



## Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club

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### *The 18<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MLUWC January Potluck Dinners*



Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

6:30 p.m.

ENJOY FOOD, DRINK and  
CONVERSATION with FRIENDS

109 members will be welcomed by 13 hostesses for this popular January event. There are one or two places available for someone who forgot to sign up and sometimes there are last minute cancellations so perhaps our co-ordinators could fit you in.

Speak to

Kerstin Birch 514-457-6473 or

Diane Nener 514-457-6540

HAVE A WONDERFUL EVENING AND  
BON APPETIT!



### *President's Message*



Christmas is a time for tradition

and our

**Annual Christmas Concert and Raffle is an  
MLUWC tradition that we treasure.**

I think that's why it's always such a success. The vocal performances by Wendy Hamel and our own ad-hoc choir were great entertainment. And there's nothing like singing carols from vintage song sheets to put one in the spirit of the season! We even caught a glimpse of the Olympic torch as it passed by.

Ann Davidson of the West Island Community Resource Centre and Kevin Curran expressed heartfelt thanks and appreciation for our donation of \$1200 to the CRC's special fund to aid the victims of Earl Jones.

There are so many people who contributed to the success of the evening. So a big thank you to Maria Cranker, Christine Hamilton, Carol Ohlin, Margaret Vost, choir members, bakers and the hospitality team, ticket sellers, interest group leaders and all of you who came out and participated.

I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year. Savour the time you will spend with your families and loved ones.

*Heather Hamilton*

## ~An Important Invitation~

### **Strengthening Financial Literacy: A National Strategy for Canada**

The Resolutions Committee of the University Women's Club of Montreal Inc. invites you to a **special event on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, 6:00 – 8:00 pm at McGill University**. Vice Chair of the National Task Force on Financial Literacy and Chairman of the Bank of Montreal L. Jacques Ménard will speak about the issue of financial literacy. This initiative is part of UWCM's action plan for its resolution concerning financial literacy and the need for development of a national strategy to ensure access for Canadians of all ages.

Leacock 26, Leacock Building, McGill University

**C**ommunications We are saddened by the loss, on November 20, 2009, of June Bolger. She will be missed by MLUWC members and remembered for her lifelong passion for learning and her commitment to the community.

Also, we wish to offer sincere condolences to Dorothy Anderson on the loss of her sister. Our thoughts are with you, Dorothy.

Best wishes everyone for the Holiday Season and the New Year. Irene Robson

**M**embership There are still many unclaimed directories. They will be available at the February meeting. Should you be unable to pick yours up or arrange to have a friend do so, please let me know so arrangements can be made.

We continue to receive many enquiries about membership in our club. Remember any interested friends are welcome at our meetings.

#### **Note the following corrections to the directory:**

Susan Pick Vadivel phone number should read 450-229-4768

Please add:

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264 Ste Claire Rd, Pte Claire  
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McGill71 B.Sc (Food Sc) 514-697-7359  
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Happy New Year to all! Marie-Belle Cunningham, 514-426-4454 [marie-belle@sympatico.ca](mailto:marie-belle@sympatico.ca)



### Tip from the Environment Group

Don't throw away your Christmas cards. Give them to the Environment Group. They can be recycled for use by children in Third World countries.

NB - our **January 27 meeting starts at 9:15 am.** Betty Gibb



My sincere thank you to all who helped to run our Christmas Raffle. The prizes were exceptional. You were all instrumental in making the evening a resounding success and in raising \$1,200.00 for the West Island Community Resource Centre's "Victims of Earl Jones Fund". Ann Davidson, of the Centre, and Kevin, a son of one of the victims, were both very touched by our efforts. The ticket sale went extremely well, Wendy's and our Choir's singing was delightful and Margaret treated all to delightful punch, sweets and even savouries.

Happy Holidays to all. Christine

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### **M**usic Appreciation

will meet at **10 am on Wednesday, January 6** at Maria Cranker's home, 38 Glendale, Beaconsfield, to prepare for the next MSO concert. The program will include selections by Ravel, Shilkret, Chabrier, de Falla and Debussy. The music and lives of these composers will be presented by various members of the group.

The MSO concert will be held on **Wednesday, January 20 at 10:30 am.** Carpool. Lunch nearby. For details, phone Maria Cranker, 514-694-963.

### **G**erman conversation **Kaffeeklatsch**

The first meeting of the New Year will be held at **2 pm on Thursday, January 7,** at the home of Suzanne Dawson. We will continue relating to the group the life stories of famous Germans, such as poets, scientists, musicians. Joanne Brais,

## **B**ook Group I

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. As we were snowed out in December, Patricia will review *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* and then we will move to France to review *The Elegance of the Hedgehog*. We will meet at the home of Christa Triendl, 10 Winston Circle, Pointe Claire, on **January 13 at 1:00 pm**. Note : this is a change of schedule. Please call Christa (514-630-3834) if you are unable to join us. Hope to see you in January! Marg Nicoll-Griffith [mumng@aol.com](mailto:mumng@aol.com)

## **M**usic History

The group will meet on **January 14 at 1 pm**, to listen to music from the year 1890. This was shortly before the tumultuous trends in music in the early 20th century. We will do a piece by one of these trend-setters, Debussy, but in his pre-Impressionist mode—*Suite Bergamasque*. Another work firmly set in the 19th century is a chamber music piece, Piano Quartet #3, by Brahms. To finish off, we will listen to excerpts from the Italian *verismo* opera *Cavalleria Rusticana*, by Mascagni, *African Fantasy*, by Saint-Saens, and the overture to *The Gondoliers*, by Gilbert and Sullivan. Refreshments: Betty Jones. Please let me know if you cannot attend. Joanne Brais, 514-695-2392

## **D**uplicate Bridge

is played every second and fourth Thursday morning in the lawn bowling Annex of Beaconsfield. We meet at 8:45 am. Our next meeting will be on **January 14, 2010**. If you would like to join us, call Emma-Lou Walter, 514-932-1728

## **C**onversation en français

Le prochain rendez-vous du groupe Conversation en français aura lieu chez Judy Paquin, **le 15 janvier, à 9:30 h**. Joanne Brais, 514-695-2392

**T**utto Italiano The group will meet on **Friday, January 15** at Joan Dyer's, 221 Lakeshore Road, Pointe Claire. Gilda will make a presentation on the history of the Italian language. Lilian will provide the *dolci*.

**C**omplementary Approaches to Wellness The group will meet on **Tuesday, January 26, 2010 at 7:30 pm** at the home of Anna Wilkins, 78 Brunswick Dr, Beaconsfield. Our speaker will be Caroline Courey, Freelance and Personal Life Coach, whose topic will be "New Way Personal Life Coaching".

For more information, please call Renate Sutherland at 514-695-1970.

## **J**aunters

Our first trip of 2010—**Tuesday, January 19---** we will visit the MONTREAL MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS, 1380 Sherbrooke St West to see the WATERHOUSE GARDEN OF ENCHANTMENT.

This trip is open to both Jaunters and Art Appreciation. Celine Dupuis, the new leader of the Art Appreciation group, will be our guide. Lunch will be in the Museum dining room. Hope to see you there. We will meet at Plaza Pointe Claire parking lot, southwest corner, just north of Highway 20 at **9:15 am**. **Please let us know by January 13** if you wish to attend.

Preview of upcoming events: February - Château Ramzay; March - I Musici

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Brenda Plescia, 514-426-4070; [bplescia@sympatico.ca](mailto:bplescia@sympatico.ca)

## **B**ook Club II

Book Club II will meet on **January 21 at 1:30 pm** at Suzanne Dawson's, 115 Sedgefield Ave, Pointe Claire, 514-674-0581. Nicole will review *The Echo Maker* by Richard Powers. Please let Suzanne know if you will not attend.

Leader: Louise Dagenais, 514-694-7651; [dagpal@sympatico.ca](mailto:dagpal@sympatico.ca)

## **O**ut to Dinner Club

In November, 15 ladies enjoyed a lovely night out at La Sirène in DDO. As a bonus(?) we got to see a belly dancer as part of their Thursday night entertainment. We don't meet in December. Here are the restaurants we will be visiting in the coming months:

<b>January 28, 2010</b>	Mio Vino in DDO - Brenda P. & Barbara A.
February 25, 2010	Bombay Palace in DDO - ?
March 25, 2010	Fuji in Pierrefonds - Allison I. & Shirley W.
April 22, 2010	Elixir in DDO - Janet B. & Janet I.
May 27, 2010	Le Charlesborg (BYOB) in Vaudreuil - Joan P. & Betty J.
June 24, 2010 (tentative)	Mundo Italiano in Kirkland - Bauni McF. & Leona S.

## **T**ravel

As you know, **there will be no meeting in January**. On **Monday, February 1**, another of our own members, Mary Vlahos, who has been a travel agent for many years, will speak to us about Travel Tips. She will help us pack efficiently, stay healthy and get the most out of our travel experiences. Come with your questions and I know Mary will do her best to answer them. Meanwhile, we wish you a joyful holiday season and a very happy 2010. Judy Paquin and Janet Ankcorn: 514-428-0541

# ~January 2010~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1** <i>Happy New Year</i> **	2
3	4	5	6 Music appreciation 10:00 am	7 German Kaffeeklatsch 2:00 pm	8	9
10	11 ** <i>January Dinners</i> 6:30 pm **	12	13 Book Group I 1:00 pm	14 Duplicate Bridge 8:45am Music History 1:00pm	15 Conversations en français 9:30 am Tutto Italiano	16
17	18	19 Jaunters 9:15 am	20	21 Book Club II 1:30 pm	22	23
24	25	26 C.A. Wellness 7:30 pm	27	28 Duplicate Bridge 8:45 am  Out to Dinner 6:30 pm	29	30
31	<b>February 1 Travel 7:00 pm</b>					

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