

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB OF WINNIPEG



June 2024

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# Co-Presidents' Message

Wishing everyone a good summer filled with all the things you enjoy - gardening, patio lounging, lake time or travel, or perhaps more time for reading or hanging with friends.

We hope to see you at the Ralph Connor House as well! June still has many activities running and July/August will see the reappearance of our wonderful summer buffet lunches. There will also be two summer dinners, one in July and one in August. Think about bringing a friend or two to any of these meals - it's a lovely relaxed way to introduce people to the club!

Speaking of July, here are a couple of heads-up notices. First, the club will be closed for the first two weeks of July, to allow some time off for our hard-working staff. Secondly, effective July 14, all payments for meals at the club will be made to UWC - whether you use cheque, e-transfer, debit or cash. We will then systematically reimburse West Gate Catering for those meals.

With goodwill from members and support from our staff, we are adapting to a three-day week at the Club. It's a work in progress! There has been the occasional over-full day, but most events and activities have found their space. We have also been working on some behind-the-scenes routines to save staff time. For example, many of you registered and paid in advance for Power of Print, making it much easier for staff and committee members on Day One of the series. Thank you!!

Ellen and Sue

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# Communications and Membership News

## UWC Membership Appreciation

**UWC is nothing without its members!** On **Sunday, June 16th from 1:30 to 3:30** we will be recognizing members who have reached their 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30+ milestones!

Complimentary cocktails for the Milestone Members, and refreshments and surprises for all! All members are welcome to join the fun and celebrate these wonderful women who continue to make a commitment and contribution to UWC! **RSVP to [uwcmember@mymts.net](mailto:uwcmember@mymts.net) or online [here](#).**

## Congratulations 2024 Milestone Members

### 5 Year Milestone

Pat B.  
Catherine C.  
Juanita G.

### 10 Year Milestone

Sue B.

### 15 Year Milestone

Faye H.  
Joan L.  
Carolynne P.  
Ruth S.

### 20 Year Milestone

Vicky A.

### 25 Year Milestone

Ruth B.  
Susan D.  
Irene L.  
Val N.

### 30+ Year Milestone

Nancy V.(30)  
Phyllis W. (32)  
Barb S. (32)  
Marianne S. (32)  
Catherine H. (33)  
Lori E. (34)  
Alison D. (34)  
Mary S. (39)

Doris Mae O. (40)  
Rosemary M. (40)  
Irene H. (44)  
Rhoda S. (45)  
Lorraine C. (55)  
Marjorie B. (57)  
Dorothy R. (70)  
Johanna W. (78)





# UWC Membership Renewal

May was Membership Renewal Month and we are well on our way to completing our renewal process. Thanks to all who have submitted your renewal form and payment. If you have not yet sent in your renewal, nudge nudge... [here's the link](#) to the renewal page.

## New FAQ Page

Do you have questions about UWC and don't know where to find the answer? [Click here](#) for the FAQ page with answers! We hope you find this page helpful.

## Another New Members Bar 54!

UWC's New Members Bar 54 is a great way for new members to meet other new members and we have another one planned for **Thursday, June 20th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm**. You don't have to be a new member to attend. **All members and guests are welcome.** RSVP [online](#), by emailing [uwcmember@mymts.net](mailto:uwcmember@mymts.net), or signing up at UWC. Cash bar & door prize!

Debby Brown





# Join the University Women's Club!



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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

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## Career / Occupation

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## Interests

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## How did you hear about the club?

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

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# In Case You Missed It... Recent Photos from UWC



Activist, author, and fellow CFUW members Susan Blacklin joined us for a lively discussion on the importance of fresh water access.



A great time was had at Debby's Wine & Watercolour class as part of the Goods & Services Auction



Irene's 90th birthday with her friend of 75 years Lorraine!

Did you know that you can find additional photos and video clips from UWC events on our website?

[CLICK HERE](#)



Sherratt hosted a wonderful evening as part of the Goods & Services Auction



Divya shared an inspiring post on LinkedIn - find it [here](#).



# Ralph Connor House



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# Continuing Education

The Continuing Education Committee is hard at work on two fall courses. **Stay tuned for details in September!** The next meeting scheduled for the Committee is June 19, 11:30 to 1:00.

## POWER OF PRINT 2024: Under the Radar - Explored

We had such positive feedback about this year's **Power of Print: Under the Radar**, which ran from April 9 through May 14, that it seemed a good idea to give the Club a recap of the course with some suggestions for further exploration and/or reading!

As always, **Charlene Diehl** provided a thought-provoking opening lecture with *Hiding in Plain Sight: Exploring New Territory in Contemporary Writing*. And she covered a lot of territory, especially with her comprehensive reading list. A few titles that stood out for our committee members were: Janika Oza's *A History of Burning* (a family sharing about Indian immigration to Africa, UK, and Canada); Will Aitken's *The Swells* (satiric novel about wealth and cruise ships); and Meira Cook's *The Full Catastrophe* (set in Winnipeg). Charlene left some paper copies of her list; ask us if you would like one.

**Pam Perkins** introduced us to women's travel writing in the early 19th century, specifically from sisters Jane Waldie and Charlotte Eaton, intrepid Scottish travellers. A little hard to find in libraries today, but if you like e-books you can find an 1888 reprint of Charlotte Eaton's *Waterloo Days: The Narrative of an Englishwoman Resident at Brussels in June, 1815* by searching [Project Gutenberg](#). That site also has her *Continental adventures: a novel in three parts* published in 1826. Google Books gives you online / downloadable access to Jane Waldie's *Sketches Descriptive of Italy in the years 1816 and 1817*. You could also check [Winnipeg Public Library's catalogue](#) searching "women travellers" to find historical and contemporary experiences of adventurous women.

We welcomed back **Michael Bumsted** who gave us insider insights into the publishing industry and the impact of reviews — both real and fake! — on rankings and sales. Among his many suggestions, Michael highlighted the British Library's Classic Crimes series — "a gripping collection of British detective stories from the Golden Age of crime" which the British Library has reprinted. Other options mentioned in his presentation included series by Ian Hamilton (Ava Lee), Charles Todd (Inspector Ian Rutledge; Nurse Bess Crawford), and Ann Cleeves (Vera), to name just a few. A little more off the radar was *The Bangalore Detective Club* by Harini Nagendra. Whodunit's most recent newsletter listed their three current best-sellers: *Lemon Curd* by Laura Child, *Everyone On This Train is Suspect*, by Benjamin Stevenson, and *A Pie to Die For* by Gretchen Rue. Of course you can find these and many other great choices in Michael's bookstore!

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# POWER OF PRINT 2024: Continued

And then, for something completely different, **David Annandale** brought us 'The Joy of Fear: An Introduction to Horror Fiction'. This may have been the most challenging session for some, but discussion quickly revealed we had knowledgeable readers in the audience. Beginning with classic titles like *The Mysteries of Udolpho*, *Frankenstein* and *Dracula*, David brought us through the twentieth century with Shirley Jackson, Ray Bradbury, Daphne du Maurier, Stephen King and more. Vampires and zombies made their appearance more often as David explored the growing popularity of horror movies. Did you know we have a horror bookshop in Winnipeg? [Raven's End Books](#) at 1859 Portage Avenue allows you to browse and find your next scary read. You can also discover more of this genre in our public library system searching subjects like "horror" and "ghost stories". But don't read them too late at night!

**Luke Tromly** led us into the world of echo-tourism in which people seek to recreate for themselves journeys made by famous people. Many of us seek out the birthplace or usual haunts of our favourite authors when we travel, but faithfully re-enacting an historical journey takes that to a new level. The efforts made by Roger Mear and Robert Swan ([In the Footsteps of Scott](#)) to replicate Scott's ill-fated Antarctic expedition showed just how far some people will go. Our discussion also highlighted how today's societal values and norms may influence how we view the views of earlier travellers. Whose footprints might you choose to echo?

**Vanessa Warne** took us back again to Victorian England, this time to explore the writing of poet Michael Field. This was a new name for many of us, and it was even more of a revelation to learn that it was the pseudonym of two women, Katherine Harris Bradley and her niece and ward Edith Emma Cooper, who collaborated on about 40 works. Their writing is not easily found in public libraries, but searching "Michael Field poetry" on Google will find many selections of their work. And if you are a craft enthusiast, [check out this article](#) in The Manitoban about Vanessa's students' work with pinhole cameras.

Happy summer reading!

Sue Bishop

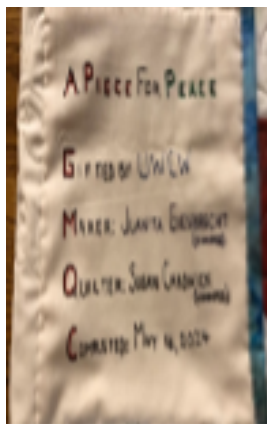




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My last Bulletin as CFUW Liaison, and RD Manitoba. Thanks to the many members who supported the work of CFUW and supported CFUW initiatives. For example, recently CFUW promoted the making of a Panel, (Pieces for Peace), to be displayed in Ottawa, highlighting September 21st, the UN International Day of Peace. CFUW will be supporting a Peace demonstration at Parliament Hill in Ottawa, and UWCW will have a beautiful Quilted Panel there, thanks to the work of **Juanita G. Doris Mae O.** is our member who can attend and place the Panel. So good to see this happening!



The revised Resolutions are now up on the CFUW website, and will be presented at the upcoming UWC AGM . You can review them [here](#). Note they will be voted on at the upcoming UWC AGM, Wednesday, May 29, so why not check them out before we meet?

A couple of workshops/programs offered by CFUW and available by ZOOM include the following.

- [Articles & Bylaws- Proposers and Amenders Workshop](#) - Monday, June 10th - 4pm ET
- [You're the President, What Now?](#) - Thursday, June 13th - 7pm ET
- [Candidate Forum](#) (for CFUW positions) - June 17th - 4pm ET

And finally, a special presentation for National Indigenous Peoples Day, June 18th, at 6 pm CST. - **Surviving Together - Being Responsible Allies and Imagining a Future, with author and activist Patty Krawec.** She explores how we might live differently in the relationships we inherit. Her work centers on how Indigenous belonging and thought can inform faith and social justice practices. Register [here](#).

Best to everyone and see you at the Club!

Mary Scott - CFUW Liaison and RD Manitoba



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Once again people lined up for the chance to walk through our much-loved historic house. Kudos to Penni Churko for all her organization and preparation, to Jolene and Kelly for their expert help, and to all the dedicated volunteers who made it possible, staying until 5:45 to allow the last of the **395(!)** heritage fans to enjoy a tour of Ralph Connor House.



## Calling All Members!

Please remember the Christmas Market is coming around again in a few months. We hope you will have lots of things to donate that are suitable to be sold in the Treasure Trove and the Gallery.

Items can be dropped off at the Club anytime between now and the last week in October. In fact, the sooner the better because we'll be starting the sort over the summer.

Many thanks in advance!



## Tulip Time with



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Join your fellow members on an adventure of a lifetime to Belgium and the Netherlands with AmaWaterways! Cruise dates have been set for March 31st to April 7th, 2025.

**The deadline for early registration closes June 30, 2024!**



This trip is open to members and non-members, so be sure to invite your friends to come along! The sign up sheet is in the foyer of UWC. A \$200 deposit to UWC is required to save your place. Please note this deposit is in support of the Club and is non-refundable or returnable.

# Welcome Summer with the Wednesday Group

Join fellow members and friends to welcome summer at the Wednesday Group buffet luncheon on **Wednesday, June 12th. Bar opens at 11:30 and lunch is served at noon.** The price is \$23 and includes tea/coffee, taxes and gratuity.

Menu: Strawberry Almond Salad, Potato Salad, Chicken Salad, Cold Cuts, Tossed Salad, Devilled Eggs, Pasta Salad, Rolls, and Fresh Fruit Pie.

All members and their guests are welcome. Please **reserve by Thurs., June 6th** at noon by signing up online [here](#), calling or [emailing](#) the office, or in the book at UWC.

Hope to see you there.

Lorraine C.

## Calling All Gardeners

Come and help plant flowers around the house!

Please contact the UWC office at [uwc@mymts.net](mailto:uwc@mymts.net) for more information and dates.



# UWC Activity Groups

New Members Are Always Welcome

## Social Bridge

Social Bridge has been played on the second and fourth Tuesday afternoons of each month. We have been happy for the return of a former member, and for a new member.

In May we will play on the 14th and the 28th.

New players are welcome. If you are interested, you are welcome to come and observe.

Heather M., Convenor

## Wednesday Afternoon Book Club

We meet the second Wednesday of the month from October until June (excluding January).

**On June 12th** we will meet to finalize the 2024/25 book list, share hidden gems and bring and take a book.

Agnes C., Convenor

## Contemporary Literature Book Club

On June 4th, the Contemporary Literature Book Club will meet to select the books for the 2024-25 season.

We will also share titles of books for our summer reads. Looking forward to June 4th... please join me for lunch that day.

Judy M., Convenor

## Marathon Bridge

We have just had a great season of marathon bridge And look forward to season 24/25.

If any club members or their friends are interested in joining us, please contact the office at [uwc@mymts.net](mailto:uwc@mymts.net).

Donna P., Convenor



## Scrabble N' Babble

Scrabble and Babble will be played on **Wednesday, June 19th**.

This will be our last game until September.

Dianne B., Convenor

## Mystery Readers

Mystery Readers will meet on **June 26, 2024**. We will choose our schedule and books for the next season.

Please come prepared to offer authors or novels you wish to have included on next year's list.

This will be our last meeting until September. **Thinking about joining Mystery Readers?** This is your chance to suggest some mystery authors you would like to discuss.

Dianne S., Convenor



# UWC Activity Groups - Cont'd

## Out to Lunch Bunch

Out to Lunch on **Wednesday, June 5th** will be at McLeod House in Stonewall. They offer a "High Tea" at noon for \$40 if you would like to enjoy something a bit different.

This will be our last Out to Lunch until September when we will be switching to the first Friday of the month.

Dianne B., Convenor



## Mahjong

We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month from September until June.

In June we will meet on the **4th and the 18th.**

Agnes C., Convenor

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# June Menus

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 before end of day Thursday each week by signing up online, by email to [uwc@mymts.net](mailto:uwc@mymts.net), by phone to 204-954-7880, or at UWC. **Cancellations require 24 hours notice to avoid penalty.** Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance.

## Tuesday Club Lunches

June 4th - Chicken Caesar Salad, Garlic Toast, Ice Cream and Cookie. **\$14**

11th - Reuben Sandwich, Fries, Coleslaw, Lemon Square with Berries. **\$23**

18th - Lemon Pepper Salmon, Rice, Asparagus, French Vanilla Torte with Strawberry Sauce. **\$23**

25th - Express Lunch of Assorted Sandwiches and Dainties. **\$10**

**\* Please note the different prices above dependant on the menu \***

## Wednesday Group Buffet Lunch

June 12th - Strawberry Almond Salad, Potato Salad, Chicken Salad, Cold Cuts, Tossed Salad, Devilled Eggs, Pasta Salad, Rolls, and Fresh Fruit Pie. **\$23**

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



# July and August

We will be offering buffet lunches for **\$25 every Wednesday the Club is open** to members and **2 dinners on Thursday, July 25 and Thurs. Aug. 22**. The dinners are priced at the usual \$35 each. More details are available online, and will be included in the next Bulletin.

**NOTE. Reservations for July and August summer meals are to be made through Ellen via email ([nbruneau2@shaw.ca](mailto:nbruneau2@shaw.ca)) or by phone (204-489-2718).** The deadline for lunch reservations is the Monday at noon; for dinners, the Tuesday at noon. **Effective July 17th, all payments (e-transfer, cheque, etc.) are to be made to the University Women's Club of Winnipeg, NOT West Gate Catering.**

Ellen Peel



# JUNE 2024

| SUN  | MON                    | TUE  | WED  | THU   | FRI   | SAT                    |
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| <p>It is the month of June, the month of leaves and roses, when pleasant sights salute the eyes and pleasant scents the noses.</p> <p>- Byron Caldwell Smith</p> |                        |  |  |   |   |                        |
| 2<br>External Booking  | 3<br>External Booking  | 4<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mahjong</li> <li>Program Committee Meeting</li> <li>12:00 - Club Lunch</li> <li>Contemporary Literature Book Club</li> </ul> | 5<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Out to Lunch Bunch at Mcleod House</li> </ul>  | 6<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>House and Grounds Committee</li> <li>Archives Committee</li> <li>Sunroom Group</li> </ul> | 7<br>External Booking                                   | 8<br>External Booking  |
| 9  | 10                     | 11<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scholarship Committee</li> <li>12:00 - Club Lunch</li> <li>Social Bridge</li> </ul>   | 12<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wednesday Group Bar</li> <li>Wednesday Group Luncheon</li> <li>Wednesday Afternoon Book Club</li> </ul> | 13<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Board Orientation</li> <li>Finance Committee</li> <li>Sunroom Group</li> </ul>       | 14<br>External Booking                                  | 15<br>External Booking |
| 16<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:30 - Milestone Member Celebration</li> </ul>  | 17<br>External Booking | 18<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mahjong</li> <li>12:00 - Club Lunch</li> <li>Board Meeting</li> </ul>   | 19<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing Ed. Committee</li> <li>Scrabble &amp; Babble</li> </ul>                                      | 20<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing Group</li> <li>Sunroom Group</li> <li>4:00 - Bar 54!</li> </ul>                  | 21<br><b>July Bulletin Deadline</b><br>External Booking | 22<br>External Booking |
| 23<br>External Booking   | 24<br>External Booking | 25<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12:00 - Club Lunch</li> <li>Social Bridge</li> </ul>  | 26<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mystery Readers</li> </ul>  | 27<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sunroom Group</li> <li>3:30 - FRCH Board Meeting</li> </ul>                              | 28  | 29<br>External Booking |