



BULLETIN HIGHLIGHTS

MAY 2026



CO-PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

April was a wonderfully busy month, highlighted by our successful, month-long celebration of our members. As we move into May—with its promise of sunshine and blooming flowers—we look forward to enjoying the spring season together. There's plenty happening at the Club, and we hope you'll join in.

Who can resist a delicious brunch? Treat yourself, your family, and friends to our Mother's Day Brunch on Sunday, May 10. Our Continuing Education series continues with *Cultivating Canadian Resiliency*, featuring Winnipeg community leaders sharing their perspectives on Canada's role in the international landscape, the importance of defending our sovereignty, and strengthening our political, social, and cultural institutions.

A special gathering is planned for May 14. Our program, *The Inequality Virus: Impacts and Solutions*, features an outstanding panel including Senator Marilou McPhedran, Senator Mary Jane McCallum, and CFUW National President Linda Sestock. The event begins in the afternoon and includes dinner followed by an evening program. Please see the Bulletin for full details and be sure to reserve your seat.

Our AGM will take place on Wednesday, May 27, and will include reports from UWC, as well as from the Scholarship Trust Fund, and FRCH. We encourage you to mark your calendar and attend.

We're also pleased to take part once again in Doors Open on Sunday, May 31. This popular event invites members of the public to enjoy guided tours of the house. Last year, dedicated volunteers from FRCH and UWC welcomed 388 visitors to Ralph Connor House. If you're able to help this year, please contact Penni Churko.

Finally, a friendly note that it is membership renewal time —we look forward to another wonderful year together!



MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

SUNDAY, MAY 10TH | 11 AM | 54 WEST GATE
HISTORIC RALPH CONNOR HOUSE

Menu

Eggs Benedict with Smoked Salmon or Ham
Omelette station • French toast • Scrambled eggs
Bacon • Sausages • Hash Browns • Chilled Salmon
Sliced beef • Broccoli Salad • Caesar Salad
Marinated veggies and dip • Cheese Tray

Dessert Crepes • Carrot
Cake • Fresh fruit tray

Coffee • Tea • Juices

Wine, cocktails, soft drinks and
signature mocktails will be available
for purchase at the cash bar.

Food will be served at 11:30 AM

Please Pay at Registration
Adults: \$65 | Children 5 -12 years old: \$20 |
Children under 5 years old: Free

Reservations are open until May 4th at 4:30 PM and can be made [online](mailto:office@uwcwpgmb.com), by emailing office@uwcwpgmb.com, calling 204-954-7880, or visiting us in person at 54 West Gate. Accepted payment methods include e-transfer to uwcfin@mymts.net, cheque, and debit.

UWC - EXPLORE CONTINUING EDUCATION

Cultivating Canadian Resiliency

Amid profound changes in the global order, Canada faces both uncertainty and opportunity. This series analyzes Canada's core strengths and vulnerabilities focusing on democracy, sovereignty, and institutional resilience. Join us this spring to learn how Canada can influence the international order, defend our sovereignty, and support our political, social and cultural institutions. These are sessions that will face the uncertainty but also celebrate Canada's unique place in the world.



Colonel Amanda Aldous

Colonel Amanda Aldous is Director of Plans and Modernization at 1 Canadian Air Division. Colonel Aldous has served around the world including as an advisor to NATO Training in Afghanistan, with Air Task Force in Kuwait, and with US Security Coordination in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territory. She has two Master's degrees: in Public Administration and Defence Studies.



Dr. Bryan Peeler

Dr. Bryan Peeler is a professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Manitoba whose research focuses on international law, Canadian foreign policy, and the role of reciprocity in global cooperation. His work examines how middle powers such as Canada navigate geopolitical uncertainty while supporting the liberal international order.



Dr. Marc Kuly

Dr. Marc Kuly is an award winning educator and directs the Service Learning Program for the Faculty of Education at the University of Winnipeg. He draws on fifteen years of experience as an inner city educator to guide the program towards experiences that allow students to recognize the strength that lies in diversity.



Dr. Stephen Borys

Dr. Stephen Borys is President and CEO of Civic Muse, a Winnipeg-based consultancy advancing leadership, strategy, and cultural innovation across museums, arts organizations, universities, and civic institutions. He previously served as Director & CEO of the Winnipeg Art Gallery - Qaumajuq where he championed the power of art as catalyst for equity, civic engagement, and positive change.



Dr. Royce Koop

Dr. Royce Koop is professor of political science, and coordinator of the Canadian studies program at the University of Manitoba. He researches themes related to representation and political parties, in both Canadian and comparative contexts. Dr. Koop is a regular media commentator on Canadian and Manitoba politics and writes a bi-weekly analysis column for the Winnipeg Sun.

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**Dates: Tuesdays, April 14th, 21st, and 28th, and May 5th and 12th. Time: 9:45 AM – 11:30 AM
(coffee/tea included)**

Fee: Members \$65 | Non-members \$80

Sign up online, email office@uwcwpgmb.com, or call 204-954-7880. You can also visit UWC at 54 West Gate to sign up in person during business hours (Tuesday - Thursday). Payment is required at the time of registration. We accept cheque, debit, e-transfer to uwcfin@mymts.net, or cash.

UWC - ENGAGE SPECIAL PROGRAM & DINNER

The Inequality Virus: Impact and Antidotes

What is the Inequality Virus, why do we care, and what can we do? The term emerged globally during the Covid -19 pandemic, as it became clear that the pandemic was disproportionately affecting marginalized and vulnerable populations in many ways. Today there are many ongoing interconnected global crises, and these continue to increase inequality and its impacts.

In partnership with Independent Senator for Manitoba, the Honourable Marilou McPhedran, we are bringing an amazing group of distinguished presenters to the club.

Thursday, May 14th:



Hon. Marilou
McPhedran, Senator



Hon. Mary Jane
McCallum, Senator



CFUW President
Linda Sestock



Mama Wi Chi Itata Centre
E.D. Tammy Christensen



SEED Winnipeg
Co-Director
Louise Simbandumwe



U-Ambassador, Unicef
Canada, Divya Sharma

3:30 - Doors open
Refreshments available

4:00 - Program Opening
Afternoon panel: Global Perspectives
with Hon. Marilou McPhedran, Senator,
Hon. Mary Jane McCallum, Senator,
and Linda Sestock

5:30 - Socializing and Dinner

7:00 - Evening Program Opening:
Clayton Sandy, Community Knowledge Keeper

7:15 - Evening panel: Local Perspectives with
Tammy Christensen, Louise Simbandumwe,
and Divya Sharma

8:30 - Closing Remarks:
Hon. Marilou McPhedran, Senator

Join us as we learn about and discuss
these issues and the positive actions,
particularly related to women's lives,
globally and in our community.

Cost \$25

(includes dinner)

Menu

Chicken and vegetable stir fry, rice, and carrot cake

menu substitutions for dietary restrictions may be possible - please specify at registration

*Registration now open! Please register no later than 4:30pm on Monday, May 11th online,
by emailing office@uwcwpgmb.com, calling 204-954-7880, or in person.*

Payment is requested at the time of registration. We accept cheque, debit, e-transfer to uwcfin@mymts.net, or cash.

UWC Activity Groups

CONTEMPORARY

LITERATURE BOOK CLUB

WISH YOU WERE HERE by Jodi Picoult will be discussed on Tuesday, May 5th at 1:00 pm. So wishing you will be able to share your thoughts on this book. If possible, sign up for lunch.

MAHJONG

We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month from 10 a.m. until noon. On May 5th, to accommodate those attending the Continuing Education series, we will meet at 1p.m. On May 19th we will meet at our regular time of 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We typically meet the second Wednesday of the month from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. from October until June (excluding January.)

On **Thursday, May 7th** Catherine Charette will present Pick a Colour by Souvankham Thammavongsa. Club members are welcome to attend any of the presentations.

MYSTERY READERS

Mystery Readers - We will meet Thursday, May 28, 2026 We will discuss the novels of Donna Leon.

-Convenor Dianne Shefford

SCRABBLE N' BABBLE

Scrabble and Babble will be on Wednesday, May 27th at 10 a.m.
Join us for amazing words and lots of laughs!

SUNROOM GROUP

Well the snow is now gone *no more boots* Woo-Hoo!! So come one, come all, and celebrate with the Sunroom Group, we welcome everyone- for a delightful afternoon of stories and laughter, along with some delicious cookies and coffee.

Come and join us - every Thursday afternoon from 1:15 to 3:00.

We look forward to seeing you all in the Sunroom!

SOCIAL BRIDGE

Social Bridge is scheduled for May 12, and May 26, starting at 1:00 p.m.

We are happy to coach new players and all are welcome to come and observe.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

THE OTLB INVITES YOU TO JOIN A TRAIN RIDE!!!

Join us at : Resto Gare & Train Bistro, 630 Des Meurons St. off Provencher Blvd

Friday, May 29, 11:30 AM

To reserve your spot, please RSVP to Carolynne Presser at cpresser@mymts.net by Wednesday, May 27. Need a ride? Let us know!

-Convenor Carolynne Presser

MARATHON BRIDGE

Hi Everyone

Marathon Bridge is coming to a close for this season on May 6.

We are looking for new members . If you know of anyone interested please let me know.

WRITING GROUP

Next meeting May 21st at 1pm.

Become a UWC Member

Now is the perfect time to join UWC! For just \$100, enjoy an exclusive *Introductory Year* membership packed with incredible benefits. Don't miss out—unlock new opportunities, connect with a thriving community, and make the most of everything UWC has to offer!



Exclusive rental discounts
at the historic Ralph
Connor House



Members-only programs
designed to inspire and
engage



Access to continuing
education courses to
expand your knowledge



Vibrant social groups
catering to a variety of
interests and passions

Check out our website at www.uwcwpgmb.com for more details. You may also download the application form [here](#) or email office@uwcwpgmb.com

COMMUNICATIONS



Update your contacts and add these addresses to your email safe lists!



office@uwcwpgmb.com

for all club and membership related inquiries and updates. This includes signing up for programs, lunches, parking, scheduling meetings, submitting board reports and committee minutes/notes

communications@uwcwpgmb.com

use for bulletin and week at a glance submissions, changes to contact info, or issues and questions related to the website

finance@uwcwpgmb.com

for all payment questions and invoicing concerns

events@uwcwpgmb.com

use for booking special non-member events and rentals

EVENTS

Movie Magic

Same room and two very different vibes.

Who would have thought our house could look so modern!

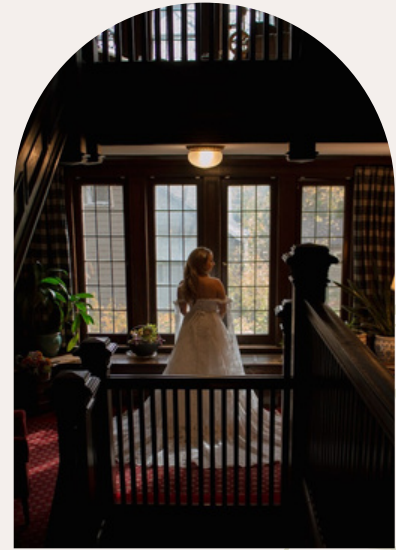




RALPH CONNOR HOUSE

Nestled in the heart of Winnipeg, this stunning heritage venue offers a romantic backdrop with its grand architecture, vintage details, and beautifully manicured gardens. Whether you're planning a cozy gathering or a lavish affair, Ralph Connor House provides a warm and sophisticated atmosphere that feels both exclusive and welcoming. Imagine exchanging vows in a sunlit room filled with character, toasting with loved ones in an elegant setting, and capturing timeless photos in a space steeped in history.

Let this enchanting venue be the start of your forever story.




Ralph Connor House isn't just for weddings—we're the perfect venue for all your special celebrations! From birthday parties and bridal or baby showers to anniversaries and corporate gatherings, our elegant and historic setting provides the ideal backdrop for unforgettable moments. Plus, we offer vendor recommendations to help bring your vision to life. Reach out today to learn more about our rental options and start planning your perfect event!

 events@uwcwpgmb.com

 <https://www.uwcwpgmb.com/venue-booking/>

CALL US FOR MORE INFO

 **(204) 954-7880**

MAY MENUS

MEALS BY WESTGATE CATERING

The regular price for club lunches is \$25.00. The cash bar opens at 11:30 AM, and lunch is served at 12:00 PM. Wednesday dinners cost \$35.00, with the cash bar opening at 5:30 PM and dinner served at 6:00 PM. Meal prices include buns, coffee or tea, taxes, and gratuity.

To secure your spot, sign up [online](#), email uwc@mymts.net, visit in person, or call 204-954-7880. To avoid penalties, you must cancel at least 24 hours in advance.

Menu substitutions are available if requested in advance, and any special preferences, such as seating or parking, should be indicated at the time of reservation.

Please note reservation deadlines:

Tuesday lunches — reservations close the previous Friday at noon

Wednesday Program dinners — reservations close the previous Monday at noon

Friday Program lunches — reservations close the previous Wednesday at noon

Tuesday lunch menus

5th	Salmon with mango salsa, baby potatoes, asparagus, lemon squares
12th	Chicken breast stuffed with brie and raisins, wild rice blend, broccoli, fruit flan
19th	Reuben sandwich with fries and coleslaw, fruit cup and cookie
26th	Quiche with goat cheese and red pepper, Greek salad, Boston cream pie

Program meal and menu

14th	Dinner - Chicken vegetable stir fry, carrot cake * Registration for event \$25.00 and includes meal, reservations close Monday, May 11th at 4:30PM *
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UNIVERSITY
WOMEN'S
CLUB



2026

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 UWC is Closed External Event	2 UWC is Closed
3 UWC is Closed	4 UWC is Closed	5 9:45 Continuing Education Series 11:30 Club Bar & Lunch 1:00 Contemporary Book Club 1:00 Mahjong	6 10:30 Marathon Bridge Playoffs	7 10:00 House & Grounds Committee Meeting 1:00 Wednesday Book Club 1:15 Sunroom Group 2:30 FRCH Board Meeting	8 UWC is Closed External Event	9 UWC is Closed External Event
10 11:00 Mother's Day Brunch 	11 UWC is Closed	12 9:45 Continuing Education Series 11:30 Club Bar & Lunch 1:00 Social Bridge 1:30 CIA Committee Meeting	13 930 Living History School Tours UWC is closed except for performers 12:30 Special Club lunch and program	14 4:00 Afternoon Program: The Inequality Virus 5:30 Dinner 7:00 Evening Program: The Inequality Virus	15 UWC is Closed	16 UWC is Closed External Event
17 UWC is Closed External Event	18 UWC is Closed Victoria Day 	19 10:00 Mahjong 10:30 Continuing Education Committee Meeting 11:30 Club Bar & Lunch 1:15 Board Meeting	20 10:00 Scholarship Board Meeting 12:30 CIA Committee Meeting 1:30 CIA Resolutions Meeting	21 1:00 Writing Group 1:15 Sunroom Group Bulletin Submissions Due	22 UWC is Closed	23 UWC is Closed External Event
24 UWC is Closed External Event	25 UWC is Closed	26 10:30 Program Committee Meeting 11:30 Club Bar & Lunch 1:00 Social Bridge	27 10:00 Scrabble and Babble 1:00 UWC, STF, & FRCH AGM	28 1:00 Mystery Readers 1:15 Sunroom Group	29 UWC is Closed External Event	30 UWC is Closed External Event

