

BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the Book Club will be held on **Wednesday, January 18th at 2:15pm** in Room 1-46 of University Terrace (8303-112 Street). The book to be discussed is *The Best Laid Plans* (2007) by Terry Fallis and the discussion will be led by Vivien Bosley.

Members may participate either in-person or online. If you wish to participate online, please contact Vivien at vbosley@ualberta.ca for Zoom instructions ahead of time.

If you wish to join the group, please contact Vivien as well.

LUNCH WITH...

The next edition of Lunch With... takes place on **Wednesday, January 25th at 11:30am** in person at the Papaschase Room at the University Club. The speaker will be Heather McPherson. She is an NDP Member of Parliament for Edmonton Strathcona.

The topic to be discussed is *Politics in a Multi-Polar World*. Global politics is changing. Due to the ease of telecommunicating and the internet, new and more varied political poles and alliances are emerging and many of the issues we face locally are global in scope. Heather McPherson, Member of Parliament for Edmonton Strathcona and the NDP critic for Foreign Affairs and International Development, will address how Canada should negotiate this new, multi-polar world in foreign and domestic affairs.

If you plan to attend, please notify us at emirhse@ualberta.ca
Please feel free to invite your friends!

DINING OUT

The next event will be held at Normand's on **February 2nd**, a long-time favorite with the Dining Out crowd. Dinner will start at **6:30pm**. The address is 11639 Jasper Avenue. There is street parking and a pay parking lot across Jasper. Eunice Barron will be celebrating her 90th birthday so we will be in an extra celebratory mood.

Please advise Peggy before January 31st if you plan to attend at peggyallegretto@gmail.com (note new E-mail address).

SESSION THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

Title: *The James Webb Telescope- How it works, the Canadian contribution, and what have we learned so far.*

Speaker: *Phil Langill*, Associate Professor (Teaching);
Director - Rothney Astrophysical Observatory, Department of Physics and Astronomy. Introduction by Professor Emeritus, Dr. Gerrit Voordouw (voordouw@ucalgary.ca)

January 11, 2023, 2pm to 3:30pm Mountain Time, Hybrid Session.
No Charge.

Overview: The James Webb Space Telescope is a large infrared telescope with a 6.5 meter primary mirror. It is the world's premier space science observatory. It will solve mysteries in our solar system, look beyond to distant worlds around other stars and probe the mysterious structures and origins of our universe and our place in it. Webb is an international program led by NASA with its partners the European and Canadian Space Agencies.

Registration if attending the Virtual Session:

https://go.ucalgary.ca/2022-01-11JamesWebTelescope_LPRegistration.html

For in-person attendance: no registration required. Just go to Univ of Calgary Engineering Bldg, Block G, 2nd floor, Room 207

NEWS FROM CURAC

The University of Saskatchewan Retirees Association (USRA) will host the 2023 CURAC/ARUCC Annual Conference in Saskatoon, May 31st – June 2nd, 2023. Mark your Calendar!

This will be the first in person conference since the onset of COVID and we are looking forward to face- to- face interaction with our colleagues from across the country.

The CURAC AGM will kick off the event on Wednesday afternoon followed by an evening reception on Campus. Informative sessions will fill Thursday and Friday morning, June 1-2. CURAC's Awards banquet will be held on Thursday evening. More details about the program will follow.

Blocks of rooms have been reserved at University Residences and Staybridge Suites/Holiday Inn Express adjacent to the University of Saskatchewan Campus. Enjoy western hospitality and renew networks at one of Canada's prettiest Campuses.

If you are interested in attending, let us know at emirhse@ualberta.ca

OFFICE ASSISTANT

David will be back in the office from 12-3pm every Monday.