The University of Washington Faculty Auxiliary

Annual Spring Luncheon

Our featured guest speaker will be

Charlotte Coté
Associate Professor of American Indian Studies
Author of Spirit of Our Whaling Ancestors.

at
Seattle Yacht Club
1807 East Hamlin Street

On Wednesday
May 18, 2011

Social at 11:30
Luncheon begins at 12:15

Reservation Form Inside
Deadline for Reservations is May 8

Whaling: a Family Tradition

Join us on Wednesday, May 18, at the Seattle Yacht Club for our Annual Spring Luncheon with our special guest speaker Charlotte Cote, member of the Nuu-chah-nulth tribe and author of Spirits of Our Whaling Ancestors: Revitalizing Makah and Nuu-chah-nulth Traditions. Published by UW Press, Spirits of Our Whaling Ancestors examines the importance of whaling in the Makah and Nuu-chah-nulth communities. Here is the synopsis from the dust jacket:

Following the removal of the gray whale from the Endangered Species list in 1994, the Makah tribe of northwest Washington State announced that they would revive their whale hunts; their relatives, the Nuu-chah-nulth Nation of British Columbia, shortly followed suit. Neither tribe had exercised their right to whale—in the case of the Makah, a right affirmed in their 1855 treaty with the federal government—since the gray whale had been hunted nearly to extinction by commercial whalers in the 1920s. The Makah whale hunt of 1999 was an event of international significance, connected to the worldwide struggle for aboriginal sovereignty and to the broader discourses of environmental sustainability, treaty rights, human rights, and animal rights. It was met with enthusiastic support and vehement opposition.

As a member of the Nuu-chah-nulth Nation, Charlotte Coté offers a valuable perspective on the issues surrounding indigenous whaling, past and present. Whaling served important social, economic, and ritual functions that have been at the core of Makah and Nuu-chah-nulth societies throughout their histories. Even as indigenous societies faced disease epidemics and federal policies that undermined their cultures, they held fast to their traditions. “Whaling”, she says, "defines who we are as a people."

Thanks go to Ruth Eller, programs and special events chair, for arranging to have Dr. Cote speak to our group. Although seafood crepe is back on the menu for our luncheon, Seattle Yacht Club catering won’t be including whale meat in the crepe.

Annual Business Meeting
April 18
1:30 to 3:00
At the UW Club

Items on the agenda will be a report from the President, from the Treasurer, and election of 2011-12 board. The program will be a talk by four early members of the Seattle Chapter of CORE, Congress of Racial Equality.

Save the Date

Be sure to mark your calendar for Fall Reception on October 3, which will be held at the University Unitarian Church.

The friendship luncheon for past presidents will be on Tuesday, October 25, at the Seattle Yacht Club. Please contact Mimi Wagar at 206-546-8251 for questions.
Antiques Interest Group

To reflect an expanded scope of topics and diversity of interests, the antiques interest group has changed its name to Antiques and Collectibles Interest Group.

In voting for the change, members recognized that while some meeting topics were strictly related to traditional antiques with the requisite age and relative value, for example, antique silver, antique jewelry, and oriental rugs, many times the group has been interested in a variety of collectibles. Some recent meetings have been built around such themes as decorative boxes, old cameras, old photos, afghans and coverlets, travel memorabilia, post card collections, tea paraphernalia, and garage sale finds.

The Antiques and Collectibles Interest Group meetings generally include a speaker or a presentation on a topic, followed by an opportunity to examine items brought by members. The conversation is lively and fun as members share the history of their sample items. In April the group toured the Rosalie Whyel Museum of Doll Art in Bellevue. The final meeting of the year, May 4, will feature antique and collectible dolls and paper dolls, as a sequel to the tour event.

All Antiques and Collectible Interest Group activities are open to UWFA members and their guests. If you are interested in joining a tour or attending future meetings of the Antiques and Collectibles group, please call Sandy Walston (206) 365-0122 or send an e-mail to dandswalston@comcast.net.

~ Sandy Walston

What’s in a Name?

Ester Baum reports that the Scandinavian Cultural Exchange group has changed its name to the Nordic Cultural Exchange.

Did you know that the Nordic countries make up a region in Northern Europe and the North Atlantic which consists of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden and their associated territories, the Faroe Islands, Greenland and Åland? In English, Scandinavia is sometimes used as a synonym for the Nordic countries, but the word may also refer more narrowly to Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

Changes in email addresses

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**Travelogue**

Third Wednesday of the Month  
*At 7:15*

**May 18**  
Timbuktu, Dogon Country, and Beyond  
*By Betsy Darrah*

The last talk for this year in the UWRA Travelogue series is one on a trip to Timbuktu taken by Betsy Darrah.

Join Betsy Darrah as she tells us about a trip that she took in the Fall of 2008. The trip began in Ouagadougou, the capital of Burkina Faso, and continued into Mali. Her group traveled overland, making stops at a variety of hamlets of different clans along the way. An intriguing visit to Timbuktu, Mali, was just one of many highlights on this trip. There were days spent traveling in a small boat on the Niger River followed by visits to the amazing cliffside villages of the Dogon people of Mali.

The trip provided an excellent introduction to the culture and scenery of the two West African countries of Mali and Burkina Faso.

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**In Memoriam**  
**Ronald John Nunke**

UWFA member Ronald John Nunke passed away in Seattle on April 3 after a brief illness. He is the husband of long time member Lydia Nunke. Born in Kenosha, Wisconsin, he was called to the army in 1944 and served in the Philippines and Japan. Discharged in 1946, he entered University of Chicago for his undergraduate studies and continued to earn a PhD. in Mathematics. While at the University of Chicago he met and married Lydia Biller. They moved west to Seattle when Ron joined the Mathematics Department in 1958. He enjoyed teaching and research until his retirement as Professor Emeritus in 1995.

He also enjoyed participating in Faculty Auxiliary and University of Washington Retirement Association activities.

A celebration of his life will be held on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at University Lutheran Church, 1604 N.E. 50th St. Seattle WA 98105.

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**Treasurer’s Report**  
**June 1 through March 31, 2011**

We began the fiscal year with $8423.97 in the General Account, which is the account that pays the expenses of the organization and is funded by members’ dues. We received $4870 in dues.

So far this year our expenses have totaled $1833.23.

The breakdown is:

- Newsletter: $317.67
- Mailing Costs: $572.02
- Dinner/Lectures: $175.45
- Fees: $70.00
- Directory: $372.30
- Fall Reception: $225.00
- Dues Coupon: $22.15
- Miscellaneous: $78.64

The Scholarship Account contained $26,569.93 as of June 1, 2010. Members generously added $3,800 through donations. Visiting Faculty Housing Service added another $4,000. A paltry $37.93 was earned in interest.

A total of $8,334 was given to our two scholarship recipients. Although the Board had allocated two scholarships for $5,000 each, one of the recipients did not enroll Spring Quarter.

We continue to maintain a Funds Account, which has $1,369 in it. This account contains seed money for fund raising projects.

~Barbara Archbold  
*UWFA Treasurer*
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