# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BULLETIN



# June 2023

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# Co-Presidents' Message

We are happy to report the snow is gone. There are some trees that have buds. Can flowers be far behind? The Power of Print was a joy for 6 Tuesday mornings. The Mother's Day Brunch was a great success. Bar 54 Membership appreciation was very well attended. Could we ask for anything more?

Carolynne & Ellen

# **Communications and Membership News**



The Summer Birthday Celebration will take place **Sunday, August 20th**. If your birthday falls in June, July, or August, this party is for YOU! Watch for your invitation later in the summer. If you'd like to become a member and be involved in the Summer Birthday Celebration please email our Membership Manager Ali at <u>uwcmember@mymts.net</u>.

### Membership Renewal and the Membership Directory

Thanks to all who have sent in your renewals. If you have questions about the process, please contact Ali at <u>uwcmember@mymts.net</u>.

Once we have heard back from all of you we will proceed with updating the online directory and eventually print copies for those who require print copies. Please let Ali know if your contact information needs to be updated!

### Did you know...

• Last year we printed over 100 copies of the directory but only half of them were picked up so this year we will find out in advance which member want a print copy to save both trees and money.

• The online directory is updated monthly while the print copy is out of date the minute it is printed!



### Membership Appreciation Month...

...was a blast!!! We hope all of you enjoyed celebrating UWC with each other!

Throughout the month over a hundred members came out to one, or several, of the Milestone Bar 54s and enjoyed cocktails and mocktails, popcorn and pop-ups, 17 (WOW) raffle baskets, live music (thanks to surprise appearances by Maggi), stellar elevator pitches from committee and activity chairs, and most of all the fellowship of members and guests! The winners of the raffles are not yet available at time of printing this edition of the Bulletin and will be posted at the Annual General Meeting, May 29th at 1:30.

Thanks to all who participated and especially to the organizing sub-committee... Eva our greeter and raffle organizer, Juanita and Sandy on pop-ups, and Ali our trusty bartender!

### Bar 54, Where Are You???



We plan to continue the Bar 54s once a month throughout the summer months. Our first summer Bar 54 will take place immediately following the Board meeting, **June 20th**, to celebrate our hardworking leadership team.

Deborah Brown, Communications and Membership Chair

### The Wednesday Group

The Wednesday Group, one of UWC's longest-standing groups, will meet for their annual **Welcome to Summer buffet on June 7** at the club. All members are welcome to attend .

The buffet lunch is \$23.00. The bar will be open at 11:30 with lunch following at 12 noon...



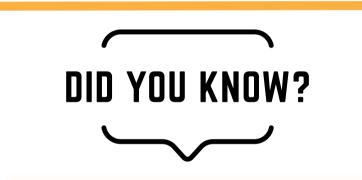


# LUNCH AND SPEAKER

From Winnipeg to Reykjavik: the Path of a Canadian Ambassador

Nú er þetta spennandi! (That's Icelandic for "Now this is exciting!) On **Wednesday**, **August 2nd**, Jeannette Menzies, Ambassador of Canada to Iceland, will speak to the University Women's Club of Winnipeg. Jeannette was appointed Canada's Ambassador to Iceland in January 2021. She has served for over 22 years in Canada's Foreign Service, with assignments in Ankara, Anchorage, Oslo and now Reykjavik. **Please join us for an engaging conversation about Arctic and Antarctic issues and her career journey in Canada's Foreign Service**.





Canada has the largest ethnic Icelandic population outside Iceland, and Manitoba has the largest segment of that population!

Bar Opens: 11:30 Lunch: 12:00 Speaker: 1:15 pm \$25 for Members and Non-Members

**Menu**: Summer Buffet Lunch - Cajun Shrimp Skewers, Orzo Salad, Spinach Salad, Devilled Eggs, Rye Bread, Lemon Squares with Berries

**Register** for this event by emailing <u>uwcadmin@mymts.net</u>, calling 204-954-7880, or signing up in-person at UWC.

Payment upon registration is preferred but may be received at the door by cash or cheque. Refunds will be provided with a minimum 24 hour notice. Registrations without payment in advance will be charged the full fee if not cancelled 24 hours before the event (some exceptions apply).

# **Continuing Education**

The 2023 Power of Print: Powerful Women in Print lecture series concluded on May 16. Thirtynine people registered for the course. We enjoyed a wide-ranging variety of topics, spanning continents and centuries. We also met or renewed acquaintance with some amazing women authors and characters, perhaps adding some new titles to our summer reading list. The ongoing relationship with faculty members is a real strength of this long-running series.

Recently, we received a lovely note of thanks from Professor Vanessa Warne plus a link to an interesting podcast. During lunch, Dr. Warne had mentioned a collaborative podcast developed during Covid times and promised to share further information. We would like to share this with club members:

"The podcast I've been co-creating with some wonderful collaborators and guests is Victorian Samplings. It is all about Victorian things—from ballet slippers, to spinning wheels, to handstitched Berlin wool carpets. If you listen on Spotify or Apple Podcasts or via our website: <u>https://www.craftingcommunities.net/victorian-samplings</u>. We welcome any feedback you might have for us! You can also find some very interesting craft tutorials on our website AND a digital gallery of an exhibition called Victorian Things. Other podcasts I enjoy are In Our Time (from BBC Radio 4- it's a panel conversation podcast that covers a wonderfully diverse range of topics) and—this one is more of a guilty pleasure—Dress: Fancy (which explores the history of fashion)."

Planning is underway for future courses. Many thanks to those who filled out our interest survey distributed in May. If you would like to fill out the survey you can find it by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Your input is very much appreciated.

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Anne Dunlop and Sue Bishop, Co-Chairs

# **Current Issues & Actions**



The warm weather has arrived and with it pleasant walks, early flowers blooming, trees leafing out, and time to mow the grass. All wonderful reminders of how beautiful and precious our world is. Let's renew our efforts to keep it that way!

For a reminder of the impact of climate change on the women of the world, go to this CFUW link: <u>https://cfuwadmin.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Women-and-Climate-Change-1.pdf</u>

Did you know that you can continue to recycle plastic bags of various kinds. Found this opportunity at the Kenaston Walmart. Look for it at the Walmart close to you.

We are delighted to report that representatives of our committee will meet with Minister Rochelle Squires in June to follow up on the CFUW resolution related to intimate partner violence and changes in the bail system to offer women more protection.



### **Sunroom Group**

Summer is around the corner and we will miss our weekly Thursday meetings. Do keep in touch with one another by phone or e-mail and remember all the amazing things you want to share in the Fall.

Stay safe and well for the oncoming year. Laugh often - it makes better wrinkles! And if you can't sing , just humm......

Singing brings back the best memories. See you in September.

### News from CFUW



There is always lots of information in the Club Action Newsletter, coming from CFUW. Here are just a few interesting items:

- **The CFUW CSW67 Report**, which gives an over view of the meetings of the 67th Meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women, as well as each CFUW delegate's own report is good to review for anyone interested in what's happening globally! Check it out here: <u>Volume 1</u> (the CSW – process, what happened, and CFUW activities), and <u>Volume 2</u> (the Delegates Report).

- "She Belongs in School" is CFUW's International Service Project for 2023-2024. The beneficiaries of She Belongs in School will be adolescent girls (approx. 16-19) living within Memba, Erati and Nacaroa in Mozambique. Approximately 150 girls each year will be able to complete their schooling due to the Mobile Learning Lab. These girls would otherwise not be able to go to school. With the mobile learning lab, school is brought to them! There will be more information about different ways we can support this program.

- CFUW raises the question if we, either as individuals, or as a Club, do anything to **recognize National Indigenous Peoples' Day (June 21st)**. There are a number of initiatives going on in Winnipeg – look for them. The recent <u>Manito Ahbee Festival</u> was such a delight. Also we can look ahead - **October 4th, 2023 is Sisters in Spirit Day** - CFUW's Indigenous Issues Sub-Committee will be hosting a special webinar with Judge Marion Buller focusing on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and 2SLGBTQIA+ (details to come). Read more about National Indigenous Peoples's Day on the CFUW <u>website</u>.

- On April 5, 2023, **CFUW submitted a review of human rights in Canada to the UN Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights (OHCHR)**. I was impressed with the work that was done in the preparation of this report. It revealed that two of the most prominent human rights violations in Canada are violence against Indigenous women and environmental racism. These two violations are inextricably linked and require systemic change. Read more <u>here</u>.

- **The CFUW AGM will be virtual again this year**, with the AGM opening on July 7, 6:00 pm CST. The Business Meeting and Charitable Trust meetings will be on the Saturday and the Policy Session (Resolutions) on the Sunday (from noon to 3:00 CST). More details to follow.

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- Subscribe to the CFUW newsletter here.

# House and Grounds

It is wonderful to see lawns and trees and shrubs greening up. Flowers won't be far behind!

New contracts are in place for lawn maintenance and for snow removal, as well as for annual fire safe inspection. House and Grounds committee has completed a walkthrough of the house noting areas needing attention. While the list may be long, issues will be addressed going forward, with a priority on keeping our historic house safe and welcoming for all members, guests, and events.

### Out to Lunch Bunch



The Out to Lunch Bunch is headed to Gather Craft Restaurant at The Leaf in Assiniboine Park on Wednesday, June 14th.

We were told the maximum number they would accept was fourteen participants. Now I have requested an additional table for four, bringing our capacity to eighteen.

At this time all spots have been reserved.

## Monday Afternoon Book Club

We meet the first Monday of the month at 1:00 until 3:00 from October to June (excluding January).

On **June 5** we will be finalizing our 2023/24 book list, sharing hidden gems and bringing and taking a book.

Happy summer reading to one and all.



### **Member Sharing Circle**



Shelly McFadyen is a member of UWCW and of the **Embroiderers' Association of Canada**. EAC is holding its national seminar in Winnipeg this year. Shelly extends an invitation to the public, including UWCW members, to visit the exhibition of stunning embroidery which is part of the seminar. Admission is free and the exhibition is at the Victoria Inn, 1808 Wellington Avenue from June 7th through 10th, 2023 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

# June Menus

All Tuesday lunches are \$23.00. The cash bar opens at 11:30 and lunch is served at noon. Meal costs include buns, coffee/ tea, taxes, and gratuity.

**Reservations are a must** and should be made at least 48 hours in advance by signing up at UWC, by phone, or by email. **Cancellations require 24 hours notice to avoid penalty.** <u>Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance.</u>

### **Tuesday Club Lunches**

June	6	Cheeseburgers and French Fries, Coleslaw, and Fruit Plate.
	13	Cajun Shrimp Skewers on Rice, Balsamic Vegetable Medley, Sherbet, and Shortbread Cookies.
	20	Pasta Primavera with Chicken and Vegetables, and Lemon Squares.
	27	Quesadillas (Chicken or Vegetable), Spinach Salad with Mango Dressing, and Carrot Cake.

### Please note there are no Program speaker events planned for June.

**Reservations are required for all meals** and can be made by signing up at 54 West Gate, emailing <u>uwcadmin@mymts.net</u>, or calling 204-954-7880. Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance. **Please indicate any special preferences** (seating, parking, etc.) at the time of reservation.

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