



University Club of Rockford
February Syllabus

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#### **GM Notes**

Happy February! I hope everyone stayed happy and healthy as January started off with a cold snap! I would like to thank everyone that had a chance to partake in our Annual Meeting. We had a great turnout! I appreciate everyone that reached out with suggestions and ideas for furthering our Club to prosper in the future. Our Movie Day (Frozen), Two for \$29, and Asian New Year buffet were all successes, and it couldn't be done without you, the members.

I would like to say a special thank you to Mr. Parker for donating the funds to purchase a new handrail, and to Pete Rundquist for installing the new handrail at the main entrance to the club! I would also like to thank Bob Guirl and Pete Rundquist once again, for helping cover our pool before the snow began to fall. We appreciate that member's take time out of their busy lives to better further the club in any way possible!

As always, keep an eye on our calendar for upcoming events like our Valentines dining, and Winter Music Series! Also, keep an eye out for some signature drink

and dinner features! With Covid numbers the way they are, please remember to wear a mask when not seated at a table. Don't feel like staying for lunch or dinner? Grab your lunch or dinner to go! We will even deliver it contactless to your car, right outside our front door! Thank you for your continued support!

See you at the Club!

-Corey





#### **Forbes 2022 Winter Music Series**

Thank you to our Sponsors for making our Winter Series successful! Also, thank you to our local musicians for their time and talent!

# Forbes 2022 Winter Music Series Monday, January 31st - Miles Nielsen Thursday, February 10th - Steve McClanahan Thursday, February 17th - Cole Brandt Monday, February 21st - Ryan Vyborny Thursday, March 3rd - The Lone Canary Monday, March 7th - Kelly Steward Monday, March 14th - Shannon Espinosa & Mark Reed Thank You To Our Music Sponsors!!! Platinum Rocktown Adventures Gold Lawn Care By Walter Priscilla Heath & Craig and Julie Flynn Silver **Bob and Marion Guirl** Elder Granger II and Ela Bucko Bronze Gerrie Gustafson Pete & Becky Rundquis

## February Cocktail – Available All Month Long

The Chocolate Covered Cherry Cordial is the consummate Valentine's cocktail. It's perfectly sweet and chocolaty with just the right touch of cherry, like a cherry cordial in a glass. Who needs a box of chocolates when you can have this luscious chocolate cherry cocktail. Kick off your heels and order yourself one tonight!





## Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – Book Club

Join us at 7 p.m. for our monthly book club. It's always the second Tuesday of the month.

February's Book: **The Painted Veil** by Somerset Maugham Set in England and Hong Kong in the 1920s, **The Painted Veil** is the story of the beautiful but love-starved Kitty Fane. When her husband discovers her adulterous affair, he forces her to accompany him to the heart of a cholera epidemic. Stripped of the British society of her youth and the small but effective society she fought so hard to attain in Hong Kong,

she is compelled by her awakening conscience to reassess her life and learn how to love. **The Painted Veil** is a beautifully written affirmation of the human capacity to grow, to change, and to forgive.

March's Book: A Separate Peace by John Knowles



# Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup> – Forbes Winter Music Series

Join us for our Forbes Winter Music Series featuring Steve McClanahan. Steve will perform his acoustic pop and rock music from 6 to 8 p.m.

# Saturday, February 12th – Pre RSO-Dinner

Join us before The Great Gatsby at Coronado. The Great Gatsby harkens back to the Golden Age of film, as well as the rich musical jazz traditions of the early 20th Century - often these two worlds overlapped. The centerpiece of this program is Florence Price's Piano Concerto, a single movement work rooted in jazz, full of both great melodies and rhythmic drive. John Harbison's Gatsby is a foxtrot, full of wit and clever orchestration - a tongue and cheek homage of the lost 20's era.

E.W. Korngold, Aaron Copland, and George Gershwin were major composers of film and Broadway in the 1930's and 40's. Each of these works delve into various musical languages to nicely round out this program.

# Monday, February 14th - Valentines Dinner

Chef O has created a special five course dinner for you to enjoy with your sweetheart, your friends, or yourself. This menu will take the place of our Monday night menu. When making your reservations, please choose which appetizer and entrée you will be having.

### Valentine's Day Menu

## **Appetizer**

**Ginger Lemongrass Shrimp Toast:** Served with sesame scallion & soy sauce.

or

Ahi Tuna Tartare: Served with garlic chili aioli, sesame rice cake & scallions.

#### <u>Soup</u>

## **Dill Havarti French Onion Soup**

#### <u>Salad</u>

**Cucumber & Jicama Salad:** Ribbons of cucumber and jicama tossed with fresh dill, cilantro, red peppers, edamame, roasted peanuts, and sesame citrus vinaigrette.

#### **Entrees**

## Pappardelle Frutti Di Mare

Sauteed jumbo shrimp, clams, mussels, scallops in a garlic white wine and butter sauce served with pappardelle pasta and garlic bread. \$54.95

## **Roasted Vegetable En Croute**

Assorted seasoned roasted vegetables mixed with smoked gouda and wrapped with puff pastry and baked served with a roasted pepper and tomato coulis and basil oil. \$50.95

#### **Korean Braised Short Ribs**

Prime Angus beef short ribs braised in soy, mirin, garlic, onion, ginger, and Asian pear. Served with jasmine rice, scallions, and a side of kimchi. \$56.95

## **Dessert:** Chocolate Strawberry Russian Crème

# Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup> – Forbes Winter Music Series

Enjoy Cole Brandt's acoustic guitar playing in the pop, classical, country, jazz, and Spanish genres from 6–8 p.m.



# Monday, February 21st – Forbes Winer Music Series

Joins us for Ryan Vyborny's eclectic collection of acoustic cover songs from 6 to 8 p.m.

# Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> – Two for \$39.95

A great and affordable way to treat your friends and potential new members to the club is our "Two for \$39.95" dinner. Enjoy a salad or coleslaw, choice of entrée and a side dish. Dinner also comes with a bottle of our house wine (cabernet, chardonnay, pinot grigio, merlot or white zinfandel). Reservations help us serve you better.

# Monday, February 28th – Movie Day!!! Pretty In Pink

Make your reservations for Lunch & A Movie, or Dinner & A Movie

Teenager Andie is one of the not-so-popular girls in high school. She usually hangs out with her friends Iona or Duckie. Duckie has always had a crush on her, but now she has met a new guy at school, Blane. He's one of the rich and popular guys but can the two worlds meet?

Pretty In Pink was released on February 28, 1986.



Come order your lunch at 11:45 a.m. as the movie will begin at noon.

If you would rather come for dinner, cocktails and ordering begin at 5:30 p.m., the movie will start at 6 p.m.

#### **Club Hours**

Lunch Service Monday – Friday 11AM-2PM

Monday Night Homestyle Menu 4:30PM-8PM

Taste of Tuesday 4:30PM-8PM

Thursday Night Dinner 4:30PM-8PM, Remember Kids and Grandkids eat FREE from Kids' Menu with the purchase of a regularly priced entrée on Thursday nights.

Fabulous Friday Night Fish Fry 4:30PM-8:30PM

#### **Bits & Pieces**

Is there a local organization that you support? Would you like to **host a Guest Bartender night** at the U Club for that group? It's a fun way to raise awareness of that organization and raise funds for them. Contact Kelly for more information.

Remember, you can **enjoy all your U Club favorite meals as a carryout**. Ask your server for a menu to take home. Also, ask about the nightly specials when calling in your orders.

A gentle reminder, **reservations mean a better dining experience** for not only you, but all our members, as we will be better prepared and staffed to serve your dining requests. We so appreciate your reservations, however, if you are on the go and drop in at the last minute, we are happy to welcome you.

Do you have a **menu item that you would like to enjoy?** Do you have **special dietary requirements?** Please let us know and we will do our best to meet your needs. Just contact Chef O with your requests.

**Green Comment Cards** are provided with your dining bill and are also available in the foyer at the Club. Please fill them out with the things you love about your club experience or some suggestions for improvement. The food and beverage committee and the board of directors review the comment cards monthly. Our goal is to provide the most enjoyable club experience for members.

Remember to "like" us on Facebook to get updates on club happenings and lunch specials and to connect with fellow members. Find us at "U Club Rockford."

**Serving a group in your home or at your office?** Let the U Club do the work for you. Contact Kelly for menu ideas and more information.