



# Newsletter

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September 2005

## Program of Events 2005-2006

#### Welcome Back Reception

Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 7:30 p.m.
The Terrace
10 Research Drive

#### Joint Event with CFUW

Dr. Carmen Robertson
The Role of Indigenous Art in the
Struggle for De-Colonization
Monday, Nov. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

#### University of Regina Chamber Orchestra Concert

Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 8:00 p.m. Riddell Theatre, U of Regina followed by Coffee & Dessert just outside the theatre

#### Tour of Kinesiology Building, U of Regina

Wednesday, January 18 at 7:30 p.m.
Tour led by Dr. Craig Chamberlain,
Dean of the Faculty of
Kinesiology & Health Studies
followed by dessert & coffee

#### Teaching ESL in Mexico

Therese Gerrond
Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 7:30 p.m.
Regina Floral Conservatory
(City of Regina Greenhouse)
1450-B 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue
Coffee & Dessert to follow

#### Spring Gardening

Thursday, March 23 at 7:30 p.m.
Dutch Growers
3320 Pasqua Street
Coffee & Dessert to follow

#### Gail Bowen

Reading from her most recent books Annual General Meeting & Dinner Wednesday, April 26 at 5:30 p.m. University Club



You are cordially invited to attend the

# U of R Women Welcome Back Reception

Wednesday, September 21
7:30 p.m.

at The Terrace Building 10 Research Drive

Coffee & dessert will be served.

Park for free after 6:00 p.m. at the meters in front of the building, or in the parking lot behind the building

This is your opportunity to renew your membership in U of R Women, as well as an excellent chance for potential members to learn more about the organization.

Cost of a 12-month membership is only \$20, and there is <u>no charge</u> to attend this event.

Please RSVP to Heather Jans at 949-6762 or heather.jans@uregina.ca

Make plans now to attend our annual joint event with the Canadian Federation of University Women!

#### Dr. Carmen Robertson

Department of Fine Arts, First Nations University of Canada

The Role of Indigenous Art in the Struggle for De-Colonization

Monday, November 7 7:30 p.m.

Details about place and ticket price to follow.

Reserve your seat when you attend the Welcome Back Reception, or RSVP to Joan Roy at 586-5536, E-mail: royjoa@uregina.ca

#### **Member News**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

- Congratulations to Karen Nicholls on the birth of her grandson!
- Congratulations to Lynn Tomkins on the birth of her granddaughter.

#### **CONDOLENCES**

 Condolences to Herta Holle on the passing of her sister in Spring of 2005.

#### **GET WELL SOON**

- Our best wishes to Lise Lundlie who had heart surgery in May.
- Our best wishes to Dena McMartin who had surgery in June.

#### **VACATIONS**

- Toby Willis-Camp and her family enjoyed a week in sunny Hawaii in August 2005.
- Anne Lavack spent two weeks in Germany in July 2005, attending a conference and enjoying some vacation time.
- Kay Antrobus enjoyed an Alaskan cruise in May 2005.
- Lynn Cecil enjoyed 2 weeks in London, Ont. visiting her family in July.

## 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 Linda Paul, newsletter editor, via e-mail: paulal@uregina.ca or phone her at 585-0988.



#### Message from the President

As I write this note, the warmth of the Prairie sunshine and the daylight hours are beginning to wane, and the promise of Autumn isn't too far afield. I hope all of you had a splendid summer filled with many memorable moments.

On behalf of the Executive, welcome back to another exciting year with the U of R Women. Over the past few months, members of your Executive have attempted to compile an interesting and varied slate of events for the coming year. We hope you will find something of particular interest, and will take the time to note those dates on your calendar. As always, we encourage members to check the monthly newsletters for the specific details pertaining to each event.

To start the year, our New Members' Luncheon will be held on Saturday, September 10 at the home of our Vice-President, Anne Lavack, at 16 Lancaster Place. If you are aware of any women who might be interested in joining the organization, please contact one of the members on the Executive. (As most of you already know, our organization welcomes women who are employed as faculty or staff at the University of Regina, or whose partners are U of R staff or faculty.)

The much-awaited annual "Welcome Back Reception," our first official meeting of the new year, will be held on Wednesday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m. at The Terrace Building, 10 Research Drive. As in the past, this evening will provide an ideal opportunity for members to rekindle previous friendships and to acquaint themselves with our newest members in a relaxed setting over coffee and dessert (which will be provided by the Executive members). We have also invited Marie-France, the incoming-President's wife, and our Honorary President, in addition to our bursary winners, Theresa Eppich and Genna Wagner, to join us for this gathering. During the evening you will be given an opportunity to renew your U of R Women's membership, and, if you so wish, to contribute to next year's bursary, which has been established in the name of our long-time friend and member, Hilary Johnson.

We look forward to seeing you on September 21<sup>st</sup> for what promises to be a relaxed and enjoyable evening at The Terrace. In the meantime, indulge yourselves in the final days of summer!

#### -- Dawn Owen, President of U of R Women

P.S. Just an afterthought, some of you may be delighted to hear that the UofR Women provided its Silver Tea Service from our Convocation 'collectibles' for one of the several functions organized for Queen Elizabeth during her visit to officially open the Province's Centennial Year. Nice to think, Her Royal Highness enjoyed 'regal' service from one of our own teapots!

#### U of R Women - Executive for 2005-2006

Dawn Owen	President	dowen@accesscomm.ca	586-9026
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Karen Nicholls	Telephone	ernie.nicholls@uregina.ca	584-2720

NOTE: The next executive meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m., at 16 Lancaster Place.

#### **Mixed Bridge Group**

If you enjoy playing bridge, contact Isabelle Peardon at <a href="mailto:gpeardon@accesscomm.ca">gpeardon@accesscomm.ca</a> or phone her 586-6315, and 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.



# New! Parent & Child Group

A Parent & Child Group is the latest new Interest Group for U of R Women. Open to members with one or more pre-school children, members of this new group will bring their children and meet twice a month at members' homes and at a variety of local venues.

This is a great way to interact with other parents while your children have fun playing together! If you're interested, please contact Rachel Faerber-Ovaska at 569-8203 or e-mail: rachelfaerber@hotmail.com



# Have an Idea for a New Interest Group?

If you have an idea for a new interest group that you would like to convene, please e-mail **Bev Anderson** at:

bandbanderson@sasktel.net.

We are also looking for convenors for activities in 2005-2006, so call **Bev Anderson** at **761-0661** if you're willing to volunteer.

#### **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**.

#### 2005-2006 Dates:

2003-2000 Dates.	
Sat., Sept. 10	Peru
Sat., Oct. 15	Romania
Sat., Nov. 5	Turkey
Sat., Dec. 10	Mexico
Sat., Jan. 14	Africa
Sat., Feb. 11	New Orleans Creole
Sat., Mar. 11	France
Sat., April 8	Middle Eastern
Sat., May 13	Australian Barbecue



#### **Culinary Explorers**

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



If you wish to attend, please RSVP to the convenor, **Anne Lavack** at **586-8276**, at least 2 days before each restaurant outing takes place.

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

We usually meet on the first Tuesday of the month.

Here's an exciting list of books for 2005-2006!



Tue, Sept 6	Leap of Faith	by Queen Noor
Tue, Oct 4	The Reader	by Bernhard Schlink
Tue, Nov 1	Blackberry Wine	by Joanne Harris
Tue, Dec 6	Rockbound	by Frank Parker Day
Tue, Jan 3	A Complicated Kindness	by Miriam Toews
Tue, Feb 7	The Jane Austen Book Club	by Karen Joy Fowler
Tue, Mar 1	Ladybug, Ladybug	by W.O. Mitchell
Tue, April 5	The Kite Runner	by Khaled Hosseini
Tue, May 3	Lilac Moon: Dreaming of the Real West	by Sharon Butala

If you love to read, please come and join us!

Call Anne Lavack at 586-8276 or e-mail Anne.Lavack@uregina.ca

#### **International Gourmet Cooking Club**

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 info.

#### **Eclectic Events –**

The name says it all! This group plans an eclectic set of special events a few times a year. Details of upcoming events will be listed in future issues of this newsletter.

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

Convenor:

Sara Cryderman 585-6503

Note: Book Club #1 is 'full', so no new members are being accepted. However, new members are being accepted in Book Club #2.



#### 'Patches of Hope' **Quilt Auction**

Date: Thursday, October 13

Time:

6:00 p.m. Preview of Quilts

7:00 p.m. High Tea

7:15 p.m. Silent & Live Auctions

Tickets: \$20.00

Several members of the U of R Women are among those who have donated guilts to the 'Patches of Hope' Quilt Auction, to raise money for the Canadian Cancer Society.

The Live Auction will include 35 quilts, and the Silent Auction will include 65 guilts and other items. For tickets, call:

Lynn Tomkins Sheila McKaque 525-8905 Joan Rov

584-3708 586-5536



#### **Eclectic Events –** Chef's Table at the Hotel Saskatchewan!

On Monday, April 25, 2005, the U of R Women Eclectic Events interest group experienced Chef's Table dining in the kitchen of the Hotel Saskatchewan Radisson Plaza. Food was prepared right before our eyes!

The event began with champagne and goat cheese hors d'oeuvres. Our 12 participants were seated at a long dining table in full view of the kitchen preparation centre. The Chef described the food he was preparing and how it was cooked, and provided several tips involved in his preparation methods. The featured appetizer was bison tartar served with Saskatoon berries. The salad included mixed greens and pecan-crusted quail. The wonderful entrée was steelhead trout served on a fresh pasta cannelloni stuffed with wild rice and cranberries.

Dessert featured blood orange sorbet served with a fantastic carmelized sugar plume to top it off - scrumptious! Everyone in the group was effusive in their praise, both of the meal itself and the experience of actually being in a busy, prestigious kitchen while the chef prepared the meal. The memorable Chef's Table experience was one that all present would readily repeat.

#### **Interest Group Convenors**

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

Book Club #1 Sara Cryderman Book Club #2 Anne Lavack Isabelle Peardon Bridge Culinary Explorers Anne Lavack Eclectic Events Sheila McKaque Couples Gourmet Rachel Faerber-Ovaska <u>rachelfaerber@hotmail.com</u> Internat'l Cooking Lynn Tomkins

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U OF R WOMEN - SEPTEMBER 2005 ACTIVITIES						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Labour Day Holiday	6 7:30 pm Book Club #2	7	8	9	10 12:30 New Members Luncheon 7:00 pm Couples Gourmet Dinner
11	12 6:30 pm Culinary Explorers	13	14	15	16 Mixed Bridge Club	17
18	19 Book Club #1	20	21 7:30 pm Welcome Back Event	22	23	24
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#### **Bursary News...**

Congratulations to **Theresa Eppich** and **Genna Wagner**, who have been named the recipients of the University of Regina Women **Patricia Bryce Bursary in Education**. Both bursary recipients will be invited to attend our *Welcome Back Evening* at the Terrace Building, 10 Research Drive, on Wednesday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m.

#### Convocation

Thank you to the volunteers from U of R Women who served tea and dainties at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Spring Convocation! Degrees, diplomas, and certificates were presented to 1,614 recipients at the ceremonies held at the Saskatchewan Centre of the Arts on June 1, 2, and 3, 2005.

### Needed: Convocation Volunteers!

We'll soon be looking for volunteers to serve tea at the Fall Convocation on Saturday, October 15, 2005. Please call **Anne Lavack** at **586-8276** if you're able to volunteer.



#### 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, or through membership on university Senate, Board of Governors, or Alumni Board.

The annual fee is only \$20, which entitles you to participate in a wide variety of activities. To become a member, call **Dena McMartin** at **584-0155** or email her: dena.mcmartin@uregina.ca

#### **Notice of Bursary Award**

#### The U of R Women-Hilary Johnson Bursary

Value: \$1000

Closing Date: April 30, 2006

Application Forms: Available from Awards Office, Room 229, Riddell

Centre, University of Regina or from the University web site at:

http://www.uregina.ca/awards

Conditions of the Award: This bursary is to be awarded to a female student in the Department of English who has a special interest in Creative Writing and who has completed at lest 30 credit hours of her program with a minimum PGPA of 70%. The recipient must be enrolled in either full or part-time studies during the 2006-2007 academic year. She must also demonstrate financial need.

Award Honours Hilary Johnson: The University of Regina Women 2006 Bursary is awarded in honour of Hilary Johnson. Hilary has been an active member of the University of Regina Women since her arrival from England to Regina in 1966, when her husband Keith accepted the position of Assistant Professor in the Chemistry Department. Hilary joined the University of Regina Faculty Wives' Club, now the University of Regina Women, where over her forty years as a member, she met new friends and joined many activity groups. She has served on the Executive on numerous occasions and was President of the organization in 1992.

While raising two children, David and Natasha, she attended the University of Regina as a part-time undergraduate, majoring in English. She also joined the Saskatchewan Writers Guild to continue her interest in writing, both fiction and writing newsletters for the local UNICEF committee and the SCA. Hilary would like to encourage talented young women to be chosen as honouree for the 2006 bursary, since she was initially involved with the creation of the bursary during her role as past-President several years ago.

**Donations to Award:** We would be delighted to receive donations throughout the year from our members to complete the total amount of the bursary. All donations are tax deductible and can be mailed to our treasurer, **Toby Willis-Camp**, at **3156 Cameron Street**, **Regina**, **S4S 1W7**. Please make cheques payable to the University of Regina and identify as a U of R Women Bursary donation.

#### **Car Pool**

Below is a list of members who have volunteered to be car pool drivers for anyone needing a ride to U of R Women events. Please feel free to contact one of them if you need a lift to a U of R Women event.

Anne Lavack	586-8276	Glenna Vigrass	586-9077
Bea McBeath	584-0703	Sheila McKague	525-8905
Karen Nicholls	584-2720	Dawn Owen	586-9026
Lynn Tomkins	584-3708	_	_

Many thanks to these volunteer drivers!



#### **Telephone Committee**

Volunteers are needed to telephone members each month to confirm their attendance at events. Please call **Karen Nicholls** at **584-2720** if you can assist with telephoning.



# FROM: U of R Women University of Regina c/o Linda Paul, Geography Dept. Address Label U of R Women