

# The Illinois Club

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## Market at the Square

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays

June – October

8:00 – 12:00

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*Celebrating Over 100 Years at Illinois*

## A Letter from the President...

I hope you all have had a glorious summer. The Illinois Club finished a great year, and I'm looking forward to seeing this year unfold. The Fall Expo is coming soon, and I hope to see many of you there. It will be informative and fun with light refreshment available. Come and sign up for your favorite interest group.

The Scholarship sales have been going well; the note cards and the prints seem to be very popular. We hope the note cards and prints will support our scholarship program for years to come. In the meantime, our tiles have almost sold out. We have only 3 brown barns left. Who will buy the last tile?

The Holiday Party, the Scholarship Awards Brunch, and the Spring Luncheon are all being planned, and it looks like enjoyable events are coming up in the months ahead.

We still do not have a newsletter chair. If you believe you have the skills, we would be delighted to hear from you. You can try doing just one newsletter. If you're interested, please let me know. The rest of the newsletters may be small, primarily to notify members of upcoming events and to supply sign-up forms.

Susan Haney and Carol Kubitz were kind enough to produce this newsletter, and we thank them for taking on the task.

We are headed into the new year with banners flying. I hope all of you have checked out our booth at Market at the Square in Urbana on the **first** and **third Saturdays** of the month.

Sincerely,

Mary Jo Thomsen, President

[president@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:president@theillinoisclub.org)

## FALL EXPO

Monday, September 13

4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Alumni Ballroom, Hilton Garden Inn  
1501 South Neil, Champaign



## Fall Expo

**Monday, September 13 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Alumni Ballroom, Lower Level, Hilton Garden Inn  
1501 South Neil Street, Champaign**

Benefits of attending the Fall Expo:

- \* Signing up for your favorite interest groups
- \* Learning about groups new to you
- \* Registering for the latest campus & bus tours
- \* Enjoying the company of your friends
- \* Meeting and making new friends
- \* Feasting your eyes on some great food, then eating it
- \* Seeing the new Judy Ikenberry note cards and prints, then buying some ☺
- \* Finding out if you won the \$50 gift certificate to Outback Steakhouse



### Board Meeting

**Wednesday August 25, 2010**

**Mary Jo Thomsen's  
1502 Park Avenue, St. Joseph  
217-469-7278**

**Please RSVP to  
[president@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:president@theillinoisclub.org)  
whether or not you are able to come.**

### Farmer's Market Dates

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays  
June – October**

**Aug. 7 & 21; Sep. 4 & 18; Oct. 2 & 16**

**Stop by and visit us at the market! We have a **new blue canopy** and plenty of shade. Or maybe you'd like to help. If so, please contact us to help spread the word about our Club and scholarships.**

**[sales@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:sales@theillinoisclub.org) or 217-356-2464**

## The Illinois Club Events for 2010 – 2011

Board Meeting	Wednesday, August 25, 7:00 PM	Mary Jo Thomsen's
Interest Group Chair Meeting	Wednesday, September 1, 7:00 PM	Carrol Finnigan-Bunick's
Fall Expo	Monday, September 13, 4:00 – 6:00 PM	Alumni Ballroom, Hilton Garden Inn
Newcomers' Ice Cream Social & Swim	Friday, September 24, 6:30 – 8:00 PM	Blair Park, Rourke Shelter, Urbana
Newcomers' Tailgate	Saturday, October 23, 8:30 AM	Memorial Stadium Fields
Newsletter Deadline	Thursday, October 7, 5:00 PM	<a href="mailto:newsletters@theillinoisclub.org">newsletters@theillinoisclub.org</a>
Oak Brook Bus Tour Deadline	Tuesday, November 2, 5:00 PM	<a href="mailto:archivist@theillinoisclub.org">archivist@theillinoisclub.org</a>
Oak Brook Bus Tour	Tuesday, November 9, 7:15 AM – 7:30 PM	County Market Parking Lot, Glenn Park Dr.
Krannert Center Pre-Tour Lunch	Friday, November 19, 12:00 PM	Intermezzo Café
Krannert Center Tour	Friday, November 19, 1:00 – 2:30 PM	Krannert Lobby
Scholarship Applications Due	Wednesday, December 1	<a href="mailto:applications@theillinoisclub.org">applications@theillinoisclub.org</a>
Holiday Party	Thursday, December 9, 5:00 – 7:00 PM	Buttitta's Restaurant
Newcomers' Station Theater & Dessert	Friday, January 21	Location & Time TBA
Scholarship Awards Brunch	Saturday, March 5, 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM	White Oaks I, Hawthorn Suites
Newcomers' Japan House Tour	March, Date & Time TBA	Japan House
Activities & Recreation Center Tour	Thursday, April 21, 1:30 – 2:30 PM	Activities & Recreation Center Lobby
Spring Luncheon	Thursday, May 5, 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	Kennedy's Restaurant

# The Illinois Club Tours 2010 – 2011

Sandy Beak, 217-344-6856

[tours@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:tours@theillinoisclub.org)

Sheila Ott, 217-356-7896

Two campus tours are planned for our members to enjoy learning more about our University community-- please put these dates on your calendar. Sheila Ott and Sandy Beak have scheduled tours specially organized to inform members about an exciting new facility, and to explore an existing lovely theater complex.

In addition to our great campus tours, once again we are conducting a joint bus tour with the CU Symphony Guild. This pre-holiday shopping and sightseeing trip to the wonderful Oak Brook area is not to be missed!

**Krannert Center for the Performing Arts Lobby**  
**500 South Goodwin, Urbana**

**Friday, November 19 at 1:00 PM**

Student led tour of the Krannert Center for Performing Arts complex, including 4 theaters and lobby, production, scenery, and costume areas with discussion of the history of the building. Lunch beforehand is possible at Intermezzo Café. Metered parking is underground, with best availability entering from the north. **To register, call Sandy Beak at 217-344-6856, or e-mail her at [tours@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:tours@theillinoisclub.org).**

**Activities & Recreation Center Lobby**  
**201 East Peabody Drive, Champaign**

**Thursday, April 21 at 1:30 PM**

A student led tour of the new Activities and Recreation Center (ARC). This will include various areas, gyms, and workout facilities. Refreshments will be available for purchase after the hour long tour, and metered parking is available west of the building. Bring your quarters! **To register, call Sheila Ott at 217-356-7896, or e-mail her at [tours@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:tours@theillinoisclub.org).**

**Oak Brook Shopping & Sightseeing**  
**1914 Glenn Park Drive, Champaign**

**Tuesday, November 9 at 7:15 AM**  
**Deadline: Tuesday, November 2**

You can meet your friends at our departure point in the County Market parking lot on Glenn Park Dr. (just off of Mattis Avenue). Please park your car in the Southwest corner of the lot by 7:15 AM and climb aboard in time for our 7:30 AM departure. Reservations accepted until Tuesday, November 2. Requests for refunds are only honored if someone on the waiting list is available to fill your place.

Light snacks will be provided coming and going, but lunch will be on your own at one of the many good Oak Brook restaurants. **Bring a cooler if you intend to purchase food at any of our stops.** Expect return time between 7 and 8 PM. Snacks, transportation and tips are included in the \$65.00 per person trip cost. Enjoy!

**Contact us at 217-367-0800 or [archivist@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:archivist@theillinoisclub.org).** Vivian Larson & Jane Myers, organizing chairs

## Oak Brook Reservation Form



Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$65.00 each

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **The Illinois Club**

Reservation Deadline: **November 2, 2010**

Mail to: **Vivian Larson; 411 E. Mumford Dr.; Urbana, IL 61801**

E-mail: [archivist@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:archivist@theillinoisclub.org)

Phone: **217-367-0800**

# The Illinois Club Interest Groups 2010 – 2011

Carrol Finnigan-Bunick, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President  
217-359-0961

Sarah Gertner, Asst. 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President  
[interestgroups@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:interestgroups@theillinoisclub.org)  
217-383-6482

*\*Indicates a New or Revived Group*

One of the most rewarding aspects of participating in The Illinois Club is belonging to the various Interest Groups. In these informal social gatherings, members meet to explore common interests. As a paid member you may join or visit any Interest Group at any time. For activities involving couples, please join via the couple membership. Interest Group sign ups are at the Fall Expo on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn. Can't make it? Then please contact the Interest Group Chair(s) of your choice.

**Antiques and Collectibles:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. – 1:15 p.m. Jane Myers, 217-367-0630; Sheila Ott, 217-356-7896;  
Claire Skaperdas, 217-356-6985; [antiques@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:antiques@theillinoisclub.org)



Members and invited speakers present programs on personal collections, house tours, special tours etc. This very large group often holds an auction to benefit The Illinois Club Scholarship Fund.

**Book Exchange:** No meetings Roxanne Frey, 217-333-5685; [bookexchange@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:bookexchange@theillinoisclub.org)

This group is starting its 35th year this fall. Each member buys one new fiction book that is rotated among members in groups of seven to nine people. At the end of seven months each person will have read a variety of new books. There are no scheduled meetings.



**Bridge, Afternoon:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. – 12:30 p.m. Shirley Walker, 217-352-7428; Mehri Cowan, 217-367-5490;  
[afternoonbridge@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:afternoonbridge@theillinoisclub.org)

**\*Evening:** as scheduled Linda Lopez, 217-367-7200; [eveningbridge@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:eveningbridge@theillinoisclub.org)



The Illinois Club bridge interest groups are always very popular. All groups meet in members' homes or a designated facility. Pre-arranged partnering is not done. You may play regularly or be a substitute.

**Campus Lunch Group:** noon every other Wed. Patricia Simpson, 217-333-1050;  
[campuslunch@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:campuslunch@theillinoisclub.org)

Are you on campus during the day working or studying? Come and join us for lunch. We meet in the Illini Union Ballroom or other on-campus cafeterias once or twice a month at noon.



**Cinema:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. – 7:00 p.m. Sandy Camargo, 217-344-0023; [cinema@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:cinema@theillinoisclub.org)



Let's talk about movies! Depending on the interests of the group, we can view or discuss current popular films, classic films, and/or foreign films.

**Cordially Yours:** Dates and times TBA Susan Haney, 217-356-2464; [cordiallyyours@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:cordiallyyours@theillinoisclub.org)

This is a friendly group, where we get together once a month to go some place or to stay in. With drinks and foods of all kinds thrown in, of course! Come, relax, have fine conversations and fun times.



**Cosmopolitan:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs. – 7:30 p.m. Vivian Larson, 217-367-0800; Jane Myers, 217-367-0630;  
[cosmopolitan@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:cosmopolitan@theillinoisclub.org)



Our dual aim is to help women from other countries feel welcome during their stay here and to provide programs of interest to both foreign and American women who enjoy learning about other cultures. Join us for informal programs, conversation, and refreshments.

## The Illinois Club Interest Groups 2010 – 2011

**\*Cycling:** Dates and Times TBA

Kate Brown, 217-369-1136; [cycling@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:cycling@theillinoisclub.org)



Join us for seminars and biking outings. This is primarily a warmer weather group. It does not meet in winter.

**\*Drive & Dine:** 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. Evening

Susan Haney, 217-356-2464; [diners@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:diners@theillinoisclub.org)

We will adventure north, south, east, and west as we visit surrounding communities for dinner. First stop is Oktoberfest at the Bayern Stube in Gibson City (special night of October 15).



**French:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tues. – 1:30 p.m.

Cathy Williams, 217-687-4079; [french@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:french@theillinoisclub.org)



Members of this group read, converse, and once a year wine and dine, in French. Come to the first meeting prepared to greet old friends and meet new ones. The group meets twice a month.

**German:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. – 1:30 p.m.

Anna Merritt, 217-344-4573; [german@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:german@theillinoisclub.org)

We welcome anyone who would enjoy an afternoon of conversation in German, with updates from those recently returned from Germany and from current periodicals. Fluency is fabulous but not required.



**Hiking:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. 1:30 p.m.

Ann Campbell, 217-352-1487; Peri Ceperley, 217-359-9333;

[hiking@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:hiking@theillinoisclub.org)



Come and enjoy the various beautiful parks around our area. You can meet wonderful people, see beautiful scenery and get some exercise, all at the same time. Hike the woods of Central Illinois.

**\*Italian:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. – 2:00 p.m.

Sonia Cappello, 217-898-4448; [italian@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:italian@theillinoisclub.org)

Join us for some great Italian conversation and reading on a variety of topics, as well as fun while we celebrate all things Italian.



**Knit 'n' Things:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. – 1:15 p.m. Antje Kolodziej, 217-356-1734; [knitnthings@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:knitnthings@theillinoisclub.org)

Beginners as well as experts who enjoy any type of handwork are welcome. We exchange patterns, information about supplies, shops, instructions, and shortcuts. Please join us for a pleasant and relaxing afternoon.



**\*Krannert Club:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. – 5:30 p.m.

Christina Myers, 773-462-4315; [krannert@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:krannert@theillinoisclub.org)



Come and enjoy the music or gigs, get a glass of wine or tea, or chat with friends and unwind. This group will meet once a month during the wine tasting at Krannert Uncorked. Sometimes we will go as a group to a Krannert performance or to other entertainment events in the community. Krannert parking is free after 5:00.

**Let's Do Lunch:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri. – 11:30 a.m.

Sandy Beak, 217-344-6856; Antje Kolodziej, 217-356-1734;

[letsdolunch@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:letsdolunch@theillinoisclub.org)



Members meet monthly for lunch at different local area restaurants. Spouses and guests are welcome.

**Literature, Afternoon:** 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. – 1:00 p.m. Shirley Walker, 217-352-7428; [afternoonlit@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:afternoonlit@theillinoisclub.org)

**Evening:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. – 7:30 p.m. Jenifer Cartwright, 217-352-2803; Roxanne Frey, 217-333-5685;

[eveninglit@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:eveninglit@theillinoisclub.org)

Selections from a variety of literary forms reflect the diverse interests of the group. Members are encouraged to read the literature and participate in the discussion that follows the presentation.



## The Illinois Club Interest Groups 2010 – 2011

**Spanish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mon. – 7:30 p.m.

Marta Albarracin, 217-903-2175; [spanish@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:spanish@theillinoisclub.org)



Members with at least a basic knowledge of Spanish meet for conversation and to discuss literature, travel, history and current events related to the culture of Spanish-speaking countries.

**Supper Club:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. Evening

Shirley Splittstoesser, 217-367-3330; Mary Ruth Getz, 217-356-5767;  
Joan Bazzetta, 217-352-8322; [supper@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:supper@theillinoisclub.org)

Couples and singles gather once a month for a potluck dinner. In October, December, and May the whole group meets together. The other months the group is divided among several homes.



**Wine Lovers:** Dates and Times TBA

Jeanne & Byron Balbach, 217-344-1319;

Ann & Steve Long, 217-398-6639; [wine lovers@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:wine lovers@theillinoisclub.org)



Whether you are a wine connoisseur or someone who would like to learn more about wines, this is the special interest group for you! This group will explore the world of wine through tastings, talks by local experts, and possibly some wine dinners. Singles and couples are equally welcome.

**Writers Not Anonymous:** 4<sup>th</sup> Mon. – 2:00 p.m.

Susan Haney, 217-356-2464; [writers@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:writers@theillinoisclub.org)

We are a fun group that gets together once a month to share what we've written and offer each other support in our creative endeavors.



### New and Revived Groups:

Evening Bridge  
Cycling  
Drive & Dine  
Italian  
Krannert

### Want to start a new interest group?

Want to share your interest in woodworking, zymurgy (brewing), breakfast, genealogy, or volunteering? Or maybe something else puts that sparkle in your eyes? Whatever it might be, contact Carrol Finnigan-Bunick to start a new interest group. Find new friends!

### Interest Group Chair Meeting

*Change of Day & Date!*

**Wednesday, September 1, 2010**

**Carrol Finnigan-Bunick's  
217-359-0961**

**4307 Crossgate Drive, Champaign  
[interestgroups@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:interestgroups@theillinoisclub.org)**

Please RSVP whether or not you will be able to attend. If you are unable to come, please make arrangements to pick up your interest group folder and to talk to either Carrol or Sarah Gertner (217-383-6482). Thank you!

## Newcomers' Group Schedule for 2010 – 2011

**Friday, September 24**                      **6:30 – 8:30 PM**

### **Illinois Introductions Ice Cream Social & Swim**

Meet at Sholem Pool Pavilion

2205 W. Sangamon Dr.

Families Encouraged

Make your own Ice Cream Creations

Featuring Park District Guide showing us Cool

Options in our Community

**Saturday, October 23**      **10:00 AM, Game @ 11:00**

### **Illinois Football Tailgate Brunch and Munch**

Illinois Memorial Stadium Fields

Families Encouraged

**Friday, January 21, 2011**

### **Station Theater & Dessert Date Night**

Featuring the comedy theater

"Rhinoceros"

Meeting place TBA

**March 2011**

### **Japan House – Jewel of the University**

Tour and treats

## Where are the Missing Archives?

**Vivian Larson has loaned out all of the rather large orange bound Women's Club Archives. These are the only copies of the archives we have for the 100 years of our Club's existence. If you have borrowed these treasures and not returned them, or if you recall seeing them, PLEASE call Vivian (217-367-0800) or e-mail her at [archivist@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:archivist@theillinoisclub.org). We would be most grateful for their return! Thank you!**

### **Online Calendar**

[calendar@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:calendar@theillinoisclub.org)

If you haven't been to our website lately, then you haven't seen our fabulous new Google calendar! Just click on "Calendar" on the sidebar to access it.

All interest group meetings, tours, events, and deadlines should be on each month's calendar. If your group is missing, then e-mail us at [calendar@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:calendar@theillinoisclub.org) and we will be happy to fix it. Or if it has the wrong time, etc., please let us know that too! Thank you.

### **We are Hosting Big Ten Conference**

[bigten@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:bigten@theillinoisclub.org)

In June of 2013, it will be our turn to host the biennial Conference of Big Ten University Women's Organizations. Yes, we have men, as do others in this Conference, so the name is an anomaly. We hope to correct that at next year's conference. ☺

In the meantime, planning is underway, and we are looking for a few good men and women to help us organize this event. If you have ideas or would like to help, please contact Susan Haney at 217-356-2464 or e-mail her at [bigten@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:bigten@theillinoisclub.org). Thanks!

## *In Memoriam*

**PORTIA CURETON** 1917 – 2010 (President 1970-71)  
**FRANCES JENSEN SIMONS** 1918 – 2010 (President 1971-72)  
Former Presidents of the Women's Club (now The Illinois Club)

**ROBERT THOMAS** 1921 – 2009  
First man (1970's) to join the Club, participate in interest groups, and serve on the Board.

## Scholarship News



### Scholarship Award Winners for 2010 – 2011

**A record \$32,500 awarded!**

Front Row (l to r): Alicia Lindquist, Allison M. Barry, Judy Ikenberry, Jasmine Floyd, Rachel Samaniego  
Back Row (l to r): David Goese, Leah Miller, Aaron Kaplan, Joshua Bodenheimer, Brianna Kraft, Mark Byrum  
Not Pictured: Jovanny Varela, Thomas E. Bunyan, Nikki B. Im, Britney A. Cowan, Ashley Cunningham  
Upper Right Photo: Judy Ikenberry      Lower Right Photo: Leah Miller & Aaron Kaplan with their cellos

Our guest speaker for the Scholarship Awards Brunch was none other than our very own Judy Ikenberry, speaking on what philanthropy means to her and to Stan. We were very fortunate to learn what is near and dear to the Ikenberrys, and to get a glimpse into what makes them tick. Between Judy's inspiring remarks on philanthropy and Susan Haney's recounting of some of the outstanding students we had to turn down for awards, we had a donor step forward that day with an offer of donating money for yet another award. What an incredible day! *Don't miss this year's awards on Saturday, March 5, 2011.* It's the best event of the year!

#### *Judith Life Ikenberry Fine Arts Award*

Although he was absent from the awards ceremony this year, our winner was once again **Jovanny Varela**, a Painting major. His poetic way with words and his obvious artistic abilities wowed the Scholarship Committee. We look forward to seeing more of his work in the future, perhaps in a museum or art gallery near you...

#### *The Illinois Club Make-A-Difference Awards*

We gave out record-setting amounts for both the Make-A-Difference and Isabelle Purnell Education Awards this year with our 14 awards totaling \$28,000. Tough decisions were made, but in the end we were pleased with all of our winners, and we are certain that they will continue to "make a difference" wherever they go.

**Thomas E. Bunyan**, an Urban and Regional Planning major, founded MatchGrove, a program that supplies kits to school children and teaches them how to plant native trees and bushes, raise them, and then offer them for sale as school fundraisers. Before starting college, he volunteered for a year in Africa and wants to return there.

**Mark Byrum**, an Animal Science major, wants more than anything to become a small-animal veterinarian. He convinced his mother of his life's goal by volunteering every day at his local veterinarian's to gain experience.



## Scholarship News

**David Goese**, a Molecular and Cellular Biology major, is hoping to become a doctor volunteering with Doctors without Borders. He founded Pancakes for Poverty as a freshman, combining his love of pancakes and concern for hunger in the community. Proceeds from his pancake sales on the Quad go to the Eastern Illinois Foodbank.

**Nikki B. Im**, another Molecular and Cellular Biology major, also wants to be a medical doctor with Doctors without Borders. Her obvious concern for the welfare of her fellow human beings struck the Committee as a doctor we'd all like to have.

**Brianna Kraft**, an Architectural Studies major, is the secretary of the campus Global Architecture Brigade and is also a member of Freedom by Design, a group of architecture students who design accessibility solutions for clients. Her interests are sustainable (green) architecture and making structures disabled-friendly.

**Alicia Lindquist**, another Architectural Studies major, not only has time for Volunteer Illini Projects, she has also founded the campus Global Architecture Brigade and is its president. She's spending part of this summer in Panama working with a community on designing a center that can be made from locally produced materials.

**Leah Miller**, a Cello Performance major, is an incredibly gifted performer. You may recall her from our Holiday Party or Scholarship Awards Brunch. This hard-working young woman has thirty music students on top of her studies! She'd also like to start her own scholarship program some day.

### *Isabelle Purnell Education Awards*

**Allison M. Barry**, an Elementary Education major and daughter of a teacher, wants most of all to be a Special Education teacher. She'll need a Master's to pursue that dream, but we were certain she would make it with her determination and obvious interest in the welfare of those who have challenges in learning.

**Joshua Bodenheimer**, a Teaching of Spanish major, really set the interview room on fire with his charisma and drive. The son of a teacher, his enthusiasm and ideas for teaching made him an obvious winner as did his Outstanding Service Award from the Office of Volunteer Programs.

**Britney A. Cowan**, an Agriculture Education major, can teach you about soils, horticulture, animal science, electricity and mechanics for starters. This positive young woman with the "never give up" attitude has her own small herd of dairy cattle. Besides teaching, her future dreams include restarting her family's dairy.

**Ashley Cunningham**, an Early Childhood Education major, has experienced many difficulties in her life, but has always risen above them. Her particular interest is for protecting the most vulnerable of us, the very young.

**Jasmine Floyd**, an Elementary Education major, and another daughter of a teacher, impressed us with her quiet intelligence and thoughtful manner. She is a Golden Apple Scholar, and will be teaching in a school of high need for five years, preferably in inner city Chicago. She also will pursue a Master's.

**Aaron Kaplan**, a Cello Performance & Music Instruction major, would love to be a Broadway conductor. Not only did he wow the Committee, he wowed the Brunch audience with his intelligence and passion for the arts. His goal is to affect each person and change someone's life with each performance, as his has been.

**Rachel Samaniego**, an Art Education major, wants to join the Peace Corps after college, and then teach in inner city Chicago schools. This amazing young woman is also a social justice advocate, and plans to get a doctorate.

#### Awards for AY 2011 – 2012

- 1 – \$4,500 Judith Life Ikenberry Fine Arts Award
- 4 – \$2,000 Make-A-Difference Awards
- 5 – \$2,000 Isabelle Purnell Education Awards
- 1 – \$2,000 Susan T. Haney Social Work Award

#### Help Us Advertise Our Awards!

On our website under "Scholarships", you can find our Award pdf's for your class use. Or you can put us in touch with interested faculty and instructors at [scholarships@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:scholarships@theillinoisclub.org).

## Thank You Volunteers! Another Way of Donating...

As Judy made it clear in her remarks at the Brunch, we need to especially thank our volunteers! The gift of their time is every bit as important as a gift of money.

So thanks to all our volunteers this past year who have read scholarship applications or helped staff our sales and information booths at the Fall Expo, All Employee Expo, Illini Union Holiday Bazaar, Scholarship Awards Brunch, Spring Luncheon, and Market at the Square.

They are: Pam Bates, Mike Haney, Susan Haney, Mary Hosier, Marcy Joncich, Sheila Krein, Vivian Larson, Kathy Marshak, Christina Myers, Judith Robinson, Ted Rowland, Julia Schmidt, Patricia Simpson, Pat Thiessen, Sandi Thomas, and Mary Jo Thomsen. Thank you all so very much! Your contributions are invaluable and incalculable. We couldn't do it without you. ☺

### Online Scholarship Donations Available Soon!

We will soon have a link on our website to the U of I Foundation, so that if you prefer, you can donate online to our scholarship endowments.

## Judy Ikenberry Scholarship Fundraisers

These gorgeous prints and note cards make great gifts! All profits go to our scholarship funds.

### Prints

<i>Illinois</i> – limited edition	17.75" x 13"	<b>\$85</b>
<i>Lord of Chatsworth</i>	13" x 18.75"	<b>\$85</b>
<i>Comte de Burgundy</i> (new)	13" x 18.75"	<b>\$85</b>
<i>Altgeld Hall</i> (new)	15" x 20.3"	<b>\$95</b>
<i>Hallene Gateway</i> (new)	20.7" x 15"	<b>\$95</b>
<i>Tiber Morning</i> (new)	25" x 16.25"	<b>\$100</b>

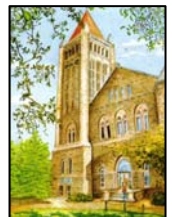
Each print is signed by Judy. Sizes listed are the measurements of the printed area. Each is mounted on foam board backing and shrinkwrapped. To make a purchase, please contact Susan Haney at 217-356-2464 or [sales@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:sales@theillinoisclub.org). Note card versions are available also at \$12 for 6 cards, including *Orange Café*.



*Illinois*



*Hallene Gateway*



*Altgeld Hall*



*Lord of Chatsworth*



*Comte de Burgundy*



*Tiber Morning*



*Orange Café*

### Board Minutes

Just a reminder that we do have Board minutes posted on our website under "Board" on the sidebar.

### Name Badges - Missing, Misspelled, Misfiled

Have you been to an event recently, but your name badge was not? Or it was incorrect?

*Please let us know so we may replace it.*

And if one of the Club's name badges follows you home, please return it. Thank you! ☺

### Archives

Got any old newsletters or pictures of Club activities that you were just going to throw away? How about old interest group schedules? Please don't assume we don't need them!

*Give them a new life!*

Call Vivian Larson to donate them to our archives at 217-367-0800. Or e-mail her at [archivist@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:archivist@theillinoisclub.org).

## New E-mail Addresses for All Things TIC!

Last fall we began using e-mail addresses based upon our website address. All Board positions have these addresses, as do all interest groups. We hope these will be easy for you to remember, as they will be unchanged from year to year. For instance, if you can't remember who the chair of Wine Lovers is, it won't matter! All you need to do is e-mail [winelovers@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:winelovers@theillinoisclub.org), and your message will get there. The same goes for all interest groups and Board members.

Board members and their e-mail addresses are on the website under "Board" on the sidebar. Interest group addresses will also be posted soon under "Interest Groups" on the sidebar. In addition to these addresses, we do have some based upon subjects, and these usually forward to several people who might be able to help you.

Addresses begin with the subject, person, or group you are interested in and end with [@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:@theillinoisclub.org).

### Subjects:

[calendar](#) – sends to publicity, website, archives, newsletter, president, & vp's  
[applications](#) – for scholarship applications & questions about  
[archives](#) – items to archives  
[bigten](#) – Big 10 questions & ideas  
[directory](#) or [memberships](#) – for directory changes, questions, etc.  
[events](#) or [programs](#) – program questions or ideas  
[facebook](#) – post good news here  
[interestgroups](#) – new interest group ideas, questions, etc.  
[newcomers](#) – all things newcomers  
[newsletters](#) – newsletter ideas, etc.  
[publicity](#) – publicity opportunities  
[sales](#) – print & note card sales  
[scholarships](#) – all things relating to scholarships & fundraising

### Board Members:

[president](#)  
[programsvp](#)  
[newcomersvp](#)  
[asstnewcomers](#)  
[interestgroupsvp](#)  
[asstinterestgroups](#)  
[recordingsecretary](#)  
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[bigten](#)

### Interest Groups:

[antiques](#)  
[bookexchange](#)  
[afternoonbridge](#)  
[eveningbridge](#)  
[campuslunch](#)  
[cinema](#)  
[cordiallyyours](#)  
[cosmopolitan](#)  
[cycling](#)  
[diners](#)  
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### **Renew Via PayPal**

You can renew your dues using PayPal at [www.theillinoisclub.org](http://www.theillinoisclub.org)  
Our home page has just the link for you!

### **Golden Members**

#### *Newly Eligible This Year:*

Jane Brichford  
Beth Chato  
Lois B. Guiher  
Shirley Jenkins  
Frances Kurtz  
Vivian Larson  
Carolyn McMahon  
Tam Wei  
Marjorie Zaring

**Thank You!**

### **Facebook**

Are you on Facebook? If so, become a fan of The Illinois Club and stay abreast of Club news and events. We have a group page that you can use to connect and share not just Club news, but your own or others' good news.

To be a strong presence on Facebook, we need more fans! Be sure to send all of your news and events to Patricia Simpson, the Facebook page moderator, at [facebook@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:facebook@theillinoisclub.org).

### **The Illinois Club Listserv**

Do you want to receive timely reminders and announcements of The Illinois Club events, like the Interest Group meetings and Tours?

If you are not on our e-mail list, follow the listserv link from our webpage:

<http://www.TheIllinoisClub.org>

It's easy and great for quick club communications. Questions? Ask Ann Campbell at 217-352-1487 or

[anncampbell51@gmail.com](mailto:anncampbell51@gmail.com)

# The Year in Pictures – Holiday Party

## Holiday Party

Leah Miller and Christina Tam beautifully serenaded us while we had a fabulous meal with the ever gracious Mary and Joe White. We thanked them for another spectacular holiday evening, and wished them well.



# The Year in Pictures – Spring Campus Tour



## Spring “Green” Tour

Thanks to Jean Ascoli, our tour guide for the **Business Instructional Facility**, and Kate Brown, our guide for the **Gable House**. Ann Campbell and Mike Haney coordinated our shuttle vans; Susan Haney baked treats at the Gable House; Jane Myers provided the feast at Joy’s; and **Joy Thornton-Walter** (and nature) produced a fabulous garden! Thank you all!



# The Year in Pictures – Spring Luncheon



## Spring Luncheon

### Sarah Wisseman, Author & Guest Speaker

We honored ten Golden Members and celebrated five years of Wine Lovers by accepting their donations of **\$1,150** for our Scholarships! We also voted overwhelmingly in favor of six Constitutional amendments. One Board retired, and the new Board began its duties. Thank you all!





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## The Illinois Club Board 2010 – 2011

### Elected Positions

President ..... Mary Jo Thomsen  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Programs ..... Sheila Krein  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Newcomers' ..... Stephanie Price  
Assistant 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President ..... Sharon Harkness  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, Int Grps .... Carrol Finnigan-Bunick  
Assistant 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President..... Sarah Gertner  
Recording Secretary ..... Judy Hummel  
Corresponding Secretary ..... Wilma O'Brien  
Treasurer..... Joan Friedman  
Assistant Treasurer ..... Patricia Simpson  
Budget Chair ..... Debbie Day  
Newsletter Chair.....  
Assistant Newsletter Chair ..... Carol Kubitz  
Membership Chair..... Kathy Marshak  
Assistant Membership Chair ..... Sharon Michalove  
Publicity, Interest Groups..... Pat Thiessen  
Publicity, General..... Carol Kubitz  
Scholarship Chair ..... Marcy Joncich  
Assistant Scholarship Chair ..... Judith Robinson  
Meeting Manager ..... Jane Myers

### Sustaining Member

Past President ..... Susan Haney

### Appointed Positions

Archivist..... Vivian Larson  
Hospitality ..... Celia Gates  
Tours ..... Sandy Beak, Sheila Ott  
Webmaster ..... Birgit McCall  
Scholarship Committee ..... Susan Haney  
..... Mary Jo Thomsen  
Big 10 Conference Chair..... Susan Haney

*We are still looking for:*  
Newsletter Chair

*Please consider volunteering!*

