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MAY 2019 NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

Annual General Meeting - 6:30 pm

The AGM provides an opportunity for club members to hear and comment on activities that took place over the past year and to offer suggestions for the next. Elect new board members, share your thoughts with fellow members and hear what the club has accomplished.

Dinner starts at 7:30 pm

Join us for the last dinner meeting of the club's year. If you do plan to stay for dinner, don't forget to reserve — and please do so **before Thursday, May 9!**

If veal is not your "cup of tea," please order the alternative dish when you reserve.

Email reception@clubatwater.ca
or call 514-935-2431.

Don't forget your name tags!

May 15 DINNER MENU

- *Green Goddess Salad (Boston lettuce, carrots, radishes and candied pecans)*
- *Roast veal, seasonal market vegetables, parsnip purée (alternative: Mushroom ragout cavatelli)*
- *Chocolate mousse*
- *Coffee and tea*

Our dinner meeting is held at
Club Atwater
3505 Atwater Avenue

Cocktails: 6:00 pm
Dinner: 7:30 pm

Member and her guest(s): \$40.24 each, including tax (wine extra), by cash, credit card, or debit card at the door.

Unaccompanied non-members: \$50, with one glass of wine.

Any cancellations made after May 12 may result in a charge for the meal.

Please mention any food allergies, dietary restrictions or special orders when you make your reservation.

Wednesday, June 5, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Coach House

ANNUAL SUMMER SEND-OFF

Wine - Savoury snacks - Sweets

Hosted by the new board of directors and free of charge, this is a great time to say *à bientôt* to all, make plans for the summer, and bid *au revoir* to the Coach House.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

As you are aware, the Atwater Club's new business model could not accommodate a lease renewal for the Coach House. Since our lease expires in September, the board established a Relocation Committee comprising Elaine Bander, Donna Jensen, Maria Masi, Carolyn Pepler, Suzanne Crawford, Dominique Racanelli and Nadia Ramundo. Its mandate was to find a location for a clubhouse and a dinner venue. After extensive ground research and analysis, the relocation committee submitted its report with the recommendation to rent space at the Atwater Library for our clubhouse.

I am happy to say that we have negotiated a five-year lease with the Atwater Library that reflects the best interests of the UWCM for occupancy starting July 1, 2019. Our new clubhouse will be located in a historic building whose main activity is knowledge-based, aligning well with our mission of promoting education and lifelong learning.

Regarding dinner venues, the Committee recommended using the Lasalle College restaurant, where the dinner cost is about \$20 per person before wine and taxes. In order to give you a choice, I have also requested that the Atwater Club would continue hosting our monthly dinners at a cost of \$40.24, and possibly more. Therefore, at the AGM, you will be asked to vote on which venue you prefer so the new board can plan their activities for next year.

The current board has been operating at 50 percent of its human resource capacity, and the issue of relocating the clubhouse would not have been resolved without the Relocation Committee, which committed its time to find solutions.

This, ladies, is the power of women working together!



In peace and friendship,

Saôde Savary
President



The University Women's club of Montreal Inc.

is honoured to invite you to

**THE AWARDS CEREMONY
OF THE ACADEMIC COMPETITION
" LES OLYMPES DE LA PAROLE"**

Come celebrate the winners!

May 10, 2019 • 7 pm
Atwater Library,
1200 Atwater avenue, Westmount
RSVP: Saôde Savary, Chemist (Ph.D), president



UWCM clubhouse moving to Atwater Library

ATWATER LIBRARY PERKS

Many Atwater Library programs and services are offered to the public free of charge, although it invites donations — and provides tax receipts for donations of \$15 and over.

It charges fees for library borrowing memberships and computer/digital device training, while offering discounts for people aged 60 and over.

- One-year borrowing membership: \$35 maximum, \$20 for people aged 60 and over
- Computer and digital-device courses: depends on hours of instruction (discounts often given for members and seniors)

The new board of directors will be meeting in June to organize and plan our move into the new UWCM clubhouse during the month of August. We will need to prepare the new location (clean, paint, hang curtains) and have some minor renovations done. Volunteers to help with packing up the Coach House files and contents in July, please step forward!

EVENTS CALENDAR — MAY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Board meetig	7 LADIES WHO LUNCH / TRAVEL CLUB	8	9	10	11
12  Mother's Day	13	14 LADIES WHO LUNCH	15 AGM & Dinner Meeting	16	17	18
19 OUTDOOR LADIES	20  Victoria Day	21	22	23 DINING IN	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



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INTEREST GROUPS

OUTDOOR LADIES

Sunday, May 19, 11:00 am - Angrignon Park

We will meet at Angrignon Metro station (end of the Green Line). After a real outdoor walk in the woods, we will go elsewhere to have lunch. (There are two nearby choices for a very good brunch.) There is ample parking. Let's hope the weather will be cooperative! Please let me know if you are coming. Convenor: Carly Pepler

DINING IN

Thursday, May 23, 6:30 pm

Hostess: **Pilar Shephard-Cumming**

The hostess will provide all the food, but may ask for specific items from participating guests. If guests receive no specific request from the hostess, each will bring a bottle of wine or \$20 (to be decided by the hostess).

Convenor: Elizabeth Wirth

TRAVEL CLUB

Tuesday, May 7, 7:00 pm (Coach House)

Let's welcome spring as we experience the California "Super Bloom" phenomenon. Presented by Andrea de Gosztonyi. See you there for the first presentation of the season!! Convenor: Andrea de Gosztonyi

LADIES WHO LUNCH

Tuesday, May 7, 12:30 pm (RSVP by April 30)

Tavern on the Square
 1 Westmount Square (Atwater Metro)

Convenor: Laurretta Alexander



Heartfelt condolences

are extended to loyal
 and long-time member, auctioneer
 extraordinaire, and past president
 Roxane Stanners on the passing of her
 beloved husband, Jean-François Mercure.



125 anniversaire anniversary

EXHIBITION
 Women's Art Society
 of Montreal

Wednesday April 24, 2019
 to Sunday April 28, 2019

Du mercredi, 24 avril 2019
 au dimanche, 28 avril 2019

**Association culturelle
 des femmes de Montréal**

EXPOSITION

VERNISSAGE
 Mercredi, 24 avril, 16h -19h
 Wednesday, April 24, 4-7PM

**CÉRÉMONIE DE CLÔTURE ET REMISE DES PRIX
 CLOSING CEREMONY AND AWARDS**
 Dimanche, 28 avril, 15h -17h
 Sunday, April 28, 3-5PM

Le Livart, 3980 St-Denis
 Montréal, Qc H2W 2M3



Elizabeth Monk appointed "Historical Personage"

This year on International Women Day, while some of us were learning about women and the vote in Quebec, MLA Nathalie Roy (Minister of Culture and Communications and Minister Responsible for the French Language) informed us that the government had designated Elizabeth Monk as a *historical personage*.

The original letter received from Mme. Roy will be framed and displayed on the walls of our new clubhouse at the Atwater Library.

At the May 15 AGM, we will proudly raise a glass of bubbly to our very own Elizabeth Monk.



In 2011, the University Women's Club of Montreal had a special dinner where it [...] honoured one of Montreal's pioneering female corporate lawyers and UWCM second president (1932-1938), **Elizabeth Monk, BCL'23** [...]. After graduating at the age of 23 with the highest standing in the civil law program at the Faculty of Law at McGill University, she had to wait close to 20 years before gaining admission to the Quebec Bar. It was only in 1941 that Quebec Premier Joseph-Adélarde Godbout enabled legislation to amend the Bar Act to allow the admission of women. Elizabeth became one of the first women to be officially admitted to the professional order in 1942. After her death in 1982, [...] the University Women's Club of Montreal [was left an] endowment by this former president to support its work helping professional women. Elizabeth worked until five months before she died at the age of 82 in 1980.

- *The Gazette*, November 2011

For more information on Elizabeth Monk, click:
<http://www.patrimoine-culturel.gouv.qc.ca/rpcq/accueil.do?jsessionid=92508C7BB60094AEF861463F906C0D75?methode=afficher>

Announcing SAGE Award winner at AGM

As part of its 100th Anniversary celebrations, CFUW is excited to introduce the Sage Awards, to be given by each club to the current member who has the longest period of CFUW membership. This is a way to recognize and celebrate the commitment and dedication of members who have been championing the CFUW's mission for decades.

These women will be honoured with a silver pin and certificate from National Office.

Joseph Guitard retires

Representatives of the board of directors presented a gift to the Atwater Club's Joseph Guitard upon his retirement. The gift, picked out and beautifully wrapped by Dominique Racanelli, was a serigraph by a local artist Odile Loulou entitled "I remember/ je me souviens."



A.M. Trahan named head of abuse audit



In March, the Honourable Anne-Marie Trahan, QC, member of the UWCM, and retired judge of the Quebec Superior Court, was appointed by five Catholic Archdioceses, including Montreal, to conduct an audit of the claims of sexual abuse of minors levelled at the Catholic Church over a span of nearly seven decades. Anne-Marie joined the UWCM in 1964, served on the board for several years, and is currently a patron of Stella Musica and Les Olympes de la Parole.

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CFUW: 1919 to 2019

Celebrating 100 Years CFUW Annual General Meeting Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg

August 16-18, 2019

Registration is now open. Go to <http://www.cfuw.org> for more details. For program, activities, forms and registration fees, click <http://www.cfuw.proreg.ca>.

Register today.

See our club awarded and well represented! Visit another part of the country! Meet fellow CFUW members and learn what sister clubs across the country are concerned about today.

Foundation Fundraising Fun



Friday, June 7 - 8 pm

UWCM Foundation Fundraiser
Nine or ninety: Everyone loves the circus

**National Circus School
 of Canada**

Tickets: \$50 (with \$25 tax receipt)
 Reserve tickets: Andrea de Gosztonyi

GIFT-BASKET RAFFLE

The Foundation is raising FUNDS while making it FUN for our members. Each one of our interest group convenors have reached out to the group participants to generously provide suitable gift baskets for our raffle at the AGM dinner. So be there at 6 pm to buy your tickets and stay for dinner to see who wins!

Ticket prices: one for \$5, three for \$10, eight for \$20

LOOKING FOR TRUSTEES

The UWCM Foundation needs new blood! It is looking for a treasurer and one or two new trustees to sit on its board of trustees and attend three or four meetings a year. We need your ideas, experience, advice! Contact Andrea de Gosztonyi or Pamela Georges today.