



University of Nebraska-Lincoln Women's Club Newsletter

Spring 2023

Dates to Remember

Feb 8th 1pm
General Meeting
Aging with Intention

March 8th 1pm
General Meeting
Title IX at 50

March 22nd
Interest Group Chairs
Appreciation Luncheon

April 5th 10:30 am
Spring Luncheon
Country Club of Lincoln

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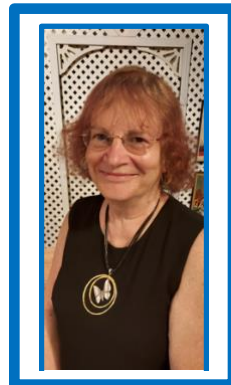
6-Fundraising
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New Members

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A message from the 2022-2023 University of Nebraska Lincoln Women's Club President, Karen Buckley



Our club year is flying by, with so many positive outcomes. We continue to add new members, helping our club maintain a strong membership. Our scholarship funds continue to grow, affording greater opportunities for students to achieve their academic goals and enrich their college experience. UNLWC donations to the Husker Pantry have also been a great service to the university.

Many members have participated in our all-UNLWC events, including the fall tour, the welcome luncheon, and the fall brunch. Additionally, our interest groups continue to encourage a variety of experiences and time for fellowship.

This spring will bring us three more opportunities to strengthen friendship and growth through two general meetings with informative speakers and our spring luncheon. I am excited about our future gatherings and the future of our organization.

My gratitude to all of you for your contributions and especially to our Board of Directors, whose hard work makes our organization a worthwhile investment of your time and your generosity.

I invite you to consider becoming more active in UNLWC by serving on the board, volunteering at special events, or becoming a chair or co-chair for an Interest Group. Being involved as a board member and a former Interest Group Chair has strengthened the satisfaction and joy I feel as a UNLWC member. If you are interested in becoming an officer or volunteer, please feel free to contact me or President-elect Marilynn Schnepf. Let the chair of your Interest Group know if you'd like a stronger role. (That's how I first become more involved!)

Thank you so much for all you do for UNLWC and thank you for the opportunity to serve as President. I am so proud to be a member of UNLWC and grateful for the many wonderful experiences I have and look forward to even more of the same.

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.

Spring Events

General Informational Meetings & Spring Luncheon

“Aging With Intention at Midlife and Beyond “

February 8, 2023,
1:00 p.m.
via ZOOM

Dr. Julie Masters, Professor
and Terry Haney,
Chair of Gerontology
Department of Gerontology

“Title IX at 50: “Have We Come a Long Way, Baby?”

March 8, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
via ZOOM

John Shrader, Associate Professor &
Coordinator of Sports Media, and
Communication Broadcasting
College of Journalism and Mass
Communications

UNL Women’s Club Spring Luncheon

Join us for our Cabaret!

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

*Gather at 10:30 am, Luncheon at 11:30
Country Club of Lincoln*

As part of our luncheon celebration, we are pleased to welcome Dan and Denise Cotton who will entertain us with popular Broadway showtunes. We will also feature our fabulous Interest Group raffle baskets and the Quilt Raffle drawing with all proceeds going to the UNLWC Scholarship Fund. And you will also have an opportunity to donate to Husker Pantry to support UNL students.

Watch your email for a reservation form to follow.

Interest Groups- Current groups include Arts & Crafts, Book Clubs, Bridge, Community Outreach, Couples Gourmet, Nooners, Group Therapy, International Club, Newcomers & Friends, Piece-makers, & Variety Club. Contact Deb Miller for more information.

New Arts & Crafts Opportunities

The new Arts & Crafts interest group has started to provide opportunities to members for a variety of fun activities. The weather didn't cooperate for the initial planned Downtown First Friday Art Walk but there's always next month! Members have participated in a J Schwanke design seminar at Campbell's Nursery (about flower arranging and different easy techniques) as well as the Annual Friends of the International Quilt Museum Art Market. Let chair Anita Hall know if you have ideas for other arts and/or crafts-oriented activities, and if you're not a member yet, you can join anytime!

International Club On Thursday, October 20, members of the International Club interest group met at Messiah Lutheran Church where they heard from fellow member Kathy Carter about her involvement in an interesting and worthwhile group. Common Threads is a Lincoln-based all volunteer organization that makes reusable, sustainable feminine hygiene products for women and girls domestically and internationally. They are the only Days for Girls Chapter in Nebraska and have partnered with Orphan Grain Train to ship products to 26 different countries. It started in 2018 with a medical/educational mission trip to Tanzania. Kathy specifically focused on how this program and the kits they produce benefits women and girls in the international realm by allowing women and girls in different cultures to go to school and work. To learn more about International Club, contact Kay Rockwell and for more information about Common Threads, contact Kathy Carter.



Reading with Friends Book Club reads "Fifty Words for Rain".

Bridge Club Sub Needed

First Thursday Afternoon Bridge meets at the Olive Garden for lunch before we play bridge in a back room. One additional advantage of playing there is the ability to buy \$6 take-out dinners, which they hold for us in their fridge until we head home. Lunch, bridge, and dinner in all one! Add your name as a sub and you can try it, too. Contact Janice Lawrence.

Newcomers Coffee at Braeda



Newcomers

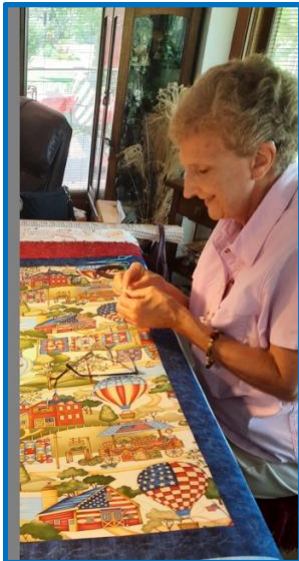
Newcomers and Friends continue to meet every Wednesday morning for coffee. They have moved to inside venues now that cold weather is here. Everyone is welcome to enjoy great conversation and friendship! Contact Anita Hall to have your name put on the listserv so that you can join us.



Newcomers Lunch at Schilling Bridge

Interest Groups Continued

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Piece-makers Quilting Group

Group Therapy Gatherings

Group Therapy (aka Ladies Night Out) is continuing to explore the Lincoln area's entertaining meeting spots – one venue at a time. They enjoyed an evening of live music at Glacial Till Winery during one of their Fermented Fridays events. The group appreciated a sunset view of the city while enjoying beverages and nibbles at the Barred Owl on top of The Scarlet Hotel on Innovation Campus. November's outing was for Mexican food and drinks at Hacienda Real. If you have great ideas or want to join up with this fun group, contact chairs Kelly Powell and/or Miriam McCornick.



Group Therapy at Barred Owl, Scarlet Hotel



Group Therapy at Hacienda Real

Variety Club

We explore a variety of exciting activities with changing times and locations. During the fall, we toured the School of Nursing, had lunch at the Scarlet Hotel, cheered on the UNL Women's Soccer Team, ate a delicious lunch at the SCC Course Lunch Restaurant prepared by the SCC Culinary Students, and toured the Downtown Abbey Exhibit at the Durham Museum. Contact Mary Schkade, Chris Wilhelm, or Annette Watts for more information or to join this adventurous group!



UNL Women's Soccer-Variety



UNL Nursing School Tour and Scarlet Hotel Tour & Lunch-Variety Club

Community Outreach Projects

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Coordinating Community Outreach Projects

UNLWC member Eileen Carroll is now acting as Community Outreach Coordinator to assist with organizing the multiple community outreach projects that are active this year. This position has existed in the past when there was a need.

Current projects are Husker Pantry (Mary Schkade and Tina Shrader, chairs), Holiday of Trees (Kelly Powell, chair,) Meals on Wheels (Chris Read, chair), and Holidays for Little Huskers (a trial project this year, Annette Watts, chair). Other short-term projects sometimes arise, for instance, assisting in holiday gift-wrapping events for Friendship Home.

If you have a community outreach project you'd like to propose, contact Eileen. The person proposing the idea should be prepared to serve as the chair if the Board approves the project. Eileen can provide you the list of people who signed up for community outreach projects and provide other information and help as needed. Contact Deb Miller (Interest Groups Chair) if you'd like to sign up for any outreach projects or contact Eileen Carroll if you'd like to propose a new project.

Husker Food Pantry

As a result of UNLWC members' generosity during two collection drives the Husker Pantry has been the beneficiary of 65 bags of food, personal care items, household cleaners, and fresh produce. Members have also made check donations totaling \$405 and donated items from the Pantry's Amazon Wishlist. Many thanks for your ongoing support of the Husker Pantry and the students it serves.



**Tina Shrader & Mary Schkade
shopping for Husker Pantry**

The 50th Annual Holiday of Trees Event was held by the Heritage League Women's Club at Westminster Presbyterian Church with proceeds going to the St. Elizabeth Burn Center.



Holiday of Trees



**Eileen Carroll & Kelly Powell presenting
Little Husker Gifts to Domonique Cudjo,
Asst Director at The UNL Women's Center**

Holidays for Little Huskers

The UNL Women's Center organizes Holidays for Little Huskers that provides gifts for children of current UNL Students at the holidays. Nine members of the club donated over \$200 for hats and mittens, board and lift the flap books, and gift certificates for a child and UNL student parent.

2022 Fundraising Campaign

We recognize those members listed below who have given to the Scholarship Fund as of September 30th. Members who requested their donation remain anonymous are not listed as well as those who sent their donations directly to the NU Foundation. All donations are much appreciated!

Avery, Marybell
Bates, Jill
Bender, Ivette
Beukelman, Helen
Besch, Joyce
Brandt, Nancy
Brewer, Luming
Brown, Ruth
Buckley, Karen
Burrow, Mary
Burson, Maureen
Carr, Marion
Carrell, June
Carroll, Eileen
Carter, Kathy
Clark, Mary
Collins, Linda
DeFrain, Nikki
Detlefsen, Jean
Easley, Kay
Eisenhauer, Maria
Eisentrager, Doreen
Ellsworth, Valerie
Etling, Lana
Green, Jane
Grell, Carol
Grew, Priscilla
Haisch, Cathi
Hanson, Sandra
Harmon, Aldine
Hein, Wanda
Herrmann, Diane
Heusel, Karen
Hug, Caroline
Hurley, Pat

Jaacks, Janet
Janovy, Karen
Jensen, Judy
Jensen, Mary
Jones, Colleen M.
Karels, Earla M.
Kean, Rita
Keith, Brenda
Kendrick, Carol
Keown, Gail M.
Knight, Sharon
Kostelnick, Marjorie J.
Kraft, Marla
Lamphear, Kay
LaRue, Elizabeth
Levitov, Deb
Lutz, Mary
Martin, Janet
Massengale, Ruth
Mayo, Lois
McCallister, Diane
McCord, Penny
McCornick, Miriam
Miller, Deb
Miller, Lori
Mizerski, Alice
Mohrhoff, Diane
Moser, Lovell
Moser, Sheree
Nelson, Nan
Obermeier, Rhonda
Pardy, Ann
Peters, Jane Spence
Peterson, Cheri
Powell, Kelly

Purcell, Sarah
Rabbe, Linda
Raddatz-Portnoy, Debby
Rader, Barbara
Reifler, Carol
Rundquist, Carol
Schkade, Mary
Schulte, Ruth Ann
Sellmyer, Catherine
Sesow, Deborah
Shearman, Linda
Shomos, Mary Beth
Shrader, Tina
Silletto, Rogene
Smith, Arlene
Norma, Sturgeon
Timmons, Jeri
Varvel, Bonnie
Vidaver, Anne
Vodvarka, Marie
Walklin, Karen
Waller, Jessie
Watts, Annette
Weller, Nancy
Wilhite, Myra
Williams, May Ann
Wit, Mary
Woollam, Cyndi
Zatechka, Jane
Zimmermann, Susan
Zygielbaum, Chris

Donations for the 2022-2023 year are welcome at any time, including at the Spring Luncheon in April. Please be sure to make your donation checks payable to:

NU Foundation.

Mail your check to:

UNLWC, PO Box 5781, Lincoln, NE. 68505.

Thank you for your contributions!

UNLWC Fundraising for UNL Scholarships

Basket Raffle

At the Spring Luncheon on April 5th, we will again be having a basket raffle to raise money for our UNLWC Scholarship Fund. We are asking each interest group to contribute a basket (or any container) of a raffle item or items such as a chocolate lover's basket, a pamper yourself basket, gardening basket, etc. You can choose any theme you want. It doesn't have to be related to your interest group.

Baskets should include the name of the interest group, the theme of the basket and a list of the items in the basket. Baskets should be completed and delivered to Debby Raddatz-Portnoy by March 31st. If you have any questions, contact Debby Raddatz-Portnoy.

Thank you to everyone for all your contributions. Debby Raddatz-Portnoy



Quilt Raffle

The UNLWC Piece-makers Interest Group has generously donated a beautiful, quilted wall hanging (or lap robe) to be raffled off to a lucky winner. The quilt is called Patriotic Sidelights and is 44 inches wide by 60 inches long. All proceeds of the raffle will go to our UNLWC Scholarship Fund.

Tickets are \$5.00 for one ticket and \$20.00 for 5 tickets and will be available for purchase at UNLWC events or by sending a check payable to UNLWC to P.O. Box 5781, Lincoln, NE 68505. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Spring Luncheon on April 5th. Thank you for your spirit of giving. Debby Raddatz-Portnoy

Welcome New Members

New members bring welcome change and growth to UNLWC. Since our beginnings in 1894, countless women developed friendships, shared experiences, and served the University. Reach out to welcome and get to know our new members who joined in 2022!

Welcome New Members!

Nancy Brandt, Maureen Burson, Linda Collins, Lisa Davis, Linda Hietbrink, Marjorie J Kostelnik, Sarah Purcell, Laurie Ann Scott, Debra White, Joann Wilson, Mary Wit, Cyndi Woollam, and Susan Zimmerman.

2022 Fall Events

Fall Welcome

A beautiful fall day enhanced an already wonderful Welcome Event at the home of University of Nebraska President Ted and Lynda Carter. More than 80 UNLWC members were guests of the President's Office, and, as last year, Lynda was a most gracious hostess.



Fall Tour

Thirty members participated in the Fall Tour to the Strategic Air Command & Aerospace Museum in Ashland on October 5th. Our guide, who was a former Air Force and American Airlines pilot, walked us through the impressive facility. Participants enjoyed a "build your own sandwich bar". The day concluded with a visit to Baker's Candies in Greenwood.

Fall Brunch

The Fall Brunch was held at The Landing with a delicious chicken salad with fruit and scones. Entertainment was provided by 5 delightful UNL Students from the School of Music who sang selections from Broadway Musicals. We had 75 reservations and served lunch to our singers when they were done performing.



In Memory

In memory of a member who has passed away, a card is sent to the family expressing our sympathy. It also states that each year a memorial donation of \$300 is made to the NU Foundation UNLWC Scholarship Fund in honor of all those who have passed away. This donation from UNLWC is sent in April along with a letter listing the individuals in whose name the gift is made.

We remember the members who have passed away since the Fall 2022 Newsletter.

Idonna Florell

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.

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