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University Women celebrate 40th anniversary

Milton chapter's main focus is to improve education for women

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The Champion

When Lorraine Gibson joined the Milton chapter of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) two years ago, she was looking for intellectual stimulation.

"I'm a retired lawyer and I was looking for a mental challenge," the club president explained.

"It's a marvelous organization to meet interesting women and you can get as involved as you want to — locally, provincially, nationally or internationally. The advocacy really interests me."

Founded in 1919, the CFUW is a national organization of women university graduates committed to the pursuit of knowledge, promotion of education, improvement of the status of women and human rights.

"As long as you're a university graduate you can join," she continued, adding some clubs have included associate members (college graduates).

Each year, the Milton chapter awards scholarships to female high school graduates who've been accepted into university for post-secondary education.

"We give two to the deaf school (Ernest C. Drury) annually and three or four scholarships to graduates at the other high schools. Each scholarship is \$500 and is funded from our annual book sale."

Although most women join the organization for the social aspect of the club, others join depending on what their needs are at the time.

"A lot of new people to town want to meet others and this is a good way to do it," Ms Gibson said, adding the 51 club members meet once a month from September through June.

"We bring in different speakers to speak at our meetings. We've had people speak to us on health issues, the town's development and education. The improvement of education for women is our main focus."

On the national level, the club regularly attends meeting held by the United Nations and provides grants to Third World countries, she said.

"We're trying to improve the status of women and human rights, which we do through our scholarships, speakers and advocacy with the



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Celebrating the 40th anniversary of the CFUW's Milton chapter are (from left) Agnes Ruhl, 40-year member; Judy Hincks, past president; Lorraine Gibson, president; and Margaret Gray, 40-year member.

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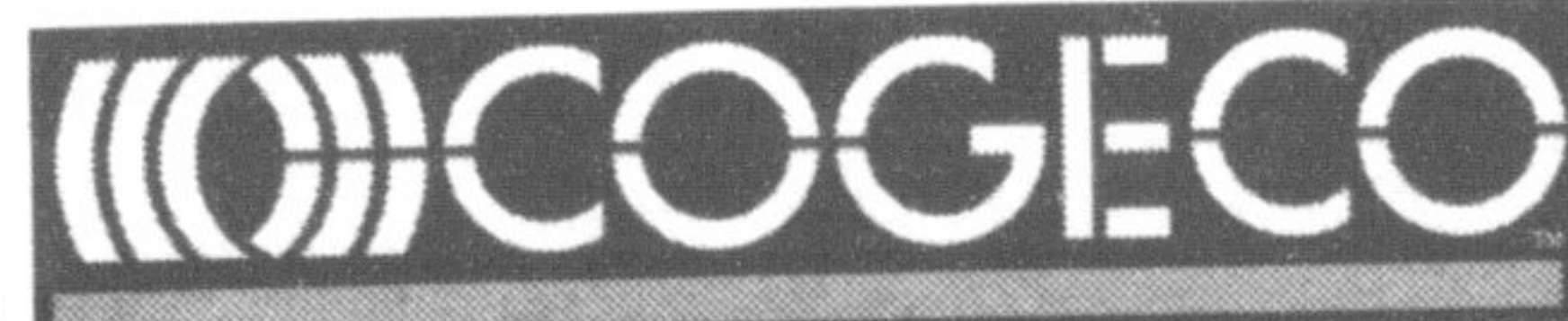
This Thursday, the local club will celebrate its 40th anniversary with a dinner at Halton Hills Place and Banquet Hall on Steeles Avenue.

"Milton became the organization's 100th club in 1962," Ms Gibson continued.

"I highly recommend this club to anyone looking for a mental challenge or to make new

friends."

To attend the dinner or for more information regarding the organization, send an e-mail to lgibson@cogeco.ca.



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Tuesday, June 4th		Wednesday, June 5th		Thursday, June 6th		Sunday, June 9th		Monday, June 10th	
9:00am	Plugged In! – Late Week Edition	9:00am	Plugged In! – Early Week Edition	9:00am	Plugged In! – Early Week Edition	9am, 10, 11am & 12:30pm	Plugged In! – Late Week Edition	9am	Plugged In! – Late Week Edition
10:00am	Monday Replay	10:00am	Tuesday Replay	10:00am	Wednesday Replay			10am	Sunday Replay
5pm, 6pm & 7:30pm	Plugged In! – Late Week Edition	5pm, 6pm & 7:30pm	Plugged In! – Early Week Edition	5pm, 6pm & 7:30pm	Plugged In! – Late Week Edition	5pm, 6pm & 7:30pm	Plugged In! – Late Week Edition	5pm, 6pm & 7:30pm	Plugged In! – Early Week Edition
5:30pm	Seniors Showcase	5:30pm	Kid Connection	5:30pm	Money Week	5:30pm	Money Week	5:30pm	With Good Taste
6:30pm	Optimist TV Bingo (Live)	6:30pm	Swap Talk (Live)	6:30pm	Neighbour to Neighbour	6:30pm	Seniors Showcase	6:30pm	Faces
8:00pm	Halton Hills Council May 27th	8:00pm	Auto Experts (Live)	8:00pm	Halton Region Council May 29th	7:00pm	Out Of This World	7:00pm	The Issue Is...
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