

# Women's Club

## NEWSLETTER



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S CLUB  Educational, cultural, recreational, and leadership opportunities for all ages

### Conversation with a Woman Leader

## Lori Sturdevant on April 5: Lessons for the next women's movement

Lori Sturdevant writes editorials and a weekly column about topics that she covered for more than 35 years—state government and politics. She joined the *Minneapolis Tribune* as a summer replacement reporter in 1975, returned as a reporter in 1976, and was lead capitol reporter and newsroom assignment editor before joining the Tribune's editorial staff in 1992.



A native of South Dakota, Lori is a graduate of Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and a member of that institution's Board of Trustees. She has been the author, editor, or co-author of 10 books. Her subjects have included Rosalie Wahl, Minnesota Supreme Court justice; Governor Elmer L. Andersen; and the Pillsbury family. Her most recent book is *Citizen Swain*, which she co-authored with Tom Swain.

Lori is a three-time winner of the Minnesota Book Award. She lives in St. Paul with her husband; they have three grown children.

### You are invited to attend the Art Section's 24th Annual Art Exhibit, opening March 18

This special event is open to all UMWC members. Come view the art work of our talented UMWC club members from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at 1666 Coffman Street, Falcon Heights. Meet the artists and celebrate creativity with your UMWC friends that day.

The doors will open at 4 p.m., with gallery tours at 4:45 p.m. on the second floor East Gallery, and at 5:15 p.m. in the West Gallery, where a reception will follow. The Art Section is still looking for artists who would like to display their work in the secure setting of the Coffman galleries. If this interests you, please contact Carol Lowe, 612-869-7949, lowejc@usfamily. or Jane LaFroth, 651-636-9218, dnjl1987@gmail.com.

The art work will continue to be on display until April 28.

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### Meeting ~ At a Glance

Conversation with a Woman Leader  
Noon, Tuesday, April 5, 2016

#### Speaker

Lori Sturdevant, author  
"Lessons from the Second Wave: what the next Minnesota women's movement can learn from the last"

#### Location

Becketwood  
4300 West River Parkway, Minneapolis

#### Parking

Limited parking is available in the south lot or along the entrance road. Carpool if possible. Becketwood office phone: 612-746-1025

#### Menu

Tropical Ambrosia fruit salad with toasted coconut;  
Maple-miso Glazed Salmon;  
Asian-style fried rice and stir-fried vegetables; rolls and butter;  
Mango Ice Cream with spritz of ginger ale and chocolate; coffee and tea

#### Cost: \$16

Observe the Reservation Deadline:  
Tuesday, March 22

Please send in the reservation form you will find in the back of your 2015–16 Membership Directory along with your check payable to UMWC.

#### Questions?

Call Maggie Hoover, 651-698-4024 or Carol Lowe, 612-869-7949

## President's Message

Spring will soon be here! Close your eyes and picture budding trees, sprigs of green grass peeking up through the ground, and flowers in bloom. A true sign of spring is the return of all of you snowbirds coming out for the spring luncheon. With that in mind, snow and ice will soon be forgotten (at least for now).

I spent most of January in Mexico, enjoying warmer weather. We returned the end of January, and by the next day, several members of my immediate family were hospitalized with serious illnesses. As a result, I was unable to attend the February board meeting and luncheon. My special thanks to President-Elect Ruth Jones, who was able to step in at the last minute, doing the great job she always does with any task she's given. Thanks again, Ruth.

As you know, this year you are receiving the members' newsletter both by e-mail and by snail mail. The reason for doing both is to give members an opportunity to decide which way they prefer to receive it. The plan is to continue with this approach until next year, when members will be able to choose which method they prefer. In the meantime, numerous members have approached Record and Dues Chair Sheau-Ping Hu, wondering why they are receiving both. Some have requested that they receive only the e-mail copy, others, that they receive only the paper copy of the newsletter.

Sheau-Ping is willing to remove a member's name from one list (paper) or the other (e-mail), but asks that members make their request by sending her an email, designating their preferred choice.

See you in April!

Shirley Ferraro, UMWC President

## Next Board meeting is on April 5

The Board will meet at Becketwood in the Windsor Room at 10:00 a.m. All officers and section chairs are expected to attend and provide reports of their current activities. Please e-mail those reports to Mary Abuan prior to the meeting. Remember to send in your luncheon reservations by the deadline of Tuesday, March 22, 2016.

## Important: Observe reservation deadlines

At their February meeting the Board (officers, committee, and section chairs) endorsed adhering to the luncheon reservation deadlines published on the Reservation Forms at the back of your Directory and in the Newsletter.

Event and meal planners need time to prepare for each event. Therefore, going forward, **no luncheon reservations will be accepted after the postmark deadline** found on the reservation form, newsletters, and any additional correspondence to members. Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated.

## Mark your calendar for Annual Meeting, May 3

Please join us for our Annual Meeting and Luncheon at the Town and Country Club, 300 Mississippi River Blvd., St. Paul. The Board meeting and annual business meeting, to which all members are invited, begins at 10:30 a.m. The luncheon and program follow.

Our featured speaker will be Angela Busch, Senior Vice President of Corporate Development for Ecolab Inc. and a former recipient of the Frances Shepherd Scholarship Award. She will speak with us about water scarcity globally and locally.

Remember to mail your reservation to arrive no later than the deadline, April 19 (see article above).

## Nominating Committee at work

In accordance with the Bylaws, this committee is appointed by the president each year. Elizabeth White serves as chair this year, with members Ingrid Lund, Kathy Ball, Cherie Hamilton, and Millie Woodbury.

The committee may be calling you to ask you to serve in one of several positions available. Please be receptive and willing to serve if asked.

It takes many women to keep our UMWC running at the level it does. If you have any suggestions of someone who would be willing and able to serve in an office, please contact a committee member to let them know. No one knows everyone in the club, and it's important that we continue to reach out to as many members as possible who are willing to serve in this capacity.

The committee will bring a report of nominees to the April board meeting to be voted on by the membership at our annual meeting in May.

## Thank you for supporting the UMWC Scholarship Fund for young University women

As of January 27, 2016, we had received 175 scholarship gifts totaling \$17,497.50. This figure is \$429 more than was raised in all last year's fundraising. With several months of fundraising until the end of our fiscal year, "the sky's the limit." Thank you and congratulations to each of you for this impressive, record support for the young women who will benefit from our scholarship program.

If you haven't yet participated, there is still time to make a gift and have it counted in scholarship funds available for distribution to University of Minnesota women students this year. Please make your donation in time to arrive by **March 20** if you wish to be listed in the May newsletter.

The May Newsletter will list the Honor Role of all donors of gifts received by that date—names only, no amounts.

Please make your check payable to: UMWC Scholarship Fund and mail it to: Pat Luhmann, Treasurer, 525 Eastwood Court, Eagan, MN 55123. Every gift is appreciated!

## Welcome to new member of UMWC

Please welcome a new member who has joined us since January, and please add her contact information to your Directory.

Bentson, Barbara B. ....651-698-6678  
740 Mississippi River Blvd. 10-F, Saint Paul, MN 55116  
fernandabaer@comcast.net

## Directory changes and corrections

To keep your directory up to date, please make these corrections and changes. Your communications will go more smoothly.

Couling, Diane H.  
1011 Feldt Court #805, Hopkins, MN 55343  
Juffer, Virginia .....651-216-1876

Amendment: In the last newsletter we mistakenly listed Gladys Turnquist as new member. She has been a long-time member. Please see the information below.

Turnquist, Gladys .....651-463-2399  
c/o Barbara K. Bachman,  
26401 Galaxie Ave., Farmington, MN 55024

## Our sympathies go to:

Gloria Delano and family in the loss of Gloria's husband, Jim, who passed away February 4, 2016.

The family and friends of Florence Caldwell, who died on December 31, 2015.

## Remembering Flossie, past president and friend

Florence A. Caldwell died on December 31, the last day of 2015. Known to her friends as Flossie, she was loved by all who knew her for her ready smile and modesty about her many talents and accomplishments. She played tennis, played in a string quartet, and loved expressing her love of nature in photography and watercolor painting. She fit right into Minnesota life, enjoying annual canoe camping trips with her husband, Elwood, and frequently hiking the north shore Superior Hiking Trail with friends.

To her many UMWC friends, she will be forever remembered as the woman who made them feel welcomed to the club. Members, who hark back to the days when UMWC was the Faculty Wives Club, recall that Flossie never missed a chance to recruit. Flossie would spring into action on campus elevators and department gatherings, asking wives if they belonged to the club and handing them a brochure. She brought in many members herself and was a one-woman welcoming committee for all.

By 1988 she had already instilled her love of hiking in a new section for the club, and 16 years later, she was still getting out with the Hikers. She also started Around the Campus and Vagabonds and was active in the Art, Music, and International Sections.

A comment expressed by many: It is hard to think of anyone who has done more for the U of M Women's Club.

In 1990 Flossie was asked to take the reins as president. Her first reaction? "I'm 70; I'm too old; what can I do?" After the third ask, she took the job and proceeded to "dig in full force." A born planner and dynamic organizer, she took the club "where it had never gone before." During her two-year presidency, she continued to expand the membership, promoted a name change, and opened membership to all community women. It is fair to say that this significant change is responsible for the continued vitality of the University of Minnesota Women's Club today.

In her own words, Flossie wanted to be "Remembered by the friends I have made and by my love of nature." Her wish is surely granted. True to the way she conducted her life, Flossie planned her own memorial service, including asking that all memorial gifts be donated to the UMWC Scholarship Fund. Flossie will live on in the hearts of all who knew her and in the good works of the UMWC.

We are her legacy.

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## Interest Sections update

**The following are special announcements or changes to Interest Section programs. See your Directory for information about the activities of all 18 interest sections, their programs, times, and locations.**

### **Around the Campus— An invitation to all sections.**

On Wednesday, **March 23**, Around the Campus has a unique opportunity with Jean, curator at Goldstein Gallery on the University's St. Paul Campus, and we'd like you to come! Jean will present an "Overview of the Arts and Crafts Movement in America" at 1 p.m. If you wish, bring a bag lunch and join us before the program at 12:15 in the atrium. Please call the coordinator, Maria Dickhausen, 612-724-7144, so we know how many to expect. She will also tell you how to park free and ride the campus bus.

For the **April 27**, 11:30 a.m. program, a room has been reserved at the Recreation and Wellness Center. The group will learn about wellness activities, which include stretching exercises and meditation. After a short tour of the center, the group will have lunch at the new French Bakery Café, which is located in the center.

### **International/Community Concern— May 13**

Pam Costain, the president and CEO of Achieve/Mpls, will speak about that organization's work helping Minneapolis public school students to meet educational and employment challenges.

**Non-Fiction Book section**—Please note the change from the schedule in the Directory. The book listed for March, *My Beloved World*, will be discussed in April and the book listed for April, *The Devil in the White City*, will be discussed in March.

### **NEW!! Mystery Book Section—**

Thanks to Carol Lowe, we have a new Mystery Books section. Those who love a good mystery, and would like to join this new section, please contact Carol at 612-869-7949 or e-mail her at lowejc@usfamily.net.

### **Deadline for next Newsletter: March 20, 2016**

Please submit articles in typed or electronic format.  
Send to Shirley Ferraro, UMWC President, by mail:  
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e-mail to: sflandlady@yahoo.com