



# University Women's Club of Toronto

*Celebrating 114 years*

July/August 2017 Newsletter

Website: <http://www.uwctoronto.ca>

## Upcoming Events

**Monday September 18th,  
HOLA - A Night in Seville**

**Fundraiser for Romero House**

The University Women's Club of Toronto will hold its second annual Romero House Fundraiser September 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-8:00 pm at the Faculty Club.

Romero House [www.romerohouse.org](http://www.romerohouse.org) offers settlement assistance for refugees who want to establish their lives in Canada.

Thank you to all those who have offered to sell tickets for this unique fun filled "Night in Seville!" Please plan to bring your friends, relatives, neighbours and colleagues to this very special evening with tapas, drinks, prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$50.

For further information or tickets contact

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Rosemary Hales 416-966-4227 [rhailes@sympatico.ca](mailto:rhailes@sympatico.ca)



**Tuesday July 11, 5:30 – 7:00pm, Spotlight on Us**

Amongst our members we have a wealth of experience and expertise. We're encouraging everyone to come and share their stories.

Starting Tuesday July 11, and hopefully continuing indefinitely, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month we'll be having a "Spotlight on Us." It will be super casual, no costs involved, just sharing our experiences and getting to know each other a little better.

Having lived in numerous diverse countries, Jo-Lynne has offered to kick it off July 11<sup>th</sup> with a talk on Women's Rights in Saudi Arabia. You may joke that this will surely be a super short talk, but having lived there for 6 years and met many Saudi women, plus having researched this topic a bit, she assures us there's a real story to tell – plus hopefully it will generate interesting discussions afterwards.

Merle, a published author, has offered to share her poetry with us on Tuesday, August 8, and others have expressed an interest as well. Please let us know if you're willing to have the "Spotlight on You."

Convenor: Jane Hamer [jehamer1951@gmail.com](mailto:jehamer1951@gmail.com)

**Thursday July 27, 5:00 – 7:00pm, Ladies' Pub Night**

Starting Thursday July 27, and continuing the last Thursday of each month, we're encouraging everyone to join us in the FC pub at 5:00pm to chat, drink and be merry.

No agenda, no costs, just a chance to mingle and get to know each other better.

Hope to see you all there.



## President's Message

We hope that you enjoyed receiving the newsletter in the mail and that you took the time to read it. It is a wealth of information about our activities, plans, advocacy and members. The idea was to make you want to read every newsletter carefully. If you receive the newsletter by e-mail, remember that the calendar can be printed separately. If you can print the whole newsletter, please do so. I find it easier to find or reread a print copy.

During the summer don't forget that we will still have our Spotlight on Us series and our Ladies Pub Nights throughout July and August. Remember that bridge and the book clubs continue. Please keep in touch with each other and give a call to someone that you may not have heard from for a while.

We are really hoping, as a Board, to continue being an active, compassionate club with groups, activities and outings that will appeal to everyone. To say that we need everyone's contribution of time and effort is an understatement.

As I said in my June message the advocacy work and programs in other clubs is something to admire and emulate. We have a great start with our established programs, the programs we hope to begin, and our work with Romero House and our discretionary fund. The board will always welcome your input.

As we are all so aware, Canada will turn 150 on July 1. Many of us will remember the excitement and pride that came with the Centennial and Expo 67. We had a new flag, a fabulous expo and such hope for the future of the country and its people. Personally, I think that Canada has done very well in the last 50 years. We have a reputation as a kind and caring nation.

As Rosemary said on International Women's Day. "Let's give thanks that we live in Canada." We are, indeed, so fortunate.

Have a safe and happy summer.

Susan

## New Board of Directors



In case, you haven't checked out our website recently [www.ucwtoronto.ca](http://www.ucwtoronto.ca), here's our new Board of Directors

Front row: Merle, Secretary; Susan, President; Jane, Vice President; Nancy, Treasurer.  
Back row: Corinne, Programs; Deborah, Heritage Fund; Barbara, CFUW; Jo-Lynne, Communications; Rosemary, Special Events.

## Club News

It was lovely to see Lois Scouten at the June 12 Luncheon. She is recovering well from her accident. We hope that all continues to go well.

Susan went to see Barbara Goldring at Amica near Bayview Village (19 Rean Drive, M2K 3B9), with flowers and a card from the club. Barbara is recovering from a bad fall and is doing very well with physio and a personal trainer. All best wishes.

We would like to introduce Ricki Katz who will be our new administrative assistant. Ricki has an extensive background in producing for CBC and CTV and in retail sales and management, here in Toronto, in Vancouver and in Winnipeg. Some of you may have met Ricki at the June 12 Luncheon. She will be picking up your messages and e-mails. It will be the same e-mail [info@uwctoronto.ca](mailto:info@uwctoronto.ca) and phone 416-979-2000.

We are so pleased to welcome her aboard!

## Membership Report

We are so pleased to welcome Michelle Barrett, Mary Martyr and Maureen Roach. We hope that they will join us for as many of our activities as possible and that you will welcome them to the club.

Please remember to invite your friends to join us for speakers and activities. Surely after they meet us, they will be eager to join.

The best way to get the most out of your membership is to participate in the activities. Come to hear the speakers, go to a book club, learn to play bridge. You could sell some tickets for 'Hola' our big fundraiser, bring friends to the fundraiser or collect brilliant, fabulous items for our silent auction. Get involved in our advocacy projects: scholarships, indigenous education, equity, charitable giving. There are so many things that we need you for and that you could contribute to.

Remember that in the fall we would like to initiate a walking group. Make plans to come to Wellness Wednesdays, go to the Faculty of Music, to Cinema Studies, to groups discussing current events and world politics. If you have suggestions, please contact anyone on the board. Susan

## Past Events



### Luncheon Speaker June 12, 2017

Donna Jean MacKinnon's new book *Newsgirls: Gutsy Pioneers in Canada's Newsrooms* brought our focus back to a time when women journalists were carving out a place in a male dominated

profession. With excellent visuals illustrating the ten ground breaking female reporters as well as the fashion of the time, Donna Jean MacKinnon, a former reporter for the Toronto Star, not only helped us vicariously relive 1930 - 1960 but also made many of us reflect upon our own careers and the battles that we fought as women entering a profession or that others fought before us to make our transition possible.

Thank you Donna Jean for encouraging us to remember some of those who have led the way.

Penelope E.L. Vincent

## International Dining - Spanish Style



Tapas at Embrujo was the scene of the University Women's Club most recent International Dining experience. Our members relished the small plates of Spanish delicacies in the heart of the Danforth. The authentic tapas cuisine was followed by a talented performance starring a flamboyant flamenco dancer Spanish guitarist. The evening was a small taste of the ambiance we can expect at our fundraiser for Romero House on September 18th. **Hola!**

## Save the Date:

**Tuesday September 5, 5:30pm**  
**International Dining - French Fusion**

Our next International Dining outing will be at NORD BISTRO at 406 Dupont Street.

This excellent restaurant offers a

French fusion menu. It is very close to the Dupont Subway station.

Plan to be there on TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5th at 5:30.

Contact: Susan Le Roy 416-992-4114,  
email [susan.f.leroy@gmail.com](mailto:susan.f.leroy@gmail.com)



## Past Events



Penelope with the founder of Famous People Players, Diane Dupuy (standing).

### Made In Canada – The Musical

We spent a delightful afternoon in mid-June enjoying "Made in Canada" presented by Famous People Players. The show opened with a puppet of Alex

Trebek, who is from Northern Ontario and is the host of the TV programme Jeopardy, answering questions about Canada which we may have wanted to ask. There were puppets of Leonard Cohen and other Canadian entertainers who "did their thing" for us. You may know the song The Canadian Hockey Game - The Best Game You Can Name. That was played and is still swimming around in our heads weeks later. Diane Dupuy, who founded Famous People Players over forty years ago, visited our table and stopped to chat as we were enjoying a delicious lunch. Altogether a most pleasant afternoon as a part of Canada's 150th anniversary celebration.

Harolyn Panetta

## Upcoming Events

### Wellness

#### Wednesdays

Coming this fall, a four-week course focused on wellness.

Using the letter W as our guide, we will look together at aspects of wellness - weight, waist, walking, water, wine, willpower, workload, worrying, waking, wisdom, wrinkles, wit, wonder and more. Each session will include a brief overview of current research, group discussion and some practical exercises to help us design our own wellness goals going forward.

Marianne Anderson



## Fundraiser for Romero House September 18, 5:00 – 8:00pm



### A Night in Seville

Romero House Fundraiser  
University Women's Club of Toronto  
Monday, September 18, 2017, 5:00 - 8:00 pm  
The Faculty Club, 41 Willcocks Street  
Tickets \$50

Fabulous Tapas & Drinks, Prizes & Raffles

We need the help of as many of our members as possible for our September 18th Fundraiser for Romero House. Thank you to all who have already agreed to sell tickets. Our goal is to sell 200 tickets.

Please ask your friends, neighbours, colleagues and family to support this worthy cause by purchasing a ticket for \$50. The proceeds of our fundraiser go directly to Romero House, an organization dedicated to helping refugees with settlement assistance including legal aid and the access of food, clothing, accommodation and education. When you have sold a book of 5 tickets, please put the money and/or cheques in an envelope addressed to Jane Hamer and leave the envelope in the UWC mailbox in the office on the second floor of the Faculty Club.

Cheques should be made out to the University Women's Club of Toronto. Last year, we were able to give Romero House over \$13,000 and we hope to do the same this year.

We need your support. Please be sure to let Susan Freeman, Rosemary Hales or Jane Hamer know if you would like to help. We need donations for the silent auction and volunteers for the night of the fundraiser.

Let's work together and make a positive difference to our community.

Jane Hamer

## Heritage Fund Celebration October 23, 5:30pm

Please join us as we celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Heritage Fund. Some of the students who have been recipients will be attending this event.

**UWC EVENTS  
JULY / AUGUST 2017**



**Book Group, Morning**

Thursday July 6 at 10:30am

Book of your choice.

Thursday August 3 at 10:30am

*The Idea of Canada: Letters to a Nation*

by David Johnston

Convenor: Jean Thomson 416-421-2732

**Book Group, Evening**

Wednesday July 26 & August 23 at 5:30pm

Please join us on the patio

Convenors: Deborah Maw 416-966-2846

and Judith Lewis 416-653-4931

**Social Bridge**

Every Tuesday at 10:00am

July 4, 11, 18, 25

August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Convenor: Marg McGiverin 416-425-5717

**Ladies' Pub Night**

Thursday July 27 & August 31, 5:00 – 7:00pm

**Saturday Afternoon Film Group**

Saturday July 15 & August 19 at the Varsity

Cinema in the Manulife Centre.

All UWC members welcome! Movie TBA.

Convenor: Dawn Whitmore 416-922-6659

**Spotlight on Us**

Tuesday July 11 & August 7, 5:00 – 7:00pm

Convenor: Jane Hamer 647-342-3700

**FC EVENTS  
JULY / AUGUST 2017**



**Afternoon Tea**

Every Tuesday in July & August

Please reserve 24 hours in advance

**Burger Wednesdays**

Every Wednesday in July & August

**Filipino Festival**

Explore the flavours of the Philippines

Monday July 31- Friday August 4

Lunch & Dinner Specials

**International Food Festival**

Monday August 28 - Friday September 1

Lunch & Dinner Specials

**Lobster Festival**

Celebrating the 'KING OF CRUSTACEANS'

Monday August 14- Friday August 18

Lunch & Dinner Specials

**Open House for Non-Members**

July & August non-members are most welcome

Lunch & Dinner Specials

**Oyster Night**

Thursday July 27 & August 31

Dinner Specials

**Summerlicious**

Monday July 10 - Friday July 21

Lunch & Dinner Specials



# July

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## UWC and Faculty Club Events

UWC events in red, FC events in blue

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9	10 <b>SUMMERLICIOUS</b>	11 <b>10:00AM BRIDGE 5:00-7:00PM SPOTLIGHT ON US</b>	12 <b>GOURMET BURGER SUMMERLICIOUS</b>	13 <b>SUMMERLICIOUS</b>	14 <b>SUMMERLICIOUS</b>	15 <b>SATURDAY AFTERNOON FILM GROUP</b>
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30 <b>FILIPPINO FESTIVAL</b>	31					

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