



2017 - 90 years of Alumnae Friendship

Next Event Lunch and AGM, 10th November 2018

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As you will see from the photographs the weather on 22nd September was fairly wet and miserable, but The Charterhouse has such a wealth of interesting history, I do not think anyone really noticed. The Charterhouse has had many functions – its buildings have been used as a monastery, a hospital and a school for poor scholars. It now provides a home and care to a community of 40 elderly people, known as Brothers. A sign of our times – women are eligible to apply to become a Brother.





GU Women's Club London Talent Scholarship

We have received a charming letter from Lauren which I am sure members will be delighted to read:



Dear Members of the GU Women's Club London,

I would like to begin by thanking you all immensely for your continued support throughout my undergraduate studies. Your support has allowed me to undertake unfunded internships leading to my selection onto the masters programme, an achievement I am incredibly grateful and proud of. I am now coming to the end of my fourth year studying parasitology with one year left before I graduate.

As part of the master programme I am undergoing a work placement year at The Roslin Institute, a research facility that is part of The University of Edinburgh. During this placement I spent nearly two months in Africa working on malaria. I was able to meet local children which was undoubtedly one of the best experiences of my life. While this year has been challenging, I am so thankful to be given the opportunity to work in Africa cementing my ambition to work against tropical diseases in low and middle income countries.

After my placement at The Roslin Institute, I will be travelling to Paris to undergo an internship at The Pasteur Institute as an Amgen Scholar. Here I will spend two months working on malaria drug resistance. At the end of this internship I will attend the Amgen Scholars Symposium which gathers Amgen Scholars from all over Europe to present their work at The University of Cambridge. I am very excited to work at The Pasteur Institute and eager to see where this experience may lead to.

The Talent Scholarship has allowed me to undertake many opportunities that I would not normally have been able to do. With my initial unfunded internship two years ago, to my unfunded work placement at The Roslin Institute, this scholarship has helped overcome financial limitations. My family and I are incredibly grateful for your continued support and would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you all.

Yours sincerely,

Lauren

Laying of the Foundation Stone of the Learning and Teaching Hub, 8th October 2018



It was agreed at the GUWC AGM last year that the sum of £2000 would be donated to the new Learning and Teaching Hub at Glasgow University. I have two pieces of information to share with you. Firstly, Glasgow University has recently announced that the Learning and Teaching Hub building will be named after James McCune Smith, a Glasgow University graduate in 1837, the first African American to receive a medical degree.

The second piece of information is that work on the building has started. It is the large concrete tower on the left of the photograph together with the adjoining metal framework. The building is due for completion in 18 months' time with students using the facilities 2 years from now.

The date of 8th October was chosen for the 'Laying of the Foundation Stone' as that day is exactly 150 years from the same ceremony when the Gilmourhill site was being constructed.



Professor Sir Anton Muscatelli presents Susan Aitken, Leader of Glasgow City Council with a commemorative trowel.



The Foundation Stone

Next informal meeting will be on 12 November in the Amba hotel, Strand, Charing Cross, London WC2N 5HX commencing at 6.30pm. If you are free that evening, please email Marjorie marjorie.bremner@gmail.com and let her know you're coming.



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The Annual General Meeting of Glasgow University Women's Club (London) will take place on Saturday 10th November 2018 at 2.30pm in St Columba's Church, Pont Street, London.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the last meeting Proposer and Seconder
3. Any matters arising
4. President's report
5. Membership Secretary's report
6. Events Secretary's report
7. Treasurer's report Proposer and Seconder
8. Website
9. Election of Office Bearers and Committee for 2018-2019

President	Margaret Goldfarb
President Elect	Vacant
Past President	Anne O'Hagan
Treasurer	Margaret Henderson
Website-	Carol Whitesmith
Events Secretary	Cathy Black
Membership Secretary	Marjorie Bremner
Committee member with responsibility for catering	Marjory Montgomerie
General committee member	Tina Tamman
10. Future programme.
11. A.O.B.

Margaret Goldfarb
President

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE GLASGOW UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB
(LONDON) HELD AT ST COLUMBA'S, PONT STREET ON SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2017

The President Anne O'Hagan was in the chair and 22 members were present.

1. There were 10 apologies for absence.
2. The minutes of the last AGM were approved. Proposer: Marjory Montgomerie
Seconder: Rona Passmore

3. Matters arising

A donation was proposed to the University. It was suggested that we donate £2,000 to the Teaching and Learning Hub; this would make us a gold donor and a plaque would record our donation. This hub would be available to students 24 hours a day and will provide group and individual study pods. The committee felt that this was a suitable choice and this proposal was put to the members, who voted unanimously to support it.

4. President's Report

Anne began with mentioning that we have 87 paid-up members and that we have some members who can no longer attend for a variety of reasons. She made particular mention of Elspeth Hepburn who sadly died recently. Anne had been in contact with her husband, Ron and it was hoped that he may like to attend our Annual Dinner. Our Afternoon Tea was held at The Sackler Galley and, despite the weather, was enjoyed by all. The speaker at the Spring Lunch was Katherine McNeil, who gave a very interesting talk on architecture. Cathy Bell also spoke about the University Development Project. Our Annual Dinner was held at the Caledonian Club and 44 members and their guests attended. It was considered to be an excellent venue. We had a day out at Hatfield House. Some members drove and others were able to come by train. Numbers were a bit short to qualify for group discount, but everyone enjoyed the tour of the house. Our tour of the Houses of Parliament was a great success and we had 30 people attending, including guests. Our member Hilary Booth, who is a Blue Badge Guide, headed the tour for the larger group (some members had to join a second group) and Anne thanked her for a very interesting and informative tour. Anne presented Hilary with a small gift as a thank you. She also presented with Louise Caldara with a belated gift for her 90th birthday. Links with the University continue to be good, with the office happy to help us. Anne wrote on our behalf to Professor Sir Anton Muscatelli to congratulate him on his knighthood and he replied with a congratulatory letter to the club for our 90th birthday. We signed a contract, but with a caveat. We did not agree to share our database, but we will send the University a list of attendees after each event. 10 newsletters only are sent by mail. Cathy Black kindly took over producing the newsletter after the unexpected resignation of Marion Cameron as secretary and she has done an excellent job. Cathy is now the new events secretary. Anne thanked the committee for their support during this year-her second as President.

5. Membership Secretary's Report

We have 113 members listed in Dropbox, but only 87 paid-up members and 6 new members who have joined recently. Emails have been sent about informal meetings and Anne has sent out 'Sorry we haven't seen you for a while' cards to encourage any lapsed members to consider joining again. Newsletters continue to be sent for a few years after membership has lapsed. Some ex-members still enjoy receiving these. Other ways of increasing numbers are being considered. The Scottish Alumni Group has events and we can link in to these e.g. ceilidhs, quizzes etc. It may be good to provide a link to these events on our website and newsletters. Also the University Alumni Office has been helpful too. LinkedIn is another avenue that could prove useful and some members already use this medium. Informal meet-ups have been organised and hosted by Marjorie and Marion-The Folly being a favoured venue.

6. Events Secretary's Report

As Cathy Black is on holiday, Anne included this in her report.

7. Treasurer's Report

We have no intention of raising the cost of membership. The cost of functions is covered and subs cover general expenses-stationery, postage and cards. Any donations we give come from general expenses too e.g. overhead projector and to Cancer Research in memory of Elspeth. The hire of the hall at St Columba's is not covered by the lunch payments, but we do need to keep to the 4 hour session to minimise costs.

Our bank balance is healthy and so we are in a position to make a £2,000 donation to the Teaching and Learning hub mentioned in 3.

Thank you to Angela Caldera who signed off the accounts.

8. Election of office bearers and committee for 2017/18

Anne handed over her badge of office to Margaret Goldfarb and wished her well for the coming year.

The new committee is as follows:

President-Margaret Goldfarb

President Elect-vacant

Past President-Anne O'Hagan

Webmaster and database administrator-Carol Whitesmith

Treasurer-Margaret Henderson

Events Secretary-Cathy Black

Membership Secretary- Marjorie Bremner

Member with responsibility for catering-Marjory Montgomerie

General committee member-Tina Tamman

Proposer: Sara Lawson

Seconder: Marlene Terry

9. Future programme

February 3rd Afternoon Tea at Gallery Mess in the Saatchi Gallery

April 21st Spring Lunch with speaker from Kids Out charity

September 18th Summer outing to The Charterhouse, London

November 10th AGM and lunch

Date to be confirmed Annual Dinner with speaker, Katharine Grainger

10. AOB

Sara is collecting old mobile phones and asked for any donations.

MEETING CLOSED AT 3.10pm

Lunch and AGM, 10th November 2018

Lunch details

Venue: St. Columba's Church of Scotland
Pont Street
Knightsbridge
SW1X 0BD

Date: Saturday 10th November 2018

Time: 12.30pm for 12.45pm

Price: £18.00 per person

To reserve your place, **either**

Complete the form at the end of this newsletter and send the form together with a cheque made payable to GUWC (London) and with your name on the back to:

Margaret Henderson, 32 Granard Avenue, London, SW15 6JH

Or by email to: margaret@32granard.com

Bank account name:

GUWC (London)

Account number:

69548309

Sort Code:

09 01 51

CLOSING DATE: Friday 3rd November 2018

Contact on the day: Margaret Goldfarb 07779550467

FOR POSTAL BOOKINGS ONLY

I shall/shall not be attending the lunch and AGM on Saturday, 10th November 2018

Member's name:

I enclose a cheque for £.....
(£18 per person)