University of Nebraska-Lincoln Women's Club

Established 1894 Fall 2019

Upcoming Events:

September 18- Annual Welcome Event

October 15 – Fall Tour

November 13 – Fall Brunch

February 12 – Interest Group Luncheon

February – General Meeting

March – General Meeting

April 1 – Spring Luncheon

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Welcome to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Women's Club (UNLWC) newsletter. UNLWC, formerly known as the University of Nebraska Faculty Women's Club, is an organization celebrating 125 years this year, a testament to the commitment of women who have dedicated their time, talent, and treasure in fellowship and service to the University.

Over time, UNLWC evolved from being called UNL Faculty Women's Club, where its members were UNL faculty wives, to opening up membership to women of the community who have a connection to the University, whether directly or indirectly through its activities. Our main goal is to raise scholarship funds for students with financial need. Through educational and social events as well as interests groups, the Women's Club creates opportunities for new experiences and fellowship among its members.

In the spring of 2016, my husband was offered a position with the University and, after a quick visit to Lincoln, made the decision to make the mid-West our next adventure. In the late fall of 2016, I was warmly welcomed by members of the UNLWC who took me under their wing as a newbie of the University system and quickly became involved. And now I'm your president!

This year the UNLWC has a dynamic and energetic group of women who, alongside me, have accepted the responsibility of leadership. I know you will support and encourage them as they endeavor to plan activities to foster friendships, explore the heritage of Nebraska, serve the students of UNL, learn new skills and build memories together.

Our Fall Welcome Back event will be held on September 18, 2019 at the Hilton Garden Inn Haymarket Downtown. The President's Office, which has graciously offered to host the event, will be sending an invitation via email. Please watch for it! In the meantime, please browse our interest groups and events and see if any of them fit your interest!

I'm honored to serve as the 2019-2020 President, and I look forward to a rewarding and enjoyable year together.

Miriam McCornick
President, UNL Women's Club



Mission Statement of the UNL Women's Club

The purpose of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Women's Club is to promote friendship among members, to strengthen their bond of common interest, and to provide service to the University including funding scholarships. Membership is open to any person who is interested in the activities, well-being and continuance of the University of Nebraska and the UNL Women's Club.

Annual Welcome Event

The annual Fall Welcome Event will be held on **September 18** at the Hilton Garden Inn Downtown/Haymarket. Invitations from the President's Office will be sent via email and will inform members of all the details. We look forward to seeing you there!



Fall 2019 Membership Renewal

Watch for Membership Renewals in Your Mailbox Soon!

Membership renewal forms will be printed and mailed out to all members this year along with the annual fundraising letter. Watch for it in your mailbox in mid-August. For questions contact Marla Kraft, Membership, unlwomensclub@gmail.com. Please complete and mail along with your check(s) to our Treasurer, Eileen Carroll. Dues are \$25 for all brand new members and current members renewing before September 30. After that time, dues are \$30 for renewing members. Please remember that to participate in interest groups, your dues must be current.

Newcomers and Friends

Newcomers and Friends meets weekly (Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.) for friendship, conversation, and refreshments. The "Newcomers" are UNLWC members of three years or less. The "Friends" are all UNLWC members who want to participate in the coffees and activities. Traditionally we have met at area coffee shops, but due to Covid-19 concerns, we have been meeting at Holmes Lake since mid-June. In view of the continuing challenges to practice safe, social distancing, participants provide their own chairs and beverages. Masks are optional, dependent on one's comfort level outdoors.

When we move into cooler weather, I will seek feedback on future gatherings to ensure everyone's safety and comfort level. Guests and new members are welcome. Members are emailed where the group will meet each week.

If you would like to be added to the email list or have any questions, please contact Karen Buckley, <u>unlwomensclub@gmail.com</u>.

Huskers Helping Huskers Pantry

UNLWC will continue to collect donations for the Huskers Helping Huskers Pantry when we are able to resume our in-person events. For the time being, monetary donations would be greatly appreciated and can be mailed to:

Husker Pantry c/o Megan Patel 127C HCCN (University Health Center) Lincoln, NE 68588

The Husker Pantry is a resource for students who struggle with food and/or shelter insecurity. It is located at the University Health Center, is available to all students, and items are free of charge. For more information about the Pantry visit https://pantry.unl.edu/

UNL Women's Club FALL TOUR 2019 Nebraska City - Tuesday, October 15th



This beautiful estate in Nebraska City was the original home of J. Sterling Morton, who founded Arbor Day — the tree planter's holiday — in 1872. From its beginning in 1855 as a four-room frame house, the magnificent mansion grew to 52 rooms through several renovations. Authentic furnishings and historical artifacts grace the rooms and displays capture the life and times of this exceptional man.

Tour includes visit to Arbor Lodge, lunch at
The Keeping Room, choice of one museum Kregel Windmill Museum,
Fire Fighters Museum or
Civil War Veterans Museum,
and Kimmel Orchard







Kregel Windmill Museum

Fire Fighters Museum

Kimmel Orchard

DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2019 TIME: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

DEPARTURE SITE: Sheridan Lutheran Church, 6955 Old Cheney Road.

COST: Includes motor coach & driver gratuity, snack, lunch, and admission fees. If you want a morning coffee, please pick it up at a coffee shop; it must have a lid.

UNLWC Members \$46.00 Guests \$51.00

If you have questions, please contact Kay Rockwell.

Fall Tour Registration*

Name:	Guest's name:
Cell Phone:	Cell phone:
Email:	Email:
Members @ \$46.00 = \$	
Guests @ \$51.00 = \$	
Total \$	

Make check out to UNLWC and send it to: Kay Rockwell

Fall Brunch ~ A Walk Down Memory Lane ~

Speaker Kay Logan-Peters
Librarian at the College of Architecture



Wednesday November 13
Gathering at 10:30 am
Brunch served at 11:00 am
Grand Lodge at the Preserve
4400 S. 80th St.

Cost \$18 for members \$23 for non-members Reservation Deadline October 30



If you have questions contact
Nancy Weller at unlwomensclub@gmail.com

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Fall Brunch Registration*
Reservation deadline October 30
Make check payable to UNLWC

Mail to: Mary Schkade

Member Name	
Phone	
Guest Name(s)	
Guest Phone(s)	
Amount Enclosed: \$	

*Or mail form with one check made payable to UNLWC for amount to Eileen Carroll

UNLWC Officers 2019-2020

President – Miriam McCornick
President Elect/Cor. Secretary – Kelly Powell
2nd VP/Newcomers – Debby Portnoy
3rd VP/Membership – Marla Kraft
Recording Secretary – Diane McCallister
Treasurer – Eileen Carroll

UNLWC Committee Chairs 2019-2020

Advisor/Parliamentarian Miriam McCornick
Communications/Publicity Ivette Bender
Courtesy Diane Mohrhoff
Fall Brunch Nancy Weller
Historian Brenda Keith
Hospitality Luming Brewer
Interest Groups Pat Hurley

Fundraising Miriam McCornick,

Karen Buckley
Membership Marla Kraft
Newsletter Marion Carr

Programs Mae Anne Balschweid

Scholarship Linda Rabbe
Spring Luncheon Jesse Waller
Telephone Gail O'Hanlon
Tour Kay Rockwell
Webmaster Marion Carr

Members who have passed away since the Spring 2019 newsletter

Margaret Ottoson

Marla Kraft,

In memory of a member who has passed away, a card is sent to the family expressing our sympathy and advising that a \$50 donation has been made to the UNL Women's Club Scholarship Fund in memory of their loved one.



The Executive Committee of UNLWC for 2019-2020 are: Back Row Left to Right: Kelly Powell, Debby Portnoy. Front Row Left to Right: Miriam McCornick, Marla Kraft, Eileen Carroll, Diane McCallister

Courtesy

Cards are sent to members who are hospitalized or for special events such as a significant birthday or anniversary. If you know of a member who has passed away, please advise our Courtesy Chair, Diane Mohrhoff at unlwomensclub@gmail.com





UNL Women's Club Interest Groups

Interest groups are the essence of the UNL Women's Club where our mission statement comes alive. These small groups are where acquaintances develop into friendships, common interests grow into strong bonds, and our desire to serve the University turns into action. Sign up at the Annual Welcome Event or contact the Interest Group Chair listed. If you have a new idea or are willing to help organize a new group, such as wine tasting, bunco, or some other new group, contact Pat Hurley, Interest Group Chair, unlwomensclub@gmail.com

Arts & Crafts meets monthly to make a craft item on the 3rd Friday at 10:00am. Chair –TBD

Book Clubs are for all who enjoy reading and discussing books with friends. Each group selects books to be read.

Book Club I - 1st Wednesday at 9:30am. Chair Chris Read

Book Club II - 1st Tuesday at 9:30am. Chair Deb Miller

Book Club III - 3rd Friday at 10:00 am. Chair Nancy Weller

Bridge groups meet monthly for bridge and friendship. Most groups are open for new and substitute members.

Bridge I - 1st Thursday, 11:30-3:00pm, hostess choice. Chair Linda Rabbe

Bridge II - 2nd Thursday, 10:30am hostess choice. Play cards and eat lunch at the Grand Lodge, Chair Margie Dickinson

Bridge III - 1st Thursday at 7:00pm. New members welcome. Chair Mary Schkade. Bridge Marathon meets monthly October-April. Chair Kay Rockwell

Community Outreach - Sew and/or assemble "shower belts" for mastectomy patients so that they are able to shower hands free. Members meet the 2nd Tuesday of odd months from 10:00-12:00pm at the home of the Chair, Sheryl Hudgins

Couples Gourmet meets monthly for a dinner with the theme, recipes, and date/time chosen by the host. Singles welcome. Chairs Karen and Gary Heusel

Culinary Arts meets monthly with members bringing a dish of choice from a monthly theme selected by the group.

Daytime - 3rd Wednesday, 11:30 am. Chair Carol Riefler

Daytime/Evening - 2nd Thursday, 11:45am. Chairs Carol, Jane Zatechka

International Club welcomes everyone. Monthly programs or lunch outings to learn about other countries and their cultures. Chairs Kay Rockwell, Janet Wendland,

Meals on Wheels delivers hot meals to the elderly and disabled on a daily basis. Volunteers needed to serve for

1-1 ½ hours monthly. Chair Chris Read

Newcomers & Friends are new members plus other members of UNLWC who wish to participate in activities. Meets most Wednesdays at 9:30 am for coffee and conversation at local coffee shops. Chair Debby Portnoy

Opera 101 UNL has an Opera Program? Yes, we do! Learn more about it from UNL Director of Opera William Shomos, then attend a UNL Opera production as a group. Ticket cost is the responsibility of the individual. Chair Mary Beth Shomos

Piecemakers quilting group meets every Tuesday, 9:30am-noon. Lessons available to those wanting to learn. Non-quilters are encouraged to bring a needlework project and join in. Chair Lori Miller

Variety Club – Join in a different activity each time we gather (e.g. movie, lunch, discussion, volunteer opportunity, performance, etc.). Chairs Mary Schkade, Chris Wilhelm, Karen Buckley

UNLWC Friends Gatherings



Michael Forsberg presentation



Fundraiser at the Assemblage featuring the works of Jun Kaneko



Variety Club visits Olive Creek Farm



Trip to see the cranes near Kearney



Spring Luncheon and Style Show – Around the World in 80 Days





Scholarship Recipients

Scholarships to UNL students have been a key component of the UNL Women's Club for many decades. Through great efforts to raise funds and the generosity of members, we have \$20,850 to give during the 2019-2020 academic year.

Our recipients and their majors are:

- -Grace Corrigan Accounting
- -Austin Haufle Nutrition and Health Sciences
- -Avery Johnson Child, Youth and Family Studies
- -Jared Long Political Science and Journalism
- -Mohammad Majid Computer Science and Mathematics
- -Nicole McLaughlin Elementary Education and Special Ed K-6
- -Morgann Pospisil Child, Youth and Family Studies
- -Karyssa Richardson Biological Sciences

All of the students displayed academic achievement, financial need, extracurricular activities, and community volunteer activities. We offer congratulations to these outstanding and deserving students as well as thanks to our membership for supporting scholarships!



Two 2018-2019 scholarship recipients attended the Spring Luncheon on April 3. Left to right along with Scholarship committee members are Linda Rabbe, Rachel Finnegan, Brook McCluskey and Mary Clark.

Successful 2018-2019 Fundraising Thanks to UNLWC members! Donations from members to the UNL Foundation for the UNLWC Scholarship Fund \$10,615 Assemblage Tea Fundraiser \$623.19 Spring Luncheon Basket Raffle \$1,390 Silk Necktie Quilt Raffle Fundraiser \$850



Susan Gildersleeve, second to left, was the lucky winner of the Silk Necktie quilt at the Spring Luncheon. Also pictured from left - Mae Anne Balschweid, Missy Paul, Billie Lefholtz, Susan Simon and Priscilla Henkelmann.

REMINDER - UNLWC NEWSLETTERS ARE ELECTRONIC

Following the trend of other Big Ten Women's Clubs and other social and volunteer organizations, the UNLWC newsletter is now distributed via email. Those members who do not have email access will receive a print copy. Some printed copies will be available for guests at club events.



