



Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club

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AUTUMN CONVIVIUM

Opening Dinner and sign up for
interest groups.

Wednesday, September 9

Beaconsfield Golf Club,
49 Golf Ave., Pointe-Claire.
6:00 pm Cocktails (cash bar)
6:45 pm Dinner

Menu

Mixed Green Salad
Chicken Supreme
Vegetables in Season
Tarte Royale
Tea / Coffee

Dinner \$30.00.

Cheques made out to MLUWC
mailed to
Margaret Vost ,
190 Fairhaven Pointe-Claire,
PQ H9S 4A8.

Please advise Margaret Vost
514-697-2053 about any dietary
preferences at least 1 week
before the dinner.

**Please register at the desk to
receive your ticket for dinner.**

President's Message

A warm welcome to all new and returning MLUWC members.

September is just around the corner and the position of Newsletter Editor is still open. We are very grateful to Adla Halwani for helping us out with this important September edition but we must find someone to take over. The current executive members cannot be expected to take on this additional responsibility, so **please** consider joining our team. As I mentioned in a mid summer appeal to all members, all you need are some basic computer skills.

Surely, among 200 members, someone is willing and able to take this on. For more information please contact Adla, Pauline van Nieuwburg or myself.

Carol Ohlin and her programme committee have been busy planning and preparing for coming year. When you see the line up of speakers, I think you will agree they have done another fine job.

Don't forget to mark Tuesday November 10 on your calendars for our annual Theatre Night. We expect that changing the date from February will encourage more people to come out and support this important fundraising event for our Scholarship Fund. No risk of snowstorms or freezing rain this time! Lakeshore Players is presenting 12 Angry Men and tickets will be on sale at the convivium for \$22.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Convivium on **Wednesday September 9**. I will bring you news from the CFUW AGM which I will be attending in Winnipeg August 20 - 23.

Heather Hamilton
514-695-2585
heather@hamiltonconsulting.ca

Communications

I hope that everyone is having an enjoyable summer. It will be my pleasure to continue to look after MLUWC communications so I look forward to hearing from you with information you would like me to pass on to the members, including any important events to be marked.

Thank you

Irene Robson

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Fundraising

Once again the MLUWC is grateful to The Lakeshore Players who graciously offered us a benefit night for their play *Twelve angry jurors* by Reginald Rose. The date is Tuesday, November 10. So please keep this date for our major fundraising event.

We are hopeful to get the tickets for our September 9 convivium; in the meantime, we are counting on your valuable support to help us sell those tickets.

Nicole Awad

514-630-0208, nicole.awad@hotmail.com

Membership

Welcome back! Once again I look forward to assisting you in my role as membership chair with the able help of Gail O'Reilly and Jeannie Hazel.

Membership fees are now due and will be **\$95**. If you are a member of more than one club, please contact me and I will discuss the fee structure on an individual basis. Bookkeeping is simplified by sending one cheque but if you find that difficult, you may send a cheque of \$50 no later than October 14 and include a post-dated cheque for \$45 dated January 15, 2010. An application form is not needed as long as your name is on the cheque.

You may find it convenient to donate to the Scholarship Fund by including a second cheque with your fees. All such donations will receive a receipt for your 2009 taxes.

Membership fees for Life Members and Honorary Members are waived but if you wish, you may pay the \$95 or any other amount and the money will go into the Scholarship Fund. You will receive a tax receipt for this amount.

A very warm welcome to our newest member, Eva Weiss, from Dorval. We look forward to many new members this fall. Please look for the yellow nametag identifying them and be sure to greet them at future meetings.

Guests are welcomed at the Convivium but their meal must be paid in advance. Please introduce your guests to me at the Membership table so I may give them information about our club. Looking forward to seeing you all at the Convivium on September 9th.

Below is an excerpt from a message received from Susan Callaghan

I'm very sorry to be leaving Pointe-Claire and all my friends and contacts, particularly the wonderful women of the MLUWC. However, I felt it prudent to move to Toronto to be nearer my family as I age

Perhaps you'd kindly ask the new editor (glad you've found one) to publish my new coordinates in the newsletter:

85 Lillian Street, Unit 12, Toronto, Ontario, M4S 2H7. Phone: 647-348-7093.

I'm also now using my gmail account, lsm.susan@gmail.com, (the first character is the letter "ell") which I hope will survive the move, as my sympatico account probably will not as I'm changing my ISP from Bell to Rogers

Good luck, Susan. You will be greatly missed!

Marie-Belle Cunningham

514-426-4454, marie-belle@sympatico.ca

CFUW Liaison

As I write this, summer is winding down and Heather Hamilton and I are preparing for the AGM in Winnipeg from Aug 20-23. The 2010 CFUW AGM will be held a lot closer, in Ottawa, and it may be time to start thinking about whether you would like to take advantage of the proximity and attend the meetings.

As you read this, the AGM is over and we are getting ready for another exciting year for MLUWC. We will soon be signing up for the interest groups, welcoming new members and sharing our experiences over the summer.

At the AGM, we will have voted on the five resolutions that you considered in the spring, and we will get ready to advocate on the newly adopted resolutions and any other policy that you consider important to bring to the attention of our MNAs and MPs. I encourage you to go online and take a look at the CFUW policy book. Is there something in there that you would like to use as a basis for advocacy? Would you like to participate in an advocacy initiative? Would you like to propose a resolution where you feel CFUW might be lacking policy? The deadline for the submission of an "Intent to Submit a Resolution" is fast approaching.

CFUW will soon have a new website as it continues to become more environmentally friendly with more information available in electronic form. I encourage you to visit the website www.cfuw.org and see all that CFUW is accomplishing, the letters, briefs and press releases issued, see what some Clubs across the country are doing, and access the information available to us from CFUW.

Enjoy the last few days of summer!

I look forward to seeing you at the MLUWC Convivium in September.

Chitra Chopra

Art Appreciation

As you are aware, Pam Deans' responsibilities have stopped with the past season. After two years of doing an incredible job of leading this group, she has moved on to other ventures. Thank you, Pam.

Kindly inform me via telephone at 514-646-0633 as to who wishes to volunteer to become the new group leader(s). If we do not find anyone, the group will become dormant, or be put on sabbatical until we have someone willing to assume the leadership.

We need your help as soon as possible, as the new club program will be printed shortly.

Thank you, everyone, for your kind attention to this matter. Wishing all a wonderful remainder of "summer".

Christine Hamilton,
Interest Group Co-coordinator

Book Discussion I

We will be holding our first meeting on Wednesday, September 9, 1:00 pm at the home of Patrica Khal, 418 Doric Drive Beaconsfield, 514 697-8903.

The book to be discussed is *Reluctant Genius* by Charlotte Gray. Members are asked to call Patricia if they are unable to attend.

Hope to see everyone!

Book Discussion II

Book Club II will now meet at 1:30 on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Because of the Shaw Festival taking place in September, please note that the **September** meeting will take place on Thursday the **24th** at Joan Dyer's home. Sandra Smith will review *The Book of Negroes* by Lawrence Hill.

The October book to be reviewed will be: *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.

We now have 9 active members and we would gladly welcome 3 more committed members. Anyone who wishes to join Book Club II, please call:

Louise Dagenais
514-694-7651
dagpal@sympatico.ca

Conversation en francais

Le groupe "conversation en francais" se rencontre pour une nouvelle annee. Le prochain rendez-vous aura lieu chez Joanne Brais, le 18 septembre, a 9:30 h.

C.A. Wellness

This group explores different approaches to health and wellness issues. The group meets regularly on the **4th Tuesday** of each month at 7:30 pm at members' homes. Please note, that because we give honorariums to our guest speakers, our group has a \$10 yearly membership fee.

The first meeting is scheduled for **September 22, 2009 at 7:30 pm** at the home of Renate Sutherland, 28 Lansdowne Gardens, Pointe-Claire. Our discussion topic will be "Wellness - how balanced are you?"

For the September meeting, please contact Renate Sutherland re: your attendance at 514-695-1970, or graeme.renate@sympatico.ca

Issues and resolutions

This group is all about current affairs and issues of local, national, and international interest. We try to raise awareness and encourage people to act where and when we can. There are many issues out there. So if this appeals to you why not come and join us. We meet once a month, usually on Tuesday mornings towards the end of the month. We may be able to meet in the evening sometimes. Look out for more information at the convivium.

Kaffeeklatsch - German conversation

The Kaffeeklatsch is ready for another year of German conversation. We will meet on September 22, at 2 pm, at the home of Hildburg Schleiermacher. The topic of the meeting is "wanderlust" - we will be discussing our travels - recent, in the past, or in the future.

Music Appreciation I

We will meet at 10 am September 23 to prepare for the October 7 MSO concert.

New members are encouraged to join us at the home of Maria Cranker, 38 Glendale, Beaconsfield.

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Enjoy the wonderful Wednesday morning MSO concerts with our music group and lunch afterwards at a nearby restaurant.

For further information please contact

Maria Cranker, 514-694-3963.

Music History

The Music History group, returning for another year, will meet on September 10, at 1 pm. As usual, we begin the year with composers and selections from the Baroque period, this time from an earlier period in the Baroque (late 1600's). We will focus on the English composer Henry Purcell, and will play some instrumental and vocal music by him, followed by harpsichord music by Couperin, and an organ piece by Buxtehude. After the break, we will travel to Italy, and listen to Corelli's Christmas concerto, and some cello sonatas by the young Vivaldi.

Refreshments: Suzanne Dawson.

Joanne Brais 695-2392

New Book Exchange

New Book Exchange Annual Meeting

Please join Judith at her Clio book store on September 23, Wednesday night at 7:30. It is located in the new wing of the Pointe- Claire Plaza at the intersection of St John's Rd and the 20 Hwy. Those present will choose the books for this year's exchange so please come with your suggestions.

See you there,

B.J. Bell

Out-to-Dinner

If you like to dine out; if you like to meet new people; if you like to try different cuisines, then this is the group for you.

We meet once a month on the 4th Thursday of the month. 2 people assume the task of booking the restaurant and contacting the members.

Our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 24, at Terra Mare on Sources Blvd. at 6:45 pm. At this time, we choose the restaurants we want to try for the year. Sometimes we return to ones we have already tried but mostly, it is new ones.

Suggestions for restaurants are gratefully accepted. So, come join us for our first outing and bring your choices for us to try.

You can sign up for our group at the dinner on September 9 at the Beaconsfield Golf Club.

Hope to have many new joiners!

If you like, you can e-mail me and I'll add your name to the list.

Travel

The Travel Group will begin in October. For information, please call

Judy Paquin 514 428-0541 or

Janet Ankcorn 514 426-0729

Tutto Italiano

The Tutto Italiano group meets in the afternoon of the third Friday of the month to give members interested in things Italian an opportunity to explore all facets of Italian culture. The group's first meeting will be held in October, details in next month's newsletter. New members welcome (ability to speak fluent Italian not necessary).

Contact group leader:

Gilda Martinello, 514-364-7210;

gilda.martinello@sympatico.ca

Wine appreciation

Again this year our interest group has its' full complement of members and takes place the 3rd Wednesday evening of each month. If there is enough interest in forming a new group (10-12 members), someone from our group would be happy to help get it going.

Please sign up at the Convivium if you would like to be part of Wine Appreciation 2.

Pamela Deans: group coordinator

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Deadline for the October newsletter: September 18