HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BULLETIN



Presidents' Message

By the time you read this, the House foundation repairs will be almost complete. This major project of Friends of the Ralph Connor House Inc., with partial funding from the Province of Manitoba and the Club, will hopefully keep the lower level dry and comfortable for all.

Many attended the Scholarship Committee event Oct. 19th and had the pleasure of hearing gifted performers from the Winnipeg Youth Orchestra, including the winner of one of this year's many annual scholarships. It was a wonderful occasion.

And on the subject of events, we encourage you to attend the upcoming Program events featuring women leaders in our community and the Continuing Education November series on the **Roots of Conflict in Eastern Europe**.

Finally, we were able to hold the Christmas Market again this year! It is a major fundraiser for UWC... and a lot of fun! We look forward to seeing you at next year's market.

Carolynne and Ellen

November 2022

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Communication and Membership News

NEW Benefit of Membership



The Complimentary Self-Serve Coffee Bar is officially opened. The Coffee Bar is a member benefit intended to support the development of more of a "drop in" culture in the Club as recommended by the Barriers and Solutions Task Force. We have received many positive comments from members about this new member benefit.



Celebrate Good Times!

The first UWC Birthday Celebration (for members with September, October, and November birthdays), was held Sunday October 16th from 1:30 to 3:30. Six of the 10 fall birthday celebrants attended this event along with several Board Members and friends to help them celebrate. Birthday celebrants were invited to bring a baby picture of themselves to share with others. Happy Birthday was played on our new piano in the living room and complimentary cake and beverages were served along with a cash bar. The next Birthday Celebration will take place in January for those born in winter!





2023 calendars are appearing and once again June Dutka and Dianne Beaven are sending out an appeal to our members for any "freebie" scenic wall calendars received from insurance agencies, florists, etc.

Last year **543** calendars were collected. They were divided between Deer Lodge Centre, Health Sciences Centre, and the Misericordia Hospital. The hospitals really appreciate receiving the calendars which brighten up the patients' rooms. In particular, Deer Lodge Centre finds that the calendars are an important tool to assist their dementia patients in orienting to the days and seasons.

As usual, there will be prizes for the calendars from the furthest point internationally, nationally ,and locally as well as a prize for the person who donates the largest number of calendars. Last year's winning calendars were from Langford, BC, and Holland, MB. There were no international calendars. **The largest number of calendars donated by one couple was 122.**

Eleanor Stardom, who spearheads the project, will be **collecting calendars until Friday, January 6, 2023**. Please bring in your calendars preferably before that date.

Continuing Education

Our fall course **Roots of Conflict in Eastern Europe** is in full swing. If you missed the registration deadline please make sure you are following us on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/uwcwpg</u>) and sign up for our newsletter using the QR code to receive notifications on upcoming Women'd Club events.

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DINNER AND SPEAKER

An Innovative Path Forward

On **Wednesday, November 23rd** please join us for our dinner and speaker event "An Innovative Path Forward" with special guests **Joy Cramer** and **Jennifer Moore Rattray** of the **Southern Chief's Organization**.

The Southern Chiefs' Organization proudly announced its project to **transform the iconic Hudson's Bay Company (HBC) heritage building** in downtown Winnipeg. This is one of the largest heritage redevelopment projects in Canada. Join Joy Cramer (Chief Executive Officer) and Jennifer Moore Rattray (Chief Operating Officer) as they discuss the Southern Chiefs' visionary plan that will turn the building into a space for economic and social opportunity and reconciliation.





Joy Cramer

Jennifer Moore Rattray

The cash bar opens at 5 and Dinner is at 6 with the program to follow at 7:15. **Program and Dinner is \$35 for members and non-members**. Register today by emailing <u>uwc@mymts.net</u> or calling 204-954-7880. Please check the November Menu page to see what's for dinner!

Save the Date! December Lunch and Dinner Programs

Save the date! The lunch program featuring the Westgate Collegiate choir will be held on Thursday, December 8th. The dinner program will be held on Wednesday, December 14th. Professor Mel Braun from the University of Manitoba joins us to discuss the History of Carolling. Register today by emailing <u>uwc@mymts.net</u>.



Canadian Federation of University Women THE POWER OF WOMEN WORKING TOGETHER

We all can appreciate the work of the Scholarship Committee here at the UWCW. A tremendous resource that has offered financial support to many women furthering their education here in Manitoba. The CFUW Charitable Trust is also far reaching and provides **significant financial support for 13 graduate degree students**. Awards are valued between \$5,000 to \$11,000. There is an application process – and now is the time to encourage Manitoba students to apply. **The application is on-line at https://cfuwcharitabletrust.ca/fellowships-application-information** There is no longer a fee to apply, and all candidates are informed on their status once the selections have been made.

Did you know CFUW has ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council) status at the United Nations? This gives CFUW an ability to work with others to influence possible actions of the UN and its member countries, particularly with respect to women's rights. In preparation for the upcoming meetings at the United Nations of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in March 2023, CFUW has prepared a statement on the theme of this year's CSW "Innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls." The statement calls for recognition of the gender digital divide for women and girls ends with seven clearly stated recommendation. The statement is not posted online yet, but we will be sure to share a link once it is!

WOMEN'S CLUB

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISING SALE

POINSETTIAS IN 6-INCH POTS, 15" TALL IN RED, PINK OR WHITE,

\$20.00 EACH

DOWNLOAD AN ORDER FORM HERE, OR

CONTACT COLLEEN AT 204-954-7880 OR

<u>UWC@MYMTS.NET</u> TO PLACE AN ORDER.

PAYMENT (CASH, CHEQUE, OR

E-TRANSFER) AND ORDERS ARE DUE BY

NOON ON <u>NOV. 18TH</u>. CHEQUES SHOULD

BE MADE OUT TO: UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB

OF WINNIPEG, AND E-TRANSFERS SENT TO

UWCFIN@MYMTS.NET. PICKUP DATE AND PLACE

IS: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH AT 54 WEST GATE

BETWEEN NOON AND 4PM.

Current Issues & Actions

It's Shoebox time again!

Each year we support this project that collects and distributes gifts in the form of Shoeboxes to women who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Donors are asked to fill a standard sized shoebox with approximately \$50.00 worth of gifts and essentials that any woman might enjoy, and include a warm greeting or message of support. The gifts are distributed to local women's shelters and community agencies serving women impacted by homelessness. Need a shoebox? Right sized boxes will soon be available at your local Dollar Store. (More information is available HERE.) We will collect the boxes at the Club. The deadline for bringing your filled box to Club is TBA.

Perhaps you would prefer giving a virtual Shoebox in the form of a cash donation. 100% of your gift will go directly toward supporting women in our community. You can pick which chapter in Canada you choose to support. Donations over \$20 will receive a tax deductible receipt. Find more info HERE.

Single-Use Plastics and Packaging

In October we had a virtual meeting with representatives of the Environmental Programs and Remediation Environmental Stewardship Division of the Environment, Climate and Parks Ministry. We learned that Manitoba follows federal initiatives which are based on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). EPR is the policy of holding producers responsible for both funding and effectively managing the recycling and processing of packaging and printed paper materials purchased and used by consumers. Here **Multi-Material** Stewardship Manitoba (MMSM) fills that role and currently funds 80% of the net cost of residential recycling programs managed by municipalities. If you are interested, the MMSM annual report is available **HERE**. We are continuing to learn about Manitoba's progress towards a circular economy for plastics that will keep plastics in the economy and out of the environment.









Ralph Connor House means so much to the members and friends of the University Women's Club of Winnipeg. Our experiences of friendship, learning and belonging are founded in the welcoming and historical atmosphere to be found at 54 West Gate. **Friends of The Ralph Connor House**

Inc. (FRCH) is charged with the maintenance and preservation of this outstanding historic building, designated by all three levels of government. There have been several major costs in recent years, and we need to re-build funds to be certain of maintaining the house into the future. Efforts to fundraise and to seek external grant resources are well underway. **But - support is always needed.**

We are asking you to consider making a donation now — and in future years — to ensure the ongoing preservation of the house. Your support is critical in immediate, practical terms and to encourage contributions from others. External appeals for support are strengthened by evidence of financial commitment from within.

All donations over \$20.00 will receive a charitable tax receipt. The 2022 tax year is drawing to a close. We hope that Friends of The Ralph Connor House may form part of your donation plan for this year - and for future years as well.

Donations may be made by cash or cheque (place in an envelope, together with your contact info and mail to FRCH at 54 West Gate Wpg, MB. --- --- You may also donate via Canada Helps online (<u>https://www.canadahelps.org/en/</u>) or by e-transfer (contact Janice MacDonald <u>uwcfin@mts.net</u> for how to proceed). **Receipts will be issued in time for 2022 tax filing.**

Any questions? Please contact me at **teddy.b@highspeedcrow.ca**.

Thanks for considering this request, Penni Churko, President, Friends of The Ralph Connor House, Inc.

Make the Season Bright

House and Grounds is looking for volunteers to make Ralph Connor House sparkle and shine for the festive season. A decorating day is planned for **Wednesday November 23**.

Sunroom Group

We welcome new members and hope to see all who are well at our regular Thursday afternoon meetings. Those eager to start are often early and if so, tea and coffee are available early. That way we can be on the road home before the after school traffic builds. Laughter guaranteed.

Monday Afternoon Book Club

We meet the first Monday of the month from October to June (excluding January)

November's book: Five Little Indians by Michelle Good

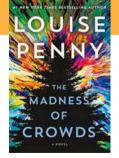
December's book: The Paris Bookseller by Keri Maher





Contemporary Book Club

On **Tuesday, November 1** the contemporary book club will be discussing **THE MADNESS OF CROWDS** by Louise Penny. If possible, sign up to enjoy lunch beforehand in the dining room or private room.





Scan this QR code to stay in touch with the University Women's Club



Out to Lunch Bunch

This month the Out to Lunch Bunch is visiting **Fionn's** at Grant Park. Catch up with friends at this relaxed pubstyle restaurant, and be sure to try their vegetarian PHISH and Chips, a new twist on an English pub classic!

November Menus

Join us for our weekly Tuesday lunch.

Nov. 1 - Monte Cristo Sandwich, Mixed Green Salad with Vinaigrette, Potato Chips, Black Forest Torte
Nov. 8 - Pork Tenderloin with Jalapeño Jelly, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine, Apple Pie
Nov. 15 - Chicken Schnitzle, Cranberry Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Blueberry Squares
Nov. 22 - Meat Lasagna, Garlic Toast, Caesar Salad, Hot Fudge Sundae
Nov. 29 - Quiche Lorraine, Tossed Salad, Vanilla Torte

Program Dinner Wednesday, Nov. 23 - \$35; bar opens at 5:00, dinner served at 6 PM. Orangey Romaine Salad, Salmon with Mango Salsa, Rice, Balsamic Mixed Vegetables, Carrot Cake.

Reservations are required for all meals and can be made by signing up at the Club or contacting <u>uwc@mymts.net</u> or 204-954-7880. Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance. **Please indicate any special preferences (eg. seating, parking, etc.) at the time of registration.**

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