Law Commission in order to modernise it in many respects, including its treatment of trusts. Nicola’s main message was that trusts are no longer the protective measures they once were.

Independent of Nicola’s talk, there was also an interesting discussion on an issue related to equality in household finance – many of the women told of times they were not able to make changes to bank accounts or other utility accounts (e.g. phone, electricity, internet) because they were not the first name on the account – despite being an equal partner in the joint account, and often in fact the primary bill payer. It was decided that the NCW Dunedin Executive would prepare a submission to the Banking Ombudsman to enact change on this clearly disparate matter.

- Amy Dowdle



Annual Report - National Council of Women of NZ, Dunedin Branch - 2017 to 2018

The National Council of Women of New Zealand (NCWNZ), founded in 1896, is an umbrella organisation with a volunteer board, and 19 branches throughout the country attended by representatives of more than 250 organisations as well as individual members. NCWNZ's function is to represent and promote the interests of New Zealand women through research, discussion and action, and presently it is making a difference through its work to increase gender equality.

Led by the NCWNZ, the campaign **Gender Equal NZ** was launched on 5 September 2017 to drive gender equality for those living in Aotearoa New Zealand. Described in the October 2018 Circular: "Our Gender Equal NZ campaign works towards all New Zealanders having the freedom and opportunity to determine their own future, free of gender stereotypes and constraints. The campaign includes three major projects: the Gender Attitudes Survey, the Gender Dashboard and the Gender Culture Taskforce." Recently, Gender Equal NZ was awarded a Platinum Research Association Award for New Zealand's First Gender Attitudes Survey. Information on NCWNZ and Gender Equal NZ is available via the NCWNZ website (www.ncwnz.org.nz) or follow on **Facebook** / **Twitter**.

Dunedin branch speakers during the year have included:

- Amanda Durham from Women's Refuge.
- Joe Llewellyn and Kyle Matthews, National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies discussing *Gene Sharp and nonviolence*.
- Claire Barton, mezzo soprano, gave an entertaining and thought-provoking talk about life as a singer and a singing teacher.
- Louise Croot former President of IFUW (now GWI), spoke about working with international women's organisations.
- Ada Crowe, Counsellor, Otago Girls' High School, discussed the pressures on young women today.
- Dr Jane Malthus talked about the clothing worn by women at the time of the visit of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip in 1953-4.
- Donna Matahaere-Atariki who spoke about the establishment of a new community-based health service and community centre in Caversham.
- Branch President, Janice Sinclair and Immediate Past President, Anne Rodger reported to the Branch on the NCWNZ Annual Conference which they attended, with assistance from Graduate Women Otago.

A highlight for the year was the celebration of the **Branch Centennial in March**. The dinner was attended by 72 women, members, ex members and other supporters of women in our community. The guest speaker was Dame Silvia Cartwright who acknowledged the continuing work of the branch members since it was founded. Also attending was Dr Gill Greer, CE of NCWNZ and it was a great opportunity for us to meet with her on the night, and the following afternoon when she met with the Branch Executive members.

On the **8 March - International Women's Day** our members joined with other women's groups at the Pioneer Women's Hall to watch a Live Streaming of the special breakfast at Parliament hosted by the Minister for Women, Julie-Anne Genter with keynote speakers including the Governor General, Dame Patsy Reddy, The Right Honourable Helen Clark and Dr Gill Greer, Chief Executive of NCWNZ.

NCWNZ celebrated the milestone of **Suffrage 125** on 19 September this year, knowing that in 3 years NCWNZ, founded by Kate Sheppard, will also reach 125 years. At the National Conference 31 August - 1 September the **Right Honourable Helen Clark** was welcomed as **Patron of NCWNZ**.

The annual **Dawn Ibbotson Essay Competition** was held in June 2018 and the Branch acknowledges with thanks the sponsorship of Graduate Women Otago for the 1st prize. The winner of the competition, judged again by Professor Emerita Jocelyn Harris, was Beth Doelman of Columba College. The **Inspiring Women Breakfast** for Years 12 and 13 secondary school girls was organised and held in August. Six inspiring women shared their experiences. Again, the Branch appreciated the donation of Graduate Women Otago.

- Correen Rodger, NCW representative

Call for Interdisciplinary Seminar Papers and Posters, Graduate Women International 33rd Triennial Celebration – “Peace through Education”, Geneva, 25-28 July 2019

- This is the **First and Only Call** for Papers for the Interdisciplinary Seminars. Proposals are invited for papers or posters on one or more of the 5 seminar topics listed on a separate page at: <http://www.graduatwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Call-for-Papers-and-Posters-FINAL-r1.pdf>.
- **The deadline for submitting abstracts is FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER 2018**
- Proposers should bear in mind the purpose of the seminars, which is to deepen our understanding of the role that education can play in nurturing a culture of peace and how we can advocate globally for a practical recognition and enhancement of this essential relationship.
- Papers/Posters might be based on research, theoretical analysis, direct experience or empirical evidence but preference will be given to papers which are action-oriented, that is, papers that draw conclusions from their material as to possible actions that might be undertaken by members of GWI or which describe actions (successful or unsuccessful) that have already been undertaken.
- Preference will also be given to proposals from GWI members who have not presented, or presented only once, in the ID Seminars at a previous IFUW/GWI Conference as the Seminars form part of the mentoring undertaken by GWI and its NFAs.
- Papers/Posters are to be planned for a presentation time of twenty minutes, including question time. Papers/Posters should be presented in English. If they are presented in a language other than English translated copies will need to be provided for the audience. Abstracts should be provided in English.
- Members interested in making a presentation should send an abstract of their proposal. This must be made on the attached form and proposers are advised to read the separate attachment on *Writing an Abstract* before completing their proposal. The completed form should be sent directly to Hazel Bowen, VP: Advocacy and Education at email address:seminars2019@gwi.graduatwomen.org
- Please also see the separate *Guidelines to Poster Presentations* – information on the size of the poster is provided. The completed application form should be sent directly to Hazel Bowen, VP: Advocacy and Education, at email address:posters2019@gwi.graduatwomen.org

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