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A Word from the President...

On October 28, our fall luncheon began with Sarah Wisseman's intriguing presentation of archeology at the Spurlock Museum. After a brief tour of the galleries under the guidance of staff members and Club docents, we crossed the construction zone to the Levis Faculty Center, where we enjoyed a very tasty buffet. Thanks to everyone, especially our speaker, for contributing to the success of the day.

Also in October, a number of us were impressed by a tour of the Siebel Center, with helpful guidance from Bill Kubitz, who led the construction of the new Computer Science Department facility. By publication time, our Chicago bus tour will have explored the latest Field Museum exhibits. Thanks to Carol Kubitz and Vivian Larson for arranging these tours.

In this newsletter you can read about our next two programs. First, the December 6 holiday tea gives us a chance to enjoy one of our University singing groups--The Girls Next Door. We look forward to fine entertainment in the midst of a traditionally popular event. For something new, our winter wine and cheese party on January 11 is a perfect opportunity to bring a spouse or guest for a social evening. The evening opens with a

presentation by the very popular meteorologist Ed Kieser, and features tours of WILL's facilities in Campbell Hall as well as a chance to watch a brief TV broadcast. This is a fine occasion to enjoy a relaxing and informative evening before the new semester gets underway.

Our ad hoc committee on the Club's Constitution has presented a careful revision to the Board, and we thank them for their care and attention. A second ad hoc committee is starting work. This group, chaired by Sheila Krein, will look at development issues for our Club and their findings will be presented at the Scholarship Brunch in February. We are very grateful for their creative thinking. Thanks to Nancy Diamond, Roxanne Frey, Lois Spies, and Marie Tompkins for participating in this effort. Aiming toward the Club's centenary in 2006, we have a fine opportunity to make an impact on our endowment.

The Club's directory is a tool that many of us use frequently. This edition includes all who have joined as of the publication date. Updates will appear in the newsletter through the year. Thanks to our members and our Membership chairs.

Kathy Marshak

Holiday Tea

Monday, December 6, 2004, 4-6 PM

First Presbyterian Church, 602 W Green Street, Urbana

Entertainment by University of Illinois a cappella singing group, **The Girls Next Door**, at 5 PM

The Girls Next Door have been performing at the University of Illinois for the past 34 years, making them the oldest female group on campus. This nine-woman a cappella group sings at numerous venues, from the national level at football and basketball games to their own local shows. Affiliated with the Women's Glee Club at the University, these girls are dedicated students of various majors who all share a common love of singing. They enjoy coming together to sing at every possible opportunity.

Celebrate the holiday season with Women's Club friends and guests. Socialize while you enjoy refreshments and listen to wonderful musical entertainment. Some of our Past Presidents will honor us by pouring coffee and tea. Please enter the parking lot off Orchard Street and use the door on that side of the building.

In the spirit of giving, the Women's Club is organizing a toy drive at this event. If you wish to participate, please bring to the Holiday Tea an unwrapped toy, new or in good condition, for a child under 6. The toys will be donated to the Crisis Nursery.

Reservations for Holiday Tea

Monday, December 6, 2004, 4-6 PM, First Presbyterian Church, 602 W Green St., Urbana

Cost: Club members free of charge, guests \$5. Make checks payable to Women's Club at UIUC.

Please mail to Jane Myers, 2213 N Cottonwood, Urbana, IL 61802 (367-0630) OR email to peri@ceperley.com (if you do not need to send in guest payment) by **December 2, 2004**.

Name _____ Phone _____

Number of reservations _____ Total enclosed (for guests) _____

Names of those attending _____

Spotlight On Supper Club



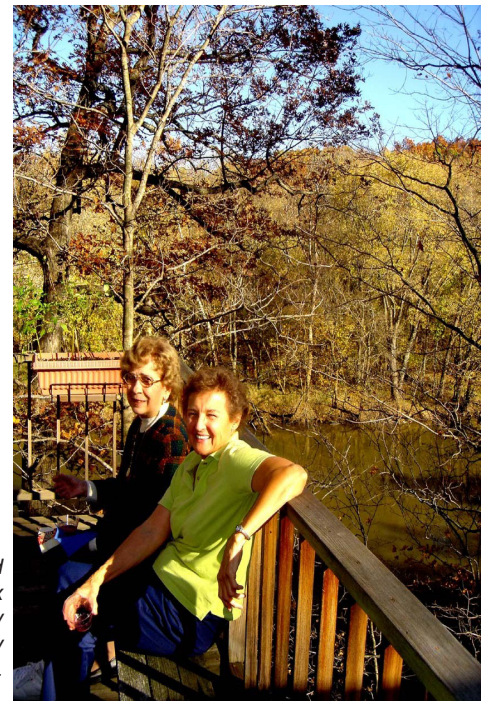
The Supper Club met at Cathy Key's home overlooking the Embarras River Sunday, October 24. At their first meeting, Walt Splittstoesser showed slides of China. Upcoming presentations by members will be Voles, WWII Airplanes, The Flower Show, Vietnam, Temples of India, and Antarctica. The group meets at member homes for potluck dinners monthly. For information, please

contact Shirley Splittstoesser at 367-3330 or splitts@life.uiuc.edu, or Mary Ruth Getz at 356-5767. We welcome new members to come and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of Supper Club.

Want your interest group featured in the newsletter? E-mail pictures and related information to Yvona Vlach at ivankavlach@insightbb.com.

Members of the Supper Club in a lively conversation.

Mary Ruth Getz and Dorothea Smith relax on the patio to enjoy the river valley scenery below.



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CONSTITUTION

THE WOMEN'S CLUB AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Women's Club at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (hereinafter to be referred to as the Club).

ARTICLE II. OBJECT

The object of the Club shall be to promote the friendly association of its members, to furnish them with organized opportunities for promoting their common interests, and whenever possible, to further the interests of the University.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is automatic, not elective. Those eligible shall include:

- A. Members of the faculty or staff of the University and allied agencies, current or retired, who share the social and intellectual interests of the club.
- B. The spouse or partner, widow or widower, of such individuals.
- C. A visiting member of the faculty or staff, or his/her spouse or partner.
- D. Others deemed eligible by the Executive Committee of the Club.
- E. Associate membership is open to graduate students and their spouses. This grants all privileges of the Club except voting at the general Club meetings and being a member of the Executive Board.

Section 2. HONORARY MEMBERS

Honorary members of the Club shall be the President, President Emeritus, Chancellor, Chancellor Emeritus, and the Provost of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and their spouse, widow or widower.

ARTICLE IV. GOVERNING BOARD

Section 1. ELECTED MEMBERS, APPOINTED MEMBERS, SUSTAINING MEMBERS

- A. The elected members shall be the executive committee (Article VI, Section 1) and the assistant second vice president, assistant third vice president, assistant treasurer, membership/directory chair and assistant chair, newsletter chair and assistant chair, scholarship chair and assistant chair, publicity chairs, meeting manager, and budget chair.
- B. The appointed members shall be the archivist, tour director, hospitality chair, web master, and scholarship committee member.
- C. The sustaining member shall be the immediate past president of the Club.

Section 2. NOMINATION, ELECTION, AND TERM OF OFFICE OF BOARD MEMBERS

A. NOMINATION

- 1. The Nominating Committee shall present to the membership of the Club its slate of Governing Board nominees for election at the general meeting which immediately precedes the spring general meeting.
- 2. The retiring first vice president shall be the nominee for president; the retiring assistant second vice president shall be the nominee for second vice president; the retiring treasurer shall be the nominee for budget chair; the retiring assistant treasurer shall be the nominee for treasurer; the retiring assistant scholarship chair shall be the nominee for scholarship chair; and the retiring assistant membership chair shall be the nominee for membership chair.
- 3. Should any of the above be unable to serve the following year, the Nominating Committee shall select a candidate from the membership at large. The responsibility of the Nominating Committee continues until all slate positions are filled, beyond Board election, if necessary.
- 4. The chairperson of the nominating committee shall be the third vice president or another Club member appointed by the president.

B. ELECTION

The Governing Board members shall be elected at the general meeting which immediately precedes the spring general meeting. They shall assume the duties of their respective offices at the conclusion of the Club year. A Club year is defined as beginning with the passing of the gavel at the spring luncheon, with the exception of the treasurer, who shall assume the duties as soon as the books are audited at the end of the fiscal year, June 30.

C. TERM

No member may be nominated to serve more than three consecutive years on the Governing Board with the exception of the president who may have served three consecutive years prior to nomination as president. The president shall not serve consecutive terms in office. Vacancies occurring during a term in office shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

A. DUTIES

- 1. The president, the recording secretary, the corresponding secretary, the treasurer, and the newsletter chair shall have such powers and perform such duties as are customarily incident to those offices. The treasurer shall be bonded. See Article IX, Section 2 for additional responsibilities of the treasurer.
- 2. Vice presidents
 - a. The first vice president shall have the responsibility for planning the year's program for the general meetings of the Club and shall submit suggestions for approval by the Governing Board.
 - b. The second vice president shall be in charge of activities of the Newcomers' Group. This person shall be assisted in these activities by the assistant second vice president.
 - c. The third vice president shall have the responsibility for directing the interest groups (see standing rule #6 for further outline of duties) and for serving as chair of the Nominating Committee unless the President appoints another for that service.

3. Scholarship committee

- a. The scholarship chair shall request the University representative to prepare an announcement to interested students of the amount and number of scholarships to be offered by the Club during the year (see Article IX).
 - b. The scholarship committee shall review the applications of the interested students.
 - c. The scholarship chair shall liaison with the treasurer of the Club concerning the handling of awards and submit reports to the Governing Board concerning the fiscal handling and allocation of the scholarships.
 - d. The treasurer is responsible for releasing the scholarship funds.
4. Elected chairs. The membership chair and the publicity chairs shall perform such duties as are consistent with the respective positions (see standing rules #9 and #10).
5. Elected assistants. The treasurer, the scholarship and membership chairs, and the second vice president and the third vice president shall be aided by their respective assistants in any way necessary to facilitate the function of their offices.

B. POWERS

The president of the Club shall appoint additional chairs as are necessary to facilitate the work of the Club.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

Section 1. SCHEDULE The date, hour, and place of the meetings shall be determined by the Governing Board. The first general meeting in the second semester of the University calendar shall be the annual business meeting. The final general meeting in the spring semester shall be the spring luncheon.

Section 2. QUORUM The members in attendance at a meeting shall constitute a quorum provided that the number in attendance is not less than five percent of the membership.

ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEES

Section 1. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE This committee shall consist of the president, the first vice president (programs), the second vice president (newcomers), the third vice president (interest groups), the recording secretary, the corresponding secretary, and the treasurer.

Section 2. PUBLICITY COMMITTEE This committee shall consist of the two publicity chairs and one or more members if deemed necessary to fulfil the duties of the committee.

Section 3. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE The membership/directory chair, the assistant membership/directory chair, the second vice president, and the assistant second vice president shall constitute this committee. It shall be responsible for all matters concerning eligibility of members as outlined in Article III.

Section 4. AUDITING COMMITTEE This committee shall consist of three members appointed by the president before the close of the Club year. It shall audit the accounts of the treasurer and report to the incoming board.

Section 5. NOMINATING COMMITTEE This committee shall consist of seven members: the first vice president, the second vice president, the third vice president, the assistant third vice president, and three members appointed by the president (at least two members of the committee should be past presidents). The third vice president, or another member appointed by the president, shall serve as chair of the nominating committee. This committee shall publish the slate in the first newsletter of the second semester of the University calendar and shall present its slate of nominees for election at the general meeting which immediately precedes the spring general meeting. The slate shall be the president, the three vice presidents, the recording and corresponding secretaries, the treasurer, the meeting manager, the chairs for budget, scholarship, newsletter, membership/directory, publicity, and the assistants to the vice presidents, the treasurer, and the other chairs. If the committee is unable to present a full slate, the nominating committee shall continue seeking nominees until the Board has been filled.

Section 6. SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE This committee shall consist of the scholarship chair, assistant chair, and one member appointed by the president. The president of the Club is an ex officio member of this committee. It shall review all applications and select recipients.

Section 7. BUDGET COMMITTEE This committee shall consist of the budget chair and the current treasurer. It shall submit a budget to the Governing Board at the first Board meeting of the academic year.

Section 8. PROGRAM COMMITTEE This program committee shall consist of the first vice president and the meeting manager. It shall arrange the programs and the locations of the meetings for the Club year, and all necessary activities for the meetings.

Section 9. SPECIAL COMMITTEES The president shall appoint such special committees as are necessary.

ARTICLE VII. INTEREST GROUPS

Section 1. FORMATION If ten or more Club members are interested in a particular activity, a new interest group may be formed upon authorization of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. MEMBERSHIP All members of the interest groups must be members of the Club.

Section 3. DUTIES OF THE THIRD VICE PRESIDENT AS INTEREST GROUP CHAIR It shall be the responsibility of the interest group chair to organize and administer the interest groups for the program year in accordance with the Standing Rules of the Club.

ARTICLE VIII. NEWCOMERS' GROUP

Section 1. ELIGIBILITY Club members are eligible for membership in the Newcomers' Group during their first two full years at the University or their first two years in the Club.

Section 2. DUTIES OF THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT AS CHAIR OF THE NEWCOMERS' GROUP The second vice president shall have such powers and perform such duties as are consistent with the office.

ARTICLE IX. SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Section 1. SOURCE OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS The Women's Club at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign shall maintain a separate fund for the purpose of offering financial assistance to needy and deserving students. The Scholarship Fund is an endowment consisting of annual contributions from the membership and may be augmented by gifts, bequests and designated memorials. It follows University of Illinois Foundation (UIF) rules. The Executive Committee may add Club funds to the Scholarship Fund from time to time.

Section 2. ADMINISTERING SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS The Scholarship Fund shall be administered and funds disbursed by the scholarship chair and the treasurer of the Club. The treasurer shall be responsible for tracking club funds at the Foundation. The scholarship committee shall be responsible for the selection of the recipients.

Section 3. AWARDS Scholarships shall be awarded to students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign from interest earned by the Scholarship Fund endowment and from current operating funds or savings at the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee and upon approval of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X. DUES

The Governing Board shall determine the amount of the annual dues.

ARTICLE XI. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Roberts' Rules of Order Revised shall be the parliamentary authority in all matters not specified in the Constitution or Standing Rules of the Club.

ARTICLE XII. AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Club by two thirds of the votes cast by the members present provided the amendment has been approved by the governing Board and has been submitted to the membership in writing at least ten days prior to the meeting at which such proposed amendment is to be acted upon.

STANDING RULES

STATEMENT OF POLICY

1. Programs presented to the Club at large could involve payment of an honorarium to be determined by the Executive Committee.
2. The Club shall not consider requests from any agency or group to (a) present speakers, (b) distribute literature, (c) conduct surveys, (d) have representation on board, and/or (e) use membership lists.
3. The Club shall not sponsor or support any promotional activities that involve the use of existing or anticipated funds. However, with the approval of the Governing Board, Club funds may be used for fundraising to benefit special Club activities. The Governing Board may consider requests from the University for volunteer help.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

4. Membership may be retained despite subsequent eligibility changes.

5. Guests not eligible for membership may be invited by members to any meeting designated by the Governing Board as being open to guests. The Board shall determine the amount of the guest fee payable at the time of the meeting.

INTEREST GROUPS

6. The duties of the third vice president as interest group chair shall be as follows:
 - a. Make sure that each interest group selects a chair for the following year.
 - b. Gather information for the publicity chair concerning interest group programs for newsletter, newspaper, and media releases.
 - c. Verify the membership of each person attending interest group meetings and present this information to the membership committee chair by December 1 for the first semester and by March 15 for the second semester.
 - d. Plan interest group registration at the first meeting of the Club and also at the first meeting of the Newcomers.
7. The membership chair shall send notice of delinquent dues to anyone attending an interest group meeting and deem ineligible any member whose club dues have not been paid by December 1.
8. Interest groups may be disbanded when there are fewer than ten members in the group.

PUBLICITY, RECORDS, INVENTORY

9. The publicity chairs shall be responsible for newspaper and media publicity and for general supervision of the work of the publicity committee.
10. The archivist shall keep a permanent record of the Club and shall determine what material is placed in the University of Illinois Library Archives at Urbana-Champaign.
11. The membership and mailing files shall be supervised by the membership/directory chair.
12. There shall be an inventory of all equipment owned by the Club in the president's file with a duplicate in the treasurer's file.

CHANGES IN THE STANDING RULES

13. Standing Rules may be adopted, amended, or rescinded at any meeting of the Governing Board by a majority vote of its total membership.

Women's Club at UIUC
Constitution, October 28, 2004

Fall Luncheon

October 2004



Andree Aboussouan and Tam Wei share spirited conversation and friendship.



L to R: Peri Ceperley, Sandi Thomas, and Maggie Dougherty Roberts toast the occasion.



L to R: Judy LeBaugh, Linda Scott, Cam Murphy, Nancy Uchtmann, and Helen Burch enjoyed the delicious buffet-style luncheon.



Women's Cub president, Kathy Marshak, and Sarah Wisseman, featured speaker, share a nice moment.



L to R: Dorothea Smith, Ann Cambell, and Catherine Key enjoy the lunch and fine conversation.



Jane Meyers, meeting manager, talks with Cindi Jackson.

Winter Wine and Cheese Party

Tuesday, January 11, 2005, 7-9 PM

WILL's Campbell Hall, 300 North Goodwin Avenue, Urbana

Wine and Cheese by Sun Singer Wines & Spirits

Inside the WILL Meteorology Center: How We Prepare Your Weather Forecast

Ed Kieser, Chief Meteorologist, WILL-AM-FM-TV

with tours of Campbell Hall and a chance to observe TV broadcast updates at 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM

WILL's Chief Meteorologist, **Ed Kieser** continues the station's longstanding commitment to accurate and dependable weather forecasting by preparing daily weather forecasts for radio, and more recently, for WILL-TV. Alternating between daytime radio and nighttime TV, Ed and weather producer Mike Sola present forecasts throughout the day. Ed holds the American Meteorological Society's Seal of Approval for weathercasting on both radio and television. Many people say they've learned about what to do in a tornado by listening to Ed Kieser on the radio or by attending one of his tornado safety seminars.

Ed Kieser will describe the typical broadcast day in the WILL Meteorology Center, from piecing together a forecast for WILL-AM 580 before the sun rises to preparing weather graphics for the 9:58 PM broadcast of YourWeather on WILL-TV. Ed will discuss challenges of Midwestern weather forecasting, including extreme weather such as ice storms, blizzards, and tornadoes; preparing for radio broadcasts, including Talk to Ed and Talk to Mike; and creating a television weather broadcast. Of course, your weather questions are welcome.

Parking is available on the streets around the studio, in the new parking garage on Goodwin Avenue, and in the parking lot behind Campbell Hall, with entry off of Clark Street. Please enter the building through the main door on Goodwin.

Special opportunity: A limited number of Club members and guests will be invited into the Richmond Studio's control room to watch the 7:00 PM or 8:00 PM YourWeather broadcasts. Please arrive at 6:50 to have a chance to see the first broadcast.

Reservations for Winter Wine and Cheese Party

Tuesday, January 11, 2005, 7-9 PM, WILL's Campbell Hall, 300 N Goodwin Avenue, Urbana

Cost: \$10 per person; spouses and guests welcome. Make checks payable to Women's Club at UIUC.

*Please mail to Jane Myers, 2213 N Cottonwood, Urbana, IL 61802 (367-0630) by **January 7, 2005.***

Name _____ Phone _____
 Number of reservations _____ Total enclosed _____
 Names of those attending _____

Announcements

Membership

Enclosed in this newsletter you will find your 2004-2005 directory with our current 317 members in it. Please verify that the information about you is correct. We have tried our hardest to be accurate, but if you find any errors please contact Peri Ceperley at peri@ceperley.com or 359-9333. Thank you.

Constitution

The ad hoc Constitution review committee has worked to update the document to reflect the way the Club operates and to eliminate confusion on procedures. The Board has approved this revision, which will be brought for a vote on February 19. If you

have any questions, please contact committee members Vivian Larson, Ingrid Hutchings, or Helen Burch.

Upcoming Board Meeting

The Women's Club Board will meet on Thursday, January 6, 2005, at 7:30 PM, at the home of Kathy Marshak, 702 Hamilton Drive, Champaign. *Please note the time change from previous announcements.*

Newsletter

The deadline for the next newsletter is January 12, 2005. Please e-mail your articles or announcements to Yvona Vlach at ivankavlach@insightbb.com.

Friendship Interest Group

The next meeting will be held at Pages for All Ages Coffee Shop on Thursday, December 9, 2004, at 1:30 PM. Those attending are requested to bring names, addresses, and phone numbers of present or former members of the Women's Club who are lonely or in poor health and who should be contacted by the group. We welcome input from any Women's Club member. Please contact Marie Tompkins at 356-6207 or Porama Saengcharoenrat at 384-7116.

To find more information about the Women's Club, please visit our website at <http://wc-uiuc.prairienet.org>.



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WOMEN'S CLUB AT UIUC GENERAL MEETINGS

Holiday Tea

Monday, December 6, 2004, 4:00-6:00 PM, First Presbyterian Church, Urbana

Wine and Cheese Party following talk by WILL's Ed Kieser

Tuesday, January 11, 2005, 7:00-9:00 PM, Campbell Hall

Scholarship Brunch

Saturday, February 19, 2005, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM, Illini Union

Spring Luncheon

Wednesday, April 20, 2005, 11:30 AM-1:30 PM, Kennedy's restaurant