



# UWCM

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## October 2011 Newsletter

### OCTOBER 26: Women in the Law in Québec. A Tribute to Elizabeth Monk

UWCM will be commemorating the 70th anniversary of the admission of women to the Québec Bar and will honour Elizabeth Monk, a founder, early member and very generous UWCM benefactor (see attached), who was the first women accepted to the Québec Bar in 1940. We have invited a panel of outstanding legal professionals to share with us the role that women have played in the advancement of law in our community. A panel discussion with Vincent O'Donnell, a former colleague, Elizabeth Greene, Bâtonnière of the Barreau de Montréal, with, if she is available, Anne Marie Trahan as moderator. Me Delagrave and Me Claude Bisailon (former chief *rédacteur des Lois* for the Federal Minister of Justice) have been invited and have agreed to offer additional comments from the floor.

### NOVEMBER 16: Annual Foundation Dinner and Auction

As usual at this time of the year, our Foundation is getting ready for its main fundraising activity, the 3-in-1 Auction. Are you moving, downsizing or helping someone move? All are great opportunities to give a second life to items, be they valued, beloved, or simply the wrong colour! You can drop items off at the Coach House or at the Atwater Club registration desk.

- Here are a few tips to help the organizing team:
- Deadline to drop items off is November 8
- Please label each item "Foundation Auction"
- Add your name, telephone number, and a description of the item
- Antiques will be accepted only with an estimate of their value
- Clothing will be accepted with store ticket still on.

All items received become the property of the Foundation. We will do our best to ensure that every item is placed in the auction, but there are no guarantees.

*To volunteer, or if you have special requests, please contact Johanne Desrochers.*

### Dinner Menu

- Leek and Potato Soup
- Magret de Canard with Blueberry Sauce, Roasted New Potatoes and Squash
- Baked Apple Crisp with Ice Cream
- 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 by  
Friday, October 21  
at 514-935-2431**

#### 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,

We kicked off another season of UWCM activities with our Opening Dinner, where the room was not only full of happy faces but also full of excitement and energy. Everyone seemed eager to begin another year of getting together with friends and participating in many of the Interest Groups being offered. Two new groups generated a lot of registrants: The Movie Club, coordinated by Lesley Forrester, will use the new extra-large TV with its magnificent speakers in the Coach House to show all kinds of popular films, and the Knitting Ladies will learn how to make the beautiful scarf that Judith Kashul showed us. We are trying to use the Coach House more extensively, since it is there for our benefit, and so several "special" evenings are going to be offered there throughout the coming year. Be sure to watch for these announcements.

Sheila Horn-Bisailon has put together a program of very stimulating speakers for the coming year (see attached). We are especially excited about the October dinner, when we will be honouring Elizabeth Monk and the 70th anniversary of the admission of women to the Québec Bar. Please circle October 26 on your calendar to hear a panel of outstanding legal professionals addressing their thoughts on "Women in the Law in Québec."

October also features the Fall meeting of the CFUW Québec Provincial Council. This year, the South Shore chapter is hosting us in Saint-Lambert on October 15 for a closed working session. There is always lots of planning, budgeting and brainstorming done to enable the clubs to share, strengthen and benefit from each other. Through this group, the UWCM has been invited by the CFUW Sherbrooke chapter to present an evening of our case studies on *Beginning the Conversation about Finances*. This event not only provides us with another opportunity to showcase our work but,

more importantly, to expose the various confusing situations in which women find themselves when confronted by major financial decisions. Naturally, we are very pleased and proud to have been invited to go to Lennoxville on October 17 for this major event, which is being held at Bishop's University.

And, of course, we cannot forget that our annual fundraising event – the UWCM Foundation Auction – is coming up on November 16. Start thinking about what you can contribute to make this evening a huge success!

As you can see, there is plenty of activity already taking place. I look forward to seeing you this Fall at many of our events.

*Elizabeth Annesley*

President, UWCM Inc.

### CFUW AGM June 21-24, 2012

Mark your calendars! You are invited to the 2012 AGM in Victoria, BC.

Our host club is anxious to welcome us to a destination rich in history and resplendent with natural beauty. Awaken your senses to the smell of the ocean, the sound of the wind, the delicious fresh seafood, the glory of the sunsets, and the magnificent landscape! Stay tuned for more information in future Newsletters.

### UWCM Resolutions Committee

The UWCM Resolutions Committee will begin its work in February 2012 after the proposed CFUW resolutions are received for consideration at CFUW AGM 2012 in Victoria. There will be a notice in January for a show of interest in participating in the UWCM Resolutions Committee.

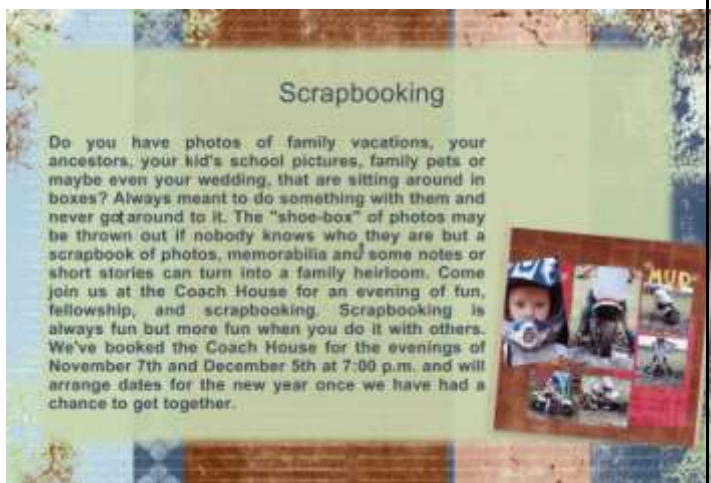
## New Interest Groups and Special Events

We are delighted to announce that two new interest groups have been formed, as announced at the September dinner meeting: Lesley Forrester and Maria Masi are launching a Movie Club and Leah Trineer is organizing a Scrapbooking group. Check the Events Calendar for dates and times.

Would you like to start an interest group or organize a one-time event? It's not too late! Just contact Zofia Laubitz. We're waiting to hear from you!

### Scrapbooking Anyone?

Interested in Scrapbooking? Contact Leah Trineer.



## Montreal General Hospital Early Bird Christmas Fair

In Livingston Hall

Opening night: October 18, from 5 to 8 p.m., entrance fee

October 19 & 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., no charge

Contact Gertrud Antoine Barwick. Please come and join us!

## The Coach House Presents

Wednesday, November 23 at 7:00 pm.

Champagne Cocktails and Canapés

Followed by Swing Time

Starring Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire

Cost \$10.00

Tickets will be sold at the UWCM October dinner.

Contact Lauretta Alexander.

## Goodbye Party for Suzanne Kelly

Monday October 17 at 6:30pm

At the Coach House

Let's send Suzanne off in great UWCM style.

Participants are asked to bring food (canapes/dips) or wine.

RSVP no later than Oct 15 to Lauretta Alexander.

## Knitty Women\*

Join a knitting event. Learn to knit a frilly scarf with Judith Kashul. \*Beginner, middling, experienced, and returning knitters welcome.

You will need:

1. one ball **Ondas** yarn (\$14.80 from Mouliné Yarn Shop, 2679 Notre Dame W.)
2. two knitting needles (any size between 4 mm and 7 mm)
3. good cheer and laughter

**Time:** October 11 at 2:00 pm and/or October 20 at 7:00 pm

**Place:** The Coach House

Please confirm your presence with Judith Kashul.

## Stephen Jarislowsky

Stephen Jarislowsky will speak on the Markets Today on October 6 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Atwater Room of the Atwater Club. There will be a \$15 fee and wine and canapés will be served. Please reserve with Adèle Hébert or Joceline.

## The Movie Club

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We will be meeting on Monday, October 24 at the Coach House at 7:00 pm

Our first movie will be “It Happened One Night” starring Claudette Colbert, Clark Gable and Walter Connelly. The film was directed by Frank Capra. “A spoiled heiress, running away from her family, is helped by a man who is a reporter actually looking for a story. But then he falls for her...” Winner of 5 Academy Awards, including Best Picture, in 1934.

## CFUW Advocacy Award

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Here’s the UWCM Financial Literacy group accepting a CFUW Advocacy Award for our work on financial literacy at the CFUW AGM in Newfoundland. From the left: Liette Michaud (President, CFUW Quebec Provincial Council), Dominique Racanelli, Johanne Desrochers, Judith Kashul, Teri Shaw (CFUW VP, Advocacy), Elizabeth Annesley, Brenda Shanahan and Anne Brohan.

## Viennese Ball of Montreal Saturday, November 19 Marriott Chateau Champlain

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Once a year, Montreal celebrates the Viennese Ball tradition in a glorious evening of lively music and dance.

The Ball is an important fundraising event. All proceeds go to worthy charities focused on helping children in need and other youth initiatives.

We hope that you will join us for dancing and festivities. Be sure to order your tickets early.

See [www.balautrichiendemontreal.org](http://www.balautrichiendemontreal.org)

Reserve by contacting Liz Wirth.



## Membership News

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Welcome to:  
Tina Kerr