



University Club of Rockford

October 2022 Syllabus

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### **Condolences**

The University Club of Rockford extends its deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Don Ufkin**.

### **Welcome Back Members!**

#### **New Member**

Robert Farrell & Julia Pesavento Schaer

Susan Vetrano

#### **Sponsored by**

Norm Lindstedt

Linda & Jaxon Oshita

#### **Alma Mater**

U of Iowa

NW University

### **Welcome, New Members!**

Mark Bortoli

Dawn Glass

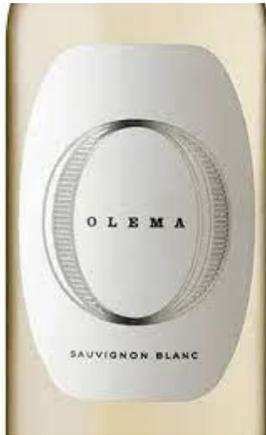
Norm Lindstedt

Adrienne Samuel

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## October Wines Of The Month!!!



### **Olema, Val de Loire Sauvignon Blanc 2020**

#### **Take Home Price \$20 Bottle**

A wine that encompasses freshness from start to finish, the 2020 Olema Sauvignon Blanc shows great aromatics of bright tropical fruit and green apple. On the palate, pineapple and citrus flavors carry through a mouth-tingling acidity laced with wintergreen and spearmint that carries through the long, zippy finish.

The 2020 vintage in France's Loire Valley is the latest in a string of great vintages in the region. A dry, chilly spring was followed by a hot, dry summer, allowing the vines to develop slowly through the spring with ample ripening time in the following months. Wines from 2020 show distinct freshness and brightness, balanced by richness and concentration from the summer heat.

### **Olema, Cabernet Sauvignon 2019**

#### **Take Home Price \$25 Bottle**

The 2019 Olema Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon grapes hand-selected from premier vineyards in Alexander Valley, Dry Creek and Rockpile in Sonoma County. This deeply flavored wine features layers of fruit and a long, intense finish.

The 2019 growing season began with abundant amounts of rainfall, causing the soils to retain moisture throughout the growing season. The long, warm summer saw very few heat events, with some strong foggy mornings setting the stage for vibrant and expressive balance in fruit development. Harvest began about two weeks later than in '18 and lasted for around 10 days, creating great balance in our finished blend, with some vineyards showing freshness and brightness while others added complexity and richness in the palate.





**NFL Pre-Game Stop** – Make the University Club of Rockford, your NFL Pre-Game Stop on Monday and Thursday nights! Wings & Peel and Eat Shrimp will be available to order in or take home!

### **Tuesday Funday!!!**

Join us each Tuesday night for Happy Hour drink specials, additional food options, and games!!!

Bring your friends and play Five Crowns! We have plenty of decks of cards and score sheets! Five Crowns is a **five-suited rummy-style card game that appeals to a wide array of card players!** This classic game is a quick favorite features a unique double deck that contains five suits: spades, clubs, hearts, diamonds and stars! This special deck makes it easier to arrange your entire hand into books and runs.

### **Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – Oktoberfest Buffet**

It's that time of year when we celebrate Oktoberfest with our fellow members, and let's invite some guests! The more the merrier! At



5:30 p.m., enjoy traditional German appetizers with the dinner buffet following from 6–8 p.m. Feast on your German favorites such as sauerbraten, wiener schnitzel, ribs with sauerkraut, spaetzle and much more, prepared by Chef O and his talented staff. Plus, a beer garden to sample many styles and types of German beer. Adults \$22.95, children 12 and under, \$12.95. Reservations appreciated. Did you know that the Munich Oktoberfest began in 1810 with the wedding of Bavarian Crown Prince Ludwig and Princess Theresa of Bavaria? Today the Munich Oktoberfest lasts 17 days!

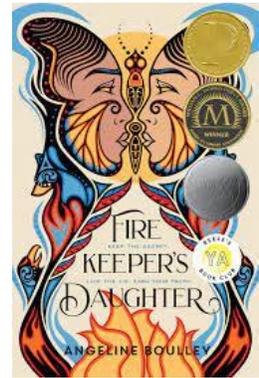
## Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> – Head of the Rock Regatta



Ya gotta regatta! Join for the Head of the Rock Regatta from one of the best viewing spot on the Rock River! The U Club kicks off our festivities for the Head of the Rock Regatta at 10 a.m. with a Bloody Mary Bar for purchase. Chef O will have a Regatta Buffet available from 11:30AM-1:30PM.

## Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> – Book Club

NEW!!! Lunch time Book Club!!! Join us on the second Tuesday of each month for Book Club, all are welcome. Starting this month we will be offering Book Club with **Barb McDonald** at noon and with **Shauna Gustafson** at 7PM. This month we are reading *Fire Keeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley. As a biracial, unenrolled tribal member and the product of a scandal, Daunis Fontaine has never quite fit in—both in her hometown and on the nearby Ojibwe reservation. When her family is struck by tragedy, Daunis puts her dreams on hold to care for her fragile mother. The only bright spot is meeting Jamie, the charming new recruit on her brother's hockey team.



After Daunis witnesses a shocking murder that thrusts her into a criminal investigation, she agrees to go undercover. But the deceptions—and deaths—keep piling up and soon the threat strikes too close to home. How far will she go to protect her community if it means tearing apart the only world she's ever known?

November's book will be *Dark Matter* by Blake Crouch.

## Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> – Two for \$39.95 Dinner

A great and affordable way to treat your friends and potential new members to the club. Enjoy a salad or soup with choice of entrée. Dinner comes with a choice of house wine (cabernet, chardonnay, pinot grigio, red blend, or rose). Reservations help us serve you better. Entrée Choices: Half Rack of BBQ Ribs, Baked Orange Roughy, Stone Ground Mustard Glaze Pork Chops, and Pappardelle Pasta with Beef and Wild Mushroom Ragu.

## Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – Soup Cook Off Returns



Enjoy our second annual Soup Cook-Off on Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 5–6:30 p.m., with a soup-friendly buffet dinner from 6–8 p.m. with lots of favorites to compliment the soups. Just \$17.95 per person. Each member participating in the cookoff should provide one crock pot of hot soup ready to serve. The U Club will provide all the fixings and supplies. Each contestant will receive his or her choice of a bottle of house wine or a pitcher of Stella. If interested, please contact Pat or Kelly by October 13. You do not need to enter this contest to sample and enjoy this fun event. **2019 Winner Cherri Eaton – 2018 Winner Mike Kus**

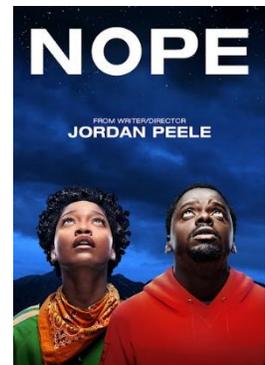
## Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday Night Dinner Second Floor

Join us for dinner this Saturday night before the RSO concert or if you are just looking to enjoy a relaxing evening with friends. Dinner service will be available from 5PM-7PM on the second floor. Reservations need to be made by Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at noon. If you just want to relax with your favorite cocktail, no reservations needed.

## Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – Movie Day - NOPE

Lunch and a Movie, along with Dinner and a Movie has returned!!! This month we will be playing the 2022 movie *NOPE*.

Oscar® winner Jordan Peele disrupted and redefined modern horror with *Get Out* and then *Us*. Now, he reimagines the summer movie with a new pop nightmare: the expansive horror epic, *Nope*.



The film reunites Peele with Oscar® winner Daniel Kaluuya, who is joined by Keke Palmer and Oscar® nominee Steven Yeun as residents in a lonely gulch of inland California who bear witness to an uncanny and chilling discovery.

*Nope*, which co-stars Michael Wincott and Brandon Perea, is written and directed by Jordan Peele and is produced by Ian Cooper and Jordan Peele for Monkeypaw Productions.

Join us for the Lunch Movie that will begin 11:45AM; please come early to place your order. Our Dinner showing will begin at 6PM; please come early for cocktails and to place your dinner order.



**Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – Club Closes at 2PM**

### **Staff Holiday Fund**

In your October statement you will see a \$35 staff holiday fund charge. This is for the staff's holiday bonus and staff party after our busy December. This is a voluntary charge; if you prefer not to contribute, please return the non-participation form by December 10<sup>th</sup> and your account will be credited. The staff thanks you for your support and generosity.

### **U Club Polos!!!**

Available in eight colors, order yours today! See one on display in the bar. Men's is a standard polo, women's has V neck. Colors are black, dark grey, light grey, forest green, pond blue, navy, royal blue and white.

### **Light Weight ¼ Zip Pullovers \$40**

5 Colors Available – Men's and Women's; black, dark heather gray, light heather gray, pond blue, and royal blue

Please allow a few weeks for delivery. For more information, contact [kadrian@uclubrockford.com](mailto:kadrian@uclubrockford.com).

**NEW!!!** U Club Slim Hard Koozie that is available for just \$20!

## Let the Club Help with Thanksgiving



Thanksgiving carryout menus will be available by the end of October through eblasts, on our website and at the club. Let us do the work for you! All Thanksgiving carryout orders are due by Nov. 16 and can be picked up on Weds., Nov. 23 from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. Items that require re-heating will come with instructions.

## Children's Holiday Parties

Please join us for holiday carols as well as an adult- and child-friendly buffet on Mon., Dec. 12 and Tues., Dec. 13, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Santa will make his appearance at 7 p.m. with gifts for children 12 and under. When making your reservations, please let us know how many adults and kids 12 and under as well as the gender of the children.



## Holiday Parties



It's never too early to secure your December dates for business and personal holiday parties. Spots are filling up for December, really, so please contact Kelly Adrian at [kadrian@uclubrockford.com](mailto:kadrian@uclubrockford.com) to make your holiday entertaining a piece of cake this year.

## 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 and funds for that organization. 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. Ask about the nightly specials when calling in your orders.

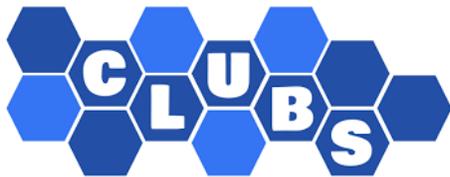
A gentle reminder, **reservations mean a better dining experience** for not only you, but all our members. Reservations allow us to be better prepared and staffed to serve your dining requests. We appreciate your reservations, but, if you are on the go and drop in at the last minute, we are happy to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



Are you involved with a Card Club, Book Club, any Club? The **University Club of Rockford** is a great place for your Club to meet. Contact Kelly with any questions.

### **Member Incentive Program**

New members will pay a \$250 initiation fee and their first month dues. Upon payment, they will receive a \$250 food and beverage credit in five \$50 gift certificates. The primary sponsor will also receive a \$250 food and beverage credit in five \$50 certificates. This is based on a regular membership. Junior memberships will receive a pro-rated version based on junior dues. This is our most aggressive new-member incentive program and we know that you will get the word out to potential members. Only one gift certificate can be used each visit. Please call Kelly or Julie with any questions at 815.962.1730.

## **Club Hours**

Lunch Monday – Friday 11AM-2PM

Monday Night Homestyle Menu - 5PM-8PM

Tuesday Funday – 5PM-8PM

Wednesday – Club Closes at 2PM

Thursday Night Dinner – 5PM-9PM

Fabulous Fish Fry Dinner – 5PM-9PM