

## New members

**Miriam Handel** received her BHJ and MA from U of R. She was a past sessional lecturer at U of R and FNUC and Research Assistant at CPRC, while doing her MA in Aboriginal/ First Nations Justice.

Her husband was Brent Galloway, Linguist, Prof. at SIFC and then FNUC for 20 years.

Her last employment before retirement was as a Policy Analyst with Saskatchewan Housing Corporation.

Her interests include reading, walking the dog, some crocheting and cooking/ baking, although not as much now.

**Aline Munro** moved to Regina this past year, and joined our club because of her previous experience with the Women's University Club in Saint John, NB. She previously taught nursing for over 20 years before she became the Dean at the New Brunswick Community College in Saint John, NB. Her interests include volunteering, golf, quilting, travel and reading.

## November Special Event

UoR Women are invited to this special event on **November 13, 2019**. Come listen to **Meara Conway** present on the topic of Child Welfare Issues. Then join us for refreshments.

Date and Time: November 13, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Place: CB 234 Classroom, College Avenue Campus

Cost: \$8.00 at the door (includes refreshments)

Seating is limited.

Please RSVP by November 5, 2019 to: [bonnie.dobni@uregina.ca](mailto:bonnie.dobni@uregina.ca) or (306)537-3467

**Meara Conway** is a lawyer, musician, and new mother.

A public defender with Legal Aid and Vice-President of CUPE Local 1949, Meara Conway was recently named one of Canada's *Top 25 Most Influential Lawyers* for her work representing activists of the Justice for our Stolen Children Camp and for her contribution to the struggle against recent attempts to privatize and cut Legal Aid.

Throughout her career, Meara has been active on many seminal constitutional issues of our day and has appeared at all levels of court, including the Supreme Court of Canada. She is committed to advocating for vulnerable communities and has worked in child welfare and social assistance reform, Indigenous rights, and for refugee and migrant justice.

**Kay Antrobus** celebrated the 60th anniversary of the Class of '59 from Brandon College. We had a great time - the 10 of us who came to Brandon.

**Sheila McKague** went to Tanzania last winter and to northern Sask on a canoe/kayak excursion with family in August.

Alison had a Hayford family reunion in Belfast, Maine, with three in my generation and most of our children and grandchildren. We visited the cemetery where my parents and brother are buried and the farmhouse on Hayford Hill where my father grew up. At the end of the reunion we accompanied grandson Theo and his family on the Stephen King tour in Bangor, Maine. Later we visited UR retired professor Mary Blackstone at her house in Ellsworth, Maine.

### President's Message

I am happy to report that our "Welcome Back" reception on September 18 saw a number of new faces in attendance. It was certainly encouraging that our invitation had attracted several young women from the campus, and that our membership remains stable. One of them volunteered to help at the Convocation Tea on October 18, and told us she enjoyed the experience, especially as she got to know the older members who were also working at the reception. I received a note of appreciation from the Registrar's Office for our participation at the event (still one of our more important functions), and I want to thank once again those who volunteered for the occasion.

Our event on November 13 promises to be an enlightening and lively evening, with Maera Conway as our guest speaker. More on her and her topic elsewhere in this bulletin. The venue should be attractive to those who have yet to see the renovated building on College Avenue.

We are still in deliberation as to our February event, but you may want to mark April 8, 2020 on your calendars, the date for our AGM. We are privileged to have one of Regina's renowned artists, Wilf Perreault, as our guest speaker that night.

With all that, and our various interest groups continuing to be active and well-attended, we can rightly say that our organization is alive and well!

Yours, Samira McCarthy

### SAVE THE DATE:

The UofR Women Annual General Meeting will be held on April 8, 2020 at the Royal Regina Golf Club. This year's guest speaker will be Wilf Perreault.

### Membership Report – Marilyn Lewry

So far this year we have 38 paid-up members. This includes two new members and one former member who has returned to the club. There are a number of ladies who were members last year but have not yet paid their fees. Could you please do so before the end of October. If you do not intend to renew, I would appreciate it if you would let me know as soon as possible ([lewrym@uregina.ca](mailto:lewrym@uregina.ca) or phone 306-584-1008).

### U of R Women – Executive for 2019-2020

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## Interest Group Activities

### Book Club #1

We meet on the third Monday of each month for great food, coffee and conversation. Convened by Sara Cryderman at [sara.cryderman@sasktel.net](mailto:sara.cryderman@sasktel.net) or 306-585-6503.

### Book Club #2

We meet the first Tuesday evening of the month. Members take turns hosting/co-hosting, and presenting the book we have read. Contact Tatiana at [Tatiana.levit@uregina.ca](mailto:Tatiana.levit@uregina.ca) or 306-337-8455.

### Book Club #3

This new club meets monthly at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Contact person is Janet Listoe at [janet.listoe@uregina.ca](mailto:janet.listoe@uregina.ca) or 306-585-4596.

### .Walking Club

Join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. (or on a day and time of the group's choice), gathering in the parking lot at the Willow restaurant. For more information, please contact Mary Okumura at [mary.okumura@uregina.ca](mailto:mary.okumura@uregina.ca) or 306-585-1380.

### Gourmet Cooking Club

This group of women meets monthly for dinner and lively conversation. Meals are planned to reflect either the cuisine of a particular culture or a special theme. Members work in pairs, each pair hosting one evening during the year. On all other evenings, they enjoy being guests. For information or to register interest in this group, contact Barbara de Vlieger at 306-586-2714 or by e-mail at [Barbara.devlieger@uregina.ca](mailto:Barbara.devlieger@uregina.ca).

### Culinary Explorers

This group samples different Regina restaurants once each month. This event usually takes place at 6:15 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to Lise Lundlie at 586-1085 or [llundlie@sasktel.net](mailto:llundlie@sasktel.net) at least 3 days before each outing takes place.

### Le Cercle Francais

This is a French language conversation group for members who wish to socialize in a friendly, French-speaking atmosphere. To join, contact Alison Hayford at [Alison.hayford@uregina.ca](mailto:Alison.hayford@uregina.ca) or 306-352-0253.

### Movie Night Club

We go to a movie approximately once a month, usually a weekend evening or matinee, at the Rainbow Cinema or RPL Theatre; and then casually discuss it at a local coffee shop. Contact is Alison at [Alison.hayford@uregina.ca](mailto:Alison.hayford@uregina.ca) or 306-352-0253.

### Mixed Bridge Group

If you enjoy playing bridge, come out to the Mixed Bridge Group. This is open to both couples and pairs of ladies. The bridge group meets once a month in the homes of individual members. Contact Linda Paul at 585-0988 or [paulal@uregina.ca](mailto:paulal@uregina.ca)

### Curling Club

This club starts in mid-October and beginners are welcome! We play Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 at the Callie. For more information contact Linda Paul at 585-0988 or [paulal@uregina.ca](mailto:paulal@uregina.ca).

## **University of Regina Bursary**

The honouree for the 2019 bursary is Alison Hayford, who is Professor Emerita in the Department of Sociology and Social Studies. She retired from the University in 2011 after a 33 year career. Before coming to the University of Regina, she worked as a budget analyst for the Province of Saskatchewan, where she was the first woman to be promoted to senior analyst in the Budget Bureau. Alison is originally from the United States, with a BA from Barnard College and a doctorate from the University of Michigan. She moved to Canada and to Regina in 1973. Her husband Paul Gingrich is Professor Emeritus in the Department of Sociology and Social Studies. She has two daughters of whom she is very proud: Jane, a professor of Political Science at Oxford, and Meg, a researcher with the United Steelworkers Union/Syndicat des metallos, and three grandsons, two in the UK and one in Toronto, that she doesn't see often enough.

As per university policy, the bursary goes to an undergraduate student in sociology with a minimum of 53 credit hours (2 years completed).

To date \$1005.00 has been donated to the bursary. Our goal is \$1200.

Members who wish to make a donation toward the bursary for 2019 can do so by sending a cheque made out to the University of Regina and sent to the U of R Women's treasurer, **Catherine Arthur-MacDonald** at 73 Culliton Crescent, Regina, S4S 4J5 **before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**.

Thanks to all of our members who have contributed to the University of Regina Women's bursaries. Your continued support is appreciated.