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February 2012 Newsletter

FEBRUARY 15: WANT TO AVOID SWIMMING WITH SHARKS?

If so, come and hear **Sebastien Betermier** tell us what we should know about financial advisors.



Sebastien Betermier is an Assistant Professor in the Desautels Faculty of Management at McGill University. He specializes in finance and teaches undergraduate and graduate students about investment management. Awarded for his teaching, he is an oft-sought speaker on financial decision-making.

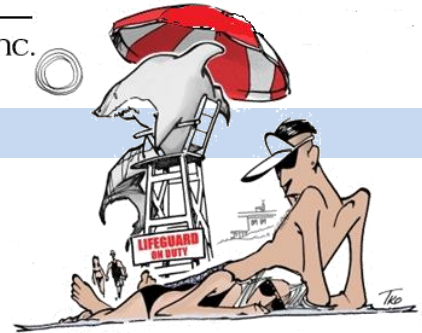
Do you want to be confident in how you invest and make personal investment decisions? Financial markets are complex, but your intuition is often (or should be) similar to those managing your investments. Being confident about how to invest should also help you identify the right financial advisor and avoid swimming with the sharks!

The UWCM Financial Literacy Project team is pleased to host our speaker. Join us to learn what you should know about financial advisors.

MARCH 14: NEW ELEMENTS IN QUEBEC HEALTH CARE

We all agree that a change is need in the organization of our practices to make optimal use of the resources invested in health care in Quebec.

Join us to find out what's in store.



"So, I'm the only one who sees a conflict of interest here?"

Dinner Menu

- Corn chowder
- Carbonnade of beef à la flamande
- Herbed potatoes with green beans and peppers
- Warm pecan pie
- Coffee/Tea

Remember to mention any food allergies or dietary restrictions when you make your reservation.

Cocktails: 6:00 pm

Dinner: 7:00 pm

Cost: \$30.76 (including tax – non-members please pay by cheque)

Our dinner meetings are held at:
Atwater Club
3505 Atwater Avenue

Please reserve with the Club at
514-935-2431 by
Friday, February 10

Notes:

- Cancellations made any later than 5:00 pm on the Monday before a Wednesday meeting will result in a charge of 50% of the cost of a meal.
- Don't forget your nametags.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear UWCM Members,

Happy, healthy New Year greetings to all!

As I sit writing this message, snow is falling heavily telling us that winter has finally arrived. Thus a new season at UWCM begins as well.

We are in the midst of drawing up an agreement with the Bar of Montreal's *Women in the Profession Committee* to sponsor the Elizabeth Monk Lectures. We shall keep you informed and advise you of the inaugural lecture later in the spring.

As a result of the very successful October dinner meeting, where we honored Elizabeth Monk and celebrated the 70th anniversary of women being admitted to the Bar of Quebec, we became more aware of how little UWCM promotes itself. Women lawyers, who were our guests that evening, kept telling us that UWCM appeared to be a most vibrant, interesting association and so why does no one know about it?? The Board immediately addressed the question of how best to promote UWCM in the Montreal community. We decided that we would begin a promotional advertising campaign in the alumni magazines of both Concordia and McGill universities. Margaret Jackson, UWCM Publicity Chair, leapt to the challenge and was able to present a fully designed "ad" to the December meeting of the Board of Directors. We were thrilled with the result of her efforts (see to the right) and agreed to have it appear firstly in their Spring issues to be followed by another appearance in their Fall issues. As well as targeting the graduates of both of these universities, UWCM has placed an "ad" in *The Westmount Independent* that will run for the next few months. Naturally, we eagerly await the results of this initial campaign. Throughout the Fall, notices of UWCM events have been appearing regularly in a couple of newspapers and we attracted

several new members as a result. Although advertising more widely will add additional costs to our budget, the Board felt it was justified in order to increase our membership and sustain a healthy position for the near future. We wish to be able to grow and to continue to offer you, our members, an interesting and varied program of activities.

May you all enjoy February 14 and carry a little Valentine in your heart for someone dear.

Elizabeth Annesley

President, UWCM Inc.

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"Social interaction, social responsibility and growth of women in all areas of life"

The University Women's Club of Montreal attracts women with diverse academic and professional interests.

Meetings are held at the Atwater Club, where we have certain membership privileges.

Become a member! Join an Interest Group or two and meet some very interesting women!

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MCLL Information Session

The McGill Community for Lifelong Learning (MCLL) is delighted to demonstrate its learning program and how it works for your enjoyment. This 800-strong community of older learners has been meeting for 22 years, enriching their lives by studying and learning together in a peer teaching environment.

Sandra Frisby, past president and long-time moderator at MCLL will lead the session, presenting the model as it works in a study group entitled “*Gardens of the World*.” She hopes that you will be prepared to share a short description of your own favourite world garden. Following Ms. Frisby’s presentation, there will be an interactive session with questions and answers led by herself and Astri Thorvik, chair of Communications at MCLL. Literature about the program will be available to interested members.

The meeting will take place in the Coach House on March 29 (exact time to be announced in the March newsletter). In order to plan this session, we need to know how many are planning to attend. Should you be interested, please email Jocelyne Picot.



Community Information Sessions

The McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) is offering Montreal community groups a one-hour information session that will give attendees an insider’s look at the hospital’s historic \$2.25 billion redevelopment project.

Bring your questions and join us to learn more about the hospital’s vision of patient-centred care, as well as the innovative design concepts and leading edge technologies that will be the hallmarks of the New MUHC.

What is the New MUHC?

With 10 tower cranes already onsite, the Glen project is the second-largest hospital construction project in Canada. This ultramodern facility will be the new home of the Royal Victoria Hospital, the Montreal Children’s Hospital and the Montreal Chest Institute. It will also be the site of a new Cancer Centre and will

provide our more than 600 world-renowned researchers with new consolidated facilities.

Major expansions and upgrades are also underway at the Montreal General Hospital, a designated Level I Trauma Centre, and the Lachine Hospital, which is becoming a triple Centre of Excellence in geriatric care, bariatric surgery and ophthalmology.

At the session: Hear the latest developments and see first-hand photos and video footage of the New MUHC facilities that are being designed by our caregivers with patients’ needs in mind.

How will the New MUHC benefit you, your family and your community?

Two experts will be on hand to answer this key question and any other your group may have. The first expert will be a member of the redevelopment team working directly on the project; the other will be a physician who will talk about how the New MUHC will transform care in his or her department.

Topics that will be covered include:

- How we are making patients and families the focus of our activities
- The impact of single-patient rooms on patient comfort and recovery
- What we mean by a healing environment
- How our new research facilities will accelerate the development of new treatments and cures
- How our new facilities will be more respectful of the environment
- What it will be like to be a patient in or visitor to our new hospitals
- How we are planning the transition to our new facilities

In addition, the session will provide information on how your group can get involved in supporting this once-in-a-lifetime healthcare project.

The session will be held on March 28 at 7:30 pm at the Atwater Club. Reserve with Zofia Laubitz.

Jogging Your Mind Course

Following his address at the December dinner meeting, Mark Bromby told us more about the course that he gives, free of charge, called “Jogging Your Mind.” The course comprises a series of modules developed by CLSC social workers that are designed to exercise our brains. Quite a few members have indicated their interest and so we have organized a series of 4 of these interconnected modules, starting on Tuesday, February 21, and continuing on March 20, April 17 and May 15. The course will be given in the Coach House and, since space is limited, registration will be limited to 12 members on a first-come-first-served basis. Please do not sign up unless you plan to attend all four sessions.

For information and to sign up, contact Margaret Jackson. See the Events Calendar for details.

Montreal Council of Women

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2012

Lunch: 12:00 noon

Meeting: 1:00 pm

Cost: \$8.00

Where: Les Jardins du Canal
2700 Rufus Rockhead (opposite Atwater Market)

Home Dinners

It was decided to cancel the home dinners this year due to organizational problems that were encountered last year.

Membership Information

Please welcome our new members:

Katherine Snow

Elisabeth Ouwerkerk

Sheila Mohammed

Linda Gannon

Dina Johar

