



November

University Club of Rockford

November 2023 Syllabus

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Welcome
New Members

Welcome Back, Members!!!

New Member

Todd Burton

Scott Prine

Sponsor

Darcy Pinasco

Mike Robinson

Alma

University of IL

Welcome New, Members!!!

Donald & Nancy Yaffee

Erik Jacobs & Christine Melton

James & Sarah Wolf

Nicholas Zammuto

Eldger Granger II

Mary Ann Smith

Duane Teske

Dr. Vince Zammuto

University of Iowa

University of Iowa

University of IL

Augustana College

Save The Dates – Kids' Christmas Parties with Santa

Monday, December 11th and Tuesday, December 12th



Save The Date – Friday, December 29th!!!



Join us as we close out 2023 with a special five course dinner and dance. Appetizers will begin at 6:15PM. After dinner, **Three Good Men** will be performing in the Living Room.

When making your reservations, please give **appetizer** and **entrée** choice for each person.

Appetizers

Salmon cake with dill cucumber relish

Pesto Arancini with roasted pepper and tomato basil coulis

Zucchini Garlic Parmesan Fritter with dill and chive crème fraiche

Soup: Potato & Leek Bisque

Salad: Wedge Salad

(Wedge of Boston bib lettuce, bleu cheese crumble, applewood smoked bacon, heirloom tomato, caramelized onion, and balsamic vinaigrette)

Entrees

Bacon Wrapped Beef Tenderloin Medallion

(2) 4-ounce center cut prime angus beef tenderloin, wrapped in applewood smoked bacon, and grilled to medium rare, served with garlic parmesan and chive fingerling potatoes, and grilled asparagus.

Salmon Wellington

Fresh salmon wrapped with a wild mushroom and spinach duxelles, prosciutto and puff pastry, served with saffron rice pilaf and dill lemon beurre blanc.

Lentil & Barley Stuffed Portobello

Lentils and barley mixed with herbs, garlic, cream cheese, parmesan, mozzarella stuffed into a portobello mushroom cap and baked served on a sun-dried tomato orzo pasta pilaf and arugula.

Dessert: White Chocolate & Raspberry Crème Brulee

Wine Not Join Us On Monday Nights?!?



Half-Price Bottles of House Wine!!!

Enjoy Cabernet, Chardonnay, Pinot Grigio, Red Blend, or Rose!!!!

Did you know on **Thursday Nights** Kids and Grandkids eat **FREE** off the Kids Menu with a Entrée Purchased!!!!

**KIDS EAT
FREE!**

Thursday, November 9th – 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). Upgrade your wine, \$20 off bottle price listed. Upgrade to 6oz. Filet \$15 Each

Entrée Choices:

Shrimp DeJonghe- 6 jumbo shrimp topped with garlicky herb buttery breadcrumb. Then baked, served with wild rice pilaf, and veg du jour.

Bacon Wrapped Pork Medallions- Pork medallions, wrapped in applewood smoked bacon and grilled, served with a baked potato, veg du jour and topped with a sweet & sour apple chutney.

Roasted Vegetable Alfredo Lasagna- Assorted roasted vegetables layered with alfredo sauce, pasta sheets, mozzarella, parmesan and baked, served with garlic bread.

Coq au Vin Blanc- Bone in airline chicken breast seared and braised in a rich white wine, chicken broth with aromatic herbs, mushrooms and onion served with garlic chive mashed and veg du jour.

Monday, November 13th - 4th Annual Chili Cook Off

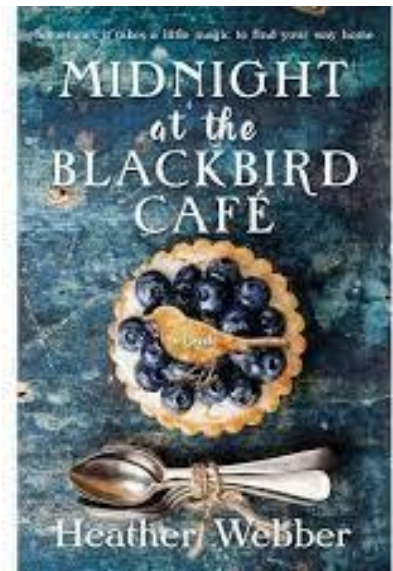


Please join us for our 4th Annual Chili Cook-Off! The Chili Tasting will take place from 5PM-6:30PM with a Chili Friendly Buffet Dinner from 6PM-8PM including all of your favorites to top off with Chili. The cost is \$17.95 per person. Each member who enters the Chili Cook-Off needs to provide one crock pot of chili warm and ready for serving. If you don't feel like cooking, come to taste. The U Club will provide all of the necessary fixings and supplies. Whose name will be added to the Chili Cook-Off trophy that will remain at the Club? If you are interested in participating, please contact Pat or Kelly by Thursday, November 9th.

Tuesday, November 14th – Book Club

Join us each month for our Lunchtime Book Club with Barb McDonald, all are welcome. This month they will be meeting on Tuesday, November 14th at noon. This month they will be reading *Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe* by Heather Webber.

THE *USA TODAY* BESTSELLER Heather Webber's *Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe* is a captivating blend of magical realism, heartwarming romance, and small-town Southern charm.



Nestled in the mountain shadows of Alabama lies the little town of Wicklow. It is here that Anna Kate has returned to bury her beloved Granny Zee, owner of the Blackbird Café.

It was supposed to be a quick trip to close the café and settle her grandmother's estate, but despite her best intentions to avoid forming ties or even getting to know her father's side of the family, Anna Kate finds herself inexplicably drawn to the quirky Southern town her mother ran away from so many years ago, and the mysterious blackbird pie everybody can't stop talking about.

As the truth about her past slowly becomes clear, Anna Kate will need to decide if this lone blackbird will finally be able to take her broken wings and fly.

Next Month: *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese

Wednesday, November 15th – Thanksgiving Pick-Up Orders Due



Deadline for Thanksgiving Carryout Orders Let Chef O and his talented staff do the work for you! From turkeys and hams, sides, appetizers and desserts, we have it all for you. All Thanksgiving carryout orders can be picked up on Wednesday, November 22nd from 10AM–2PM. Items that require re-heating will come with instructions. Please contact Pat, Kelly, or Julie with any questions or to place your order today.

Thursday, November 16th – Movie Day

Join us this month on Thursday, November 16th for Lunch and a Movie, along with Dinner and a Movie. This month we will be playing the 2023 **BARBIE** Movie.



To live in Barbie Land is to be a perfect being in a perfect place. Unless you have a full-on existential crisis. Or you're a Ken.

Our Dinner showing will begin at 6PM; please come early for cocktails and to place your dinner order.

Saturday, November 18th – Pre-RSO Dinner

Join us for dinner before an evening that explores resilience through music and the message of hope. The concert opens with the lush and inspiring “Coplandish” overture Anthem of Hope, written during the pandemic by Emmy Award winning composer Anthony DiLorenzo.

Cellist Efe Baltacigil joins the RSO to perform Turkish composer Fazil Say's Never Give Up, a piece written in response to terror attacks which occurred in Turkey, but ending with a hopeful and peaceful message. The concert closes with the most iconic work in classical music, **Beethoven's 5th Symphony**, a piece that symbolizes hope perhaps more than any in the repertoire. Reservations Required.



Wednesday, November 22nd – Thanksgiving Pick-Ups

Thanksgiving carryout orders can be picked up on Wednesday, November 22nd from 10AM–2PM.

Wednesday, November 22nd – Thanksgiving Eve Appetizer Buffet

Join us on Thanksgiving Eve for drinks and appetizers. Chef O will have a delicious appetizer buffet including Meatballs, Antipasto Display, Wings, Nacho Bar, Shrimp Cocktail, and Carved Turkey Sliders \$19.95 Per Person. Appetizer Buffet Available beginning at 5:30PM.



The University Club will be **Closed on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th**. Happy Thanksgiving!!!

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 10th and your account will be credited. The staff thanks you for your support and generosity.



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. 15 and can be picked up on Weds., Nov. 22 from 10 AM–2PM. Items that require re-heating will come with instructions.

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 to make your holiday entertaining a piece of cake this year.



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.

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.

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

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.

Club Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 11AM-2PM

Monday Night Dinner 5PM-8PM

Taste of Tuesday 5PM-8PM

Club will Close at 2PM on Wednesdays

Thursday Night Dinner 5PM-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 5PM-9PM