



Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club

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MLUWC Convivium 2010

Tuesday, September 14th

Beaconsfield Golf Club

Cocktails: 6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

Tickets: \$35.00 (cheques dated no later than Sept 7, 2010 made out to MLUWC - non-refundable)

Reservations: by September 7, 2010

**Mail/drop off: Margaret Vost
190 Fairhaven Avenue
Pointe-Claire, QC
H9S 4A8**

Menu: *Soupe aux carottes et
gingembre
Poulet chasseur,
Vegetables, pomme de
terre surprise
Mignardises*

**Please let me know if you have any dietary restrictions!
Margaret Vost (514) 697-2053**

**See you at the
Convivium!**

President's Message

As I write this message, I have just returned from a very stimulating CFUW AGM in Ottawa in July. Brenda Wallace has just taken the helm from Patricia DuVal who will take on the challenging task of increasing membership in CFUW.

I welcome you all back after a long, hot summer and look forward to hearing about your adventures over the past months.

As you read this, it is time to start thinking about MLUWC anew, to sign up for interest groups, to renew old acquaintance, and to welcome new members. Linda Ricketts and her Programme Committee have a wonderful year of speakers and Christmas entertainment planned for you.

Please mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 9, 2010 for the Theatre Night fundraising production of "Steel Magnolias" presented by Lakeshore Players boasting an all woman cast! The play promises to be a great experience and I am sure that all those who attend will enjoy themselves.

We are still in need of committee chairs for Fundraising and Interest Groups. Please contact Heather Hamilton our Past President and current Chair of the Nominations Committee if you would like the experience of sharing in the smooth running of MLUWC and the enjoyment of participating in our executive meetings.

See you at the Convivium on September 14!
Chitra Chopra mluwc1@gmail.com



CFUW AGM – July 2010

In July, hundreds of CFUW members converged on Ottawa. Whether from Ontario or BC, I was struck by the common interest that linked all of these women: the desire to make the world a better place; and by their firm position not to wait passively to see it happen, but to actively participate in its making.

Afghanistan occupied the forefront of the conference this year. We heard about education, the status of women, and health care. The quality and relevance of the speakers was very impressive. I encourage you to read the text of some of these speeches on the CFUW website.

It was also an occasion to be reminded that standing 10,000 strong, CFUW's voice is relevant. Of the five resolutions presented, four became policies further refining what CFUW stands for. Having had the opportunity to speak to some of the women who brought forth these resolutions, I was impressed by their commitment to the cause they had embraced. The sheer scope of subjects and the intellectual depth at which they were explored may sometimes seem overwhelming. However, I assure you **that we will honour the work of these dedicated women by making sure that proposed resolutions are presented to you in a “member-friendly” manner. MLUWC members have a wealth of experience to contribute and I hope that some of you will feel inspired to take part in shaping our world by joining the advocacy movement of CFUW. We welcome your resolutions.**

Celine Dupuis

CFUW

Louise McArthur died on July 28 following her recently diagnosed cancer. Louise served CFUW in many ways including as Director of Finance under Mavis Moore and Roberta Brooks, as CIR under Jacqueline Jacques and then as a Trustee of the Charitable Trust. She was a great supporter of IFUW and also volunteered with the National Council of Women. She will be greatly missed by the CFUW community.

Issues and Resolutions Our group will hold its first meeting on **Tuesday, October 19th at 9:30 am**. At that time, we'll consider what might be fascinating and relevant to research, debate and recommend to our fellows among the general membership. Place to be announced later. Marjorie Hamilton-Harding (514) 695- 0125





Membership: **Welcome back!** I hope you all enjoyed this glorious summer. I am taking over the role of membership chair from Marie-Belle Cunningham and looking forward to meeting you all. Thanks to Marie-Belle for doing such a great job these past two years.

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.

You can mail your cheque or give it to me at the Convivium on Tuesday, September 14. Bookkeeping is simplified by sending one cheque, but if you find that difficult, you may send a cheque of \$50 no later than October 15 and include a post-dated cheque for \$45 dated January 14, 2011. An application form is not needed as long as your name is on the cheque.

If you would like to donate to the Scholarship Fund, please include a second cheque with your fees. You will be sent a receipt for your 2010 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, Lucia Tenisci from D.D.O. We look forward to many new members this fall. Please look for the yellow nametags identifying them and be sure to greet them at future meetings.

Guests are welcome at the Convivium but their meal must be paid for in advance. Please introduce your guests to me at the Membership table so I may give them information about our club. Remember to **verify** your name, address and other information in the **Directory**. **If there are changes or corrections to be made, please e-mail me as soon as possible.**

I look forward to seeing you all at the Convivium on September 14.
Gilda Martinello gilda.martinello@sympatico.ca 514-694-3849





~ Fundraising ~

Once again **The Lakeshore Players** have offered us a night of their theatre production to raise money for our Scholarship Fund. This enables us to give scholarships to our local area women for their university education. Our scholarship winners will speak to us at our October General Meeting and allow us a glimpse of the heart-warming results of our efforts.

We have a wonderful play for our Theatre Night fundraiser on **Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 8 pm**. This year the presentation of *Steel Magnolias* directed by Steve Gillam boasts an all woman cast! We look forward to an enjoyable evening and hope to have tickets available for you in September.

While we have undertaken the first part of the fundraising preparations, **we are still looking for that special person who would like to take on the position of Fundraising Chair**. I am sure there is somebody out there who would enjoy the challenge of this position and a chance to get to know our members much better. We offer plenty of support and assistance to help you get settled into this position. Chitra Chopra mluwc1@gmail.com

Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club SCHOLARSHIP FUND For the period June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010		
	2010	2009
Opening Bank/Investments June 1:	\$ 86,344	\$ 86, 115
Revenues:		
Donations	7,016	7,820
Funds Raised	6,933	7,700
Investment Income	<u>871</u>	<u>909</u>
Total Revenues	14,820	16,430
Expenses:		
Scholarships Paid Out	8,000	13,900
Fundraiser Expenses	713	1,655
Supplies, Services and Gifts	207	511
Bank Charges	211	84
Return of Capital	<u>-</u>	<u>51</u>
Total Expenses	9,130	16,201
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures:	5,689	229
Closing Ban/Investments May 31, 2010	\$ 92,033	\$ 86,344

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Statement of Revenues & Expenses
For the period June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010

	2010	2009
Opening Bank Balance June 1, 2009	\$ 7,230	\$ 6,934
Revenues:		
Membership Fees Collected	18,910	18,671
Other Revenue	1,832	208
Total Revenues	20,742	18,879
Expenses:		
CFUW Fees Paid	12,480	12,325
Other Association Fees Paid	254	80
Annual Meeting	(5)	(280)
Convivium	(167)	116
Administration	958	208
Membership	691	518
Newsletter	503	731
Program	790	877
Hospitality	230	627
CFUW Convention Delegate	1,115	636
Rent	775	750
Donations	1,886	495
Total Expenses	19,509	17,083
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures:	1,233	1,796
Transfer of funds to Scholarship Fund:	1,500	1,500
Closing Bank Balance May 31, 2010	\$ 6,963	\$ 7,230

Once again our club had a successful year. We have met our commitments and will start the new year in excellent shape. There are some significant differences from the previous year which merit an explanation.

Other Revenue

This includes the money collected from the Christmas raffle and for Haitian relief.

Administration

The re-design of our logo and our website were the main cause of the increase. As these are "one-time" costs there is no cause for alarm.

Donations

In addition to the donations already mentioned, we donated \$250 to the CFUW Charitable Trust and \$200 to the Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund.

Constance Ellis, Treasurer

**MONTREAL LAKESHORE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

I enclose my donation of _____ (cheque payable to the MLUWC Scholarship fund)

Please issue a tax receipt to: (Tax receipts will be issued for amounts of \$10.00 or more)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____

Please send to MLUWC Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 383, Pointe Claire, QC H9R 4P3

Registration Number / Numéro d'enregistrement: 85457 5289 RR0001



Communications Eva Weiss will be away throughout the month of September. If there is news to share with the general membership during that time, **please contact Chitra, who has promised to fill in for Eva.**

A note from Chitra re. Interest Groups

It is good to see so many members involved in our interest groups. **However, at this time we have no Interest Groups Chair.** If you or someone you know would be interested in this position, we would be most appreciative. If you would like to know what this position entails, please contact me at 514-631-9854 or by e-mail at the address below.

There will be sign-up sheets at the Convivium for each interest group as of 6:00 p.m. A member of each group will be there to answer any questions that you may have. **If you would like to start a new interest group, please contact me for further details. If you are interested in joining a group that is full, I am sure that one of its members will happily help you start a new group.** Each group must have a leader or co-leaders to serve as a conduit of information and to coordinate its activities. A group without a leader will cease to exist until someone is willing to assume leadership.

I look forward to a wonderful year for MLUWC with a wide variety of interests for us all to share. **Chitra Chopra** mluwc1@gmail.com



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Jauenters **S.O.S.** Is there a lively woman or are there two lively women who would take on this wonderful group of happy and intrepid venturers? Jaunters has been one of the most delightful of all the interest groups, always interesting and popular. New leaders would find helpers eager to join in the phoning and planning. Will this wonderful tradition fall by the wayside? We hope not !

Book Discussion Group I Where did the summer go? I hope everyone had a good rest with enough time for some summer reading. Our September meeting will be at the home of Irene Steffen, 1880 Lakeshore Road, Dorval on **September 8 at 1 pm.** We shall review two books: *To Kill A Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee, an American Classic, now 50 years old, and *The Book of Negroes*, by Laurence Hill. Please call Irene if you are unable to be with us, at 514-636-1049.

We have invited Claire Holden Rothman, the author of *The Heart Specialist* to be our guest at our October meeting on Wednesday, October 13. We hope to open the meeting to others who would be interested to hear her discuss her book and its background material. There will be an announcement at the Convivium and more details in a later newsletter. Enjoy the rest of the holiday time!

Margaret Nicoll-Griffith, 514-694-1677

Music History We welcome the group to another year of studying and listening to three hundred years of classical music. We meet on the second Thursday afternoon of the month, beginning at 1 pm and finish around 4 pm. Nothing is required of the members except to bring refreshments when it's your turn.

As usual, we begin in September with a year from the Baroque period, 1715.

Our main item on the program will be the two suites by Handel known as the Water Music, and we will talk about how Handel (who was German) came to live in England and how the Water Music came to be written, then performed during a Royal outing on the Thames. We will also listen to some violin concertos by Vivaldi (*l'Estro Armonico* 9-12), and the famous double violin concerto by Bach. We will meet on **September 9 at 1 pm**, perhaps a little earlier, so we can get re-aquainted after the long summer. Joanne Brais, 514-695-2392

Gourmet 111 The ladies of Gourmet III will resume their monthly dinners on **September 15, at 6:30 pm.** Our hostess will be Renata Bagga. Reminder ...we will now be meeting on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. I look forward to seeing you again. Sita Tadros (514) 697-7475

Book Discussion Group II We have a very interesting program for 2010-2011 starting with *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel, which will be reviewed by Sandra Smith. The members of Book Club II are invited to meet at Nicole Awad's home, 80

Daudelin, Kirkland on Thursday, **September 16 at 1:30 pm.** Please inform Nicole if you will not be able to attend at 514-630-0208. Louise Dagenais, 514-694-7651

Conversation en français: Le prochain rendez-vous du groupe aura lieu chez Dianne Robinson, **le 17 septembre, à 09:30 h.** RSVP 514-426-3963. L'adresse: 313 Pinetree Cr, Beaconsfield. Dianne Robinson, co-ordinatrice, 514-426-3963 robinsondl@videotron.ca <http://diannequilts.blogspot.com/>

Tutto Italiano Our first meeting this year will be on **Friday, September 17 at 2:00 p.m.** at Gilda Martinello's home. This will be a planning session to determine upcoming meetings. New and current members are invited to attend.

Out to Dinner Group We meet the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Our first outing is to Terra Mare on Sources Blvd. north of Salaberry on **Thursday, September 23, at 6:30 pm.** At that time we will decide which restaurants to visit this year. We try to have a variety of restaurants, keeping in mind price, type and location.

Two people are needed to organize each outing. This involves informing members of time, place and date. The organizers call and reserve the restaurant after confirmation of numbers by members. In the past, we have enjoyed many different types of restaurants in all price ranges. We are looking forward to trying out new ones or re-visiting favourite ones. Sign up at our first meeting in September! Carol Kelly (514) -697-1335

Complementary Approaches to Wellness Our interest group explores different approaches to health and wellness. The first meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 28 at 7:30 pm** at the home of Renate Sutherland at 28 Lansdowne Gardens, Pointe Claire. This first meeting will be a planning meeting and everyone is invited to participate and bring their ideas. Interested members can sign up at the Convivium and will be contacted. Please contact Renate Sutherland at 514-695-1970 or graeme.renate@sympatico.ca if you are planning to attend.

German Kaffeeklatsch Our group meets the second Tuesday of the month at 2.00 pm. Members take turns hosting and presenting. In September, exceptionally, we will meet at my house, on **Wednesday, September 29th at 2:00 pm** as some of our ladies are still travelling. We welcome new members. A sign-up sheet will be available at the Convivium. Christine Hamilton, Group Leader, 514-646-0633

Music Appreciation We welcome new members to join us for the Montreal Symphony's six Wednesday morning concerts. Two weeks before a concert we meet to study the composers and their works through presentations given by our members. Prep meetings are held at 10 am in each other's homes.

Concerts are at 10:30 am. Members either car pool or take public transport, leaving from the West Island around 9 am. Lunch together follows at a nearby restaurant. **October 6 at 10 am** is our first prep meeting to be held at the home of Barbara Mudd. “Bassoon Concerto in F Major” by Weber and “Symphony No. 1” by Mahler will be discussed. This concert will be directed by Kent Nagano and is the exception to the Wednesday rule in that it will be held on **Thursday, October 21**. Seating near us may be purchased at a reduced rate using our group number. For more details, please contact Maria Cranker at 514-694-3963.

Wine Appreciation I Again this year we have our full complement and with good response to recruitment for a new group, we are starting up Wine Appreciation II this fall.

The two groups are planning a joint venture to a local vineyard to start off the year in September. Pamela Deans (514) 697-2195

Wine Appreciation II Wine lovers have a chance to join a new group for educating the palate and enjoying fun-filled evenings. We will meet on the first Wednesday of each month **starting October 6**. Sign-up for limited space will take place at the Convivium. Thanks to Pam Deans - Wine Appreciation I for getting us launched. Addie Ciebien, Convenor, 514-694-2090

Travel For all you armchair travellers, here are the dates for this year's meetings, which, we are happy to say, will be held, once again at the Sunrise Seniors' Residence, 505 Elm in Beaconsfield (top of Woodland) at 7:00 pm.

Oct. 18 will be the return of a favourite: **Victor Breedon**, who entertained us wonderfully in May, will return with another cycling trip, this time from **Istanbul to Samarkand**, the second largest city in Uzbekistan. Don't miss it!

Other dates are: Nov. 1, Nov. 29, no meeting in Dec., **Jan. 31**, no meeting in Feb., **March 7, April 4, May 2**. All dates are Mondays and we have been careful to avoid the dates of the General Meetings and some holidays.

The speakers for the other dates will be revealed later but for now, these are the dates to mark on your calendar. We look forward to seeing you at the Convivium when you can register and receive the complete list of speakers. If you have any questions, please contact either Judy Paquin, 514-428-0541 or Janet Ankcorn, 514-426-0729

Art Appreciation We will start the season in **October** with a **tour of the European Collection of the Montreal Museum of Fine Art**. The tour entitled “The Road Not Taken” will introduce participants to the universe of Western European art. It will highlight “pivotal” moments in art history, turning points when an artist took another road, opening a path for others to follow. It is meant as a short comprehensive introduction designed for newcomers. Paintings will range from the early Renaissance work of Florentine artist Giovanni del Biondo, the Carravagisti and Rembrandt, 18th century English portraiture (Gainsborough, Georges Romney), French Impressionism and a brief introduction to modern art.

In **November**, we will return to the MMFA for the exhibition **ROUGE CABARET - Love, Death, the Terrifying and Beautiful World of Otto Dix**. The early twentieth century was marked by the

rise of several artistic movements known as "expressionist" that sought to convey personal experiences and register political protest in an innovative formal manner. The German painter Otto Dix (1891-1969), who fought in both World Wars, was a key figure in the New Objectivity movement, which espoused a realistic, often acerbic, view of society during the Weimar Republic.

In **December**, we will have a surprise...

In **January**, we will go to the McCord Museum for the exhibition **Gabor Szilasi: The Eloquence of the Everyday**. Gabor Szilasi has created, over the course of the last 50 years, one of Canada's most significant and influential bodies of photographic work, by documenting a society that is in constant flux. The exhibition is comprised of portraits, domestic and commercial interiors, urban views of Montreal and Budapest, and images of rural Quebec, all contributing to the creation of an intricate social and historical record.

In **February**, we will return to the MMFA for a guided tour of the very much anticipated exhibition **The Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army**. An unique selection of some 300 artifacts, including the famous life-size terracotta soldiers of the first Qin Emperor's army. It will take visitors back through 1,000 years of Chinese art and history.

In **March**, we will visit the International Festival of Art Film at the MMFA (program to be announced).



In **May**, for our last outing we will go to Ottawa (day trip) to see the exhibition **French Artists and Laymen in 18th Century Rome** where we will see works by 18th century masters like Fragonard, David and Hubert Robert.

The Art Appreciation Group will meet every 6 weeks. Specific dates will be chosen by the group one month in advance. I am looking forward to sharing these moments with you. Everyone is welcome.
Celine Dupuis (514) 8012 celledupuis@rogers.blackberry.net

Couples **Marathon Bridge** We welcome couples interested in joining a very sociable group of bridge players. If you are not in a couple-relationship at this time in your life, you may find a male companion who is a bridge player and who would appreciate meeting and playing with other couples.

We need a few more pairs to bring our total to about ten couples for **the next session, starting in September**. Each pair plays against every other pair once during the session, which ends in May. For half of these matches you will be the hostess, for the other half you will be playing at someone else's home. The games consist of 20 deals of Rubber Bridge, with the points being compiled and a prize going to the winning couple at the end-of-season Pot Luck Supper. To join or if in need of more information, please contact Eileen Ross at 514-630-4989.

~ September 2010 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Labour Day	7	8 Book Group I 1 pm	9 Music History 1 pm	10	11
12	13	14 ~ <u>Convivium</u> ~	15 Gourmet III 6:30pm	16 Book Group II 1.30 pm	17 Conversation en français 9:30 am Tutto Italiano 2:00 pm	18
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The President has requested, to the Editor's delight, that all future submissions be in **Word** format.

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