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Conversation with a Woman Leader

# U Professor Rebecca Shlafer speaks on impact of incarceration on families

Rebecca Shlafer, assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Minnesota's Medical School, will lead our "Conversation" Luncheon on Tuesday, November 7, with her talk, "Children with Incarcerated Parents:



Who's Counting, Why Should We Care?" Dr. Shlafer holds bachelor and master's degrees in Human Development and Family Studies from the University of Wisconsin and Ph.D. in child psychology at the Institute of Child Development from the University of Minnesota.

Professor Shlafer is a national expert on the impact of incarceration for children and families. Her research focuses on understanding the developmental outcomes of chil-

dren when parents are in jail or prison. She has led numerous local and national research projects examining the collateral consequences of parental incarceration, and has studied various programs and policies that affect incarcerated parents and their families. As UMWC members we have a unique opportunity to support Dr. Shlafer's work at the November meeting. (See article on page 2.)

Dr. Shlafer teaches the writing seminar for the interdisciplinary training program in adolescent health and undergraduate courses in child psychology, as an affiliate faculty member at the Institute of Child Development. She is also a volunteer guardian ad litem in Hennepin County where she serves as an advocate for abused and neglected children involved in juvenile court.

# Holiday Tea and Hospital Benefit Tuesday, December 12, 1:30 – 3 p.m. at Eastcliff, 176 N. Mississippi River Blvd., St. Paul

This annual tea is the highlight of our winter holiday season and a chance to celebrate with others as well as share our gifts with those who are hospitalized over the holidays. Come join this special event by bringing an unwrapped gift or a monetary donation (checks payable to UMWC Holiday Benefit Tea) to benefit patients at the University Medical Center..

Please mail your reservation form from the back of the Directory or from our website with your check for \$15, payable to UMWC by December 4 to Marilyn Olson. Questions? Call Marilyn at 612-382-1933.

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# Meeting ~ At a Glance

Conversation with a Woman Leader Noon, Tuesday, November 7

#### Speaker:

Rebecca Shlafer, assistant professor, pediatrics, U of M Medical School "Children with Incarcerated Parents: Who's Counting, Why Should We Care?"

#### 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

Fresh Bibb lettuce garden salad, medium-rare prime rib with sautéed mushrooms and horseradish sauce, smashed Yukon and russet potatoes,

Brussels sprout-carrot mix rolls, butter; coffee, tea, or milk

Cost: \$20

Reservation Deadline:
Tuesday, October 30
Please send in the reservation form you will find in the back of your 2017–18
Directory, or from our website, along with your check payable to UMWC.

#### Questions?

Call Marcie Wallace, 612-455-9396

### President's Message

Congratulations and many thanks to....

- the 43 young women who each received a \$3,000 scholarship and the 14 students who were able to attend and inspire us with their life stories at our October 3 Scholarship Luncheon;
- Karen Kaler, our honorary president, for her enthusiasm and support of our mission and inspirational message to the scholarship recipients;
- Georgia Nygaard and the Scholarship Committee for their efforts in selecting this year's group of recipients;
- Marian Champlin, who spearheads all our fundraising efforts for the scholarships that do so much good;
- Michelle Lian-Anderson, who directs our funding with the University of Minnesota Foundation Office;
- Barbara Cohen, Barbara Swadburg, and the Program Committee for the planning, execution, and attention-to-detail of the Fall Luncheon and Interest Section Fair;
- All the Interest Section chairs for creating captivating displays and hosting them so members could learn about and join our activities;
- To **you** for coming to share in this celebration!

Gratefully, Millie Woodbury, President



#### Board meets November 7, all are welcome

The next Board meeting of the UMWC's program year will take place on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at 10 a.m. in the Windsor Room of Becketwood, 4300 West River Parkway in Minneapolis. All officers and section chairs: please send your reports by email to Mary Abuan prior to the meeting. All members and guests are welcome.

# Keep your Directories out of the hands of those who might use such contact information

Fraud and financial scams using personal data are happening more and more often. Scammers often target older adults knowing they frequently have money set aside for retirement. We must all be alert to safeguard our personal information.

All UMWC Directories provide contact information for our members; therefore, when discarding old ones, please do so in a manner that protects that data. We suggest that you remove the spiral binding and shred the pages so they cannot be used by the unscrupluous.

— Lou Nelson, Membership Chair

# Make a difference in November — help supply the yarn for "Project Teddy Bear"

As UMWC members we have a unique opportunity to support Dr. Shlafer's work with incarcerated men. Some 25 men at Sandstone Federal Prison are participating in Project Teddy Bear, a project in which they use yarns to create crocheted toy animals for children ill with cancer.

The toys are distributed through Ronald McDonald houses in the Midwest. "The need for yarn is great," according to Dr. Schlafer's student, Laura Reimann, who is working on this project.

Let's surprise Dr. Schlafer at the November luncheon with yarn we're able to gather for this project. A category 4-medium worsted weight yarn is what is needed. Contributions can be brought to the registration table at the November 7 "Conversation Luncheon." Contact Carole Senty, Needle Arts Sharing coordinator, for more information.

#### YIKES! Have you paid your membership dues?

As of October 1, unpaid 2017–18 dues are in arrears. In these busy times, we sometimes forget, or think we have paid our dues, but haven't. Don't risk missing out on future fun events. Re-check your check register; look to see if you have used the renewal form from the back of your Directory. If you haven't yet paid, just fill in the form and send it, along with your check, payable to UMWC. Please mail to: Nancy Myers, UMWC Records and Dues, at 1578 Burton St., Falcon Heights, MN 55108.

### Luncheon GUEST QUEST — new opportunity

Bring a guest and be our guest. When you bring a guest to one of our luncheons, your name will be automatically entered into a drawing that day to receive a complimentary lunch for one of our yearly events. Bring a potential member—a neighbor, a friend, a relative, and you may be the next winner.



Thanks to Gail Brinkworth from the Program Committee, UMWC women always dine with lovely table decorations at their luncheons.

And, at the Fall Welcome event, a prize mum went home with a lucky winner from each table.

#### In remembrance of Evelyn Hurwicz

This summer we learned that Evelyn Hurwicz, UMWC president 2001–2002, died in November of 2016. Evelyn was a dynamic president for the club and a steadfast supporter of the UMWC's Scholarship Fund.

Evelyn was also an invaluable helpmate to her husband, Leonid Hurwicz, who was named a Nobel Laureate in 2007 for his work in mechanism design. Through their years together, Evelyn served as his editor, as well as pursuing her own interests in writing and poetry.

In June 2017, her daughter, Sarah Hurwicz Kogut, honored her mother with a One-year Named Scholarship, the Evelyn Hurwicz Law Scholarship, which was awarded to an undergrad law student this fall at the October Scholarship Luncheon.

#### Special gifts to the Scholarship Fund -

July 1 to September 25, 2017 Memorial gifts in remembrance of:

Flossie Caldwell by Mary Furman
Don Joel Challman by Barbara Challman
Kathleen Moonan Fitzgerald by Sheila Fitzgerald
Bill Rathbun by Joan Rathbun
Robert Roelofs, M.D., by Patricia Roelofs
Arleene Sweet by Helen Carlson
Nathaniel (Nat) Watkins by UMWC

#### Donation in honor of:

The University of Minnesota College of Education and Human Development by Mary Schumacher

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

If you haven't already, you will shortly receive a Scholarship Fund appeal letter from the UMWC. It is our mission to make our \$3,000 scholarships available to as many U of M women in need of financial assistance as possible. Please keep this in mind as you decide on your gift to the Scholarship Program. Every dollar counts!

- Marian Champlin, Vice President for Fundraising

#### Major Donor Event at Becketwood

It was a splendid early fall afternoon in Minnesota—and Becketwood was the perfect setting for an intimate reception for donors who made major gifts (\$200 or more) to the UMWC scholarship fund this past year. Becketwood resident and member of the Fundraising Committee Marcie Wallace ushered guests into the inviting solarium, and UMWC President Millie Woodbury warmly welcomed the guests. She was followed by Honorary President Karen Kaler, who, as she always does, wowed us with her enthusiasm for what our organization does for students as well as for the activities that enrich the lives of UMWC members.

To encourage conversation and camaraderie, the program was kept to a minimum. Our venerable past president (1992–1994) Frances Paulu was introduced to the student who is receiving the Frances Brown Paulu International Affairs Scholarship, a One-year Named Scholarship made in Fran's honor by a UMWC member. The recipient is Contessa Boorman, a poised senior at the Carlson School of Management. Contessa told the gathering how significant it was for her to receive the UMWC scholarship last year and then receive another this year.

A few scholarship statistics were shared—43 full and partial scholarships are being funded this year by \$125,600 from our Annual Campaign, from memorial gifts, from our endowed scholarships income, from a generous anonymous gift, and lastly, from the \$21,000 generated by seven One-year Named Scholarships, a pilot program.

Guests enjoyed refreshments and delicious canapes prepared by Becketwood's talented chef, Jose. Event costs were underwritten by members who themselves had made major donations to the scholarship program. It was such a delightful event, there is talk of hosting another at Becketwood again, come next May.

-Marian Champlin, Vice President for Fundraising



Marcie Wallace (standing), Fundraising Committee member, introduces Contessa Boorman (left) to Frances Paulu, for whom Contessa's scholarship is named.

### Meet your 2017–2018 UMWC officers! Members who are stepping up to strengthen your UMWC



At our May 2017 Annual Meeting, nine members were elected to serve on the Board of Directors. These nine women are leaders with experience, talent, and volunteer spirit. They serve willingly and do what is asked to fulfill the roles of their office.

If you have a question, concern, or new idea, please feel free to contact them by phone or email or better yet, come and meet them at our next board meeting at 10 a.m. on November 7 at Becketwood.



President-Elect

Maggie Hoover

President Millie Woodbury

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Vice President for Programs Barbara Swadburg



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Recording Secretary Kathi Treston

### You reap many benefits when you take your turn

There are so many exciting events in the months ahead, and we invite you to attend all of them. They could not be possible without all the UMWC volunteers who sustain them. Your organization needs you to help these activities thrive and grow.

It has been proven that volunteer activity reduces stress, makes you healthier, promotes personal growth, provides new experiences, and broadens your social circle, to name just a few benefits. If you have had experience in accounting, hospitality, fundraising, computers, design, marketing, writing, or any other field and would like to become an active member of the UMWC, please contact me or any member of the board.

- Millie Woodbury, President

### First 'Breakfast and Briefing' held to acquaint Interest Section chairs with their roles

A first "Breakfast and Briefing" session was held on September 5 at Becketwood for all Interest Section chairs to provide time to meet one another and board officers. This special time was set aside to clarify section chair roles and responsibilities, offer support and encouragement, and provide information and instructions. Topics included dues, membership, guidelines for taking photos, website requests, recruitment, and tips for section displays at the Fall Welcome Luncheon. All chairs were encouraged to attend the board meeting that followed at 10 a.m.

Millie Woodbury and Maggie Hoover hosted the meeting. Thanks to all the chairs who attended and for giving the group feedback and sharing great ideas.

— Maggie Hoover, President Elect

### Beautiful day at Eastcliff greets this year's new UMWC members at event in September

The second annual New Member Coffee was held on Thursday, September 21, at Eastcliff, hosted by Mrs. Karen Kaler, wife of the University of Minnesota President and Honorary President of the UMWC.

President-elect Maggie Hoover chaired the event and introduced Mrs. Kaler, who welcomed the new members to the sunny, courtyard patio. Board members spoke about our mission, history, interest sections, fundraising, scholarships, and volunteering. Chief Development Officer for University-wide Scholarships Michelle Lian-Anderson spoke about the close partnership of the UMWC and the University of Minnesota Foundation, and the benefits that the club enjoys from that relationship.

Special thanks to hostess Kathi Treston and speakers Marian Champlin, Susan Fuller, Georgia Nygaard, Millie Woodbury, and Rolaine Wright.

- Maggie Hoover, President-elect



From top clockwise: Board member Georgia Nygaard, and new members Barbara Cady, Barbara Edgar, and Sharon Fields.

## October luncheon welcomes new members and honors our gifts for UMWC scholarships

The University of Minnesota Women's Club Fall Welcome Luncheon and Program is the special occasion at which we honor our scholarship recipients. This year we were privileged to award 43 scholarships to deserving young women at the University of Minnesota and to host 14 recipients at the luncheon.

The students shared their individual journeys and personal goals, eloquently expressing thanks and appreciation for the generosity and support provided through the University of Minnesota Women's Club.

— Georgia Nygaard, Scholarship Chair

Margie Daniels sets up the table display for the Nature Section in the Radisson Ballroom ready to attract new members at the Fall Welcome Luncheon in October.





Georgia Nygaard, chair of the Scholarship Committee (rt), with 10 of the young women who are the recipients of this year's UMWC Scholarship program.

#### Interest Section Fair attracts new members

It was a record-setting attendance at the Fall Scholarship Luncheon and Interest Section Fair this year. Sixteen tables displayed information about each section's activities. Section chairs and members explained their upcoming events and programs, collected dues, and invited members, new and seasoned, to sign up and join in the fun. There was even a computer displaying our website for members to try and learn how to navigate and locate the most recent news and UMWC activities.



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#### Welcome to new members of UMWC

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

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— Nancy Myers, Records and Dues officer

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# Deadline for January–February Newsletter December 10, 2017

Please submit articles in typed or electronic format to Millie Woodbury, UMWC President, by mail to 1063 Lovell Lane North, Roseville, MN 55113 or by email to woodbury@umn.edu