Report on Fall Reception
By Dagmar Shannon
UWFA President

What fun we had at this year’s Fall Reception. A special thanks goes out to all who contributed to make this event so successful. Our new Interest Group Chair Traudi Krausser did an excellent job preparing for the event and organizing the sign up tables. Our Courtesy and House Chair Inga Roden made sure we had plenty to eat and drink. She also made the tables look so festive and inviting, that it attracted many of us to that delicious sight. She also arranged for three pots of beautiful chrysanthemums to be awarded as door prizes to those lucky winners who found a blue tag under the handle of their chair. What fun!

It took many folks to pull this event together from the people who brought the delicious cheese and crackers, fruit and cookies, to all who helped clean-up and restore the hall to its original state. A big heartfelt thank you to all of you!

Despite or maybe because of the beautiful weather we had a good turnout. After a short President’s address Traudi Krausser, the lady in the polka dot dress, introduced all the Interest Group Chairs or their representatives so people could talk to them afterwards if they were interested in signing up.

This year we had two ideas for new Interest Groups and the pulse was taken to see if there was enough interest in them. One, introduced by Sandy Wood, is for those interested in playing board games like Scrabble and other rotating games. Tina Schiess then proposed another new Group “Afternoon at the Movies”. This one is self-explanatory and she immediately found a co-chair in Hady De Jong. I believe there was much interest in both of the new groups. Check your directories when they arrive in your mailboxes. They are listed there and, if you did not attend the event, you can call up or e-mail the Chairs and sign-up that way.

The rest of the afternoon was open for us to greet new and old friends we hadn’t seen during the summer and to catch up. It was great to see the friendship and camaraderie in the room at this beautiful Fall event that kicks-off our new UWFA year of events.

Mimi Wagar and Carol Hol are two of the lucky winners of the door prize.
Scholarship Dinner and Lecture
Wednesday, November 12 at 7:15
Dinner at 5:45

“Things, Names, and the Left Temporal Lobe:
What Does It Mean?”
by Thomas Grabowski

UWFA continues its fifty-five year tradition by awarding three UW students with undergraduate scholarships. Each scholarship recipient and his or her mentor will be introduced at the Annual Scholarship Dinner/Lecture. Diane Grabowski is Chair of the Scholarship Committee.

Our featured guest speaker will be Professor Thomas Grabowski. Professor Grabowski will review the functional anatomy of the cerebral cortex, and the scientific methods used to understand it. He will describe brain imaging approaches that are now capable of studying the brain on its own terms, i.e. the natural structures that support cognition.

Against this background, he will highlight some of the work of his groups at the University of Iowa and the University of Washington that identifies brain regions that support knowledge about objects, animate things, and persons, and the words that denote these concrete entities. Especially important in stimulating this line of work has been the discovery that the brain organizes knowledge according to the sensory channels with which it is transacted, and that different conceptual categories are treated differently by the brain. Disorders of retrieval of words and conceptual knowledge result from damage to specific brain areas and systems of areas, giving insight into neurologic diseases like Alzheimer disease and epilepsy.

Tom Grabowski is a neurologist and an expert on the diagnosis and treatment of the condition affecting memory, language, and cognition. He is the Director of the UW Medicine Memory and Brain Wellness Center. He is also a cognitive neuroscientist who directs the UW Integrated Center, dedicated to investigating the organization of the brain and the basis of cognition using MRI imaging approaches.

Tom Grabowski is from Napoleon, OH, a small tomato town near Toledo, and grew up as a "Campbell Soup brat."

UWFA Lectures are given in the UW Club conference room. They are free and do not require reservations. However, if you would like to have dinner beforehand, please call the UW Club, 206-543-0437, by the Monday before the event. The UW will now accept reservations directly for diners who are not members of the UW Club, as a Faculty Auxiliary guest. Your name will appear on the sign-in sheet at dinner. Please request a receipt from your server and pay in cash or with a check.

Dinner/Lecture programs and films are generally held on the second Wednesday of the month. However, in December the UWFA Holiday Dinner with choral entertainment by the Dickens Carolers will be on the third Wednesday instead of the usual second Wednesday of the month.

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Travelogue

The People, Landscapes, and Wildlife of Tanzania

By Charles Sleicher
November 19

In February 2013 we travelled with a group of twelve people to Tanzania for a 16-day safari. February is an ideal time to visit because the short rains have ended, but the long rains have not yet begun. On our trip we visited two villages and went on a bow-and-arrow hunt with Hadza Bushmen. We had three superb guides who were able to help us identify all of the mammals and most of the bird species we saw.

We saw lions, leopards, Cape buffalo, a rhino, and an elephant. We passed through a migration of wildebeests and zebras that stretched from horizon to horizon for 20 or more miles. We also encountered cheetahs and were able to photograph them on a hunt. Wonderful vistas and fine accommodations helped to make the trip a memorable experience.

Ireland: Delectable Treats

Jim Ginn & Jim Segaar
January 21,

Jim Ginn & Jim Segaar experienced the Emerald Isle in the best way possible, by bicycle and on foot, with a little train and car travel thrown in. They will share photos and stories of the country, its people, its scenery and even a touch of politics.

Right, Barbara Garlid and her daughter-in-law Kitty Garlid, who is visiting from Maine, at the Fall Reception. One of the scholarships to be awarded in November is in honor of Barbara Garlid.
Seattle Seattle

Seattle Seattle toured the MadArt exhibit on the UW campus—an outdoor public art exhibit that spanned about 2 ½ miles around campus and encouraged visitors to discover art in unexpected places. The group poses as the Lone Stranger looks on.

Tacoma Tacoma
November 19

Gallery Goers and Seattle Seattle combine for the November outing to the Tacoma Art Museum. The museum has constructed a new wing to showcase a recently donated collection of Western American Art.

Twenty Years of VFHS
Computers: 1994-2014

The UW Provost Office Supplies VFHS with New Array of Computer Office Equipment

The Visiting Faculty Housing Service was initiated in spring 1985 in the kitchen of faculty spouse Barbara Garlid. The value of this service was quickly recognized by UW and soon space in a UW building was made available for the expanding volunteer service, assisting new and visiting faculty in locating temporary housing, as well as in acquiring donations for UW student scholarships. Equipped with phone and typewriter, activity in the office continued to grow. Five years later and to expedite efficiency, a copy machine was added to their inventory.

In the fall of 1993, the VFHS volunteers thoughtfully discussed the pros and cons of acquiring a computer and in February 1994 submitted a proposal to the UW Vice Provost Office. Very soon through the generosity of the University, the Housing Office became computerized. The UW email program was soon to follow. Even though many VFHS volunteers were not yet familiar with computers, let alone email, they did not hesitate to take on the challenging, but much more efficient, world of new technology.

In April of this year, and several VFHS computer generations later, once again the Provost’s Office has generously seen to it that our computer set-up is thoroughly updated with a complete inventory of new office equipment including a Windows 8.1 computer and monitor, printer and even a new copy machine. The volunteers at VFHS appreciate very much the continuing and generous University support of our efforts for, now, almost 30 years!

Carol Hol

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome these new members who joined recently:

Anita Bingaman Donna Hahn
Patricia Clark Barbara Heather
Evy Danielsen Margaret King
Mary Beth Dols Alisa Malloch
Faith and John Stacey Morrison
Gaines Michelle Turnovsky

Their contact information is in the newest directory just completed by Directory Chair Sue Christian.

Did you know?

Highlights of the Seattle campus freshman class:
The GPA of the class is 3.76, a 1% increase from last year.
The SAT composite average of 1832 is two points higher than last year and the SAT CR+M score of 1237 is three points higher than last year.
The UW annually enrolls more Pell grant recipients and students first in their family to go to college than all the Ivy League combined.

New Interest Group

Afternoon at the Movies

We are starting a new Interest Group called Afternoon at the Movies. We will go to see a movie at the Thornton Place Theaters at Northgate (between 1 and 2 pm or thereabouts) on the second Thursday of the month and afterwards meet at the coffee shop (The Jewel Box Cafe) across the plaza. It is a great way to meet with UWFA friends, stay current on the latest movies, and engage in some lively discussions — either on the movie or on other hot topics. Thornton Place Theaters has a special price for matinees, comfortable seats, and plenty of parking across the street and in the parking garage.

Regal Cinemas Thornton Place, 301 NE 103rd St., Seattle 206-517-9953

We will advise members of the Movie Group by email at a least week before the second Thursday of the month, what movie we will be seeing and the time. We are entering prime Oscar season, as studios tend to release the best movies—their Oscar hopefuls—before the end of the year.

Our first Afternoon at the Movies will be on November 13, 2014. For more information or movie suggestions contact:

Tina Schiess alts@bluewin.ch
Hady De Jong hadydej@comcast.net

Left, Tina Schiess and Nancy Kenagy
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The stalwarts of the Tuesday Trekkers

The Scandinavian Cultural Exchange Picnic
Irene Andersen, Ester Baum, Britt Glomset, Janie Hauser. The other side front to back: Chris Christoffersen, Tulla Lindsey, Marie Linde Lois Arneson and Jane Becker.

More Tuesday Trekkers