

**Montreal Lakeshore University Women's Club  
2012-2013 Report**

1. Funds raised in 2012-2013:
  - From donations: \$5085
  - From fundraising efforts:
    - Received: \$4500 (through our theatre night and books sales)
    - Expected between \$1500 and \$2000 (from Games Day, May 2)
  
2. Bursaries given out in 2012-2013:
  - Total money awarded: \$12,500 as follows:
    - \$6,000 for scholarships given to women from the West Island who are enrolled in full-time university level education
    - \$3,000 to be shared by the Lester B. Pearson's Place Cartier Adult Education Centre and the Marguerite Bourgeois Centre Jeanne Sauvé Adult Education Center: each received 10 bursaries of \$150
    - \$3,500 for the Joanne Brais Memorial Scholarship to a McGill University, Faculty of Music student – this is a one-time scholarship and money was earmarked by contributors for this scholarship and matched by Joanne Brais' husband. (that is, this scholarship did not come from the MLUWC Scholarship funds)
  
3. Membership for 2012-2013:
  - 200 members were reported to the CFUW as of January 31, 2013.
  - Fees charged to members were \$95.
  
4. Advocacy:
  - A resolution on cyber-bullying was submitted to the CFUW
  
5. Communications:
  - Notices of general meetings, including the names and topics of the speakers, were sent out to local newspapers each month in both English and French.
  
6. Meetings:
  - By the end of the 2012-2013 year, 12 meetings will have taken place as follows:
    - September 11: Convivium dinner
    - October 1: "Safeguarding Yourself Online"; speaker: Lynn Perrault, Director, Electronic Commerce Enforcement Div., CRTC
    - November 6: Theatre Night: "The Butler Did It"
    - November 12: "Helping Animals – Confronting Cruelty"; speaker: Rebecca Aldworth, Exec Dir., Humane Society International Canada
    - December 10: Christmas Carols and Party; Stewart Hall Singers

- January 14: Pot-luck Dinners (instead of a general meeting, we have been holding pot-luck dinners at members' homes for the past several years)
  - February 11: "Protection of Canadian Waters"; speaker: Francis Scarplaggia, M.P.
  - March 8: International Women's Day: screening of the NFB Film "Status Quo"; two showings held in conjunction with the Pointe-Claire Public Library
  - March 11: "Protecting Refugees – Tales from Sri Lanka, Egypt & Canada"; speaker: Me. Denise Otis, UNHCR Legal Officer in Canada & Protection Officer, emergency missions in Sri Lanka and Egypt
  - April 8: Members' Night and Resolutions; three members spoke on their backgrounds & careers; and discussions & voting on CFUW resolutions held
  - May 2: Games Day Luncheon; a fund-raising event
  - May 13: AGM, speaker: Wanda Bedard, President, 60 Million Girls Foundation
- In addition to these meetings, two public forums were held:
    - November 24: "Preparing for Your Real Estate Transactions" – how good preparation can save you money
    - April 13: "Estates, Wills and Mandate" – what you need to know when planning or liquidating an estate
  - Networking meetings held every second month. Presentations included: how to use LinkedIn, importance of a will, financial stability.

## 7. Governance and Leadership:

- Executive:
  - President: Gilda Martinello
  - Vice-President/Membership: Constance Ellis
  - Vice-President/CFUW Liaison: vacant
  - Treasurer: H  l  ne Duquet
  - Recording Secretary: Veronica Valentine
  - Communications: Janet Ankcorn
  - Past-President: Chitra Chopra
- Standing Committees:
  - Archives: Renate Sutherland
  - Fundraising: Nicole Awad
  - Hospitality: Suzanne Dutoy and Maria Kolodziej
  - Interest Groups: Linda Sestock
  - Newsletter: Heather Hamilton
  - Scholarships: Barbara Armburster
  - Webmaster: Chitra Chopra
- MLUWC Scholarship Fund
  - Chair: Kate Le Maistre
  - Treasurer: Helen Findlay

Respectfully submitted  
Gilda Martinello  
President, Montreal lakeshore University Women's Club