



University Club of Rockford

January 2025 Syllabus

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### **President's Message**

Merry Christmas, everyone.

First, on behalf the the UClub Board, our management and staff, we thank you for your support over the last year and wish you all the best in 2025.

The board is very excited for what we, with your help, can accomplish in the year ahead. We believe we have turned a corner toward making our club what all of us want it to be, but more work lies ahead.

That's why is it important that you join us for the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, January 16. In addition to the approval of new board members and the slate of officers, we look for your input and support on a number initiatives and ideas. They include a proposal for a minimal increase in dues and a small assessment to address increasing operating costs and ongoing building maintenance and improvements.

Additionally, we want to determine if operating hours need to change and what we need to do to introduce and attract new members to our club.

Your board is honored to have the responsibility of overseeing and addressing the issues of running our club, but the club belongs to all of us. We need to hear from you. Please feel free to contact me with your ideas and suggestions and I hope you can attend on January 16.

Meantime, I hope to see you on New Years Eve for what promises to be a spectacular evening of food and fun as we celebrate what, I believe, will be a transformative year ahead for THE University of Club of Rockford.

Cheers!

Mike Robinson  
President

Dear Members,

I hope everyone had a safe and wonderful holiday season. This being my first holiday season I watched the membership enjoy the Holiday Party and of course Chef "O" produced the most amazing Tapas Buffets for all to enjoy. Kudos go out to Kelly Adrian, our Assistant General Manager that created the Children's Christmas Party and had all the children singing with the biggest smiles. The amazement that the kids had in their eyes when Santa appeared from the chimney would even have melted the Grinch's heart. Last but certainly not least, I would like to thank the membership and the entire staff for making this holiday season one I will always remember.



Coming up at the end of January we will be closing the club for two weeks to be able to do some needed repairs and a deep cleaning to the club. This will start on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> and includes repairs and maintenance in the kitchen that can only be done if the kitchen is closed for an extended time. I realize this might be an inconvenience for some of our membership but remember that you can use our reciprocal clubs during this time.

We are looking forward to opening the club for a wonderful 2025 Season. We will be planning new events, menus and a wine list. I look forward to seeing and assisting in the coming year.

I also want to reach out to the entire membership requesting that if you have any friends, family, or business associates please let them know we have memberships available. It can be as easy as giving me their information and I will reach out to them. It is a priority this year to increase the membership base so we can more efficiently operate the club, which helps the entire membership. My information is listed below.

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## Welcome New Members!

Collin & Amanda Conway  
Angela K. Larson

Frances Salina  
Honorary Member

Northern Illinois  
Illinois State University



## Thank You for your Holiday Fund Contributions

On behalf of the staff, we would like to thank the membership for your generosity in donating to the holiday fund last year. In January, the staff will enjoy a nice get-together with our spouses to celebrate another successful holiday season at the Club. Thank you once again!

## Tuesday, January 14 – 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, January 14<sup>th</sup>. This month they will be reading *When Women Ran Fifth Avenue* by Julie Satow.



## Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> – Annual Meeting

# ANNUAL MEETING

Mark your calendar for our annual meeting, 5:30 p.m. Immediately following the meeting, stay for dinner, watch your email for the menu. The meeting is open to members and their spouses/partners. Although we need reservations, there will be no reserved tables, as the tables are first come, first serve for the meeting. Let your voice be heard at our annual meeting. We welcome your opinions.

## Thursday, January 16<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). Upgrade your wine, \$20 off bottle price listed.

### Entrée Choices:

**Baked Orange Roughy-** Baked with White Wine, Butter, Lemon, Served with Wild Rice Pilaf, Veg Du Jour

**Salisbury Steak-** Wild Mushroom Gravy, Garlic Chive Mashed Potato, Veg Du Jour

**Vodka Sauce Manicotti-** Pasta Sheet, Herb Ricotta, Vodka Sauce, Garlic Bread

**Broccoli Cheddar Soup Bread Bowl-** Wheat Bread Bowl Toasted, Broccoli Cheddar Soup, Bacon, and Green Onion

### Bits & Pieces

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 & Tuesday Night Dinner 5PM-8PM

Club will Close at 2PM on Wednesdays

Thursday Night Dinner 5PM-8PM, Remember Kids and Grandkids eat for \$6 from Kids' Menu with the purchase of a regularly priced entrée on Thursday nights.

Fabulous Friday Night Fish Fry 5PM-9PM