



# Women &

# Newsletter

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February 2005

# Program of Events 2004-2005

# Traversing the Globe on the QE 2

Susan & Robert McLaren
Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m.
Regina Floral Conservatory
(City of Regina Greenhouse)
1450-B 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue
Coffee & Dessert to follow
\$5 per person

# Tour of Shumiatcher Art Collection

Wednesday, March 23 at 7:30 p.m. Home of Mrs. Jacqui Shumiatcher 2520 College Ave. (at McIntyre St.) Coffee & Dessert to follow No charge for members

#### Travels to Mount Everest

Speaker: Dr. Marion Jones Annual General Meeting & Dinner Wednesday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m. University Club



#### Join U of R Women!

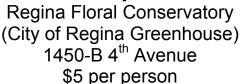
Membership in *U of R Women* is open to women who are affiliated with the University of Regina, either through their own or their partner's employment at the university.

The annual fee is only \$15. To become a member, call **Dena McMartin** at 584-0155 or email her: dena.mcmartin@uregina.ca

Exotic places for the armchair traveller!

Traversing the Globe on the QE 2
Slide Show by Susan & Robert McLaren

Wednesday, February 16 7:30 p.m.



Coffee & Dessert to follow Guests are welcome!

Please call Anne Lavack at 586-8276 to reserve your place at this event. E-mail: Anne.Lavack@uregina.ca



Art to warm the senses!

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Home of Mrs. Jacqui Shumiatcher 2520 College Ave. (at McIntyre St.)

Coffee & Dessert to follow Guests are welcome!

Please call Dawn Owen at 586-9026 to reserve your place at this event.

E-mail: dowen@accesscomm.ca

#### **Our Cancellation Policy:**

If you commit to attend an event, you are responsible for paying your admission fee unless you cancel at least 24 hours in advance.

#### **Member News**

#### **Get Well Soon**

- Joan Roy is recovering from a broken wrist, and we wish her well.
- Toby Willis-Camp is recovering from eye surgery, and we wish her a speedy recovery.
- Marilyn Lewis has been in the Palliative Care unit of the Pasqua Hospital since mid-January, receiving cancer treatment and pain medication. She does not have a lot of energy to talk, but really appreciates her friends' interest and concern.

#### **Vacations**

- Linda Paul visited her daughter in Australia in December, and also had an opportunity to stop off for some sight-seeing in Beijing, China on her return trip.
- Anne Lavack had a week of vacation in California during December, enjoying the sun at Marina del Rey and Laguna Beach.

#### Congratulations

- Congratulations to Lynn Cecil on her two upcoming solo art exhibits. The Secret Lives of Pears opens at Mysteria Gallery on 13th Avenue on Wednesday, February 9th (7-9 p.m., all are invited). Canadian l'Annescapes III opens at the University Club on February 14th. Both shows will continue for several months.
- Congratulations to Cara Gay Driscoll on her art installation, The Path to Mary, which is showing at The John Paul II Centre, 2200–25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, January 5 - February 18, 2005.

## Nominations for Executive

At the Annual General Meeting on April 27, 2005, members of U of R Women will be voting on a new Executive for the 2004-2005 season. If you are interested in serving on the Executive, or would like to nominate someone to serve on the Executive, please contact Joan Roy by email at at royjoa@uregina.ca or phone 586-5536.

#### Message from the President

I am sitting here looking out at the rising sun on a beautiful late January morning, glad to see that the days are lengthening and the temperature rising, if only for a few days!

The year is going so quickly – your Executive is already working on the agenda for the Annual General Meeting in April. One important issue that we will need to address is a proposed increase of the Membership Fee. These monies are used to defray some of the costs of our monthly events which are open to all members and their guests. You probably have noticed that the charges for individual events have been kept to a minimum, or in some cases are free. This is *your* association and we want you to enjoy getting together. The money is also used to top up the Scholarship Fund when donations are less than the \$1,000 we give to a student each year. The Executive will propose an increase of \$5 in the annual Membership Fee, bringing it to \$20. Our constitution states that the annual Membership Fee be determined at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Therefore, a vote for the proposed increase will be taken at the AGM on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Very shortly, we will be organizing a search committee to recruit members for the 2005-2006 Executive. Please give serious consideration to helping in the running of your association. If you are interested in a particular position or would like to head one of the Interest groups, please let me know at *royjoa@uregina.ca* or call me at **586-5536**. I would be happy to hear from you.

February 16<sup>th</sup> is our next meeting. This presentation, *Traversing the Globe on the QE2* by Susan & Robert McLaren, should transport us from all of this cold weather and give us some ideas for future winter travel.

Sincere thanks to **Kay Antrobus** for her splendid organization of the Music & Munchies event held on January 19<sup>th</sup> at the University Club. Mark your agendas now for events on February 16<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, and April 27<sup>th</sup>.

-- Joan Roy, President of U of R Women

# Do You Have Any Member News?

We're interested in hearing about your news! If you've had a vacation, promotion, birth of a child or grandchild, marriage, retirement, or other important event, let us tell U of R Women members about it in the newsletter.

Please send newsletter items to the newsletter editor via e-mail: Anne.Lavack@uregina.ca or phone her at 586-8276.

### U of R Women - Executive for 2004-2005

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The next Executive Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at the home of Kay Antrobus, 3059 Quinn Drive, at 7:30 p.m.

#### **Book Club #1**

Convenor:

#### Sara Cryderman 585-6503

Book Club #1 usually meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, but it is currently 'full,' so no new members are being accepted. However, new members are being accepted in Book Club #2.



## **International Cooking**

If you love to cook, then join the *International Gourmet Cooking Club*. This group of about 12 members meets once a month in a member's home. Meals are planned to represent the food of different countries, or to reflect a special theme.

Call Convenor **Lynn Tomkins** at **584-3708** for more information.



# **Mixed Bridge Group**

If you enjoy playing bridge, contact Isabelle Peardon at gpeardon@accesscomm.ca or phone her 586-6315, and come out to the Mixed Bridge Group. This is open to both couples and pairs of ladies.



# **INTEREST GROUPS**

## **Couples Gourmet Dinner Club**

The Couples Gourmet Dinner Club meets on the **2nd Saturday** of each month at 7:00 p.m. Each couple prepares and brings a dish from the international menu planned by the convenor. Each couple also brings their own wine or beverage. The hostess supplies coffee & tea. Usually 3-5 couples attend; if there are more couples, we will hold the dinner at more than one location.

Convenor: Rachel Faerber-Ovaska, phone 569-8203.

Sat., Feb. 12 Brazil
Sat., Mar. 12 Germany
Sat., April 9 Italy

Sat., May 14 Acadian Lobster Night

#### **February Menu:**

-Sopa de Milho (Corn Soup)

-Salada de Palmito (Hearts of Palm Salad) -Br

-Brazilian Black Bean & Beef Casserole

-Brazilian Feyoada Rice

-Mariscada (Brazilian Fish Stew)

-Brazilian Chicken & Mushrooms -Torta de Banana (Banana Pie)

## **Culinary Explorers**

Join the Culinary Explorers, dining out at a different restaurant each month! This event now takes place at **6:30 p.m.** on the **2nd Monday** of each month.

(Note the new dates below!)



If you wish to attend, please RSVP to the convenor, **Anne Lavack** at **586-8276**, at least 1 day before each restaurant outing takes place.

#### **Book Club #2**

We've planned an exciting list of books for 2004-2005!

Tue, Feb 1
Tue, Mar 1
Tue, April 5
Tue, May 3
The Gardens of Kyoto
The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency
The Seven Sisters
Tue, May 3
The Gardens of Kyoto
The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency
Alexander McCall-Smith
by Margaret Drabble
by C. Stuart Houston

If you love to read, please come and join us! Call **Anne Lavack** at 586-8276 or e-mail Anne.Lavack@uregina.ca

# **Interest Group Convenors**

Come out and enjoy one of the interest groups! Contact the convenor of the group that interests you:

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Couples Gourmet	Rachel Faerber-Ovaska	rachelfaerber@hotmail.com	569-8203		
Internat'l Cooking	Lynn Tomkins	lynn.tomkins@sasktel.net	584-3708		

## **Death by Chocolate**

The Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) is holding a special fundraising event entitled *Death by Chocolate*, designed to raise money for University of Regina scholarships.

The evening will feature an amazing dessert buffet, which includes an enormous variety of chocolate desserts.

Date: Saturday, February 12

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Sask. Centre of the Arts Cost: \$25.00 per person

A Ballroom Dancing demonstration will be featured (presented by the Regina Ballroom Dancing Club), as well as swing music from the group 8's Enuff.

For tickets, please call **Laura Ross** at **584-8846**.



#### Secret Lives of Pears

The public is welcome to attend the opening of **Lynn Cecil**'s solo art exhibit, *The Secret Lives of Pears*.

Date: Wed., Feb. 9 Time: 7-9 p.m.

Place: Mysteria Gallery 2706 13<sup>th</sup> Ave.



# The Path to Mary

U of R Women member, Cara Gay Driscoll, has created an art installation, *The Path to Mary*, which is showing at:

The John Paul II Centre 2200–25<sup>th</sup> Avenue January 5 - February 18, 2005.

She will be giving an Artist's Talk at this location on:

**Date:** Wed., Feb. 2 Time: 7-9 p.m.
Call 791-9570

to pre-register.



#### Eclectic Events – Victorian Tea at Government House

Date: Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

Time: 1:00 p.m. Cost: \$8.00

Visit with a group of our members while enjoying a three "course" traditional Victorian tea in the beautiful ballroom at Government House. See the recently completed addition to Government House. As well, free tours of the Government House Museum are available.

For more information or to book a reservation, contact **Margaret Fox** at

543-3996. Everyone welcome!



# **Call for Papers Sojourners: Narratives by Canadian Women**

U of R Women member, **Shawna Geissler**, is seeking articles for a book that she is co-editing. Articles will share the stories of women's lives, highlighting the inner journeys we have made to become the strong women that we are in Canada.

Narrating stories provides us with a pathway for introspection, a road of example, a highway of interconnections. Some of us have been forced to make sacrifices; others have overcome tragedy or poverty. Some of us have been limited by circumstance; others have survived illness or abuse. Some of us have lost everything; others have been given incredible opportunities. You are invited to share with others your personal journey by contributing an article for consideration in this edited book.

#### Topics may include (but are not limited to):

- Retrospective learning
- Introspection
- Opportunities due to privilege
- Obstacles due to circumstance (poverty, abuse, illness)
- Immigrant stories
- Overcoming gender issues
- Living with bias, racism
- Personal sacrifice
- Pain of loss (e.g. death of loved one(s), divorce, estranged children).

#### **Submission Guidelines:**

- Minimum 2500 words; Maximum 7500 words
- Fiction, creative non-fiction and non-fiction essays will be considered.
- Typed, doubled-spaced, 11 or 12 point font
- English preferred, but French is acceptable
- Electronic submissions are not acceptable at this time
- Include a brief biography (max. 250 words)

If you would like to submit an article for consideration, please send one copy of your essay or story (postmarked no later than May 1, 2005) to:

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### **Bursary News**

We are currently accepting donations for a \$1000 bursary to be awarded in memory of Patricia Bryce, a long-time member of U of R Women who passed away in 2002. So far, we have raised \$745 toward our goal!

We would be delighted to receive further donations throughout the year from our members to complete the \$1,000 total of the bursary.

All donations are tax deductible and can be mailed to our treasurer, Margaret Fox, at 210 Smith Street, Regina, S4R 2K7.

Please make cheques payable to the University of Regina, and identify it as a U of R Women Bursary donation.



## **Eclectic Events: January's Wine-Food Evening**

Encouraged by the positive feedback from the January 2004 wine-food pairing event, the Eclectic Events Group sponsored a repeat event in January 2005. Resource person was the very knowledgeable Dr. Bob Roy (husband of Dr. **Joan Roy**), who guided the group through an appreciation of five different wines, while providing much interesting background information and anecdotes.

Each wine was accompanied by foods that enhanced the flavour of that particular wine. The main course of the dinner was a cassoulet, or as Bob described it, "glorified pork and beans." This is a traditional dish in the south of France, one that Bob and Joan have enjoyed while traveling in that area.

As was the case last year, a Sauvignon Blanc was the overall favourite of the group. This was a New Zealand wine, *Stoneleigh Marborough Sauvignon Blanc*, which retails in Regina at \$17.05 per bottle. The other top choice was California's *Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay*, a lovely wine that is available locally for \$24.50

From all those who attended, we extend our thanks to Bob for an interesting and enjoyable evening.

# **Couples Gourmet Dinner Club: Ethiopian Dinner**

The Couples Gourmet Dinner Club features wonderful theme dinners on the second Saturday of each month, and January's dinner was particularly enjoyable. A total of 12 people attended, and enjoyed Injera (thin pancakes), Doro Wat (spicy braised chicken), Abish (ground beef, tomatoes, & goat cheese), Lamb and Cardamom, Amhari (Ethiopian vegetable bowl), and other wonderful dishes prepared by the members.

New members are welcome, and the dishes are not difficult to prepare! Call **Rachel Faerber-Ovaska** at **569-8203**.

U OF R WOMEN - FEBRUARY 2005 ACTIVITIES						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> <b>7:30 pm</b> Book Club #2	7:00 pm Cara Gay Driscoll's Artist's Talk	3	4	5
6	7 6:30 pm Culinary Explorers	8	7-9 pm Lynn Cecil's Art Opening at Mysteria	10	11	7:00 pm Couples Gourmet Dinner
13	14	15	7:30 pm QE2 – Regina Floral Conservatory	17	18 Mixed Bridge Club	19
20	21 Book Club #1	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					March 5 Victorian Tea at Govt. House

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