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MAY 2014 NEWSLETTER

MAY 21: UWCM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DINNER

The AGM provides an opportunity for Club members to comment on past activities and to offer suggestions for next season. Share your thoughts and your hopes for the coming year.

Join us for the last dinner meeting of the year at the Atwater Club. Come to the AGM and, if you plan to stay for dinner, don't forget to reserve with the Club.

The AGM begins at 6:30 pm sharp. Dinner: 7:30 pm

JUNE 4: SUMMER SEND-OFF

Open House at the Coach House from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Please RSVP by sending an e-mail to Carolyn Pepler.

JUNE 19-22, 2014: AGM AND CONFERENCE WATERLOO, ON



Registration for the 2014 AGM in Kitchener-Waterloo is now open.

For instructions on how to register and for information on tours, accommodation, dining and more, please visit:

<http://www.proreg.ca/events/cfuw/2014/>

Please read the AGM Registration Information Guide before registering.

Remember to register before **May 19th** to receive the Early Bird Discount on registration fees. The final deadline for registration is **June 9th**.

Keep in Touch

It is time to update our records. Please notify us of any changes to your postal address, phone number(s) or e-mail address.

Contact Carly Pepler or leave a message at the Coach House at 514-934-1362 or uwcm@uwcm.com



Dinner Menu

- TBD

Remember to mention any food allergies or dietary restrictions when you make your reservation.

Member Cost: \$31.04 including tax; Non-members \$50.00, including wine (please pay by cheque to UWCM); Guest cover charge: \$5.00

**Our dinner meetings are held at: Atwater Club
3505 Atwater Avenue**

Please reserve with the Club by Friday, May 16 at 514-935-2431 or reception@clubatwater.ca

Notes:

- Cancellations made any later than 5:00 pm on the Monday before a meeting will result in a charge of 50% of the cost of a meal.

DON'T FORGET YOUR NAME TAGS!



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

Volunteers are UWCM's most invaluable resource! A Volunteer Appreciation Tea Party was held on April 11th to honour the dedication and many talents of this wonderful team. It was a delightful event with some of our members showcasing hats from eras gone by. Next year I hope to extend an invitation to an even greater number of UWCM volunteers, the only requirement being your involvement in our



activities. If you have a particular talent, or are passionate about a pursuit and would like to share it with our members, please consider starting a new Interest Group. Our club will be the richer for it!

UWCM will once again be hosting our popular Summer Send-Off on June 4th. The event serves as a venue for you to introduce a friend to our club. This year the Send-Off will only be open to our members and their invited guests, so please consider extending an invitation to a like-minded friend. Please RSVP by sending an e-mail to Carolyn Pepler.

Many of you will be delighted to learn that the Atwater Club has a new chef, Denis Giroux. Let's all wish him well and let's all look forward to new beginnings (not to mention entrées!).

The UWCM Board is preparing for our upcoming AGM to be held on May 21. We will update you on some important issues, so I hope you will take the time to be part of the process and provide your input to our Club's future. Please come out to meet your new Board members and to thank those who are retiring from this year's Board.

Board Meeting Highlights

The ad hoc committee set up to evaluate alternatives to the Coach House continues to be very active in their search. Several members have made suggestions and we have followed through on all of them. To date, a cost-effective alternative that meets our requirements has not been found. We will have a full update at our upcoming AGM.

The Board has approved sending two Board members to the CFUW 2014 AGM in Waterloo, Ont.

The Board has also decided to set up a UWCM Facebook page as well as a UWCM GOOGLE+ page.

Hope to see you on May 21st,

Dominique Racanelli

President, UWCM Inc.



FOUNDATION FOOTNOTES

Last week, Dominique Racanelli and I had the pleasure of representing UWCM at the Donor and Student Awards Celebration at Concordia University. There, we met the winner of the Betsy Barber Memorial Award, Nura Jabagi (see her CV below), as well as some of the winners of our UWCM bursaries: Miriam Mokrusa and Allie Vatcher. These students will be invited to attend a Fall dinner meeting.

Our major fundraising event will take place on **Wednesday, May 28th**, at Concordia University. You will have an opportunity to meet Quebec wine producers, sample their wines, and taste other local foods. You will be serenaded by musicians while viewing the city and St. Lawrence River from a lovely rooftop lounge and terrace.

You can obtain tickets for \$75 at the May monthly dinner, or by contacting me.

Liz Annesley

Chair, UWCM Foundation

Nura Jabagi



Although a Montrealer at heart, Nura was born in Calgary, Alberta and has lived around the world. After completing her Bachelor's degree at Queen's University, Nura moved to Montreal to attend McGill University as a Master's student. After working extensively in marketing and business development within the arts and entertainment industry, Nura decided to pursue an MBA. In 2012, she joined the John Molson School of Business (JMSB) MBA program with the intent of attending a university known for its strong ties with the local community. In this pursuit, she initially sought out an executive position within the Women in Business Club (WIBC) as a means of surrounding herself with like-minded women looking to make a difference in the community.

In her first year as Marketing and Communications Executive, Nura successfully applied her online

The University Women's Club of
Montreal Public Foundation presents...

SAVOUR THE FLAVOUR: Celebrating Quebec Terroir

Wednesday, May 28, 2014, 5 pm to 7 pm
Concordia University Rooftop Lounge and
Terrace

1515 Ste-Catherine St. W., 11th Floor

Proceeds to Concordia University
scholarships

\$75

marketing knowledge to further the e-newsletter initiative and to promote the Club's social media presence. In her final year, Nura became President of the WIBC with the aim of expanding the Club's reach within the JMSB, to increase involvement in the mentorship program and to pilot a new initiative supporting underprivileged women in the local community. In the hopes of further contributing to student-life at the JMSB, Nura also sits on the executive team of the John Molson Graduate Students' Association as Vice President of Communications.

With over eight years of multi-channel marketing experience, Nura focuses her professional efforts on e-business development and new media strategies. Nura holds a BA with Honours in Economics from Queen's University as well as a Graduate Diploma in Marketing from McGill University.