

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB OF WINNIPEG



April 2024

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Co-Presidents' Message

Another busy month lies ahead! Who knows - it may just eclipse all others this year!

The Power of Print: Under the Radar begins Tuesday April 9. There is still time to register! And see the notice from Continuing Education about bringing a guest to one of the lectures. You might wish to consider making plans to stay for lunch and explore the ideas presented in the morning lecture. You can check out the menus listed for April elsewhere in this Bulletin.

A favourite fun-raising event returns **Sunday April 21 - UWC's *Dressed to Impress Fashion Show*** featuring the newest styles from Investment Pieces and our own members strutting their stuff on the runway - or at least on our lovely Persian carpet in the living room. There will be cake!

A little further ahead, it's time to consider making your reservation for the **May Mother's Day Brunch**. Whether it's a family event or perhaps an opportunity to meet up with friends and think about women who have been important in your life, you will be offered a wide selection of tasty brunch treats to enjoy in our lovely heritage home.

Last month we were delighted to meet with **MP Raquel Dancho** to follow up on one of CFUW's approved resolutions regarding the importance of maternal mortality data and need for timely and consistent information gathering and sharing in Canada. Ms Dancho had responded to correspondence sent from UWC to all Manitoba MPs, offering an opportunity for discussion. Thanks to Current Issues and Actions for their work on this issue.

Elsewhere in the Bulletin you will read about the outstanding results of the **Goods and Services Silent Auction**. A big round of applause to Catherine Charette for the inspiration, the team that made it happen, and for all who participated. Well done!!

We continue to work with club staff to work out details for our new operating model and their roles going forward. Please note: the "uwcadmin" email address is no longer active. **Any inquiries or registrations for club events should be sent to Jolene at uwc@mymts.net.**

Communications and Membership News

UWC ENJOY - "New Members Night" Bar 54

The next monthly Bar 54 is planned for **Thursday, April 25th from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** This month we are winding up our membership year with a "New Members Night" Bar 54, toasting our members who have joined during the current membership year (May 2023 to April 2024) with a complimentary beverage. We hope our longer-standing members will attend as well to celebrate. **It's a great opportunity to meet other new members and ask any questions of those of us who have been members for a while longer.**

UWC ENJOY - Birthday Celebration

Get ready for another fabulous **UWC Birthday Celebration, Sunday, April 28th, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.** All members with birthdays in **March, April, or May**, will be celebrated with complimentary mimosas, coffee or tea, and delicious birthday cake. Birthday celebrants are encouraged to bring friends and family, and of course all members are invited to join in the fun. Individual invitations will be sent to the birthday group.

UWC Membership Directory

Just a reminder, the **UWC Membership Directory** is an up-to-date listing of all members including their phone number, email, and street address. The Directory can be found on the Members Only side of our website which for privacy reasons is password protected. Please contact Ali at uwcmember@mymts.net if you need assistance with the username and password.

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FORGET FLOWERS - TREAT
YOUR MOM TO MORE THIS
MOTHER'S DAY



With a membership to the **University
Women's Club of Winnipeg**

**A GATHERING PLACE FOR WOMEN WHO SHARE A
PASSION FOR A WORLD WHERE WOMEN CONTINUE TO
THRIVE AND GROW.**

**Special New Member Rate - \$100
for the first year!**

Email uwcmember@mymts.net or call
204-954-7880 for more information.

UWC and Social Media

Are you on Facebook, Instagram or LinkedIn? So is UWC! Check out our pages by clicking on the icons below! Like and Follow us!!!



Deborah B.

Communications and Membership Chair

Goods & Services Silent Auction

thank you thank you thank you

\$4,660 raised for the club!

UWC club members are awesome! Thank you club members for the various ways in which you generously supported the Goods & Services Auction. You donated a wonderful array of items for members to enjoy, and you bid generously. Additionally, some of you made monetary donations. The result is \$4,660 that will go directly to the club's bottom line.

UWC staff are awesome! This fundraiser would not have been possible without the support of our competent, collegial, approachable, ideas-generating, team-oriented staff. Kelly, Jolene and Janice were quick to respond with assistance whenever it was needed. Ali was a major contributor to the Auction providing invaluable support around logistics and communications.

Calling for photos! Please submit to Ali a photo of the gathering that you will be hosting as a result of the Auction. We will include photos in upcoming monthly bulletins.

Ticket donations to UWC are ongoing! Tickets to sports, music and theatre events were popular items in the Auction. Going forward, if you find you have tickets to an event that you are unable to use, please consider donating them to the club so that they may be purchased by another club member – the sale of which would go directly to the club.

Again thank you all.

With gratitude,
Catherine C. and Debby B.

In Case You Missed It... UWC Photos from March



UWC's Goods & Services Auction added excitement to the foyer!



Our own Mary Scott had an early start on CBC Morning Radio on International Women's Day!



International Women's Day Speaker Christina Maclsaac



Christina (Center) with Mary Scott (Left) and Sue Bishop (Right)



Team "The Young Ones" took home the pot of gold at our March Trivia Night Bar 54!



It's always a nice time together in the dining room!



The crowd starts to assemble for Speaker Doug Darling and his film "Memories in a Box: Across Borders"



UWC - EXPLORE Continuing Education Power of Print: Under the Radar



Are you looking for something “different” to read? Not enchanted by current best seller lists?

Expand your horizons and join us on **Tuesday mornings from April 9th until May 14th, 9:45-11:45am** as our new series ‘Under the Radar’ uncovers authors and genres that may be overlooked, underrated, or forgotten. Our six experts will share some of the lesser-known writers and subjects that fascinate them. These may be unfamiliar to you now, but come to enjoy a lively mix of lecture and discussion to launch your exploration after the course.

April 9: Charlene Diehl - Hiding in Plain Sight: Exploring New Territory in Contemporary Writing

April 16: Pam Perkins - Spirit of Enlightened Curiosity: British Women Travellers in Post-Napoleonic Europe

April 23: Michael Bumsted - Did Goodreads Kill the Cult Classic?: How the New Media Landscape is Making it Harder for Mystery Writers to Build Under the Radar Success

April 30: David Annandale - The Joy of Fear: An Introduction to Horror Fiction

May 7: Lucas Tromly - Echotourism: Re-Enacting Historical Journeys

May 14: Vanessa Warne - Against the World: The Poetry of Michael Field

Presentations start at 9:45 and run until 11:30. Come at 9:15 for your choice of beverage. Lunch after the lecture is always an option, so sign up in advance as usual to stay and chat about what you've learned.

Course fee: Members: \$65 Non-members: \$80

Register today. Sign up by email to uwc@mymts.net, by calling UWC at (204) 954-7880, or online [here](#). You can also visit UWC at 54 West Gate Tuesday through Thursday from 9:30 to 4:30. We are asking everyone to pay when you register - cash, cheque, debit and e-transfer to uwcfin@mymts.net all work!

Come learn with us!

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 start of the series (some exceptions apply).

Continuing Education

Continuing Education courses are a great way for people to get to know the club. For the 2024 Power of Print we are happy to announce the following offer: **If you are registered for the current CE series, why not bring a non-member friend to one of the lectures in the current series for only \$10.00!**

No need to pre-register your guest. We will take their name, contact info and money at the door and ensure there are always a few extra chairs available. Perhaps you might choose to chat with others over a glass of wine or mocktail post-lecture, give your guest a tour of the house, or even pre-register to stay for lunch.

Why are we doing this? Continuing Education courses offer great value and demonstrate one of the many benefits of membership. We hope to attract new people who may be interested in future courses or other club events, and perhaps membership one day. Any questions, check with Sue or Anne.

Sue B. & Anne D., Co-Chairs

Program Committee

Our March programs focused on global issues. On International Women's Day, **Christina MacIsaac**, from **FIT, MCIC**, highlighted gender in innovative and transformational international projects. Closing out the month, **Doug Darling**, President and CEO of Tripwire Media Group, brought his short film **Memories in a Box: Across Borders**, helping us learn about human rights defenders from Afghanistan and their journey to Canada.

As we look forward to April, and spring, we will turn our attention to the skies. Have you ever imagined soaring like a bird? At our **April 12 lunch program**, we will learn about many things aviation, with a particular focus on gliding. **Jay Allardyce** works as a consultant in the aviation industry, and started flying gliders at the age of 12. 2024 marks his 25th year flying gliders, and he has accumulated over 1,400 hours of gliding time. He will also answer general aviation related questions.

Back on earth, our **April 24 supper program** will continue our Women and Leadership series, and welcome **Senator Marilou McPhedran**. She will speak on the senatorial role and function, and women's rights & advocacy.



UWC - ENGAGE

Please join us and engage with our speakers and their interesting messages.

Our next committee meeting is **April 9 at 1:15 p.m.** All are welcome.

Rosalyn H. for the committee



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UWC - ENGAGE LUNCH AND SPEAKER

Taking to the Skies - Gliding and All Things Aviation

On **Friday, April 12th** our guest speaker will be **Jay Allardyce**. Jay lives and breathes all things aviation, with gliding as his greatest passion. His day job is working as a consultant in the aviation industry and in his free time he flies both gliders and powered aircraft. Jay started flying gliders at the age of 12, and 2024 marks his 25th year flying gliders. He has accumulated over 1,400 hours of gliding time over nearly 1,400 flights and flies at the **Winnipeg Gliding Club** near Starbuck, Manitoba. Jay is looking forward to providing an in-depth look at the world of gliding, **one of the most unique forms of aviation**. Given his broad background in aviation, he is excited to answer questions on any of your aviation-related curiosities.



Bar Opens: 11:30 Lunch: 12:00 Speaker: 1:15 pm

Lunch Menu \$23 - Pickerel Almandine, Potato Croquettes, Asparagus, & Lemon Tart

Register for this event online, by emailing uwc@mymts.net, calling 204-954-7880, or signing up at UWC. Please indicate whether you will be attending the lunch and program, or program only.

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).



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UWC - ENGAGE DINNER AND SPEAKER

In Conversation with The Honourable
Marilou McPhedran, CM

On **Wednesday, April 24th**, UWC will be joined by **Senator Marilou McPhedran, CM**. Ms. McPhedran was born and raised in rural Manitoba, and is an Order of Canada Member, lawyer, educator, activist, and human rights advocate appointed to the Senate of Canada in October 2016. Please join us to hear about her life and work as a Senator in addition to her advocacy work in human rights and women's rights.



Senator Marilou McPhedran

Bar Opens: 5:00 Dinner: 6:00 Speaker: 7:15 pm

Dinner Menu \$35 - Salmon with Mango Salsa, Rice, Glazed Carrots, Spinach Salad, & Chocolate Silk

Register for this event [online](#), by emailing uwc@mymts.net, calling 204-954-7880, or signing up at UWC. Please indicate whether you will be attending the dinner and program, or program only.

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).

Mother's Day Brunch

RALPH CONNOR HOUSE - 54 West Gate

SUNDAY, MAY 12th, 2024

Bar opens at 11:00 am.

Buffet service at 11:30 am. (1 sitting)

Adults \$65

Children 5-12 \$20

Children under 5 Free

Reserve by: **WEDNESDAY, May 8th, 2024**

Reserve your space online, by emailing uwc@mymts.net, calling **204.954.7880** or signing up at the University Women's Club, 54 West Gate. Open Tuesday to Thursday from 9:30-4:30.

Payment due upon reservation



Join us to enjoy a delicious brunch at historic **Ralph Connor House!** Here's a wonderful way to honour mothers and other women who have made a difference in your life or just to spend time relaxing with family and friends - no cooking required.

MENU

Eggs Benedict with Smoked Salmon or Ham
Omelette Station • Scrambled Eggs
Bacon • Sausages • Hash Browns
Chilled Salmon • Sliced Beef
Tossed Salad • Caesar Salad
Veggies & Dip • Cheese Tray

DESSERT TABLE

Fresh Fruit • Dessert Crêpes • Carrot Cake

BEVERAGES

Coffee • Tea • Soft Drinks • Juices

CASH BAR

Mimosas • Caesars • Specialty Mocktail
Wine • Beer



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Dressed To Impress

UWC Fashion Show

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Sunday, April 21

1:30-3:30

OPEN TO
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PUBLIC



Spring Fashions presented by *Investment Pieces*

Dessert service by *West Gate Catering*

Tickets \$40.00 - Cash Bar

A fundraiser for the University Women's Club

Sign up [online](#), by emailing uwc@mymts.net, calling 204-954-7880 or in person at 54 West Gate.

From One Member to Another

I celebrated my 80th birthday in grand style last summer. Being a member at the University Women's Club for over twenty-five years it seemed fitting for me to book the club for my festive gathering. From beginning to end the arrangements planned through the Events Planner and staff went smoothly as per my wishes. And, my guests had a wonderful time and were well fed, including the eleven year old at the party, who insisted on a Mac & Cheese dish! Kudos to Craig Nattress and his staff for accommodating so many appetites that day! In addition, guests enjoyed exploring the various rooms within this remarkable heritage house.

I share my experience to remind members to make use of our wonderful facility as often as possible for birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, memorial services or any other special occasion. One of the benefits of belonging to UWC is that members can have the rental fee waived for one event each year. Do not hesitate. Go for it!

June Dutka





Realizing potential. For all women.

The proposed CFUW Resolutions are out! The Issues and Actions Committee has the responsibility to review and make recommendations for our (UWCW) vote at the upcoming CFUW AGM.

You can view the Proposed Resolutions on the CFUW website. There are some interesting topics such as Restore and Preserve Canada's Peatlands; National Database Documenting the Impact of Unsafe Drinking Water on Health in First Nation Communities; Preserving Deep Sea Ecosystems; Ageing in the Right Place: Equitable Resources for all Canadians to Age at Home and in their Community Settings; and Incentives to Adopt to New Service Standards for Long Term Care.

A vote, with recommendations by the Issues and Actions Committee, will be held at the upcoming AGM of our Club.

There is lots of planning and information now available about the upcoming CFUW Annual Meeting to be held in Edmonton. Joy Hurst, whom many of you met will be chairing the Edmonton meeting, and it promises to have interesting speakers, and debate on the resolutions. **If you are interested in attending, check out the AGM web site.**

In anticipation of the upcoming CFUW AGM, **Sandy M. is coordinating the Boutique, with funds raised going to the Charitable Trust – the CFUW Scholarship Fund.**

It would be wonderful if there could be some goodies going with Sandy to support this worthwhile endeavour.

Club members can contribute items for sale at the Boutique – hand made items (and you're very good at that!), personally authored books, doll clothes have been popular, artistic items such as pottery, small paintings, basically any small and clean item.

A price should be attached to each submitted item. Please leave at the Club, attention Sandy. Many thanks.

Do sign up for the Club Action Newsletter! I've been impressed with the significant work of CFUW and all the Clubs (94!) that are members. You can subscribe here.

Mary Scott

A graphic for the CFUW-FCFDU 2024 AGM & CONFERENCE. It features the CFUW logo at the top left. The text 'SAVE THE DATE' is in a blue box on the right. The main text '2024 CFUW-FCFDU AGM & CONFERENCE' is in large blue letters on a yellow background. A location pin icon is next to the text 'Sandman Signature Edmonton Downtown Hotel July 22nd - July 24th, 2024 Edmonton, AB Code: 2407CFUW20'.



Did you catch FRCH's feature in Monday, March 25th's Free Press?

From the article - *The moment she first stepped inside Ralph Connor House, Penni Churko fell in love. "You walk through the doors and the house wraps you in a hug," Churko says. "It's a very friendly atmosphere and it is a gorgeous building. It's just beautiful." Located at 54 West Gate in Armstrong's Point, the 1914 mansion belonged to influential minister and novelist Charles Gordon. The 23-room riverside house has been home to the University Women's Club of Winnipeg since shortly after Gordon's death in 1937.*



Click [here](#) to find the full article online.



Your Wedding
YOUR WAY

at Ralph Connor House



Photography by Serena Friesen Photography. Shoot styled by Ann & Co. Ralph Connor House located at 54 West Gate in Winnipeg

Click [here](#) to learn more about weddings at RCH

UWC Activity Groups

Wednesday Afternoon Book Club

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

April 10th: Agnes Collins will present *The Dictionary of Lost Words* by Pip Williams

May 8th: Catherine Charette will present *Americanah* by C.N. Adichie

Club members are welcome at all presentations.

Agnes C., Convenor

Contemporary Literature Book Club

On **Tuesday, April 2nd** the Contemporary Literature Book Club will be discussing the novel *The Company We Keep* by Francis Itani, a Canadian author.

How appropriate to come together for conversations which was exactly what happens in this novel.

Judy M., Convenor

Sunroom Group

Come join us on any Thursday for friendship and laughter.

Membership is growing again - perhaps it is the birthday cake once a month that brings them in.

Hope to see you soon.

Irene L.

Scrabble N' Babble

Our next Scrabble game is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 17th.**

Hope to see you then

Dianne B., Convenor

Out to Lunch Bunch

Please join us for Out to Lunch on Wednesday, April 3rd at Resto Gare, 630 Des Meurons near Provencher in St. Boniface. **RSVP by April 1st.**

Dianne B., Convenor

Mystery Readers

Mystery Readers will meet on Wednesday, **April 24th**

We shall discuss *The Revenge List* by Hannah Mary McKinnon.

All are welcome.

Please remember healthy snacks for Mulvey School.

Dianne S., Convenor



Mahjong

In April we will play on **Tuesday the 2nd** and **Thursday the 18th.**

Agnes is willing to give a private lesson, in her home, to any Club member who wishes to learn how to play mahjong.

Agnes C., Convenor



OUR MEMBERS

Join the University Women's Club!



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Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Postal Code _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Birthday _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Phone Number _____

Post Secondary Education (degree, certificate, etc.) and Names of Institutions

Career / Occupation

Interests

How did you hear about the club?

Is there anything else you'd like to share about yourself to club members?

Special 1st Year Rate (\$100) Full (\$453) Student (\$75)

Payment may be submitted by e-transfer to uwcfm@mymts.net, by cheque to the University Women's Club of Winnipeg, or in person at 54 West Gate. This form may be filled out online by clicking [HERE](#).

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April Menu

Regular Tuesday lunches are \$23.00. The cash bar opens at 11:30 and lunch is served at noon. Dinners are \$35, with the cash bar opening at 5:00 and dinner at 6:00. These meal costs include buns, coffee/ tea, taxes, and gratuity.

Reservations are a must and should be made before end of day Thursday each week by signing up at UWC, by phone, or by email. **Cancellations require 24 hours notice to avoid penalty.** Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance.

April Tuesday Lunches

April 2nd **Express Lunch \$10.** Assorted Sandwiches and Dainties.

9th Chicken Souvlaki, Lemon Roasted Potatoes, Greek Salad, Garlic Toast, Gingerbread with Warm Lemon Sauce

16th Swiss Cheese and Spinach Quiche, Strawberry Almond Salad, Brownie with Whipped Cream

23rd Pasta Primavera with Chicken and Vegetables, Garlic Toast, Blueberry Square

30th Beef or Vegetable Lasagna (specify preference when reserving), Tossed Green Salad, Strawberry Shortcake

Program Lunch Friday, April 12th - Guest Speaker Jay Allardyce

Pickerel Almandine, Potato Croquettes, Asparagus, Lemon Tart

Program Dinner Wednesday, April 24th - Guest Speaker Senator Marilou McPhedran.

Salmon with Mango Salsa, Rice, Glazed Carrots, Spinach Salad, & Chocolate Silk

Reservations are required for all meals and can be made by signing up online, at 54 West Gate or contacting uwc@mymts.net or 204-954-7880. **Please indicate any special preferences (seating, parking, etc.) at the time of registration.**

April

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>Reminder - UWC is now open Tuesday through Thursday from 9:30-4:30</p>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mahjong 11:30 - Club Lunch Contemporary Literature Book Club 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mahjong 11:30 - Club Lunch Contemporary Literature Book Club 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Out to Lunch Bunch at Resto Gare 	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> House & Grounds Sunroom Group 	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
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<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:30 - Spring Member Birthday Celebration 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 - Con. Ed.'s Under the Radar week 4 11:30 - Club Lunch 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 - Con. Ed.'s Under the Radar week 4 11:30 - Club Lunch 	<p>Our spring has come at last with the soft laughter of April suns and the shadow of April showers.</p> <p>- Byron Caldwell Smith</p> 			