

SYLLABUS

A Roadmap to the News of the University Club of Rockford, Illinois

President's Letter

by Pete Rundquist

February is here, marking the midway point in winter! Thank you to everyone who attended the annual meeting in January. The weather was cold, but the news about the University Club was warm. I am pleased that we could pass a budget with NO assessment for 2020. The board of directors would like to thank **Jim**



Knutson for his years of service on the board. And, we welcome **Shauna Gustafson** as a new member of the board of directors of the club.

A featured event at the U Club this winter is the Forbes Winter Music Series. Four additional evenings remain to enjoy music and dinner at the club, just like we have in the summer on the deck. Thanks so much to the sponsors of this awesome music!

We have added heated snow mats to the front entry and elevator entrance. This is intended to make our entry safer

and keep the snowy mess off the new flooring. During the winter months our club is a warm, cozy place for dining and socializing. Remember to bring guests. I think they will be impressed with our beautiful club and great food. Remember that all guests are potential members. Membership numbers and member usage are what drive the success of our club.

Just a reminder, the pool opens in less than four months!

See you at the U Club!



Welcome, New Members!

New Members: Dana Bauerlin & William Daer
Organization: MauhNahTeeSee/Strawman Productions
Sponsor: Kurt Schiffer



Condolences

The University Club of Rockford extends its condolences to the family and friends of **Sharon Fulling**.

GM Notes

Thank you to everyone who attended the annual meeting. We had a great turnout. We're very excited about what 2020 has in store for our club. With the majority of the work done on the first floor, we will look at other projects to enhance the member experience at our club. For those who donated last year, thank you once again. If you were not able to donate last year, we are accepting donations for the next stage.

In the movie *Field of Dreams*, one of the themes is "if you build it, they will come." Well, we have done the "building" and I know the membership will get people to come. The easiest way is to come for lunch and dinner as often

as possible. This is especially important during the next few months as some of our members will be away in warmer climates. The other way is to help us recruit new members. Here is the new membership incentive program for 2020:

New Member Incentive Program

New members will pay a \$250 initiation fee and their first month dues. Upon payment, they will receive \$250 food and beverage credit in the form of five \$50 gift certificates. In addition, the primary sponsor will also receive a \$250 food and beverage credit (five \$50 certificates). These figures are based on a regular membership. Junior

memberships will receive a pro-rated version based on junior dues. This is our most aggressive new membership incentive program in many years and we know that you will get the word out to potential members. This will be our only new member incentive program this year.

Our club is here because of and for you. It is the staff's goal that the U Club have the best food and service in the stateline region. We are here to serve you and make the U Club of Rockford our first choice for dining out. If you want a special meal or arrangement for dinner, please let us know and we will do our

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best to accommodate you. The more advance notice you can give us, the better we can exceed your expectations. We are always looking for new ways to entice members to

Club Notes

February 4 | Game Night

Play bingo at 6:30 p.m. in the card room. Bring your friends for bingo fun.



February 5 | *The Lion King* Bus Trip

The winner of six Tony Awards and the top-earning title in box-office history for both stage productions and films, *The Lion King* can be seen at Milwaukee's Uihlein Hall on Wednesday, Feb. 5, on the U Club's bus trip. For just \$175 per person, enjoy coach bus transportation, pre-ordered dinner and dessert at the City Club in downtown Milwaukee before the performance, plus your ticket for the musical. Cash bar for dinner drinks. The bus leaves the U Club of Rockford at 3 p.m. and returns immediately after the performance. Contact Kelly to reserve your spot, kadrian@uclubrockford.com.



February 6 | Forbes Winter Music

Enjoy live music from the Lone Canary, 6–8 p.m., folk/Americana duo.

February 10 | Forbes Winter Music

More live music from singer/songwriter Dan Maguire and his acoustic rock/jazz repertoire, 6–8 p.m.

come to the club to dine and enjoy social events. We've had great results with the Forbes University lecture series, Tuesday night book club, Forbes music series. We are always looking for more ideas. If you have any, please let me or Kelly know.



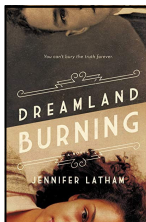
February 11 | Guest Bartender for Women's Suffrage Centennial

Member **Ruth Siegfried** will pour drinks for the Women's Suffrage Centennial 2020 Northern Illinois Celebration Committee. Susan B. Anthony turns 200 years old this year so this is also a birthday party! Enjoy suffrage signature drinks and suffrage merchandise. Engage with Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton living presenters. Proceeds will help with the installation of a Women's Centennial Sculpture in downtown Rockford.

February 11 | Book Club

Join us at 7 p.m. for our monthly book club. A copy of each month's book will be available in the library.

- February, *Dreamland Burning* by Jennifer Latham
- March, *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern
- April, *I'll Push You* by Patrick Gray and Justin Skeesuck



The Book Club warmly welcomes members to come to Book Club just to check it out, as it is not a "closed" group.

February 13 | Lunch/Dinner & a Movie

Join us for lunch or dinner on Thursday, Feb. 13 in the card room and enjoy the 2010 romcom *Valentine's Day* directed by Garry Marshall. It boasts an all-star cast including Bradley Cooper, Julia Roberts and more. Order lunch at 11:45 a.m. and the movie begins at 12. In the evening, enjoy cocktails at 5:30 p.m. with dinner and the movie at 6 p.m. Reservations appreciated.

Thank you, and here's to membership growth, good food and good health in 2020.

See you at the club.

Kurt Schiffer

February 14 | Valentine's Day Dinner

Celebrate this special day with a sweet prix fixe dining experience, 5 to 8 p.m., including a complimentary glass of Champagne. Reservations required, thank you. Please make appetizer and entrée choice when making your reservations.



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February 20 | Forbes University, Mayor Tom McNamara

Rockford Mayor McNamara will bring us up-to-date with a "State of the City" report, covering Public Safety, Neighborhoods, Economic Development, Education and more at 6 p.m. Bring friends and family members, and stay for dinner. Or, dine before Forbes University, as some members have done. Reservations help us serve you better.

Lunch/Dinner & Movie

Thursday,
February 13

VALENTINE'S DAY
11:45 a.m. Lunch
12:00 pm Movie

or

5:30 p.m. Cocktails
6:00 p.m. Dinner/Movie



Valentine's Dinner Menu

Please include in your reservation your choices for appetizer and the entrée

Appetizer

Bacon-Wrapped Brussel Sprouts with Balsamic Reduction or
Crab, Prosciutto and Garlic Boursin Palmier

Soup

Wild Mushroom and Shrimp Miso Soup

Salad

Granny Smith Apples tossed with Dried Cranberries, Candied Pecans, Arugula and Lemon/Maple Syrup Vinaigrette

Entrée Options

Stuffed Pork Roulade – Succulent pork loin butterflied and stuffed with cream cheese, herbs, spices, sun-dried tomatoes and spinach, roasted, served with redskin whipped potatoes and vegetables du jour. \$50.95

Eggplant Parmesan – Freshly breaded eggplant layered with pesto ricotta cheese and parmesan cheese and baked. Served with spaghetti squash and garlic bread. \$35.95

Pesto-Crusted Salmon – Pesto made with cilantro, parsley, garlic, corn tortilla and parmesan. Encrusted salmon is pan roasted and served with a black bean and roasted corn relish, Spanish rice and finished wild a mild chile adobo sauce. \$45.95

Dessert

Layered Mint Chocolate Mousse

Club Notes, continued



February 24 | Forbes Winter Music

Live music with Cole Brandt and his acoustic guitar in the pop, classical, country, jazz and Spanish genres, 6 to 8 p.m.

February 25 | Mardi Gras Dinner Buffet

Celebrate Mardi Gras with our annual buffet dinner from The Big Easy, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Enjoy Chef O's New Orleans menu of gumbo, muffuletta, chicken wings, jambalaya and other Cajun favorites. In the true spirit of Mardi Gras, try our \$6 hurricanes, the popular New Orleans rum drink, and \$4 glasses of house wine. Just \$15.95 per person and we encourage Mardi Gras attire. Reservations will keep the Witch Doctor away. We'll pour hurricanes all day. This buffet takes the place of Taste of Tuesday.

February 27 | Two for \$29.95 Dinner

A great and affordable way to treat your friends and potential new members to the club is our Two for \$29.95 dinner. Enjoy a salad or cole slaw, choice of entrée, a side dish and a bottle of house wine (cabernet, chardonnay, pinot grigio, merlot or white zinfandel). Reservations help us serve you better.

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March 9, Chili Cook Off

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- February 4 | Game Night, Bingo
- February 5 | *The Lion King* Bus Trip
- February 6, 10 & 24 | Forbes Winter Music Series
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- February 13 | Lunch/Dinner and a Movie, *Valentine's Day*
- February 14 | Valentine's Day Dinner
- February 20 | Forbes University
- February 25 | Mardi Gras Dinner Buffet
- February 27 | Two for \$29.95 Dinner

February 2020 Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Remember, Kids and Grandkids eat FREE from Kids' Menu with the purchase of a regularly priced entrée on Thursday nights. Reservations allow us to serve you better.						1
2	3 Homestyle Menu 5-8 pm • Bacon-Wrapped Meatloaf • Chicken Cordon Bleu	4 Taste of Tuesday Wings 5-7:30 pm Game Night: Bingo 6:30 pm	5 Club Closes at 2 pm <i>The Lion King</i> Bus Trip 3 pm departure	6 Early Bird 5-8:30 pm • Ribeye Cowboy Steak • Mahi Mahi Winter Music Series: The Lone Canary 6-8 pm	7 Fabulous Friday Fish, 5-9 pm • Pollock	8
9	10 Homestyle Menu 5-8 pm • Pan-Fried Walleye • Creamy Turkey & Dumplings Winter Music Series: Dan Maguire 6-8 pm	11 Taste of Tuesday Buffalo Chicken Sliders 5-7:30 pm Guest Bartender: Women's Suffrage Centennial Book Club 7 pm	12 Club Closes at 2 pm	13 Lunch/Dinner & A Movie, <i>Valentine's Day</i> Lunch, 11:45 am Movie, 12:00 pm Cocktails, 5:30 pm Dinner & Movie, 6 pm Early Bird 5-8:30 pm • Halibut • Italian Sausage Stuffed Portobello	14 Valentine's Day Dinner (no regular menu) 5-8 pm	15
16	17 Homestyle Menu 5-8 pm • Pot Roast • Chicken Parmesan	18 Taste of Tuesday Pasta Station 5-7:30 pm	19 Club Closes at 2 pm	20 Forbes University, Mayor Tom McNamara Early Bird 5-8:30 pm • Duck Breast • 6 oz. Filet Oscar	21 Fabulous Friday Fish, 5-9 pm • Tilapia	22
23	24 Homestyle Menu 5-8 pm • Cabbage Rolls • Steak Stir Fry Winter Music Series: Cole Brandt 6-8 pm	25 Mardi Gras Dinner Buffet 5:30-7:30 pm	26 Club Closes at 2 pm	27 Early Bird 5-8:30 pm • Two for \$29.95*	28 Fabulous Friday Fish, 5-9 pm • Walleye	29

*Two for \$29.95 Entrée Choices: 8 oz. Sirloin Sinatra, Shrimp Carbonara, Eggplant Parmesan, or Chicken Mignon



Lunch & Dinner Hours

Lunch Service

Monday – Friday
 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Monday Night Homestyle Menu

5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday Night Taste of Tuesday

5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Thursday Night Early Bird

5:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Fabulous Friday Fish

5:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Reservations appreciated as it helps us serve you better!

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