

Greetings From Your President



It is hard to believe that another year is coming to an end. I look back with pride, and I hope that you do too, that this year WAMUN donated \$5,891.75 to our scholarship and continued our donations to the Campus Food Bank. Thank you to Marjorie Evans and everyone who worked on our plant sales, to everyone who donated money and to Linda Hensman and the scholarship committee. Thanks to everyone who brought food bank donations to our activities and to Karen Herzberg and Tonya Bassler for getting our donations to the campus food bank.

This year our membership has dipped slightly to 84 from 88. This leaves me worrying about our viability. I think our interest groups are key to increasing our membership. Certainly our interest groups offer a variety of activities to take part in. I want to thank everyone who organizes an interest group. If you are interested in seeing other activities, let the executive know.

Our web presence has grown through the year thanks to Pat Whittle and Deborah Rehner. There is now an archive of all electronic copies of our newsletters at our website, www.mun.ca/wamun. The website is not just a repository of historic information. It is an easy place to check out upcoming events.

We are planning a spring plant sale with a difference. It will be a home and garden sale that includes household items as well as plants. We hope when you are spring-cleaning this year you will find items you can contribute to the sale.

I look forward to seeing you at our spring luncheon and annual general meeting on Saturday, April 16 at Gushue Hall.

2011 Spring Luncheon & Annual General Meeting



Tickets are available from
conveners of special interest groups or Kathy Simonsen

Saturday, April 16, 2011
Junior Common Room, Gushue Hall
Luncheon 12 for 12:30 p.m., AGM 1:30 p.m.



Win a door prize or a floral centre piece. *Price* \$25.00

Entrée Choice: Quiche Lorraine or Seafood Kabobs, *Dessert Choice:* Blueberry Crunch or Sherbet & Shortbread Cookie

Coming This Spring

WAMUN HOME & GARDEN TREASURES SALE
Our annual scholarship fund-raising project
in a new and expanded version



Reminder to gardeners: when you are dividing your perennials this spring, pot some up for the sale.
Reminder to all members: this year our spring sale will include household items which have been previously owned and loved so when you are busy with spring cleaning, reduce clutter and donate.

For your convenience, we will have boxes ready at the AGM to accept donations of household items.

The sale is scheduled for the end of May, depending on the weather. Full details of the date, time, location, contact information are posted and updated regularly on our website : www.mun.ca/wamun

If you have questions or can volunteer to help out with this project,
call Miriam Simpson at 754-6991 or Anna Kralik at 437-5098.



WAMUN Fiction Book Group Annual Report 2010-2011



WAMUN's Fiction Book Group has had a very interesting year so far. We've been meeting as three groups, two in the afternoon and one in the evening, and all reading the same books. We meet together when we have a visiting author and for our Christmas Coffee, including the Non-fiction Group, which was deliciously hosted by the Evening Book Group this year. This fall we read *The Forgotten Garden*, *Huckleberry Finn* (amazing to see now through adult eyes) and *Deaf Sentence*. In January *The Book Thief* surprised some members to learn it was considered a young adult book, set in the Nazi era and narrated by Death!

For February Jessica Grant was our guest author with her highly awarded first novel *Come, Thou Tortoise*. Both she and her book were delightful, and the evening was a pleasure for the 25 women attending. Our March selection is *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett and we are learning about a lawsuit against the author which adds a little extra spice to the mix. We look forward to having author Trudy Morgan Cole with us in April when we discuss her book, *By the Rivers of Brooklyn*. For May, we'll be discussing *Breakwater House* by Pascale Quiverger, and in June we're planning our annual Potluck and Book Choosing Event at the Anglican Cathedral's Crypt. Certainly nominating and voting on next year's books, plus a lavish potluck makes it an exciting evening.

It's been a full year and most members say they have read books they never would have chosen if not for the Book Group, and then we remind ourselves that the selections were made democratically. Two of our conveners, Julia Mathieson and Karen Herzberg, will be retiring after the June meeting. Mary Chalker will continue with the Fourth Tuesday Group and Tonya Bassler has agreed to be the convener for the Second Tuesday Group. The next convener of the Evening Group is still undetermined at the time of this report. All members of the book group are very supportive of one another fortunately, and there is no doubt the WAMUN Fiction Book Group will continue to grow and prosper. New members are always welcome and complete information is available on our wonderful WAMUN website.



Submitted by Karen Herzberg, Julia Mathieson and Mary Chalker, conveners.

WAMUN Non-Fiction Book Group Annual Report 2010-2011

The non-fiction book group meets the second Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. in the Tiffany.

From September, 2010 to February, 2011, we read and discussed:

The Dirt on Clean, by Katherine Ashenburg

The Man Who Loved China, by Simon Winchester

People Who Say Goodbye, by P. Y. Betts

An Alphabet for Gourmets, by M. F. K. Fisher

The Omnivore's Dilemma, by Michael Pollan

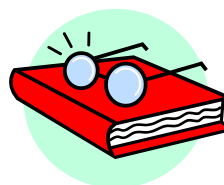


Come, Tell Me How You Live, by Agatha Christie Mallowan was scheduled for the January meeting, which was snowed out. We will almost certainly be discussing it next year. *The Secret Life of Words*, by Henry Hitchings, *Reluctant Genius*, by Charlotte Gray and *Maps and Legends*, by Michael Chabon are scheduled March, May and June, respectively.

In April, we will present books to consider reading in 2011 – 2012.

The vote to select next year's reading takes place in June.

Submitted by Deborah Rehner, convener
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Coffee Morning Group Annual Report 2010-2011



Coffee Group continues to meet on alternate Wednesday mornings with no set agenda. Members take turns meeting in each others' homes where the hostess provides snacks with tea and coffee. It's a great way to keep in touch with other WAMUM members and to keep up-to-date on what's happening in the community in general. Whenever we meet, everyone is invited to contribute to the Campus Food Bank which Tonya Bassler and Karen Herzberg kindly look after for us. We shall continue to meet until mid-June when we break for the summer. New members are always welcome to join.

Respectfully submitted by Pat Collins, convener. patriciacollins@nl.rogers.com

Saturday Walking Group Annual Report 2010-2011

WAMUN continues to have a single walking group, the *Saturday Walkers* who walk (and talk) almost every Saturday afternoon. Every year, there are several WAMUN members who would prefer to walk during the week, but no one stepped forward to convene a second group this year. So, Saturday is the day we walk!



We have been walking together since September 2003. On our website, we have a photo summary of the paths we have taken for the last year and are looking forward to having a photographic archive of *paths taken* during our eight years of walking together.

The walk on January 29, 2011 was one of this year's highlights, for those who walked that day. It was very blustery, so we walked on Laurier Street, Maunder's Lane, Guzzwell Drive and Vanier Street. It was snowy, but fun.



All of our walks were not so blustery!

This photo was taken on a sunny October 2, 2010 on the Cuckold's Cove Trail.

Come walk with us!

Submitted by Deborah Rehner, convener
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Scrabble Group Annual Report 2010-2011

The Scrabble Group has continued meeting on a regular bases at Chapters on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. We have welcomed a lot of new members this year, with an average attendance of 12. Some of us enjoy the game so much that we go out to lunch with our small travel Scrabble kit after our meeting and have another game! Our group will continue to meet through the summer months.

Submitted by Janet Fairley, convener



Past Presidents of WAMUN

The president presides over all meetings and together with the executive and the chairs of the standing committees, oversees and co-ordinates all activities of the association.

1965-1966	Joan Scott	1980-1981	Marilyn Tuck	1995-1996	Anne Griffiths
1966-1967	Evelyn Barton & Margaret Panting	1981-1982	Bernice Sells	1996-1997	Donna Jeffrey
1967-1968	Mary Summers	1982-1983	Alberta Wood	1997-1998	Julita Muzychka
1968-1969	Tonya Bassler	1983-1984	Julia Mathieson	1998-1999	Shirley Cooper
1969-1970	Romaine Dawson	1984-1985	Elinor Eaton	1999-2000	Jane Foltz
1970-1971	Maureen Mennie	1985-1986	Jane Foltz	2000-2001	Renu Kashap
1971-1972	Anita Threlfall	1986-1987	Dorothy Riach	2001-2002	Renu Kashap
1972-1973	Marg Kozma	1987-1988	Sylvi Hartmann	2002-2003	Tonya Bassler
1973-1974	Margaret Darte	1988-1989	Eleanor Nesbitt-Friis	2003-2004	Marilyn Macdonald
1974-1975	Anne Griffiths	1989-1990	Janet Davis	2004-2005	Marilyn Macdonald
1975-1976	Doreen Ross	1990-1991	Mary Tulett	2005-2006	Eleanor Nesbitt
1976-1977	Lois Taylor	1991-1992	Susan Scott	2006-2007	Eleanor Nesbitt
1977-1978	Elizabeth Rich	1992-1993	Eleanor Nesbitt	2007-2008	Kathryn Simonson
1978-1979	Penny Alderdice	1993-1994	Elke Molgaard	2008-2009	Tonya Bassler
1979-1980	Joyce Cho	1994-1995	Ingrid Pardoe	2009-2010	Betty Wong
				2010-2011	Karen Lippold

Scholarship Winners 2010



The Scholarship Committee will submit their annual report at the AGM.



Pictured are Marilyn MacDonald, Tonya Bassler (left) and Linda Younghusband (far right) with our most recent scholarship recipients, Kate Barley, Heather McCarthy and Laura Murray

Support the Campus Food Bank

Items such as peanut butter, chicken noodle soup, vegetable soup, canned milk, canned fruit and Kraft Dinner (or similar macaroni and cheese dinners) are always in demand at the MUN Campus Food Bank in Corte Real near Burton's Pond. Donations of non-perishable items continue to be collected at WAMUN events throughout the year.

