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Every year, we are awed and inspired by the passion, commitment, and dedication that our Sage Award Nominees and Recipients have for their areas of interest and action. This year, we asked the Recipients - what inspires *you*?

## **Barbara Blackley**

### **Sage Award Recipient 2016 - Public & Non-Profit**



The Canadian Federation of University Women Edmonton has, since its beginning in 1910, awarded scholarships and/or bursaries to women students at the University of Alberta. It has endowed two first-year scholarships, open to both men and women, each renewable for year and, through an Academic Awards Fund it set up in 1972, awards annually four substantial graduate scholarships and several bursaries to women students at the University of Alberta, their winners all chosen by our own members.

We are very proud of some past accomplishments, such as the very important part we played in the saving of Rutherford House when it was scheduled by the university for demolition. We were very early advocates of recycling and reusing, common today. Some of our efforts in environmental matters have been more successful than others, but we think the effort is always worthwhile and hope that we at least put into political minds some ideas other than economic, expansionist ones. Other strong interests have been in education, both public and life-long, libraries, both public and school, health issues, and in fact anything that promotes the well-being of society.

Our local organization is a member of the Canadian Federation of University Women, a national association with headquarters in Ottawa and with consultative status with the Canadian government and the United Nations. It has 107 member organizations throughout Canada (five in Alberta) that are involved in a variety of civic, national, and international projects. CFUW in turn belongs to an international association recently renamed Graduate Women International. Most Canadian women who belong are graduates from universities all over the world, but we do have some non-graduates who share our ideals and aims.

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