

Women's Club News

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A Letter from the President...

Fall 2006 is all that it promised! Our club's activities are now in high gear and we have had a fantastic start. The Fall Sign Up at Krannert Center was terrific. Everyone had a great time visiting with old friends, making new ones and listening to the Prices playing a lovely string duet throughout the event.

Our booth at the Farmer's Market is now closed for the season. Thanks to all who worked in the booth over the Summer and Fall, and especially to our outstanding Farmer's Market volunteer—Dorothea Smith! Our efforts were a resounding success. We sold lots of tiles, met many potential new members, and increased the club's visibility in the community dramatically.

Was the Fall Luncheon great or what? Coach Bruce Weber is the best! Please check out the photos and report in this newsletter, as well as photos on the website. And thank you to Ann Long and Stephanie Price for all their efforts in successfully putting together this amazing event.

Our membership drive is working. Membership is now at 356 and growing every day! Remember, your spouse or partner can also become a member for only \$10 more, and you can save on member events.

By now, I hope you are all enjoying your interest groups. We have instituted a weekly e-mail reminder of all interest group and club activities, so if there is a group you have never been to, or didn't get a chance to sign up for, the information is at your fingertips to make the next meeting! For a jovial way to gather and catch up with friends you haven't seen for a while, stop by Krannert Uncorked for our monthly networking events.



The Women's Club has received the Illinois Centennial Award and is now an Illinois Centennial Corporation. Vivian and Carl Larson represented us at the banquet, and you can see more about it inside.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at one of our upcoming events—the Holiday Tea or one of the tours. Be active; be happy!

Cinda



Decades of Giving

An Opportunity to Increase Our Scholarship Endowment

We are nearing the end of our Decades of Giving Campaign for our Centennial Celebration. We have been quite successful so far, raising over \$21,000, but we have yet to meet our goal of \$25,000. The importance of meeting this goal to assist students far into this century cannot be understated. As we wind down our Centennial Year, 2006, we ask that you consider giving even more than you already have. The levels of giving are listed below and are cumulative—the amount you gave last year will be added to this year’s donations so you can reach a new level with an additional donation. Everyone who donates will be acknowledged in the February newsletter. As a special thank-you, all members and their partners who donate at the 2006 level are invited to enjoy a Holiday Buffet Dinner with University of Illinois President and Mrs. B. Joseph White at their home on Wednesday, December 13. And an early *thank you* to all who have donated so far. Please give generously!

1906 Decade	.....	\$ 50
1926 Decade	.....	\$ 100
1946 Decade	.....	\$ 150
1966 Decade	.....	\$ 250
1986 Decade	.....	\$ 500
2006 Decade	.....	\$1000



**Our President, Cinda Pettigrew,
is displaying our Illinois
Centennial Award from the
Illinois State Historical Society at
the Fall Centennial Luncheon.**



Thanks Coach Weber!

Centennial Celebration Fall Luncheon

The year has begun splendidly! Our Fall Luncheon featuring Coach Bruce Weber was a smashing success. The food was wonderful, the ambience fabulous, Coach Weber's speech was down-to-earth, delightful, and outright funny, and, finally, the tour of the new Alice Campbell Alumni Center by Jim Runyan, the General Manager, was excellent. It is a gorgeous building—worthy of all three campuses' alumni. Since it represents all three campuses, this wonderful state-of-the-art facility is not an orange-and-blue décor, but it is very tasteful and elegant in blues, grays, and ivory, with a lot of beautiful cherry wood liberally sprinkled throughout.



Fabulous Flowers and Food



Great Friends and Fellowship



**Everyone admiring the
6000 pound conference table
made by the UI Mill Shop, with
the UI Ricker Logo.**



Bar Loungers...

Local and Fall Tours

November 9

Doris Kelly Christopher Hall Tour

10:30 AM

The center is located at 1105 West Nevada Street in Urbana. This new facility, the Doris Kelly Christopher Hall, is the home of The Family Resiliency Program, which studies family relationships as they endure the stresses of modern life. After our tour we will have lunch at Bevier Hall at our own expense. This tour is full, but contact Alma Bellafiore for cancellations at 217-351-7039 or at almab1@mac.com.

November 14

Food Shopping Tour to Chicago with Symphony Guild

7:00 AM

On November 14th, as part of the Symphony Guild In Good Tastes series, we will join in for a fun food trip to Chicago. We will be guided by Bob Rowe of Classic Events fame as he guides us on a gourmet walking tour in the Lincoln Park neighborhood. Contact Vivian Larson at 217-367-0800 for reservations.

December 6

Art and Shopping in Indianapolis

7:00 AM

Join us for a tour to the Indianapolis Art Museum with Holiday Shopping afterwards on Wednesday, December 6th. The bus will leave Champaign at 7:00 AM from the southeast corner of the E-14 Parking Lot, located at the corner of St. Mary's Road and First Street. We will arrive at the Museum at 10:00 AM EST where we will have a docent-led tour of *Gee's Bend: The Architecture of the Quilt*, featuring quilts made by four generations of women in a small, isolated all-black community in southwest Alabama. After the tour, it's lunch on your own and shopping at Keystone at the Crossing. On our way home, we will stop at Trader Joe's. A breakfast snack and water will be provided on the way there and wine and a snack for the trip home. We plan to arrive in Champaign around 7:00 PM. Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, November 29th. Contact Alma Bellafiore at 217-351-7039 or at almab1@mac.com. The cost of the tour is \$40.00 for members and \$45 for guests. Please mail checks to Alma Bellafiore, 711 S. Elm Blvd., Champaign, IL 61820. Make checks payable to Women's Club at UIUC.

Reservation Form for Indianapolis Tour

Wednesday, December 6th, 7:00 AM

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Number of Members _____ Number of Guests _____

Names of Guests _____

Total Enclosed _____ Cost: \$40 Member, \$45 Guest

Make checks payable to: Women's Club at UIUC

Reservation & Refund Deadline: November 29th

Mail to: Alma Bellafiore, 711 S. Elm Blvd., Champaign, IL 61820

E-mail: almab1@mac.com

Phone: 217-351-7039

Campus Tour

August 29, 2006

Sylvia Dunning, Anne Martel, their guide Kevin, and Cathy and Joe Rex next to the Alma Mater on their tour of campus.



Change in Standing Rules

The Women's Club Board, at their October 30, 2006 meeting voted on and passed the following addition to the Standing Rules:

#15 Refunds:

Refund of Membership Dues. If a member resigns, full dues may be refunded upon request within two weeks of payment.

Refund of Payment for Events (Luncheons, Tours). Full refunds will be made if the refund request is made prior to the event's confirmation date.

Illinois Centennial Award



Vivian Larson and Professor Carl Larson attended the Illinois Centennial and Distinguished Service Awards Banquet on Friday, October 13, 2006 in Chicago. Vivian accepted the Illinois Centennial Award on behalf of the Women's Club at UIUC. The award to the Women's Club was presented during a small slide show illustrating the 100 year history of the Women's Club. The plaque was presented to Vivian by Marvin Ehlers, President of the Illinois State Historical Society. Also receiving an award that night was Captain Jim Lovell, flight commander of the Apollo 13 moon launch, for Lifetime Achievement.

Women's Club List Serve

Do you want to receive timely reminders and announcements about Women's Club events?

If you are not on our e-mail list serve, follow the List Serve link from our webpage

<http://www.uiucwomensclub.org>.

It's easy and a very convenient way for quick club communications.

Questions? Ask Ann Campbell at 217-352-1487 or annc@prairienet.org.



Holiday Tea

*Susan Herman and the Women's Club Board
Invite You to Join Us to Celebrate the Holiday Season*

Tuesday, December 12th, 4 - 6 PM

*Atrium of the National Center for Supercomputing Applications
1205 West Clark Street, Urbana*

**A String Quartet Will Welcome Guests
World Class Tenor Sang In Han Will Entertain Us at 4:30 PM**

*Delightful Hors d'oeuvres
Wassail, Tea, and Coffee*

**Bring Your Family and Friends
\$15 for Members, \$20 for Guests**

*Parking Meters in Parking Garage North--Entrance on Mathews Street
Or Nearby Street Parking
Enter through NCSA North Entrance; Drop off Guests in Turning Circle*



Reservation Form for Holiday Tea

Tuesday, December 12th, 4 – 6 PM

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Number of Members _____

Number of Guests _____

Names of Guests _____

Total Enclosed _____

Cost: \$15 Member, \$20 Guest

Make checks payable to: Women's Club at UIUC

Reservation & Refund Deadline: December 4th

Mail to: Ann Long, 4406 Brittany Trail Drive, Champaign, IL 61822

E-mail: annlong@uiuc.edu

Phone: 217- 398-6639

Murder Mystery Dinner

***Friday January 26th, 2007 at 6.45 PM
Champaign Country Club
1211 South Prospect Avenue, Champaign***

***The Eighth Earl & Countess of Hoxton, Lord Nigel and Lady Ann Ashton-Grey
Invite You to Join Their Family and Staff
For Their Annual Festival at Greymoor Minsters***

This ancient manor house is rumored to have financial problems, so it may be interesting to attend what may be the final celebration. Rumors also abound in the village about Lady Ann's "outside interests" and her brother's profligate gambling and drinking. There's wild speculation of hidden treasure on the estate, but will this solve Lord Nigel's problems? What is the role of the estate manager, and does he know about the treasure? And why is there a Police Inspector from Scotland Yard among the guests? And finally, will Lord Nigel's wealthy brother take over?

Program

***6.45 Meet the Family and Staff over Hors d'oeuvres and Cocktails
7.30 Dinner is Served***

Menu

***Mixed Baby Green Salad
Choice of
Grilled Atlantic Salmon, Orange Glazed Chicken or Vegetarian Option
With Chef's Accompaniment of Vegetables
Cheesecake with Mango, Raspberry, Chocolate, or Strawberry Sauce
Coffee, Hot Tea, and Iced Tea
Cash Bar***

***\$50 for Members & \$55 for Guests
Prize for Best Male and Female Victorian Costume***

Reservation Form for Mystery Dinner

Friday January 26th, 2007 at 6.45 PM

Name _____ Phone _____

Member Entrées: Fish _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____

Names of Guests _____

Guest Entrées: Fish _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____

Total Enclosed: _____ Cost: \$50 Member, \$55 Guest

Make checks payable to: Women's Club at UIUC

Reservation & Refund Deadline: January 19th

Mail to: Ann Long, 4406 Brittany Trail Drive, Champaign, IL 61822

E-mail: annlong@uiuc.edu

Phone: 217- 398-6639

Interest Group News



Spanish Club

Eight librarians from Chile and Colombia in the UIUC Mortenson Library Program were guests at the September meeting of the **Spanish Club** at the home of Pola Triandis. Women's Club members pictured are: Yolanda Deal, Maria Teresa Camacho, Pola Triandis, Mary Kruse, Zonia Soto, Bertha Baum and Louise Zuidema.

The Women's Club Walkers

Nine members of the club are taking part in the Walktober Pedometer Challenge run by Campus Recreation. This is a four-week challenge, starting October 16th and running until November 12th. Every member wears a pedometer all day and tries to walk or exercise as much as she can. The average number of steps walked as a team is recorded each week. There are 34 groups competing in this challenge. The winners will each receive an iPod Nano from the Illini Apple Center. Our group is called **The Women's Club Walkers**. Our team members are: Carrol Bunick (Team Captain), Ann Campbell, Cinda Wombles Pettigrew, Nancy Diamond, Cindy Reiter, Danda Beard, Ching Lee Li, Kathy Marshak, and Lori Choquette. Our reasons for participating in this challenge are twofold: to increase our fitness, and to bring attention to the Women's Club on campus.

Newcomers' Group



Illinois Football Tour



Newcomers' Group

Our definition of “newcomer” is your first or second year of residence here, *or* your first or second year of membership in the Women’s Club. We welcome you to join us in some strictly-for-fun events. We hope, too, that you are joining the Women's Club networking that goes on at Krannert Uncorked, most Thursdays at 5:00 PM at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts.

If you've missed our events so far (lunch at Joy's and the football tour), you can still join in! Plans are underway for our PUB CRAWL! The date is changed to Election Day, Tuesday Nov. 7, so vote first, party later. We will meet and park at Lincoln Square Mall in downtown Urbana, at the south entrance (closest to Art Mart). Starting time is 5:30 PM, and we'll provide designated drivers, who will bring you back to your car between 8:30 and 9:00. Wear good WALKING SHOES! We have a nice, varied list of watering holes in downtowns Urbana and Champaign, as well as a couple of out-of-the-way places (NOT Campustown!). If you're very late, we'll start at "The Office," 214 W. Main St. (near the Thai restaurant in downtown Urbana). Most of the places serve food--some very good. **PLEASE E-MAIL OR PHONE YOUR RESERVATION IN SO THAT WE KNOW YOU'RE COMING!**

After that there will be a multi-museum tour starting at 10:00 AM on Thursday, Feb. 1st at the Champaign County Historical Museum. The Museum is in the Cattle Bank Building, 111 University Avenue in Champaign. Then we'll go to the Krannert Art Museum for lunch and a tour, and finish at the Spurlock Museum around 2:30 PM. If you don't have time for all three, join us for part of the day.

Pub Crawl—Selection of Urbana and Champaign Hot Spots **5:30 PM Tuesday, November 7**
Lincoln Square Mall, south entrance closest to Art Mart

Museum Visiting **Champaign County Historical Museum** **10:00 AM Thursday, February 1**
Barbara Peckham, Board Pres. of the Champaign Co. Historical Museum, is our guide, then it's lunch at, and a tour of, the Krannert Art Museum, then off to Spurlock for another tour!

Tour Selected Ag and Vet Med Facilities **Possibly an Afternoon in March**
If there's interest and arrangements can be made.

End of Year Garden Party **Wine and Cheese** **4:30 - 6:30 PM Friday, April 20**
Jody Endres's home, 204 W. Nevada Street, Urbana

Joy Thornton-Walter, 2nd Vice President Newcomers 217-351-5197, joytw@insightbb.com
Jody Endres, Asst. 2nd Vice President 217-344-7255, jody.endres@insightbb.com

Upcoming Women's Club Events

Doris Kelly Christopher Hall Tour	Thurs., Nov. 9, 10:30 AM	Doris Kelly Christopher Hall
Symphony Guild In Good Taste	Tues., November 14, 7:00 AM	See Tours, Page 5
Art and Shopping in Indianapolis	Wed., December 6, 7:00 AM	See Tours, Page 5
Women's Club Networking Party	Thurs., Dec. 7, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Krannert Uncorked, Krannert Lobby
Holiday Tea	Tues., Dec. 12, 4:00 – 6:00 PM	NCSA Atrium
2006 Decades of Giving Buffet	Wednesday, December 13	President's House
Winter Murder Mystery Dinner	Friday, January 26, 6:45 PM	Champaign Country Club
February Newsletter Deadline	Friday, January 26	
Scholarship Brunch	Sat., Mar. 10, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Illini Union
Spring Luncheon	Wednesday, May 2	TBA



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