



University Club of Rockford

October 2025 Syllabus

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## **President's Message**

A club is only as strong and successful as its members and we have many of the best. That was proven over the last few months as you came through during our membership drive. The number of new members recruited this summer was the best we've had in quite a few years. Inquiries are up and there's a buzz in the community about the University Club of Rockford. On behalf of the Board of Directors, Thank You. And let me also extend a welcome to all of our new members. A big thumbs up also goes to our GM,



Bob White, and the staff who never miss an opportunity to sell the benefits of our club to anyone who's interested and willing to listen.

However, now is not the time to take our foot off the gas. We are entering a very special season for the UClub. The wonderful fall weather dining on the deck and the special magic that happens within our walls during the impending holidays should allow an ideal backdrop for inviting your friends, neighbors and work colleagues to experience the best venue in the region.

While we're talking about the holidays, have you booked your family or business party yet? Don't wait too long. I promise it will be a gathering you won't soon forget.

Meantime, we're celebrating the Fall season with an Octoberfest on October 4 and the menu is spectacular. Also, if you have young ghosts and goblins, mark October 26 on your calendar for the Halloween Brunch, should be a SPOOK-tacular time.

Got ideas to make our club better? Please reach out to me or any member of the board. We're always open to suggestions that can improve the UClub experience.

See you at our University Club of Rockford

Vince Zammuto, President

### **General Managers Message**

Dear Members,

As we put summer behind us all good things must come to an end. We kept the pool open longer this year than we ever had in hopes of extending summer as long as possible. The pool will officially close on Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. As Summer leaves, Fall begins, and we are looking forward to many wonderful events planned for the membership.



I would like to thank Mary Ann Smith for her dedication to beautifying our club with all the flowers and plantings she did this year and for the many years she has been doing it. This is no small task, the countless hours, and the many trips to the club to maintain the flowers for all of us to enjoy is amazing. Please if you see Mary Ann thank her and let her know how much she is appreciated.

Just remember that recruitment never ends and if you know of anyone that would make a good member, please send them our information. Sponsoring members can be as easy as giving me their information and I will reach out to them.

Coming up in October, we have planned wonderful events for the membership to enjoy, and the schedule is as follows:

Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Oktoberfest
Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – Basket Night
Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Brunch
Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup> – Dinner For Two

We wanted to remind you that club hosts Weddings, Baby or Bridal Showers, Birthday Parties, Anniversaries, Business Meetings and Private or company Christmas Parties. So, if you or someone you know are planning to host an event, please think of the University Club as the destination for your event.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to myself or Kelly Adrian and we can assist you with any questions or needs you may have. We are looking forward to seeing you at the club.

**Robert White** 

General Manager

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# Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Oktoberfest

Join us as we celebrate Oktoberfest!!! Cocktails and Appetizers begin at 6PM, followed by Chef O's famous Oktoberfest Buffet at 7PM. \$39.95 Per Person, Reservations Appreciated.



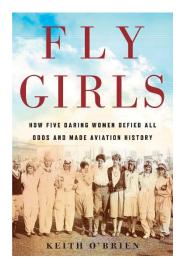
# Sunday, October 12th -Head of the Rock Regetta



Ya gotta regatta! Enjoy the Head of the Rock Regatta from one of the best viewing spots on the Rock River! The U Club will be closed. Please pack your coolers and enjoy the backyard.

## Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – Book Club

Join us each month for our Lunchtime Book Club, all are welcome. This month they will be meeting on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at noon. This month they will be reading **Fly Girls** by Keith O'brien.



The untold story of five women who fought to compete against men in the high-stakes national air races of the 1920s and 1930s — and won

Between the world wars, no sport was more popular, or more dangerous, than airplane racing. Thousands of fans flocked to multi-day events, and cities vied with one another to host them. The pilots themselves were hailed as dashing heroes who cheerfully stared death in the face. Well, the men were hailed. Female pilots were more often ridiculed than praised for what the press portrayed as silly efforts to

horn in on a manly, and deadly, pursuit. *Fly Girls* recounts how a cadre of women banded together to break the original glass ceiling: the entrenched prejudice that conspired to keep them out of the sky.

O'Brien weaves together the stories of five remarkable women: Florence Klingensmith, a high-school dropout who worked for a dry cleaner in Fargo, North Dakota; Ruth Elder, an Alabama divorcee; Amelia Earhart, the most famous, but not necessarily the most skilled; Ruth Nichols, who chafed at the constraints of her blue-blood family's expectations; and Louise Thaden, the mother of two young kids who got her start selling coal in Wichita. Together, they fought for the chance to race against the men — and in 1936 one of them would triumph in the toughest race of all.

# Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – Basket Night



Basket Menu: Burger, Fried Chicken, or Fried Cod Sandwich.

Baskets Include Sandwich and Fries \$8.

This is the only menu available for the evening.

## Sunday, October 26th – Halloween Brunch

Join us from 11AM-2PM for our Halloween Brunch! Enter the Scary Haunted Basement, Trick or Treat on the Upper Floors, Enjoy an Amazing Ghoulish Brunch, Play in a Scary Bounce House. \$39.95 Per Person, Reservations Appreciated.



# Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup> – Two for \$49.95 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.

#### **Entree Choices:**

**Beef & Broccoli-** Sirloin, Broccoli, Savory Soy Sauce, Jasmine Rice **Chicken Piccata-** Chicken Breast, Capers, Lemon Juice, Garlic, Herbs, Wild Rice Pilaf, and Veg Du Jour

**Cajun Fried Blue Gill-** Served with Fries, Coleslaw, Tartar & Lemon **Eggplant Parmesan-** Breaded Eggplant, Herb Riccota, Marinara, Garlic Bread, Spaghetti



Looking to host a holiday party, a special holiday lunch or dinner, the University Club of Rockford is the perfect place for your event!!! December will fill up quickly.

Please contact Kelly to reserve your date today.

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## Save The Dates - Kids' Christmas Parties with Santa

Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>





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.

# **Dress Code**

This is a gentle reminder of the club's dress code policy.

- Business Smart/Casual
- Jeans with no wear, holes, or inappropriate designs
- Shorts are acceptable in the summer in the Bar, Card Room, and Deck
- Shorts are NOT acceptable in the Dining Room
- Gentlemen are requested to remove their hats inside the Clubhouse.
- Gentlemen are required to wear collared shirts in the Dining Room
- Pool attire with a cover up is permitted in the Bar during the summer until 5:00pm

## **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.





## 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 November 19<sup>th</sup> and can be picked up on Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 AM–1:30PM. Items that require re-heating will come with instructions.

#### **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, and Thursday Night Dinner 5PM-8PM

Fabulous Friday Night Fish Fry 5PM-9PM

Bar Opens Monday – Friday 11AM-Close; Club Closes at 2PM on Wednesdays