UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Vomen's Club Newsletter

University of Minnesota Women's Club • Educational, cultural, recreational, and leadership opportunities for all ages

September - October 2014

You are invited to attend UMWC's

Fall Welcome Luncheon, Scholarship Day, and Interest Fair

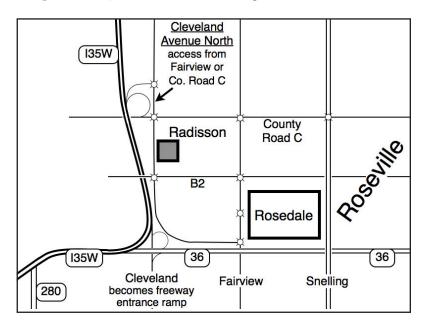
honoring our scholarship recipients and new members

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7 Radisson Hotel, 2540 N. Cleveland Ave., Roseville

The UMWC invites you and your guests to our first program of the 2014–15 year. This is a great opportunity to introduce guests to our broad array of club activities. Come early to review and sign up for interest sections and to meet this year's scholarship recipients. This year we will be providing transportation for those students who need it in order to attend the luncheon.

Registration begins at 11 a.m. This is the time to visit the Interest Section displays and sign up for those you would like to attend. Remember that you are welcome to visit any section meeting prior to deciding to join.

Attending our luncheon this year will be as many scholarship recipients who can make it, as well as our honorary president Karen Kaler, Lisa Lewis, Alumni Association CEO, and representatives of the U of M Foundation. Please welcome them, and join us in congratulating the young women who are recipients of UMWC scholarships. We always look forward to hearing from them that afternoon.



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Meeting — At a Glance

Annual Fall Welcome and Scholarship Luncheon

Tuesday, October 7, 2014 11 a.m. – Visit Interest Section displays and socialize

12 noon – Luncheon and Program

Location Radisson Hotel 2540 N. Cleveland Ave., Roseville

Parking Park in lot on the north side of the hotel, (adjacent to Day's Inn lot).

Menu

Garden Salad with assorted dressings Chicken Breast with Tangy Orange Glaze Broccoli and Red Peppers Served on a bed of Jasmine Rice Rolls & Butter Dessert Coffee, Tea, Milk Cost: \$20

Reservation Deadline: Tuesday, September 23 Please send in the reservation form you will find in the back of your 2014–15 Membership Directory along with your check, payable to UMWC.

Questions?

Call Mary Abuan, 651-484-6765 or Kathi Treston, 763-843-9104 Your hostesses: members of the Program Committee

President's Message

WELCOME everyone, to another busy, entertaining, wonderful year of UMWC happenings. I hope you are all rested and energized by your summer and ready to participate in the many events, luncheons, meetings, outings, etc. that are planned for the coming year. Remember to take your new Directory now and enter everything into your own calendar planners.

I want to send a huge "shout out" to Dorothy Waltz, who again performed wonders in getting out the Directory. This is a monumental job, and our club couldn't continue without the great, accurate directory we have. Thank you, Dorothy, and to everyone else who contributes to it. I also want to thank Martha Arneson and her committee for their work in selecting this year's scholarship recipients. And, I am daily gaining a new appreciation for all the time and effort that Kathy Ball put in as our president for the last two years. Thank you, Kathy!

Welcome to all the new and returning officers, committee members, and section officers. I was thrilled this summer when I called to fill a few positions and was answered with a "YES." We have a wonderful group of women willing to step up and do their share to make the club the outstanding organization that it is.

Speaking of volunteering, we have an exciting opportunity this year to reach out to the spouses of international graduate students. See the notice in the right hand column, this page.

Expect also to see a number of articles in this and future newsletters concerning our work of supporting U of M women students with scholarships. While many of us may have joined initially for the rewarding social opportunities the club offers, we come to recognize the importance of our scholarship fundraising.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our Scholarship Luncheon October 7. Please join me in celebrating these bright young women. Send in the reservation form you will find in your new Directory today.

Best Regards,

Catherine Bell, President

Directory Changes and Corrections

Please make these number changes and corrections:

Bell, Catherine	612-865-4007
Sweet, Arlene (on page 15 only)	
Weckwerth, Joanne	651-628-3772

First board meeting of the year, September 2

All officers and ssection chairs will meet in the Windsor Room of Becketwood, at 10 a.m. Coffee will be served along with treats provided by Maggie Hoover and Carol Lowe. Please attend and provide reports of your current activities. If unable to attend, chairs should find another member to make a report. Please carpool if possible. Also remember to send in your reservation for the Scholarship Luncheon by the deadline, September 23, with form in your new Directory.

Membership Directory— our tool for a year of exciting activities with UMWC

We are always thrilled to receive our new Directory each summer. Open it right now and make notes for all the interesting meetings and outings you plan to attend. Tear out the yellow coupon from the front and mail it in with your check for your year's membership, to Sheau-Ping Hu, Records and Dues. Also tear out the appropriate coupon in the back for the October luncheon reservation and mail it in with your check before the deadline, September 23.

Note that the UMWC web site address is on the cover of the new Directory. Please refer friends and prospective members to our web site for updated information on club and section activities as well as a membership form for joining.

This also is a reminder to all to send section information, photos, etc. to Webmaster Pam Rose, rosex061@umn.edu, for posting on the web site. Thank you to Pam for taking over this responsibility!

Attention members—exciting opportunity

We have an exciting opportunity to work with Karen Kaler, our honorary president, and the International Student office, to help spouses of international graduate students become more involved in the U of M community.

A new section could be formed that would be of specific interest not only to them but perhaps also to other women, current or new members. It would be a valuable, natural way for the spouses to be involved and get to know more people— and for us to get to know them. It is also possible they could be presenters at some of our current sections.

A coordinator from our club is needed to help facilitate the group get-togethers. This would be a great opportunity to meet international student spouses. Help is available from the International Student and Scholar Services, and a meeting place is available. Please call or e-mail me as soon as possible if you are interested in helping out in this way.

— Catherine Bell,

catherine.bellx5@gmail.com, 612-865-4007

Welcome to new members of UMWC

The following new members joined in the spring and are listed in the new 2014-15 Directory.

Mary Sue Bayer	Elizabeth Funk	Paulette Olsen
Connie Boulton	Diane Gallagher	Dollie Penn
Eve Brown	Johanna George	Carol Stockman
Dollie Browther	Jane Hansen	Marcelle Tracy
Phyllis Douglas		Donna Wiemann
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And, please add contact information to your Directory for the following new members who joined in the summer.

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In remembrance of Anne Wise

Members of the University of Minnesota Women's Club were saddened by the death, on July 15, of one of our longtime members, Anne Wise. Anne was both a member and a moving force in International Affairs/Community Concern and Non-Fiction Book sections for more than 30 years. For the last ten she was a member of the committee for Conversations with Women Leaders. With her good spirits, good ideas, and interests, she bonded with many members. Anne was an incomparable hostess and an intrepid driver. She often taxied fellow UMWC members to meetings. Along the way the conversation always sparkled.

As president of UMWC in 1999-2000, she pondered about a few things she'd learned by the turn of the new century:

- That I can get by on charm for about 15 minutes. After that, I'd better know something;
- That it's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be;
- That I can do something in an instant that will give me heartache for life;
- That no matter how my heart is broken, the world doesn't stop for my grief.

We remember her thoughtfulness, warmth, and intellect. To know Anne was to add a new dimension to one's life. Anne will be deeply missed.

- Fran Paulu and Ingrid Lund, past presidents

Annual Fall Welcome Luncheon will celebrate 23 UMWC scholarship recipients

This year the UMWC will award 23 scholarships to University of Minnesota women in financial need. For 2014–15 UMWC will award scholarships of \$2,500 to 23 U of M women students. They include 6 seniors, 10 juniors, and 7 sophomores. They have a wide variety of majors including: sociology, computer and chemical engineering, nursing, biology, computer science, political science, fisheries and wildlife, physics, nutrition and dietetics, psychology, health and outdoor recreation, education, biochemistry, Spanish, art, clinical lab sciences, economics, and global studies. Several of the students have dual majors.

Many of these young women will be guests at the luncheon on October 7 and will speak to us about their lives and their plans. This has always been a most inspiring part of the program that day.

- Martha Arneson, chair of the Scholarship Committee

History of the UMWC Scholarship Program

Today's scholarships are outright gifts to the Minnesota women who meet our strict criteria. But this wasn't always the case. Founded in 1911, the program made its first awards in 1914, but these awards were loans (up to \$200 for school expenses). By 1944 the loans had increased to \$3,600.

In the early years, members contributed to the loans with profits from the sale of a club cookbook and, for many years, UMWC members worked at Dayton's during the holidays, donating their salaries to the scholarship fund. Currently the Scholarship Program is funded through member contributions, memorials, and bequests.

Our first scholarship was awarded in 1945. According to Club Historian Jane Starr, "No longer did we say, 'You may borrow it.' Now we said, 'You may have it.'" Scholarships began at \$200, increasing to \$1,200 by 2001 and to \$2,500 in 2011. In 2005, permanent UMWC scholarships funds began to be managed by the University of Minnesota Foundation.

Scholarships have become more essential as tuitions have increased. Gradually over time, the percentage of state tuition support has eroded, until today it is closer to 30 percent rather than 70 percent as it was years ago, thus making scholarships more and more important.

Of the 23 \$2,500 scholarships awarded for 2014–15, five will be funded by last year's club fundraising—\$15,458. This record amount was contributed by 189 UMWC members (more than half the membership). The balance comes from our University Foundation-managed assets.

-Marian Champlin, Scholarship Fund-raising chair

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Interest Sections start in September, October

SECTION CHAIRS—REMEMBER TO PLAN YOUR TABLE DISPLAYS FOR THE OCTOBER 7 WELCOME AND SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

Hiking— This group meets two times per month for hikes around the Twin Cities parks. Come join us for a hike and lunch. For more information, contact Marilyn Olson at mdolson24@yahoo.com or 612-382-1933.

International Affairs /Community Concerns— Oct.10 Speaker: Muuana Yasiri, Iraq expert and UMWC member, "Land Between Two Rivers or Three Checkpoints—Iraq Today." 10 a.m. at Becketwood, (lunch optional, follows). Send check for \$12 paid to Susan Fuller, 5586 Donegal Dr. Shoreview, MN 55126 by October 6. Coordinator is Ingrid Lund. We welcome new members to this first meeting.

Music Section— meets 3rd Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. First meeting is Monday, October 20, at the home of Carol White, 1922 Penn Ave. S., Minneapolis. Program includes two string players and a solo singer.

Non-fiction— Ladies, we would like to welcome you to our section. We have a great selection of books to discuss this fall. On October 14 we will start with *Things That Matter* by Charles Krauthammer, and on November 11, we will discuss *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand. We hope you will join us.

The following sections begin their programs in September: Antiques and Historic Places, Around the Campus, Art, Drama, Hikers, Modern Literature, Nature, the new Needle and Fiber Arts, Restaurant Ramblers, and Vagabonds. **See the UMWC Directory for times and locations.**



Judy McConnell, a longtime member of UMWC and Hiking Section, has published her first book, *A Penny a Kiss*, a memoir of growing up in the '40s and '50s. Judy has always wanted to be a writer, but that had to wait until she grew up, had a family and a career, and retired. She has also completed a sequel and is working on a third book.

Judy is a real inspiration to anyone who thinks it may be too late to accomplish something that they have always wanted to do.

Deadline for next Newsletter: October 1, 2013 Please submit articles in typed or electronic format. Send to Catherine Bell, UMWC President, by mail: 1480 Applewood Ct. W. #106, Roseville, MN 55113 Or by email: catherine.bellx5@gmail.com