

University Women's Club Toronto

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Memorial Luncheon Speaker: Peggy Nash

Thursday, Dec 6, 11:30 am

Reservation deadline: December 3

Cost: \$65 with all profits going to the Polytechnique Awards

Contact: Dawn Whitmore, 416-922-6659 or Ruth Matheson echobrook27@gmail.com

Please make the cheques payable to CFUW Special Event. Cash bar from 11:30 am. Luncheon at 12:15 pm.

Ending Gender-Based Violence: What Works

CFUW Toronto Caucus invites you to this year's Annual December 6th Memorial Luncheon of Toronto. Peggy Nash, a distinguished visiting professor at Ryerson University, in the field of women's advocacy and leadership, will be our guest speaker. A former NDP Member of Parliament from Toronto, she served as Official Opposition Critic in

the portfolios of Finance and Industry. She also pioneered initiatives to end gender-based violence, promote a national childcare program, and boost women's political involvement. She is a frequent media commentator, and an international speaker on the economy, women's rights and democratic engagement.



Festive Dinner

Tuesday, Dec 11, 5:30 pm



Once again, we will be celebrating the holiday season together in the lovely front lounge of the Faculty Club. Strains of memorable piano classics will provide a musical background as the staff presents a delicious dinner. Afterwards, a very special surprise guest will entertain us, as we sip our coffee. For those who wish to do so, please bring a small wrapped gift of \$20 or less with a note indicating child, woman, man or anyone, or a card with a monetary offering.

This will be collected and given to our honoured guest, Mary Jo Leddy of Romero House, to share with her refugee residents. We hope that you will be able to join us for this evening of camaraderie. If anyone has special dietary needs, please mention it when reserving.

Cost: \$40 for members \$45 for guests

RSVP: 416-979-2000 or email info@uwctoronto.ca



In finishing 2018, I think we can be very pleased with our year. We have been recognized by CFUW for our membership increase and for our community involvement. We have incorporated our new Foundation and are anxiously anticipating the granting of charitable status from CRA. I have been so impressed with the number of wonderful members who have volunteered to work on advocacy issues, on the Foundation, on the Financial Committee, on Fundraising and on the new Scholarship Committee. Thank you all for giving of your time and talents. It is so appreciated. It's great to work and learn together. I encourage other members to think about becoming more involved. We will need lots of help.

I was speaking to the principal of a Toronto high school and she asked me to describe our club and the things we do. She said that she was impressed, and was perusing our website while we spoke. We were discussing scholarships and awards and she said that she hoped we would mentor the students we help, as it would be so meaningful and necessary. I said that was our hope.

Looking Ahead

In 2019, we have so much to look forward to: a brilliant roster of speakers, trips, our Spotlight series, a fabulous Fundraiser for Romero House in April, a brand new Constitution and a new banner, not to mention our part in the CFUW Ontario Council 40th Anniversary AGM to be held at the Faculty Club in May!! Do check our fabulous new website for all of the information.

We are indeed fortunate women, who have benefitted from our education. We are pleased to be able to help girls and women continue their education, to help welcome people who are new to our country and to help women on the margins and, in short, to share our good fortune. Our sharing exemplifies the true spirit of the season.

On behalf of the Board I extend all good wishes for the holiday season and extra good wishes for a very happy, healthy and wonderful New Year.

All the best,

-Susan



FINANCIAL REPORT

On Monday, November 5, 2018, the Club met to discuss UWC Toronto's financial status, and planned charitable giving. Susan Freeman welcomed members, then Kathy

> Nolan-Garner gave a review of the work of the Finance Committee, including a presentation of September 2018's financial statements, and presented motions for members' approval.

Finance Committee



The Finance Committee includes Wendy McCallum, Nancy Lunney, Marg McGivern, Susan Anderson, Susan Freeman and Kathy Nolan-Garner.

This fall, while reviewing the monthly financial and investment statements of the Club, the Committee undertook a review of

possible investment advisors. The Committee appreciates the help provided by Susan Anderson, who participated in the review of four firms, which included Bank of Montreal (current advisor), Burgundy Capital, Royal Bank of Canada and Toronto Dominion. Thanks also to Susan LeRoy who provided support to the team that conducted the interviews.

It is expected that the Board will make a decision based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee shortly.

Donations - Past & Present

UWC Toronto has donated over \$275,000 since 2012. The Club has given over \$185,000 to support women as they undertake post secondary education. This year, the Board approved \$9,000 to indigenous women and Innis College students requiring financial help. The members approved additional giving of \$5,000 to CFUW 100 Year Anniversary Scholarship and \$2,000 for postsecondary scholarships to graduates in schools in the old city of York, in recognition of Mary McDonald, whose family has given \$50,000 to provide scholarships to two women for four years of post-secondary education.

UWC (Toronto) Foundation

With the wind-up of the Heritage Fund, UWC (Toronto) Foundation has been created, and we are awaiting a decision that this new foundation is a registered charity. In order to maintain our focus on providing postsecondary scholarships, members approved the following motions: In 2019, donate \$30,000 to the new charity UWC (Toronto) Foundation for payment in 2019 of post-secondary scholarships, as recommended by the Scholarship Committee, and approved by the Board of Directors of UWC (Toronto) Foundation. These funds will be paid directly to students. A Scholarship Committee is being created and members who have already volunteered are Penny Vincent, Elizabeth Mowat, Sharon Abel and Lily Contento.

-Kathy

CLUB NEWS

Board News



Corinne Murray has resigned from the Board. The Board wishes to thank Corinne for her tireless contribution as Co-Director of Program. She will continue to serve as a member of the Program Committee under the leadership of Ruth Matheson.



The Board welcomes Wendy McCallum to the Board. Wendy is a hardworking member of our Finance and Fundraising Committees.

Membership News Birthdays!

At the end of 2018 we honour two of our members, Dee Dee Poole and Harolyn Panetta, each of whom celebrated her 90th birthday this year.



Congratulations and all best wishes to both with extra wishes for many more wonderful birthdays and great, good health.

Wedgewood Dining

The Wedgewood Dining Room will be now open for dinners in the evenings when it is not previously booked by a group. Check the 'Upcoming Events" section of the weekly news from the Faculty Club to see when you might be able to enjoy a wonderful dinner with friends in these beautiful surroundings.

Calling All Billets!!

As you know, our Club is co-hosting the Ontario Council 40th Anniversary AGM on May 10 and 11. It is so costly to book a hotel in Toronto.

Would any of you have a spare room and be willing to host a guest for the conference? Women come from all over Ontario to attend this conference. They would likely arrive on the Friday morning or afternoon and leave sometime on the Sunday. You aren't required to provide meals. If you could possibly accommodate a guest for the weekend, you would be doing a great thing and we are sure you would enjoy it, too.

Please let Jane, Rosemary or Susan know.



Dee Dee Poole



Harolyn Panetta

CLUB NEWS

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Donations for Romero House

We are once again collecting items for Romero House. Please donate gently-used winter clothing and footwear for all ages, basic kitchen ware and sheets and towels.

Baskets will be available at the front door of the Faculty Club between Dec. 1 and 11.

Letters of Thanks from our Scholarship Recipients

Hello Susan.

My term and studies are going fantastic! I'm really enjoying what I am learning. This year I went into a different field of study. This year I am taking General Arts and Science - Aboriginal Studies. I have already learned so much and just finished some mid-term exams and tests. I am looking forward to using my knowledge to better my community in the future.

What is different this year is that I have a ton of opportunities to get to know my classmates, which makes me more comfortable in college. As a class we have gone camping, had a picnic, get-together dinners. Last year was tough on me, including the strike. This year is a new beginning as I get to gain knowledge and see what my future holds.

Thank you for all the support you all have given me and continue to do so.

Thank you,

- Emily Ann Niego







Hi Susan,

University has been great so far. I have done a few trips since coming here, attending screenings of a movie I was a part of called The Grizzlies in Toronto and in Montreal. I am currently doing well in all of my classes and the adjustment has been fairly easy in comparison to what I was expecting when I left home!

Next week I will be flying back up to lqaluit to speak at a YWCA: Power of Being a Girl conference, which I am greatly looking forward to as well. I have also been contacted by another university professor in Ontario to speak to students about the lnuksuk High School lunch program I helped implement last year and food security in the north.

Overall university has been very successful, I have met many lovely people, and I have had the opportunity to go above and beyond expectations for myself.

I would just like to mention that I am very grateful for this scholarship you have given me as it has been a tremendous help in easing the stress of the cost of university and has truly made the transition much smoother from Iqaluit to Ottawa.

Thank you once again, - Anna Lambe

JANUARY EVENTS



Dinner Speaker: David Newland, Arctic Geographer and Musician

The Northwest Passage: Tracing One Warm Line Monday, January 14 at 5:30 pm

David Newland will take us on a journey along the mythical Northwest Passage through the Canadian Arctic. He will present images, stories and videos from his travels as a musician and Zodiac driver with Adventure Canada. He'll dispel the misconception that the arctic is a vast frozen desert, and reveal that it has a thriving ecosystem, rich in life and able to support its inhabitants - but it's also rapidly changing.

The North is experiencing the effects of global warning more acutely than anywhere else.

Reservation Deadline: January 11, 2019

Cost: \$40 for members, \$45 for guests

Phone: 416-979-2000 or email info@uwctoronto.ca

International Dining

Wednesday, January 9 at 5:30 pm

Ruby Watchco – the name alone has always fascinated me, so I thought we should give it a try.

They have an efficient, but effective model. Each night, their entire menu is one prix fixe meal, prepared differently every night. The meal consists of a salad, main course with three sides, cheese plate, and desert for \$56/person. I gather, from people I have spoken to, that the food is creative and delicious. I had one person tell me they've



been there five times and have never had the same meal twice. The main course is often meat, but you can exchange it for fish (pescatarian option, as they call it) or vegetarian option. Our first 2019 breaking of bread will take place at Ruby Watchco, 730 Queen Street E, corner of Queen and Broadview.

I will email out a list of who's coming the weekend before, if you're interested in car-pooling. Do check it out

http://rubywatchco.ca

If you'd like to come, please call me (416-992-4114) or email me (susan.f.leroy@gmail.com). We usually start at 5:30. I do hope you'll join us.

- Susan Le Roy

In the Arts

Music at the Faculty of Music in December & January

Dec 7 - U of T Symphony Orchestra, MacMillan Theatre 7:30 pm. \$30, \$20, \$10.



Ridout, De Falla, Glazunov (violin concerto), Tchaikovsky (Symphony #1)

Jan 26 - U of T Symphony Orchestra, MacMillan Theatre 7:30 p.m. \$30, \$20,

\$10.

Kulesha, Bartok, Paley, Bernstein

Jan 28 - Chamber Music, Walter Hall 7:30 p.m., \$40 for adults, \$25 for seniors, \$10 for students Joseph Johnson, cello, Philip Chiu, piano. Beethoven, Britten, Chopin

Noon Hour Free Concerts in Walter Hall.

Jan 31 - Judy Loman, harp and Nora Shulman, flute (both retired from TSO)

If you wish to attend any of these events, please contact Susan at 416-488-5041 or email her at susgula@sympatico.ca
For compete details about U of T's 2018-2019 Music Events click on https://music.utoronto.ca/docs/2018_19_n otes_singles_final.pdf



On Friday, January 11, 2019, we are planning an outing to the McMichael Art Gallery in Kleinburg, Ontario to enjoy the exquisite artwork of renowned Canadian Artist, David Milne.

The tour will be led by a knowledgeable docent who will share fascinating details of his life and work, and followed by lunch in the Gallery Cafe.

Three of our members, Kathy Nolan-Garner, Marianne Anderson and Susan Le Roy, have graciously volunteered to drive those who wish to go. We will leave the Faculty Club at approximately 10:00 a.m. and return between 3:00 and 3:30 p.m.

Many thanks to one of our newer members, Terry Tedesco, a talented artist in her own right, who has diligently arranged this memorable outing. Hope for good weather!

Please contact Marium as soon as possible so we'll be able to tell the Gallery our numbers.

- Rosemary

RSVP: 416-979-2000 or email info@uwctoronto.ca

Admission: Adults \$18, Seniors \$15. Members free.

Parking: Free for members, \$7 for guests

Other: Lunch and sharing the gas costs with the

drivers?

PAST EVENTS



Dinner Speaker – David Garzon November 12

There was an excellent turnout of members and guests from the UWC and the Faculty Club on Monday, November 12 to hear David Garzon of the White Ribbon Organization. He outlined the methodology White Ribbon uses to include men and boys in Gender-Based Violence Prevention.

The white lapel ribbon is recognized as a pledge to never commit, condone or remain silent about violence against women. For more information about this excellent program visit www.whiteribbon.ca

- Ruth

International Dining November 14

Eleven of us met up at Country Style a Hungarian restaurant on Bloor just east of the Bathurst subway. While the meals overall were very good, and the two wait staff were doing their best to put all of us at one table, the wait time for service was too long. Trying to get their attention was difficult. They definitely need more staff. The dining room was full! I think all of us took home doggie bags as the servings were huge! We all enjoyed our dinners but the service gives this restaurant a 3/5!

- Judith





Spotlight on Us – Lily Contento November 20

Over 20 of our members and guests had the pleasure of learning the skillful art of flower arrangement on November 20, from one of our newer members, Lily Contento. Lily highlighted real estate dynamics and the importance of visual appeal, in her presentation, "How Does Your Money Grow."

As an agent (www.ListWithLily.ca) and the owner of an online flower shop (www.foglie.ca), Lily has successfully paired her professional expertise, recognizing the value of flowers as a staging strategy. Mary Aziz and Martha Dove were delighted to win the breathtakingly beautiful arrangements in the draw at the end of the evening.

- Jane Hamer

CFUW NEWS



CFUW Ontario Council AGM May 10-11

In preparation for the upcoming CFUW AGM, an excursion to visit Kathleen Wynne at Queen's Park took place on November 13.

Kathleen warmly welcomed UWC Toronto delegates in her office for an informal conversation about the charitable work done by our organization and the evolving plans for the conference workshops.

We are so fortunate to have Kathleen Wynne as our keynote speaker to talk about women on the margins.

- Jane

Talk It Out Conference October 27

On Saturday, October 27, several of our members participated in the CFUW Ontario Central "Talk It Out" workshop.

This event is a chance to meet and discuss issues and challenges with other clubs, including programming, membership, advocacy and governance.

Among the 11 clubs that participated, some common themes were attracting new members and ageing membership. We exchanged useful ideas on speakers, programming and communications.

Our website was cited as an excellent example of being visually attractive and informative.

- Marianne



Delegates, Susan, Wendy, Marianne and Jane pose with Grace Hollett, President of the National CFUW Board of Directors

SAVE THE DATE

Dinner Speaker - Jessica Johnson

TOPIC: From Nellie Bly to #MeToo Monday, February 11 at 5:30 pm

Ms. Johnson, executive editor and creative director at The Walrus, will speak about the changing nature of journalism today, including the fight against fake news, and the recent rise of women to the helm of leading Canadian publications.

Reservation deadline: February 9, 2019 Cost: \$40 for members, \$45 for guests Phone: 416-979-2000 or email





Spotlight on Us - Joan Connolly

February 20 at 5:30 pm

Putting Your Best Face Forward

Be sure to SAVE THE DATE for our next Spotlight presentation on February 20, 2019. Joan Connolly is an expert in the art of aesthetic skin care. She has operated her own business, Pine Door Aesthetic Skin Care, for over 30 years in Lawrence Park, Stouffville and Aurora. Joan will demonstrate the subtle techniques of a natural skin care regime.

Be sure to register now for this event. Call 416-979-2000 or email info@uwctoronto.ca. Bring your friends! Make new friends! Catch up with old friends!

Spotlight is the perfect time to have fun with the UWC.

Advance Notice: Stratford Trip, June 2019

We will plan to attend the Stratford Festival on Thursday, June 13. 'Othello' is at 2:00 p.m. at the Festival Theatre and 'Private Lives' is at 8:00 p.m.at the Avon Theatre.

As usual, the bus is \$29.00 return. You can opt for either the matinee of 'Othello' alone or for both of the plays. The bus leaves Toronto at 10:00 a.m. and returns to Toronto at 5:00 p.m. and at 11:00 p.m.

I would like to order the tickets early to get the best price. I realize a lot can happen between now and then, but the people at the Festival are so understanding. We have become good friends. Please let me know by the end of January if you are interested. -Susan





UWC EVENTS December 2018

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Thursday, December 6 at 11:30 am
RSVP Dawn Whitmore, 416-9226659 or Ruth Matheson
echobrook27@gmail.com

11 Festive Dinner Tuesday, December 11 at 5:30 pm Phone 416-979-2000 or email info@uwctoronto.ca

13 Morning Book Club
Thursday, December 13 at 10:30
am. Book: The English Patient by
Michael Ondaatje
Nancy Lunney's home
RSVP to Nancy at 416-322-0215

Weekly interest groups January 2019

Le petit cercle français

Every Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00 pm Convenor: Susan Freeman Phone 416-979-2000 Email info@uwctoronto.ca

Pub Bridge

Every Tuesday 1:30 – 3:00 pm Convenor: Marianne Anderson Phone 416-979-2000 Email info@uwctoronto.ca

Social Bridge

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am Convenor: Marg McGiverin Phone 416-425-5717 Email marg.mcgiverin@sympatico.ca

January 2019

9 International Dining Wednesday, January 9 at 5:30 pm Phone 416-979-2000 or email info@uwctoronto.ca

Morning Book Club Thursday, January 10 at 10:30 am Book: Trumpocracy by David Frum Convenor: Jean Thomson 416421-2732

McMichael Art Gallery
Friday, January 11 at 10:00 am
Phone 416-979-2000 or email
info@uwctoronto.ca

14 Dinner Speaker – David Newland
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Topic: The Northwest Passage:
Tracing One Warm Line.
Phone 416-979-2000 or email
info@uwctoronto.ca

23 Evening Book Group Meet in the Pub Topic: Mystery Convenor: Judith Lewis

Convenor: Judith Lewis Phone 416-653-4931, email: judithlynnlewis@gmail.com

In December there will be no evening book club or social bridge.

The morning book club will meet at Nancy Lunney's home, and Pub bridge will continue every Tuesday 1:30 – 3:00 pm followed by Le petit circle français 3:00 – 4:00 pm.

All activities will resume in January 2019.

FACULTY CLUB EVENTS Dec '18 / Jan '19

Australian Wine Society
Dine n' Jive with 05's
Christmas Holiday Dinner n'
Dance

Saturday, December 8

Holiday Luncheon Buffet Mon. Nov 26 – Fri. Dec 21 12-2pm

Holiday Dinner Buffet

Tues. Dec 18, 5:00 – 8:00 pm Take away a photo with your friends, family or colleagues! It is a special Holiday Treat...with the help of the Red Carpet Photo Booth Company. Please note that Tues. Afternoon Tea and Thurs. Surf and Turf are NOT available in December.

Burger Wed. and Fri. Fish & Chips are available in the cozy Pub.

January - all Specials resume!

Afternoon Tea Tuesday Every Tuesday 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Gourmet Burger Wednesday

Every Wednesday Lunch and Dinner

Surf & Turf Thursday

Every Thursday 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Fish & Chips Friday

Every Friday Lunch and Dinner

Robbie Burns Dinner

Fri, Jan. 18 at 6:30pm Reception followed by Dinner

Dinner & Jazz Event

In the Main Lounge Thurs, Jan. 24

Winterlicious

Mon, Jan. 28 - Fri, Feb 8,2019 Lunch & Dinner Specials

Oyster Night in the Pub

Thurs, Jan 31 5pm - 8pm.



* Please note, the Club will be closed after 4 pm on Fri, Dec. 21, and will re-open on Mon, Jan. 7, 2019.

PAST EVENTS GALLERY







