



United Nations Women's Guild - Geneva

NEWS LETTER

November - December 2018

Message of the President



Dear Members,

It was a beautiful sunny day when we received more than 900 students, all of them were excited to participate in the Children's Walk.

Mr. Michael Moller delivered a speech during the Opening Ceremony in which he explained to the children, in simple but most eloquent words, how the United Nations was established in the aftermath of the devastating Second World War which had resulted in millions of casualties as well as an impoverished world.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Moller for his continued support.

The kids, with lots of enthusiasm, danced to the music and happily started their walk, It was a well-organized event thanks to Gita Sundararaman, Diane Boustany, Bilqueece Alimohamed, Edith Mayer, Catherine D'Arcangues, Kajori Massé-Basu, Raji Sundaram, Lalita Badrinath, Matine Damen and more than a hundred volunteers.

October Coffee Morning was hosted by H.E. Ambassador Maria Nazareth Farani Azevêdo, Chair of 2018 Bazaar and Permanent Representative of Brazil; it was a marvelous morning.

I am pleased to announce that our guest of honor for the 2018 Annual Lunch, which will take place on December 19th, will be H.E. Ms. Michelle Bachelet the newly appointed High Commissioner for Human Rights, former President of Chile and Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women).

We continue the hard work, inside and outside the Villa, for the 2018 Bazaar which will take place, on Tuesday November 20th, in building E door 40 for National Stalls and building A for Restaurant Stalls. I encourage you to join our volunteers, simply because every little help counts.

Looking forward to seeing all our members' fruitful and most constructive participation in UNWG philanthropic activities, I thank you and wish you all the best.

Nehad Sukayri

Important Dates!

Bazaar – Tuesday 20th of November

Annual Lunch - Wednesday 19th of December

Coffee Morning 6 November

4 December

Coffee Morning



Date: Tuesday 6 November
Venue: Hall XIV, Palais des Nations
Time: 9:30a.m. -11:30a.m.
Participation: 3 CHF

Coffee Morning of November will be on Tuesday 6th of November and will be hosted by spouses of Ambassadors and members of Latin America.

Coffee Morning of December will be on Tuesday 4th of December and will be hosted by “GUAM” Georgia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan and Moldova.

Contacts: Carmen Falaize, Hospitality (078/761.22.87)
Ghazala Nayyar, Welcoming (022/755.23.77)

Information

International Bazaar of UNWG

Date: 20 November 2018, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Lottery Team



Dear Members,

We appeal to you and urge you to help in the sale of Bazaar lottery tickets in international organisations. Many sales women are missing - we count on your indispensable collaboration which will contribute to the success of this year's Bazaar.

Please call:

- Nadia Mehdi, tel. 00 33 450 04 06 66 or 00 33 607 08 01 84 or
- Niloufar Rafi Kian Bouabid, tel. 078/709 71 85

You may also register during the Coffee Morning on 6th November.

Thank you!

The Lottery Team

Your Opportunity to Donate to the Bazaar

Any clothing, jewellery or bric-a-brac that are in good condition could be donated to the Bazaar. If you do find any of these items that you are willing to give away, please contact the person in charge of the stalls (below):

- **Clothes: Zohra Ahmadi / 079 310 17 18**
- **Jewellery: Manila Paktian / 079 275 17 85**
- **Bric-a-Brac: Bilqueece Alimohamed / 078 752 95 95**
- **Cakes: Nadjia Kherad / 076 570 13 12**
- **International Gifts (New Items): Connie Pilo Pais de Castrillon / 076 432 78 76**
- **Drinks: Carmen Falaize / 078 761 22 87**

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING AT THE VILLA until or unless you have made arrangements with the person in charge of the stand.

Thank you for your generosity and help.

With kind regards, Guild Stalls: Manila Paktian

Invitations and Protocol

UNWG International Bazaar

Date: Tuesday 20th November 2018, Palais des Nations, United Nations in Geneva.

Dear Members,

You, your family and your friends are warmly invited to the International Bazaar of the UNWG that will take place on Tuesday 20th November 2018. Be sure not to miss this great event with its restaurant and craft stalls from more than 60 countries.

As said, your friends and family members are more than welcome to assist. If they do not have a "Carte de Légitimation" or a UN Courtesy Badge, they will need an invitation card issued beforehand by the UNWG, in order to access the premises of the UN on the day of the Bazaar.

You will soon receive all necessary information and electronic forms to place your order.

The invitation cards will be issued before the Bazaar.

Please take note that the UN security services need following information from all invitees:

Family name, name, ID (passport) number and nationality. If any of this information is not provided, your invitation(s) cannot be processed. Please inform your invitees about this.

Remember that the Annual Bazaar is the biggest fund-raising activity of the UNWG. It makes it possible to fund projects in favour of underprivileged children around the world. So come, enjoy and participate!

If you have any questions or enquiries, please contact us at: invitation.protocol@unwg.ch



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**MARDI 20 NOVEMBRE 2018 –
TUESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2018**

BAZAR INTERNATIONAL ANNUEL ET LOTERIE
INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL BAZAAR AND LOTTERY

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Visits and Culture

Dear Members,

Kuniko Satonobu Spirig, in charge "Visits & Culture" is organising a visit to Bern on Tuesday 13th November.

“Visit of Bern, beautiful UNESCO town with a rich history”

I would like to propose you “Visit of Bern, beautiful UNESCO town with a rich history”, guided by Mr. Peter Schibli, ex-CEO of swissinfo.ch of SRG/SSR, multimedia service of 9 languages. Bern has a “just perfect beauty”. Peter, fascinated by this town’s history started this tour several years ago. I am sure that you will travel through “a time tunnel” of 600 years. Then, we will have a nice aperitif in my favorite “wine bar” with Tapas before going back to Geneva!!

Date: 13th November 2018

Transport: We go by train to Bern: eating the sandwiches at noon in the train like young girls on a school trip! (ticket train will cost about 15-20 CHF depending on the number of participants)

Departure: 11:42 (Intercity 719) arrive at Bern: 13:32

Tour: 14:00 - 16:00

Cost: 20 CHF (for the tour)

Explanation language: French and English

Registration: via email to Kuniko: kunikoss@bluewin.ch or at Coffee morning on Tuesday 6 November

Monthly Meeting

Our next Monthly Meeting will take place on Friday 2nd November. Rowana will give us 5 facts of the Nosh Rocks Kick-Start to not only lose weight but to feel great.

Place: Villa les Feuillantines

Time: 14:00

Registration: Bilqueece Alimohamed, tel 078/752 95 95 – alimohamed@bluewin.ch

Participation: 2 CHF



Book Club

There will be NO Book Club for November 2018, because of the Bazaar.

On Friday, 14th of December 2018, at 2 pm in the Villa, we shall be discussing our book of the month:

The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

You can read all about the books we have previously reviewed and discussed at our monthly meetings of the UNWG Book Club and see the list of books we will be reading and discussing in the coming months, at my website:

<http://www.1stbookreview.com>

Cooking Class

There will be a Peruvian cooking class on 16th of November.

Contact person : leilikaweh@gmail.com

Newsletter editing

The deadline for the next Newsletter is **December 15**. Please ensure all information has arrived at the newsletter site to ensure prompt delivery.

newsletter@unwg.ch

Membership cards

Your membership card will be delivered at the Villa with the presentation of your payment receipt, Monday afternoon from 2.00pm – 4.30pm and Thursday morning from 10.00am – 12.00.

Villa les Feuillantines, 8-14 Avenue de la Paix, 1211 Genève 10

Tél: 022 917 33 86

Email: cfnu.unwg@bluemail.ch

Bus: 5, 8, 28, F, V, Z Tram: 15 arrêt Nations.

The Nominating Committee 2019

Listed below are vacancies for positions on the UNWG Executive Committee (AGA 2019)

All members elected must participate in the monthly meetings of the Executive Committee and submit a report at the request of the President and for the following AGA.

1. **Vice President - Projects** (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Collects the project and scholarship proposals submitted by members.
- Ensures projects and scholarships meet UNWG requirements for funding "to help disadvantaged children around the world" before submitting them for consideration by the Executive Committee for approval/rejection
- Ensures transfer of funds and implementation of projects or scholarships.
- Fluency in French and English is a requirement.

2. **Treasurer** - (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Collects annual fees and all funds of UNWG, pays the bills according to the instructions of the Executive Committee.
- Transfers the amounts destined for projects.
- Ensures the bookkeeping of revenues and expenditures and prepares an annual financial report for the AGA.
- Knowledge of accounting and/or finance highly desirable.
- Excellent IT skills especially Microsoft Excel.

3. **Co-Membership Secretary** (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Keeps up to date the membership list, including Associate-Members list
- Prepares labels for different mailings to members.
- Prepares statistics of membership information for the Executive Committee.
- Prepares membership cards.
- Cooperates with the Treasurers for the compilation of the telephone directory.
- Good computer literacy required.

4. **Recording Secretary - English** (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Attends meetings of the Executive Committee and takes minutes.
- Sets the agenda for all meetings of the Executive Committee.
- Ensures the preparation of the annual report for the AGA.

5. **Newsletter Editor - French** (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Gathers information from activity leaders.
- Works in close cooperation with the English Editor.
- Prepares the Newsletter every 2 months.
- Coordinates with the team/person responsible for uploading the Newsletter on the UNWG website and the mailing of the "Listing of Events".
- Must be French mother tongue with good knowledge of English.
- Must have excellent computer skills.

6. **Monthly meetings** (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Prepares monthly meetings by arranging for a speaker.
- Ensures that the theme of the presentation is approved by the Executive Committee.
- *Associate Members may apply for this post.*

7. **Hospitality** (2 years: 2019-2021)

- Ensures with her team the service and drinks for coffee mornings.
- Cleaning after service.
- The transportation of goods.
- Collects the money paid by members at the entrance.
- Ensures monthly search of a host country contact for the coffee mornings.
- *Associate Members may apply for this post.*

Do not hesitate to contact us:

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE 2019

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