

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB OF WINNIPEG

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October 2024

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# Co-Presidents' Message

Welcome to the October Bulletin! This is the month when club activities kick into full gear again. We encourage you to read through this issue and explore all the opportunities to gather, to learn and to support our club.

Among the highlights:

- We hope to see many of you at our **Vintage Hats and Afternoon Tea!** Hats off to all the members who have worked so hard to make this fundraiser a reality. **Monday, September 30th** is the deadline to reserve your space. Learn more [here](#).
- Continuing Education - there is still time to register for the October **Winnipeg Architecture: Looking Back, Looking Ahead** course. Join us to enrich your knowledge of our city's built environment. And looking ahead to November, read all about Dr. Daniel Stone's upcoming course **Russia and the West**.

With our Tuesday lunches, Program and Continuing Education opportunities, and ongoing book clubs, bridge and mahjong, there is always something going on at 54 West Gate. Consider bringing a friend for a visit to enjoy a meal or perhaps just a quiet cup of coffee. And it's not too soon to be thinking about Christmas gatherings. Perhaps this is the year to hold a cocktail party or family dinner at Ralph Connor House. All the ambiance and none of worry about prepping or cleaning up! Contact Kelly for ideas!

See you around the Club!

Sherratt Moffatt and Sue Bishop



# Afternoon Tea at Ralph Connor House



Saturday October 5th,  
and

Sunday October 6th

**Doors open 1:00**

**Tea service starting 1:30**

*Timeless Elegance,  
One Sip at a Time*

Reserve a spot for  
yourself or a group!

\$75 per person

Ralph Connor House  
54 West Gate



*In celebration of  
Winnipeg 150  
UWC is hosting  
a Fundraiser Tea*

Enjoy an authentic afternoon  
tea and *hat collection*  
display\* curated by the  
**Canadian Costume Museum**

Reserve your space today and  
enjoy a wonderful afternoon  
among friends at beautiful  
National Historic site Ralph  
Connor House.

*Register before October 1st.  
Call 204-954-7880 or sign  
up online - **HERE***

\*Hat display is on the 2nd floor, accessible by staircase

# Communications and Membership News

## UWC ENJOY - New Members Luncheon

All members who have joined UWC in the last year are invited to the **New Members Luncheon, Wednesday, October 2nd, from 11:30 - 1:00**. It's a great opportunity to meet other new members and chat with some of the members of the Communications and Membership Committee and Board.

The fall General Meeting is scheduled to follow the luncheon so we are hoping members will stay for the meeting to find out more about the workings of UWC.



## UWC ENJOY FALL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH 1:30 TO 3:30



The Fall Birthday Celebration will be held **Sunday, October 20th, from 1:30 to 3:30**. Members who have a birthday in September, October, or November are invited to celebrate together. Complimentary beverages, and birthday cake are served.

Please RSVP to [uwcmember@mymts.net](mailto:uwcmember@mymts.net) or online by clicking [here](#).

All members are encouraged to join in the celebration.



# Join the University Women's Club!



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

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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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☐ Special 1st Year Rate (\$100)      ☐ Full (\$462)      ☐ Student (\$75)

**Payment may be submitted by e-transfer to [uwcfm@mymts.net](mailto: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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# Program Committee

We very much appreciated our time with **Vicki Russenholt** on September 24 on the topic of Empowering Independence. Her presentation was informative and lively, including many ways to look after ourselves and others. Why might some members be briefly standing on one leg? As we learned from Vicki, it is a great way of strengthening balance and preventing falls.

Looking into November, for our November 8 lunch, we are delighted to be welcoming **Dr. Kathryn Young**, past president of the **Women's Musical Club of Winnipeg** and author of *With Every Note Played: A History of the Women's Musical Club of Winnipeg, 1894-2014*. Kathryn will tell us about the huge contributions of that club to our local musicians and help us learn more about those musicians' journeys.

And we are so happy that we will continue our December lunch program tradition with the **Westgate Collegiate Choir** on December 13.

Lastly, we hope to be announcing our October 23 dinner program and late November program soon, so keep an eye out for details!

Rosalyn H, Program Committee Chair

## UWC Scholarship Trust Fund Welcomes Your Help Establishing a New Bursary at University College of the North

The Scholarship Committee is looking to northern Manitoba. We hope to fulfil a small part of the goals of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission by **establishing a bursary for a Manitoba Indigenous student attending University College of the North (UCN)**.



Plan to come to hear **Melissa Constant** tell us about this university. Melissa will outline some of the programs and financial needs of UCN students.

**Thursday, November 7 at 1:30 pm  
at Ralph Connor House  
54 West Gate**

Please sign up for this event at the club or email [uwc@mymts.net](mailto:uwc@mymts.net).

Ruth S, Chair



# UWC Explore Continuing Education Russia and the West

Join our three-week course on Tuesday mornings in November!

We are delighted to welcome back U of W Professor Emeritus Daniel Stone to lead a further exploration of Russia's past and present. Many of us enjoyed his timely and thought-provoking series Roots of Conflict in Eastern Europe in November 2022. In this year's course, he will discuss the development of Russian national identity and how it has fostered and contributed to conflicts with the West throughout history

As part of his presentation, Dr. Stone will reference how literary works have promoted and celebrated these differences. He will further discuss how the Czars, Communist leaders, and Vladimir Putin have used national identity to maintain their power. Join us in November to learn more about this enigmatic world power.

Dates: **Tuesdays - November 12, 19 and 26**

Time: 9:45 - 11:30

Fee: Members **\$45**. Non-members **\$60**.

Registration opens on Tuesday, October 8.

Sign up by email to [uwcmymts.net](mailto:uwcmymts.net), by phone to 204-954-7880 or online [here](#). You can also visit UWC at 54 West Gate to sign up in person during business hours Tuesday through Thursday. We are asking you to pay when you register – cash, cheque, debit, or e-transfer to [uwcfmymts.net](mailto:uwcfmymts.net).

Coffee/tea is provided at 9:30 before class starts and at the break. Consider joining us for lunch after class in our beautiful historic Club - reservations required as usual.

**Come learn with us!**

# ✧✧ Con. Ed. Extra Credit ✧✧

For those who like to read ahead, here are suggestions from Dr. Stone of some literary works by leading Russian authors that helped to create the view of Russia as a unique civilization — plus one contemporary analysis of Putin and Russia today.

- **Leo Tolstoy** - Selections from *Fables for Children*: [Ivan the Fool](#), and [The Three Hermits](#) (click on these links to read online)
- **Alexander Solzhenitsyn** - 1978 Harvard Commencement Address (click [here](#) to read online)
- **Valentin Rasputin** - *Siberia on Fire* and *Ivan's Daughter*: Short Stories and a Novella may be available to purchase online or through local bookstores.
- **Walter Lacquer** - *Putinism: Russia and Its Future with the West*. (Available at Winnipeg Public Library, or to purchase online or through local bookstores.)

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## There's still time to register for the October Con. Ed. series **Winnipeg Architecture: Looking Back, Looking Ahead**

Sign up in person at the Club, by phone to 204-954-7880, by email to [uwc@mymts.net](mailto:uwc@mymts.net) or online [here](#).

Fee: \$45 for members; **\$60 for non-members**. We are asking you to pay when you register – cheque, debit, or e-transfer to [uwcfin@mymts.net](mailto:uwcfin@mymts.net).

### October 8

Cindy Tugwell, Executive Director of Heritage Winnipeg

**Winnipeg 150: Then and Now.** Cindy will share her passion for the history of Winnipeg's built heritage over the past 150 years.

### October 15

Alison Gillmor, Winnipeg writer and educator

**The Mid-Century Moment in Winnipeg.** Alison will look at some key mid-century modernist structures in Winnipeg, placing them within the social and cultural context of that period.

### October 22

Brent Bellamy, Architect and columnist

**Winnipeg Architecture in the 21st Century.** This lecture will explore ideas for a sustainable and vibrant future.





UNIVERSITY  
**WOMEN'S  
CLUB**

42nd Annual  
*Christmas*  
**MARKET**

at 54 West Gate

**Friday, November 1**  
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Saturday, November 2**  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Three floors of crafts, giftware, food items  
and guest vendors.**

**Bake Shoppe**

- Delicious treats and Christmas goodies

**Treasure Trove**

- A wide variety of gently used items

**Specialty Shop**

- Jewellery, toys and Christmas decorations

**The Gallery**

- Fine artwork and select giftware

**UWC Crafters**

- Handmade items by UWC members

**Ralph's Bistro**

- Enjoy a tasty lunch or pastries  
available between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**Admission: \$4.00**

**\*Please bring your reusable shopping bags\***

University Women's Club of Winnipeg  
Celebrating 115 years - 1909-2024  
54 WEST GATE RALPH CONNOR HOUSE

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**uwc@mymts.net**  
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## POINSETTIA FUNDRAISING SALE

*Poinsettias in 6-inch pots, 15" tall in red, pink, or white, \$25.00 each*

Return this order form, call or email the Club Office, or submit online. Blank forms are also available at 54 West Gate. Payment (cash, cheque, or e-transfer) and orders are due **by noon on Nov. 8th**. Cheques should be made out to: University Women's Club of Winnipeg, and e-transfers sent to uwcfm@mymts.net.

**Pickup will be Wednesday, November 27th from 9:30 - 4:30**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity and colour preference of each Poinsettia

Red \_\_\_\_\_ Pink \_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_

Total no. of Poinsettias: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque ( ) Cash ( ) Debit ( ) E-transfer Sent ( )

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Did you remember all your family & friends, neighbours, and any other folks you'd like to thank during the holidays?**



Let the Ralph Connor House at 54 West Gate be the backdrop to your perfect day. Whatever you're planning, our event specialists will ensure your event exceeds your expectations. Visit our [website](#) to learn more.



Photography by [Serena Friesen Photography](#), styled shoot by [Ann & Co.](#)

# CURRENT ISSUES & ACTIONS

Good bye summer and hello to the UWCW in high gear!

Current Issues and Actions' plans, that have been percolating over the summer, are now in full swing. This fall we are concentrating on the **16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence**. Gender-based violence is one of the most pervasive human rights violations in the world. Each year from November 25 to December 10, individuals and organizations participate in the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence campaign and call for the elimination of violence against women, girls, and gender diverse people.

This year, December 6 marks the 35 anniversary of the École Polytechnique massacre where 14 women were murdered simply because they were women. On this day, we remember them.

The Convention on the Elimination of all forms of discrimination against Women (CEDAW)) describes gender-based violence as:

"Any act of gender-based violence that results in, or is likely to result in, physical, sexual or psychological harm or suffering to women, including threats of such acts, coercion or arbitrary deprivation of liberty, when occurring in public or in private life."

Statistics Canadian reports that 1 in 2 women in Canada have experienced gender-based violence since age 16.

**We are asking the question, how have we progressed in protecting women?**

Our committee is assisting the Lieutenant-Governor who will be hosting an event during the 16 Days. We are making progress on 16 Days calendar of local events focused on gender-based violence. We are also collaborating with the Program Committee on plans for an event at the Club. Once the details have been solidified, you will be invited to get involved in this issue that affects so many women.

The next meeting of the Current Issues and Actions committee is **Wednesday, October 16th**. If you have an interest in activism or are just curious, please join us.

**16 DAYS OF  
ACTIVISM**

**LET'S WORK TOGETHER  
TO RAISE AWARENESS**

 **UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN'S  
CLUB**



# A HAUNTED WEDDING

Filmed this past summer, here are some stills from "A Haunted Wedding" and behind the scenes photos that feature Ralph Connor House's rooms completely transformed!



Visit the [Hallmark website](#) for more photos! We have read that W Network is showing Haunted Wedding on Saturday October 12. Check your TV provider's listings for details, including time. And the previous week, October 5, they are showing Autumn at Apple Hill, which had a few scenes filmed in Ralph Connor House. Enjoy!

# UWC Activity Groups

## Mysery Readers

We will meet **Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 1:30 pm** to discuss Alex Gray's novel "Questions for a Dead Man". This book is from Gray's Glasgow police detective series featuring William Lorimer.

Everyone welcome.

Dianne S

## Scrabble N' Babble

Our next Scrabble game will be on **Wednesday, October 9th at 10 a.m.**

Dianne B, Convenor

## Sunroom Group

I hope you are all enjoying our beautiful Fall weather! Please come and join us for a relaxing Thursday afternoon of stories and laughter, along with coffee, tea and cookies. We meet every Thursday afternoon at 1:15 in the main floor sunroom. All are welcome, so stop by and partake of a coffee and a nibble.

**\*We will not be meeting on October 31st due to Christmas Market set-up\***

Take care, we look forward to seeing you on Thursday!

Penni C, Convenor

## Mahjong

We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month from September until June from 10a.m. until noon.

In October we will meet on the **1st and the 15th.**

Agnes C

## Social Bridge

Social Bridge is scheduled for the second and fourth Tuesdays in October; **October 8th and 22nd.**

As we have new and returning members, we have a brief discussion of Bridge Tips at the beginning of each session.

If you know of a member who is interested in joining, please encourage them to come and observe or join in the game.

Heather M, Convenor

## Wednesday Afternoon Book Club

We meet the **second Wednesday of the month** from October to June from **1p.m. until 3p.m.**

**October 9th:** Ellen Peel will present *Fight Night* by Miriam Toews.

On **November 13th**, Shelagh Marchenski will present *Knife* by Salmon Rushdie.

Agnes C, Convenor

## Contemporary Literature Book Club

Bring in October on **Tuesday the 1st** by having lunch and then joining the Contemporary Literature Book Club. The title of the book for October is **BLOODLETTING AND MIRACULOUS CURES** by Vincent Lam.

There are lots of copies at the Winnipeg Public Library so you would not have to purchase the book. See you on October 1st.

Judy M, Convenor

## Out to Lunch Bunch

Out to Lunch will be held on **Friday, October 4th** at **Montana's, 630 Sterling Lyon Parkway** near IKEA. *Note: 10% off if you are a CAA Member; or use your Scene card.*

I'm going to retire from my job as convenor for Out to Lunch at the end of the year, so I'm hoping someone will be willing to volunteer for this position beginning in January. If so, please let me know.

Dianne B, Convenor





# OCTOBER UWC MENUS

## MEALS BY WESTGATE CATERING

All Tuesday lunches are \$25.00. The cash bar opens at 11:30 and lunch is served at noon. Wednesday dinner is \$35.00. The cash bar opens at 5:30 and supper is served at 6:00. Meal costs include buns, coffee/tea, taxes, and gratuity.

**Reservations are a must** and should be made by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday each week by signing up [ONLINE](http://uwc@mymts.net), email to [uwc@mymts.net](mailto:uwc@mymts.net), in person, or by phone at 204-954-7880. Cancellations require 24 hours notice to avoid penalty. Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance. **Please indicate any special preferences (seating, parking, etc.) at time of reservation.**

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### October Tuesday Lunch Menus

**October 1** • Chicken Pot Pie • Mixed Green Salad • Assorted Dainties

**October 8** • Caesar Salad with Grilled Shrimp • Garlic Toast • Brownie

**October 15** • Beef Vegetable Stir Fry • Rice • Pumpkin Pie with Whipped Cream

**October 22** • Quiche with Feta and Red Pepper • Spinach Salad with Mango Dressing • Sherbet and Cookie

**October 29 - Express Lunch \$15** • Beef Barley Soup • Assorted Sandwiches • Dainties.

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### October Wednesday Dinner Menu

**October 23** • Pork Tenderloin Stuffed with Apples • Potatoes William • Green Beans Almandine • Spinach Salad • Lemon Tart.



A minimum of 15 reservations is required for lunches to proceed. Payment upon reservation is preferred but may be received at the door by cash or cheque. Refunds will be provided with a minimum 24 hour notice. Reservations without payment in advance will be charged the full fee if not cancelled 24 hours before the event (some exceptions apply).

# October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall. - F. Scott Fitzgerald		1 - Mahjong 11:30 - Bar Opens 12:00 - Club Lunch - Contemporary Lit. Book Club	2 - Christmas Market Meeting 11:30 - New Member Luncheon - UWC General Meeting	3 - Archives Committee	4	5 1:00 - Doors Open 1:30 - UWC Afternoon Tea
6 1:00 - Doors Open 1:30 - UWC Afternoon Tea	7	8 9:45 - Week 1 of <i>Winnipeg Architecture</i> 11:30 - Bar Opens 12:00 - Club Lunch - Program Committee - Social Bridge	9 - Living History Tours - Scrabble & Babble - Wednesday Book Club	10 - Finance Committee - Sunroom Group	11	12
13 	14	15 9:45 - Week 2 of <i>Winnipeg Architecture</i> - Mahjong 11:30 - Bar Opens 12:00 - Club Lunch - Board Meeting	16 - Christmas Market Meeting - Current Issues & Actions	17 - House & Grounds Committee - Writing Group - Sunroom Group	18	19
20 1:30 - Fall Birthday Celebration	21	22 9:45 - Week 3 of <i>Winnipeg Architecture</i> 11:30 - Bar Opens 12:00 - Club Lunch - Social Bridge Con. Ed. Committee	23 - Mystery Readers 5:00 - Bar Open 6:00 - Program Dinner 7:15 - Program	24 - Sunroom Group - Membership Committee 4:00 - Bar 54!	25	26
27	28	29 11:30 - Bar Opens 12:00 - Club Lunch	30 <b>Club Closed - Christmas Market Setup</b>	31 <b>Club Closed - Christmas Market Setup</b>		