

# Women's Club

## NEWSLETTER



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### Conversation with a Woman Leader

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## Karen Kaler and Gwendolyn Freed will team up for November program

UMWC's Honorary President Karen Fults Kaler and Dr. Gwendolyn Freed, development director of the Humphrey School of Public Affairs, will team up in November to bring us a program entitled, "Don't Call Me First Lady: Male Spouses of College Presidents."



A native of Nashville, Tennessee, Kaler earned a BFA degree in Communications Design at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and is an accomplished graphic designer. As the spouse of our University president, Karen is one of our University's most engaging and dynamic ambassadors, on campus, across the country, and around the world. (Left: Kalers with former President Bill Clinton)

Dr. Freed, whose writing has appeared



in the *Wall Street Journal*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education* and the *Higher Education Handbook of Theory and Research*, is an active researcher on this conversation-stimulating topic. Reserve early and bring a friend. This promises to be a sell-out program.

## Holiday Tea and Hospital Benefit

**Tuesday, December 13, 1:30 – 3 p.m.**  
**at Eastcliff, 176 N. Mississippi River Blvd., St. Paul**

You and your guests are invited to the UMWC's annual Holiday Tea and Hospital Benefit at Eastcliff, home of University President Eric Kaler and his family. UMWC Honorary President Karen Kaler will be our hostess as we celebrate the season by gathering gifts for patients at the University Medical Center. Please bring unwrapped gifts for all ages or a monetary donation toward gifts. Checks for gifts payable to UMWC Holiday Benefit Tea.

Please mail your reservation form from the back of your Membership Directory with a check for \$14.50, payable to UMWC, by December 6 to Cynthia Vars. Questions? Call Cynthia at 763-785-6065.

**Meeting ~ At a Glance**  
 Conversation with a Woman Leader  
 Noon, Tuesday, November 1  
 Speakers:  
 Karen Kaler and Gwendolyn  
 Freed, "Don't Call Me First Lady:  
 Male Spouses of Presidents"

#### Location

Becketwood  
 4300 West River Parkway, Minneapolis

#### Parking

Limited parking is available in the south lot or along the entrance road. Carpool if possible. Becketwood office phone: 612-746-1025

#### Menu

Ambrosia fruit salad with toasted coconut, slow-braised boneless beef short ribs, garlic and cheddar mashed potatoes, brussels sprouts with shredded carrots in bacon vinaigrette, rolls and butter. Dessert: Apple rhubarb crisp with fresh cream. Coffee and tea.

**Cost: \$18**

**Reservation Deadline:**

**Tuesday, October 25**

Please send in the reservation form you will find in the back of your 2016–17 Membership Directory along with your check payable to UMWC.

#### Questions?

Call Marcie Wallace, 612-455-9396

## President's Message

*"The function of the University is not simply to teach breadwinning, or to furnish teachers for the public schools or to be a center of polite society: it is above all that fine adjustment between real life and the growing knowledge of life, an adjustment which forms the secret of civilization."*

— W.E.B. DuBois

Dear fellow UMWC members:

What a year this has been for the UMWC. Because of your financial gifts and the financial gifts of those who have gone before us, we have been given the opportunity to support a total of 45 undergraduate women with \$2,500 scholarships.

This is unprecedented.

And if history is any measure, there will be many among these young women who will make contributions to the "growing knowledge of life," to which W.E.B. DuBois refers, which will be even more unprecedented than the gifts which we are collectively giving—an awesome thought!

What a privilege to be part of this "something that is bigger than each of us" that will be contributing to our world far into the future.

And now back to the "real life" to which W. E. B. Dubois also refers: Here again, we continue to be surrounded with rich opportunities for fellowship and friendship as we pursue our various interests within the club and add to our own "growing knowledge of life."

May each of you be in the best possible health and enjoy a rich and rewarding fall.

Thank you for all you do....for UMWC...and for our scholars....and for each other.

With appreciation,

Ruth Jones, President

## Board meeting news

The next Board meeting of the UMWC's Program Year will take place on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at 10 a.m. in the Windsor Room of Becketwood, 4300 West River Parkway in Minneapolis. All members are always welcome at our general Board meetings. Officers and section chairs: please e-mail reports to Mary Abuan prior to the meeting.

## Interest Sections update

**Art Section**— More details on the October 20 program, "Art Deco and the Foshay Tower." Gather in the lobby; purchase a ticket to the top floor, and view the city while hearing the history of the Tower. Lunch is one block away at Hen House Eatery, 114 South 8th St. The least expensive parking is at TCF Park – 2nd Avenue between 8th and 9th Street. Reserve your place by October 13.

**International and Community Concerns**—Programs for October and November at Becketwood have been reversed. Foreign Policy Consultant Tom Hanson will speak on Friday, October 14, on "Climate Geopolitics." Patrick Plonski, executive director of Books for Africa, will speak on Friday, November 11, "United Nations Post-2015 Development Agenda." Lunch follows the October 14 program; RSVP with check to Amy Hargens by Oct. 7.

**Vagabonds Section**— UMWC women: Remember to "share the wealth" of Vagabonds with your spouses and guests. Men are always welcome at our Vagabonds gatherings. Two great programs are coming up: "The Galapagos: The Enchanted Island," with speaker Carlyn Iverson on October 21, and "Australia, Malaysia, and the Solar Eclipse" featuring Richard Kain on November 18. Check your Directory for further details.

### NEW SECTION — "Out to Tea"

Please come to the first meeting to help launch a new Interest Section, "Out to Tea," on Tuesday, October 18, at 1 p.m. at 1666 Coffman, Falcon Heights. Members will learn about tea and will enjoy going out together to Twin Cities tearooms and other venues. Contact Millie Woodbury for details if interested.

## Opportunity to reuse—recycle

Have you been the "lucky winner" of one of those gorgeous flowering plants that grace our tables at our UMWC fall and spring luncheons? If so, and if one or more of those cute tin buckets, in which the plants are typically displayed, is wasting away in your cupboard, we've a "reuse solution"—bring them to the November 1 "Conversation Luncheon" and leave them at the Reservation Table. Our committees will be happy to use them again another day.

## Condolences

Jonathan Cohen, husband of Barbara Cohen, Vice President for Programs and Past President 2010-11, died on September 14. Our thoughts go out to Barbara in her time of loss. The Club has made a contribution to the UMWC Scholarship Fund in Jonathan's memory. Memorial gifts from UMWC members can be sent to UMWC Treasurer Pat Luhmann, marked "For Jonathan Cohen Memorial."

## Focusing on our mission: Scholarships for deserving young University women

Thanks go to all whose generosity allowed us to bestow 45 scholarships this year. What an achievement this was!

We were fortunate that 13 of this year's scholarship recipients were able to attend the October Welcome Luncheon and Scholarship program. Once again, they touched our hearts with their life stories, their struggles to achieve an education, and their inspiring goals.



Honored guest, Dr. Elwood Caldwell, met several recipients of the scholarships he and his wife, Flossie, had made possible through her bequests and his contributions. L-R: Minette Saulog, Lindsay Horejsi, Saajewa Dasent, and Alexis Webber. Other Caldwell scholars are: Zoe Bourgerie, Rosa Ruiz Mendez, Melissa Johnson.

### Annual appeal for contributions to the Scholarship Fund begins in November

In November you will receive a Scholarship Fund appeal letter from the UMWC. Making scholarships available to U of M women in need of financial assistance is a club commitment and mission. Please begin to think about how you want to support our club's effort on behalf of more deserving young women.

— Marian Champlin, chair, Fundraising Committee

### Memorial gifts to the Scholarship Fund — July 1 to September 20, 2016

For Flossie Caldwell by Dr. Elwood Caldwell; Lola Christianson; Mary Furman; Loree Stinson; Joann Youngstrom

For Jonathan Cohen by UMWC

For Jack and Harriet Goodding by Virginia and Bill Gamble

For Alletta Jervey by Linda Maschwitz

For Edward Rudquist by Beth Davies and Diane Schweizer

For Marge Thomas by Sue Gilbertson

## Sun shines on new New Member Coffee event

On the beautiful sunny day of September 13, new members of the University of Minnesota Women's Club were greeted at Eastcliff for our first New Member Welcome Coffee, hosted by UMWC Honorary President Karen Kaler. Guests met members of the Board to learn about our mission, interest sections, volunteering, and general club programs. Refreshments were served and the group enjoyed a program in the courtyard. President-elect Millie Woodbury chaired the event. Speakers were Karen Kaler, President Ruth Jones, University Liaison and Foundation Representative Michelle Lian-Anderson, Scholarship Chair Martha Arneson, and Big 10 Women's Conference Chair Cherie Hamilton. Special thanks to the committee: Millie Woodbury, chair; Mary Abuan, Gail Brinkworth, Barbara Cohen, Kathi Treston, and Dorothy Waltz.



Karen Kaler (ctr) and Mary Abuan (rt) welcome Susan Focke to the New Members Coffee at Eastcliff, September 13.

### Keep your Directory up to date

#### Make the following corrections and changes.

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Send correction or new contact information by e-mail  
to: nmyers13@hotmail.com

Or **Print** new information below.

1. Cut out or copy this form **along with the accompanying address label.**

2. Mail to Nancy Meyers, 1578 Burton St.,  
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City, State \_\_\_\_\_

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### Welcome to new members of UMWC

Please welcome 12 new members who have joined us since the last newsletter. Please add their names and contact information to your Directory.

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### UMWC web site will soon be updated

Our website, <http://www.umwc.umn.edu>, is being updated and will soon be up and running.

#### **Deadline for January Newsletter: December 10, 2016**

Please submit articles in typed or electronic format.  
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