



Founded in 1911, we are a strong and vibrant community, dedicated to helping U of M women students achieve their academic goals. We forge lasting friendships by welcoming everyone, caring about each other, and exploring new ideas and places together.

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Don't miss the Fall Welcome and Scholarship Day

Please join us at the Fall Welcome and Scholarship Day on Tuesday, October 11, at the Double Tree Hotel in Roseville. This is a wonderful opportunity to welcome new members, meet some of our scholarship recipients, learn about our special interest groups and sign up for the activities that intrigue you. We especially hope new members will join us.



Members such as Lisa Damon (left) and Diane Young (right) are ready to welcome you to the Fall Welcome and Scholarship Day on October 11. Don't miss this fun event and consider inviting a guest such as Kate Roberts (center).

Arrive early at 11 a.m. to allow time to visit the special interest section tables, get acquainted with the section chairs and find out what the groups, including a new one focused on poetry, have planned for the coming year. You also, of course, will have the chance to reconnect with your old friends and find out what they were up to over the summer.

During the luncheon program, we will introduce our scholarship recipients and give them an opportunity to tell you about themselves and their plans for the future. This year, as we did last year, we will feature short video clips starring our scholars—so you can hear from them even if some of them aren't able to attend in person. Many luncheon attendees tell us that meeting and chatting with scholarship recipients is the highlight of the day for them. These impressive and delightful young women remind us of the importance of our mission.

Don't wait for the October 3 deadline. Make your reservation today. We look forward to seeing you.

Meeting at a Glance

Annual Fall Welcome and Scholarship Day

Tuesday, October 11

11 a.m.: Visit special interest section tables and sign up for your choices

12 noon: Luncheon, followed by program honoring scholarship recipients and new members

Location

Double Tree Hotel

2540 North Cleveland Avenue, Roseville

Parking available in on-site lot

Menu

Herb roasted chicken breast topped with a creamy garlic sauce, fresh vegetables and garlic mashed potatoes

Includes freshly brewed ice tea and water, house salad and specialty rolls and butter

Vegetarian option

Roasted onions, peppers, asparagus, mushroom marsala sauce and jasmine rice

If you would like the vegetarian option, please indicate your preference on the "Special Dietary Need" line of the registration form found in your directory.

Cost: \$32

Reservation deadline: Monday, October 3

Please send in the reservation form you will find in your 2022–2023 directory or on the UMWC website. Make your check payable to UMWC and send to Mary Abuan, 581 Gramsie Road, Shoreview, MN 55126.

This deadline is firm. Checks and reservations received in the mail after October 3 will be returned to the sender. Please plan accordingly.

President's Message ~

So long sweet summer, hello to an exciting new UMWC season

Ah, summer. It's bittersweet to watch it wind down but gratifying to compile that eternal "What I Did Last Summer" list. Mine was full, with a week at Camp du Nord with family, several days at a friend's cabin, a bike trip on the Cannon Valley Trail to Redwood Falls and back, concerts, a pontoon party, lots of gardening and a jaunt to Lake Pepin. I enjoyed it to the fullest and hope yours was just as rewarding.



It was a busy summer for the club, too. In fact, we didn't miss a beat, starting with a wonderful day at the University of Minnesota's Age-Friendly University event in June, which you can read about on the following page. To get ready for that event, we produced banners, a new membership brochure, interest section cards and a table cloth that I think provide a fresh and contemporary look.



Our booth with new materials at the AFU Day event

I even participated in a photo shoot for those items, which was a hoot and a new experience for me. I'm ready for my close-up Mr. DeMille! And it's important to mention that the materials were courtesy of a generous donation the club received to be used for ongoing operations.

Earlier in the spring we an opportunity to meet and welcome many new members to the club at two coffee parties hosted at my home. What a great time and what an

impressive group of women. It's obviously so important to keep the club growing—particularly after the hit that COVID delivered—but just plain fun to meet new people and discover how they will use their talents and energy to contribute to UMWC. I was especially happy to see several of our new members at other events this summer because it means they're jumping in to get full benefit from our wonderful organization.

So we set the stage for a successful new UMWC season and I can't wait to get started. Our first big get together is the Fall Welcome and Scholarship Day on October 11. I love this event. We get the chance to sample all of our special interest groups and sign up for something new. Speaking of which, we have a new Poetry section that I hope you will consider. We also, of course, have the rare opportunity of talking with our scholarship recipients. Hearing their stories and seeing their determination in connection with their education is downright inspiring. I know you feel the same—so don't miss it.



Members (from left) Georgia Nygaard and Carole Senty welcomed new members Karen Eian and Judy Silk at the new member coffee.

In December, we are getting together at the Weisman Art Museum for a holiday party and you're all invited. More about that later. I'm looking forward to joining the Hikers in September on an overnight trip to Bayfield and Madeline Island. Then we have an exciting lineup of speakers (yet to be announced so stay tuned) for our Conversation With a Woman Leader luncheons. Our book clubs have a host of intriguing titles ready to read, our artists are looking at impressive art and creating their own and there promises to be a whole lot of socializing going on. Not to mention movies to watch, restaurants to sample and music to enjoy.

Does it get any better than that? I don't think so. We are back, baby!

Catherine Holtzclaw, President

A seat at the table in engaging older learners

Thanks to the initiative of Vice President for Scholarship Fundraising Diane Young, the University of Minnesota Women's Club has an opportunity to actively support the Age-Friendly University Global Network, a movement that recognizes older people are here to stay, their numbers are growing and they have a lot to offer. The University of Minnesota Twin Cities wants to take advantage of all that talent.

To do that, the University became the first institution for higher learning in Minnesota to enroll in that global network and has established the Age-Friendly University of Minnesota Council to promote access to educational and career opportunities for older adults. We are happy to say that UMWC has a seat at the table, with Past President Susan Hopp as our current representative on the council. She will be passing on information and invitations for learning.

As part of its mission, the AFU MN Council sponsored an Age-Friendly University Day Event on June 20, featuring a keynote fireside chat with former Minnesota Supreme Court Justice Alan Page, and breakout sessions on finding purpose in life, age-friendly communities and the challenge of dementia. The atmosphere in the room full of about 150 people was buzzing with excitement and curiosity. With so much positive feedback, 2023 planning is already under way.

In keeping with our club's ongoing connection to the U of M, we also were given an opportunity to host a display booth to highlight opportunities available to our members

and emphasize our history of helping U of M women students through our generous scholarship donations. President Elect Linda Boss convened a group of 12 UMWC



President Elect Linda Boss welcomed Goldy Gopher to the UMWC booth at the Age-Friendly University Day in June. Past President Susan Hopp, our representative on the AFU MN Council, is peeking in on the fun.

volunteers to help plan, construct and staff our table. This gave us the impetus to update our marketing and display materials, which are available for future club events. Committee members set up our display and welcomed and introduced attendees—including Goldy Gopher—to the unique advantages of UMWC membership.

Another successful Art Show

More than 70 people attended the opening of the Thirtieth Annual UMWC Art Show in May. Members of the Art section, including Sumitra Wanduragala pictured here, were generous in sharing their excellent and diverse artistic talents in sculpture, painting, calligraphy and photography.



UMWC keeps growing with seven new members

New members bring welcome change and growth to the Women's Club. Reach out to welcome and to get to know our new members! Seven women have joined since the last newsletter: Marian Adcock, Marilyn DeLong, Anna Fu, Peggy Rader, Ann Soltis, Shelley Horstman and Jean Olson.

There have been two directory changes, which are both in the new directory: Sally Brown had a new email and Khin Khin Jensen has moved and also has a new phone number.

Memorial gifts

For Joy Chaput by Kathleen Treston

For Ruth Jones by Carol Nelson

For Tracy Moos by UMWC Board

Honoring gifts

For Sandy Gale by Sue Madison

For a current list of new members and their contact information and/or a list of directory changes, please contact Nancy Myers at nmyers13@hotmail.com.

UMWC 2022–2023 Scholarship Recipients

The following students are the UMWC Scholarship recipients for the academic year 2022–2023.

One-year Named Scholarships

The following were made possible by generous donors who wished to fund a full scholarship, with the opportunity to name it in honor or memory of persons important to their lives and the lives of others.

Nathan Martig Johnson Scholarship

Argentina Lerma, Speech Language,
Hearing Science

Theodore Aaron Johnson Scholarship

Teala Matthew, Journalism

LaSell Mechanical Engineering Scholarship

Shivangi Pandey, Mechanical Engineering

Rosalind Myers Memorial Scholarship

Cierra Dailey, Dance

Robert K. Herrmann Accounting Scholarship

Cindy Chau, Finance, Business, Analytics

Peter and Maggie Reed Scholarship

Briana Burke, Neuroscience, Psychology

Joelle Whitson, Catherine Rudenick,

Barbara Maron Scholarship

Katherine Do, Microbiology,
Genetics and Cell Biology

Two Harbors Scholarship

Hannah Walsh, Plant Science

LaSell Mechanical Engineering Scholarship

Teresita Baert, Bio-Medical Engineering

UMWC Education Scholarship

Claire Hennen, Biology

Barbara Palmer Scholarship

Calyssa Eskeli, Family Social Science

Keith J. Manthe Scholarship

Rose Grover, Anthropology

Inspiring Young Woman Scholarship

Katrina Hang, Sociology of Law, Developmental
Psychology

Jonathan F. Cohen Scholarship

Margot Maxwell, Bio-Medical Engineering

Superior Lake Scholarship

Riley Corrigan, Architecture and Landscape Design

In Tribute to Marian Champlin Scholarship

Hala Al Yaseri, Nursing

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Women's Club Scholarship

The following students are receiving scholarships funded by the collective contributions made by members and friends of the UMWC throughout the year 2021–22.

Bhumi Patel, Finance; **Jasmine Anderson**, Business, Marketing; **Maria Myrah**, Nursing; **Zikki Adem**, Youth Studies; **Nada Dualeh**, Health & Wellbeing; **Lauryn Lockhart**, Health & Wellbeing; **Monika Bartulovic**, Computer Science; **Holly Krentz**, Health Services Management

Endowed Scholarships

Funding held and managed by the University of Minnesota Foundation for UMWC Scholarships

Ruth Vickroy Jones Scholarship

Gwen Vu, Nursing; **Maggie Suino**, Graphic Design; **Tina Chi**, Medical Lab Science; **Zeinah Mohamud**, Sociology, Biology; **Madeleine Hallberg**, Interior Design; **Karly Beaumont**, Environmental Science, Policy & Mgmt; **Sackie Odell**, Psychology; **Meghan Collins**, Human Resources; **Dola Greene**, Physiology; **Molly Conway**, Nursing; **Soliana Ghidewon**, Health Services; **Megan DeCook**, Biology; **Greta Hanson**, Public Health, Spanish; **Yusra Hassan**, Law; **Hanna Babyna**, Psychology; **Anna Schuman**, Nursing; **Kunga Lhamo**, Finance; **Madalyn Erp**, Speech Pathology; **Emma Faeflen**, Law, Criminal Justice; **Diaz Blannet**, Communication, Latino Studies

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Medical Auxiliary Scholarship

Sandra Williams, Health Sciences; **Emily Vu**, Dental Hygiene

Frances Shepherd Scholarship

Rachel Nelson, Human Physiology

Stephanie Boddy Scholarship

Ella Stockwell, Biology; **Brooklyn Dean**, Sports Management; **Abby Voss**, Undeclared; **Jenna Popp**, Business Management; **Randa Ung**, Undeclared; **London Fjeldstad**, Sports Management

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Endowed Scholarship

Danica Stenzel, Sports Mgmt; **Krista Cannata**, Undeclared; **Moua Hnubci**, Elementary Education; **Jenae Quam**, Business, Technical Sales; **Nastaho Abdullah**, Nursing; **Kimmenthe Weber**, Spanish, Biology; **Leann Luong**, Sociology; **Jenny Tran**, Finance; **Paige Simmons**, Spanish, Nursing; **Megan Maiers**, Psychology, Spanish; **Kim Martinez**, Human Resources; **Ahna Christian**, Spanish Language; **Laura Hagen**, Computer Science

Diverse and impressive group receive UMWC scholarships

The University of Minnesota Women's Club has awarded a record 67 scholarships this year, with 80 percent of them in the full amount of \$3,500.

"The Scholarship Committee read 125 applications over the spring and summer," said Chair Georgia Nygaard, "and we were once again impressed with the quality of the applications and the intense desire of the students to earn an education at the University of Minnesota."

Law, sociology, psychology, nursing and biology were top areas of study, according to Georgia. Sports management, anthropology and speech pathology also were popular.

"We are very grateful for all the contributions to the scholarship fund this year," Georgia said. "We were especially fortunate to have received the endowment gift given by Ruth Jones, a long-time UMWC member and past president."

The Scholarship Committee works closely with the University of Minnesota Foundation, which manages our endowed scholarship funds, and the Office of Student Finance at the University, which provides the names of students eligible to receive a financial aid scholarship.

Many thanks go to the hard-working Scholarship Committee, including Chair Georgia Nygaard, Sue Gilbertson, Mary Johnson, Patricia Kirchner, Abby Marier, Joni Mitchell, Sue Nelson, Marilyn Olson and Margaret Rowser.

Coming to your mailbox soon

Check your mailbox for your copy of the 2022-23 Directory, which is coming soon if you haven't already received it.

Thanks as always go to Fred and Dorothy Waltz, who once again completed this considerable task with their usual grace and good humor, and to Barb Burleigh and Nancy Kluver, who helped with proofreading.

And speaking of grace and good humor, Dorothy offered the following mea culpa:

Ouch! The Editor forgot me!

How it happened, she can't imagine, but Dorothy

SECTION NEWS

Let's talk about movies

Movie Rendezvous members will meet for lunch Thursday, September 8, at 11:30 a.m. at Lucky's 13 Pub, 2480 Fairview Avenue North, Roseville (near Rosedale). Members will discuss movies they've seen over the summer and talk about future plans for the group.

Around the Campus and Art join forces for October program

Around the Campus has changed its meeting day to the second Wednesday of the month. On Wednesday, October 12, the group's first program will be with the Art section to visit six works of public art and nearby Scholars Walk located on the East Bank Campus.

Members joining the group for lunch will meet at 11:45 a.m. at Coffman Student Union, lower level and have the option of purchasing lunch or bringing their own. The walking tour begins at 1 p.m. outside the east door of Coffman Student Union. Please RSVP to Rolaine Wright.

Out to Tea goes to MIA

The October Out to Tea section meeting, *All Things Tea*, a docent-led tour at the Minneapolis Institute of Art, will be held Wednesday, October 5 (not the 14th), at 1 p.m. The cost is just \$10 per person. Invite a friend and reserve a spot by sending a check (payable to Millie Woodbury) to Millie by September 20.



Waltz forgot to include the page for Needle Arts Sharing in the 2022-23 Directory!

Dorothy wants everyone who loves to knit or crochet, or does other needlework to know that you can bring happiness to others by creating needlework items to be donated to University of Minnesota Hospital patients. The hospitals need baby hats and blankets, plus prayer shawls to be given by hospital chaplains.

We encourage you and your friends to participate by making and donating these items. For information about making donations, please contact Carole Senty carole-senty@aol.com.

Board of Directors Meets September 6

The UMWC board of directors will meet Tuesday, September 6, at Midland Hills Country Club, 2001 Fulham Street in Roseville. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. All club members are welcome to attend.



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In this issue of Online Extra

Elizabeth Weber started writing in the fourth grade and has loved the written word, especially poetry, ever since. Her love of the outdoors is just as strong. Lynn Slifer introduces us to Elizabeth, who also greatly appreciates UMWC, in the latest issue of Online Extra. The two of them, in fact, have started the club's newest special interest group, a Poetry section.

You will find the story as an added feature to the online version of our newsletter.



Recognizing more donors

We are grateful to the following members who contributed to our scholarship program but were not included in the list published in the May-June newsletter. They are Patricia Cohen, Jeanne Cornish, Hikers Club participants, Sheau-Ping Hu, Kathy Johnson, Jeanne Matlock, Margaret Rowser, Nancy Schuster, Sue Shoemaker and Kathleen Treston.

Remembering Tracy Moos

Members were saddened to learn of the death of former member Tracy Moos, who died June 17, one day shy of her 99th birthday. An accomplished artist and environmental and political activist, Tracy was married to former University of Minnesota President Malcolm Moos.



Tracy also will be remembered as the "Shoe House Lady" of St. Paul. In 1996, Detroit-based artist Tyree Guyton affixed shoes to Tracy's home, using it as a canvas for his "environmental art." The house soon became a tourist destination and a stop on school field trips.

Tracy is survived by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Newsletter deadline is October 14

The deadline for the November-December newsletter is Friday, October 14. Please submit articles, information and photos to Nancy Kluver, newsletter editor, at Kluver.nancy@gmail.com.

Elizabeth Weber: A life filled with words and wilderness

Elizabeth Weber wrote her first poem when she was in the fourth grade, and she remembers clearly that she got a grade of B on it. But that experience was the precursor to a lifetime of writing and teaching poetry and creative writing.



Growing up in St. Anthony Park, Elizabeth was surrounded by a family who naturally encouraged her writing. “My family was very language-oriented,” said Elizabeth, “and they loved puns, word games and simply the sounds of words.” Her mother and brother also wrote poetry.

When Elizabeth set off for Gustavus Adolphus College, she thought about studying biology as a pre-med student. Then she transferred to the University of Minnesota in the Twin Cities.

One night she was studying in the library for an organic chemistry test, and instead of focusing on the task at hand, she “started reading everything she could find written by Edgar Allen Poe.” At that point she switched her major to German.

When Elizabeth decided to get her MFA, she made a conscious decision to go somewhere that gave her access to the great outdoors, and she picked the University of Montana. After graduation, she stayed in Montana, and taught poetry in K-12 schools all over the state. Her job

took her to Indian reservations, a prison town and many small towns and rural schools.

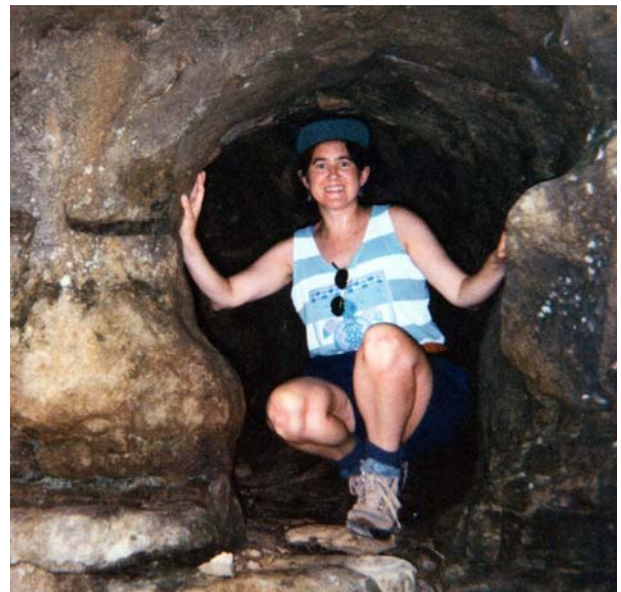
After getting her Ph.D. at SUNY Binghamton in English literature and creative writing, Elizabeth went to western New Mexico University as a visiting professor. “I could have gone other places,” she said, “but I really wanted to be close to the outdoors and wilderness.”

Finally, in 1993, the University of Indianapolis offered Elizabeth a tenured position, and she taught creative writing and composition there until her retirement in 2017. While there, Elizabeth started what became the Kellogg writer’s series, and helped to create a writing concentration. During her career, Elizabeth published three books of poetry—no mean feat—and wrote a book (unpublished) about her brother’s death in Vietnam.

An elderly father who needed her help brought Elizabeth back to the Twin Cities in 2016. Living at 1666 Coffman, Elizabeth hasn’t slowed down. She has started a Scrabble group, open mic night and is part of a poetry writing group.

Elizabeth reconnected with UMWC member Nancy Myers, whom she had known since childhood, and Nancy introduced her to the Women’s Club through the hiking interest group.

“The UMWC has been a good place for me to meet interesting and intelligent women who share some of the



Elizabeth Weber has always loved the outdoors and moved to places where she was close to nature.

same interests as me,” said Elizabeth. “I got involved through the hiking group, but I also am interested in the scholarship program.” In addition, Elizabeth and fellow member Lynn Slifer are starting a Poetry interest group this fall.