

### Market at the Square

August 27

September 3, 10, 27

Fall Expo

September 12, 4-6 p.m.

**Fall Tour** 

**B.** Harley Bradley Home

October 4, 8:30 – 4:00

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# Celebrating Over 100 Years at Illinois

### A Letter from the President...

Welcome to the 106<sup>th</sup> year of The Illinois Club! How exciting to be part of such an enduring, but evolving organization. We will have something for everyone this year, so I encourage you to invite friends and acquaintances to join for the first time or invite them back. As you know, nothing works better than a personal invitation.

So, what do we have planned for this year?

- Fall Expo in September
- Tour of a Frank Lloyd Wright house in October
- Holiday Party in December
- Tour of Memorial Stadium's new press box area in January
- Antique Appraisal & Tea in February
- Scholarship Awards Brunch in March
- Tour of the Ty Newell house in April
- Spring Luncheon in May
- Plus special Newcomers' events and Interest Group activities

We return to the Hilton Garden Inn for the Fall Expo, but this year we will be on the main floor in the northeast corner of the Conference Center. Signs inside the doors will direct you to the Illini Ballroom. Make it a goal this year to introduce yourself to someone you don't know!

Unfortunately, we will not be going to the UI President's House for our parties/teas as we have biennially for as long as I can remember. We will dearly miss being in that wonderful home, but we will embrace this change and still have a great time as we explore new venues and ways of celebrating the holiday season together.

I already have so many members to thank: Alma, Ann, Sonia-Anna, Julia, Linda, Joan, Patricia, Ann, Elisa, Carol, Carrol, Sarah, Stephanie, Mary, Susan, Peri, Jane, Sharon, Sandy, Birgit, Mary Jo, and all those working at the Market. If you are curious about what they've done, you can get a good idea by looking at the Board Member list on the back page. Even new members are stepping up. How easy you make my job as President!

We do still have one, very important position to fill: Assistant Newsletter Chair. This is a great opportunity for someone to share his or her talent or for someone to learn how to make these great newsletters under Peri's guidance before taking over next year. Please consider it.

Know that I want to hear your ideas and suggestions. I look forward to seeing you on September 12<sup>th</sup> at the Fall Expo, if not before!

Sincerely, Sheila

217-398-8124, president@theillinoisclub.org



### The Illinois Club Events 2011 – 2012

# Fall Expo

Monday, September 12 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Hilton Garden Inn Illini Ballroom, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor 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
- \* **Finding** out how you can help with the Big Ten Conference
- \* **Enjoying** the company of your friends
- \* **Meeting** and making new friends
- \* **Nibbling** on some great food and drink
- \* Seeing the Judy Ikenberry note cards and prints, then buying some
- \* Discovering what incredible Club and Newcomer events we have to offer this year



### Alma Bellafiore, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President 217-351-7039 <u>programsvp@theillinoisclub.org</u>

Once again, we have some exciting programs we are lining up for this year! Our kickoff is the **Fall Expo** at the **Hilton Garden Inn**. All are invited to attend, converse with old friends, meet new friends, sign up for your favorite groups, munch on some goodies, and find out what's happening with tours, events, newcomers', scholarships, and the Big Ten Conference. Other excitement coming your way:

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Thursday, December 8

Our annual **holiday celebration** where we ring out the end of the year in style with wonderful **friends**, fantastic **music**, and scrumptious **food** and **drink**. Watch November's newsletter for all the details...

Antiques Appraisal and Tea Sunday, February 12, 2012 Think *Antiques Roadshow* meets The Illinois Club. Our appraiser and speaker will be **Matthew Peckham**. His wide experience and many certifications should lead to some great discoveries. Let the treasure hunts begin!

Scholarship Awards Brunch Saturday, March 3, 2012 This favorite event of many is at the **Hawthorn Suites** again. It is a superb opportunity to learn about **this year's amazing winners**. If you haven't been to this spring rite of passage, come and catch the fever! As one of our first-time attendees said this year, "I thought all of that stuff in the newsletter was hyperbole, but it really is true!"

Spring Luncheon Thursday, May 3, 2012 We'll be at **Biaggi's** this year and honoring our **Golden Members**. The dynamic **Dr. Kathleen Conlin** will be our guest speaker.

In the meantime, if you have any ideas for other programs or if you've heard a great speaker, please contact me. I also welcome any suggestions you might have. And I hope to see you at the Expo!

# Frank Lloyd Wright House Bus Tour 2011

Julia Schmidt, Tour Chair

217-403-1110

tours@theillinoisclub.org

B. Harley Bradley House Kankakee, IL Tuesday, October 4, 2011, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sign-up Deadline, September 23, 2011

Plan to include a friend or spouse, and board our charter bus at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 4, to visit a **Frank Lloyd Wright house in Kankakee** that was designed for B. Harley Bradley. Beautifully set on the banks of the Kankakee River, guests will tour the home, stable and gardens. The former owners, Sharon and Gaines Hall, had painstakingly restored the home before turning it over to the Wright In Kankakee Foundation. As a special treat, our tour will be conducted personally by Mrs. Hall, who is a friend of Ingrid Hutchings (one of our members). This house is acknowledged as Wright's first Prairie Style design. It also is next door to another Wright design, the Hickox House, a private residence. In addition, the stable is now a gift shop.

After the tour, we will enjoy a lovely lunch at the Kankakee Country Club. The drive to the club will afford us another personal tour, led by Mrs. Hall, of some of the other historic sites in Kankakee. We should be back in Champaign before 4:00 p.m. Cost will be \$55 for members and \$60 for non-members for lunch, tours, and travel. Mark your calendars now for this fun trip!

### Lunch Menu

Salad Chicken Crepe (Vegetarian and Gluten-free Options Available) Butternut Squash, Green Beans Peppermint Ice Cream

### Itínerary

8:30 a.m. Meet at SW corner of County Market parking lot between Mattis Ave. and Country Fair Dr., 1914 Glenn Park Dr., C. 10:00 a.m. Arrive at B. Harley Bradley Home 1:00 p.m. Lunch at Kankakee Country Club 2:30 p.m. Depart Kankakee Country Club for home

PayPal address for registering online: http://www.theillinoisclub.org/pay\_pal/2011\_FLW\_Tour.php

# Frank Lloyd Wright House Tour and Lunch

Tuesday, October 4, 2011 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Name(s)	
Phone(s)	
E-mail(s)	
Number of member tickets	_ Cost: \$55.00 each
Number of non-member tickets	_ Cost: \$60.00 each
Total Enclosed	
I/We would prefer vegetarian entrée	(number), gluten-free entrée (number)
I need the wheelchair-accessible bus	

Make checks payable to: **The Illinois Club**Reservation Deadline: **Friday, September 23, 2011**Mail to: **Linda Lopez, 2102 Meadowlark Ct., Urbana, IL 61802**E-mail: **tours@theillinoisclub.org**Phone: **217-367-7200** 

# The Illinois Club Spring 2012 Tours

New Press Box area, Memorial Stadium 1401 S. First Street, Champaign, IL

Friday, January 20, 2012 Houlihan's, 1900 S. First Street, Champaign, IL

Join us for a tour of the newly-renovated press box and premium seating area of Memorial Stadium, also called the BSL Building. After our 45-minute tour, we will head over for an optional dinner at Houlihan's where we can enjoy a good meal and great company, or if you prefer, just some appetizers and drinks if you have other plans for the evening but would like to extend your time visiting with friends. More details will follow in the November newsletter.



Friday, April 13, 2012 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

Eco House Tour 2908 Haydon Dr., Urbana, IL Milo's, 2870 S. Philo Road, Urbana, IL

Ty Newell will talk with us about efficient home construction, solar energy, rainwater harvesting, indoor fresh air control, and other relevant topics as he shows us around his eco-friendly home for about an hour. After this interesting and informative tour, we will dine together at Milo's in Urbana. Please join us for one or both activities. For more information in these areas, visit Ty Newell's website, newellinstruments.com/equinox.

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

Thanks to all our volunteers this summer who have helped set up, staff, and take down our sales and information booths at the UIF Employee Benefit Jungle Safari and Market at the Square. We still have a few more dates where you can buy some note cards or prints for gifts, pay your dues, or stop and pick up information to encourage your friends to join us.

We would also welcome a few more volunteers to help for a couple of hours at the booth. It's lots of fun and we have plenty of shade. All dates are still available. To volunteer for a 2-hour shift, please contact us at market@theillinoisclub.org or 217-367-8884.

And many thanks to these volunteers who have already Alma Bellafiore, Sandy Camargo, Patricia Cardenas, Peri Ceperley, Pat Davis, Mike Haney, Susan Haney, Jane Heaton, Marcy Joncich, Shirley Judy, Sheila Krein, Vivian Larson, Derek Robinson, Ewan Robinson, Judith Robinson, Julia Schmidt, Chuck Simpson, Patricia Simpson, and Mary Jo Thomsen. Thank you all so very Your contributions are invaluable 

Market at the Square Dates

August 27 **September 3, 10, 24** 

8 a.m. - 12 p.m.Lincoln Square Village

market@theillinoisclub.org 217-367-8884

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# **Newcomers' Group 2011 – 2012**

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ident Mary Hosier, Asst. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President newcomers@theillinoisclub.org 217-621-1074

Saturday, October 1, 2011 10:00 AM, Game @ 11:00

Illinois Football Tailgate

**Illinois Memorial Stadium Fields** 

Details are being finalized and will be posted to our website, but let's tailgate before the Homecoming game with Northwestern. Afterwards we will go to the party at the Alice Campbell Alumni Center on Lincoln Ave. Families are encouraged to attend, and you are welcome to join us at any time during the day.



### January or February 2012

### An Illinois Winter's Tale

Gourmet treats and yummy hot drinks around the hearth while we listen to a spellbinding storyteller. A once in a lifetime opportunity. Recipes included!

### April 2012 Station Theater & Dessert @ Silver Creek, Urbana

We'll have a delicious dessert and drinks at Silver Creek, and then we will be off to see a play at the Station Theater in Urbana. More details will be announced in upcoming newsletters.

### April 2012 William M. Staerkel Planetarium, Parkland College, Champaign

We hope to invade the planetarium, have out-of-this-world goodies to munch on and a fantastic show.



# **Newsletter Help Needed**

We are looking for an **Asst. Newsletter Chair**. Please consider volunteering!
Participating on the Board is a
wonderful opportunity to meet new
people and make new friends.

# For Scholarship Information:

http://www.theillinoisclub.org/ scholarship.php

### Please Add to Our 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.

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# The Illinois Club Interest Groups 2011 – 2012

Carrol Finnigan-Bunick, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Sarah Gertner, Asst. 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President 217-840-7268 interestgroups@theillinoisclub.org 217-383-6482

### \*Indicates a New Interest 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. You can register with your favorite groups at the **Fall Expo** on **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** from 4 - 6 **p.m.** at the **Hilton Garden Inn** in the **Illini Ballroom** on the first floor. If you cannot attend, please contact the Interest Group Chair(s) of your choice. Unless otherwise noted, all telephone numbers are in the 217 area code.

**Antiques and Collectibles:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. – 1:15 p.m.

Beth Felts 367-4779;

Marie Griffith Tompkins 356-6207; <u>antiques@theillinoisclub.org</u>
Members and invited speakers present programs on personal collections, house tours, special tours etc.

**Book Exchange:** No meetings Roxanne Frey 333–5685; bookexchange@theillinoisclub.org This group is starting its 36th 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. Mehri Cowan 367-5490; afternoonbridge@theillinoisclub.org

Evening: TBA Susan Haney 356-2464, Julia Schmidt 403-1110; 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.

<u>Campus Lunch</u>: noon every other Wed. Martha Alwes 972-4032; <u>campuslunch@theillinoisclub.org</u> Are you on campus during the day working or studying? Come and join us for lunch. We meet in the Illini Union Ballroom once or twice a month at noon.

<u>Cordially Yours:</u> TBA Susan Haney 356-2464; <u>cordiallyyours@theillinoisclub.org</u> Throughout the year we go to lunch at Beckman for the Thursday at 12:20 concerts, and to Krannert for the free Interval concerts. In the evenings we meet in members' homes or we go to the Spice Box at Bevier. Join us!

**Cosmopolitan:**  $2^{nd}$  Thurs. -7:30 p.m.

Peri Ceperley 649-9959; Kathy Marshak 398-5967;

cosmopolitan@theillinoisclub.org

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

**Drive & Dine:** 1st Fri. Evening

Susan Haney 356-2464; diners@theillinoisclub.org

We will adventure north, south, east, and west as we visit communities surrounding Champaign-Urbana for dinner. Cruise along with us for some great food and great company!

French: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. – 1:30 p.m. Cathy Williams 687-4079; 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.

## The Illinois Club Interest Groups 2011 – 2012

\*Genealogy: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. – 6:30 p.m. Debra Karplus 359-9899; genealogy@theillinoisclub.org
Let's get together in a home each third Tuesday to discuss genealogy. We can choose specific topics for each
meeting such as census reports or immigration records. Come join us to help untangle your family roots.

**German:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. – 1:30 p.m. Anna Merritt 344-4573; <u>german@theillinoisclub.org</u> 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.

<u>Hiking</u>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. 1:00 p.m. Ann Campbell 352-1487; Peri Ceperley 649-9959; <u>hiking@theillinoisclub.org</u> 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.

<u>Italian</u>: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. – 2:00 p.m. Sonia-Anna Cappello 898-4448; <u>italian@theillinoisclub.org</u> Join us for Italian conversation and reading, as well as fun while we celebrate all things Italian.

<u>Knit 'n' Things</u>: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. – 1:15 p.m. Marie Roy 714-1939; Joann Hower 352-2258; 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.

\*Korean: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. – 6:00 p.m. Christina Myers 309-472-7072; korean@theillinoisclub.org Stimulate your brain by learning a new language. You will be exercising the right and left hemispheres of your brain, as well as facilitating balanced mental functioning! Absolute beginners are welcome. Meetings will be held at the Asian American Cultural Center, 1210 W. Nevada Street, Urbana.

**Krannert Club:** 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. – 5:30 p.m. Christina Myers 309-472-7072; 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 group to a Krannert performance afterwards or to other events in the community. Krannert parking is free after 5:00.

<u>Let's Do Lunch</u>: 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri. – 11:30 a.m. Judy Hummel 344-0606; Mary Jo Thomsen 469-7278; <u>letsdolunch@theillinoisclub.org</u>

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

<u>Literature, Afternoon</u>: 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. – 1:00 p.m. No Chair; <u>afternoonlit@theillinoisclub.org</u>

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

**Spanish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mon. – 7:30 p.m. Lolita Chuang 367-2297; 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.

<u>Supper Club</u>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. Evening Shirley Splittstoesser 367-3330; Lisle Casper 352-6229; <u>supper@theillinoisclub.org</u>

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

# The Illinois Club Interest Groups 2011 – 2012

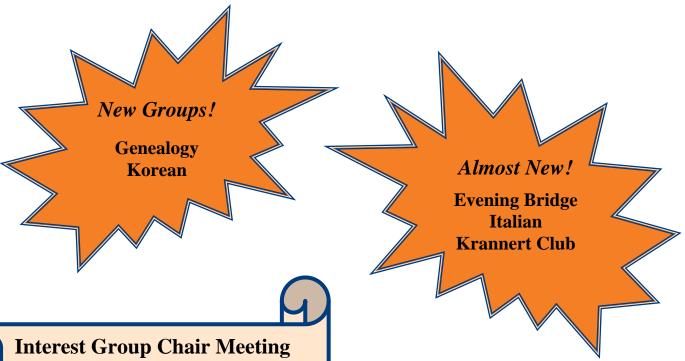
Wine Lovers: Dates and Times TBA

Jeanne & Byron Balbach 344-1319;

Ann & Steve Long 398-6639; winelovers@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 356-2464; 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. We may do some short writing exercises.



Thursday, August 25, 2011 7 p.m.

Carrol Finnigan-Bunick's 217-840-7268 4307 Crossgate Drive, Champaign 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 vour folder. Call either Carrol or Sarah Gertner (217-383-6482). Thank you!

# Want to start a new interest group?

Want to share your interest in woodworking, zymurgy (brewing), breakfast, volunteering, or ??? Whatever it might be, contact

**Carrol Finnigan-Bunick** interestgroupsvp@theillinoisclub.org

to start a new interest group!

### Big Ten Conferences 2011 & 2013

In early June eight of our members traveled to Purdue University to represent the University of Illinois at the biennial Big Ten Conference for University Women's Organizations. Now with a title like that, you must be thinking "Why are we participating in a women's conference? We are no longer a women's club!" Very true!

First and foremost, it is important to realize that not every group in the conference is a women's club. Although we all *originated* as women's clubs, some *no longer remain* as women's clubs. There are at least 3 or 4 other groups who also have men in their clubs, if not more. That is why The Illinois Club proposed at Purdue that we change the conference name to be completely gender neutral.

We did have significant support for this, but there was also opposition. Between the misinformation and misunderstandings at the meeting, it was decided that to prevent any hard feelings or ill will, discussion was to be tabled until the next conference in two years, when it is our turn to host the conference. We are tasked with clearing up the misunderstandings and building support for a name change that truly reflects who we all are.

As to why we send delegates to this conference, it is because we have so much in common with every other club. We all award scholarships, have general meetings, and offer interest groups. At the conference we present what we are doing, what is working for us, what we need help with, and ask how we can improve. And that is why we go, to make our club better and stronger with the assistance and experience of all the other clubs.

At Purdue we did make new friends, gathered great ideas to implement, welcomed Nebraska into the conference, and completely bowled over the other delegates with our invitation for the 2013 conference. You can see this presentation at the Fall Expo on Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> when you stop by the Big Ten table. We'll also have a sign up/talent sheet at the Expo so that you can volunteer to help with this very fun event.

In the meantime, plans are well underway, with our headquarters for the **June 7 - 9, 2013 Big Ten Conference** at the **I Hotel**. With our theme of **Cultivating Winning Strategies** and our round barn logo, we feel we have a winning combination already.

### **Big Ten Committee**

Susan Haney (Chair)
Alma Bellafiore
Sheila Krein
Vivian Larson
Ann Long
Jane Myers
Patricia Simpson
Sandi Thomas
Mary White

Anyone who would like to help with this conference, or who has questions about it, is encouraged to contact Susan Haney and the Big Ten Committee at <a href="mailto:bigten@theillinoisclub.org">bigten@theillinoisclub.org</a> or at 217-356-2464. Thank you!



With Pres. France Córdova & Purdue Men's Glee Club



(L to R) Nancy Komlanc, Sandy Camargo, Pat Davis, Sheila Krein, Jane Heaton, Vivian Larson, Alma Bellafiore



(L to R) Alma, Sheila, Susan Haney, Vivian, Pat



Money for Scholarships! Pat, Susan, Vivian



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# Smaller Version of *Hallene Gateway* Print Available

A smaller version of the *Hallene Gateway* print is now available for sale at **Lincoln Square's International Galleries** (217-328-2254). This beautiful signed giclée print is perfect for **graduation or speaker gifts!** Our version comes with a dark blue frame, white mat with orange cut edge, and UV protection glass for only \$150! The printed portion is 15" x 10.25" and when matted and framed, it is 20" x 16". International Galleries also has all seven of our larger prints on display and for sale.



### We also have note cards for scholarship sales!

Altgeld Hall +Hallene Gateway +Illinois Comte de Burgundy +Lord of Chatsworth Orange Café +Tiber Morning

Susan Haney: 217-356-2464 sales@theillinoisclub.org

For print and note card details go to: http://www.theillinoisclub.org/sales.php



# Scholarship Awards for Academic Year 2012 – 2013

To be Announced in March 2012

- 1 \$3,250 Judith Life Ikenberry Fine Arts Award
- 1 \$2,500 Susan T. Haney Social Work Award
- 8 \$2,000 Make-A-Difference and Isabelle Purnell Education Awards

Mary Jo Thomsen explaining the benefits of Club membership to a UIF employee.

# You Can Help Us Advertise Our Scholarships!

On our website under "Scholarships", professors and instructors can find our Award pdf's for their class use. Or you can put us in touch with interested faculty and instructors at scholarships@theillinoisclub.org.

# New Golden Members (50 Years) Clarissa Barnes Mary Lee Spence Thank You!

### Wonderful News!

A former scholarship winner from the 1980's has recently expressed her gratitude for our faith in her by gifting us with \$10,000 for our scholarship fund! Wow!!! And thank you!

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# **Spring 2011 ARC Tour**

Twenty people came out on a beautiful April afternoon to see the amazing Activities and Recreation Center, or ARC as the students and staff refer to it. Formerly known as the Intramural Physical Education Building, or IMPE, it underwent \$54 million in renovations during 2006-2008 after extensive surveying of the students to see what they wanted for health and fitness facilities. It is now one of the largest on-campus recreation centers in the country. The renovations were paid for out of mandatory student fees and user fees from those who aren't students. Our tour guide, Assoc. Director Gary Miller, gave us a fabulous tour with a lot of insight since he had been here as a student shortly after IMPE was built. You wouldn't believe what fitness machines can do today – they can remember everything about your last workout, what TV stations you watch, etc.! You can even take spinning classes where you watch a video of France, learn French at the same time, and have to cycle your way up and down hills as the video changes. It was a fun, educational, and thoroughly delightful afternoon

after which we all wanted memberships to ARC!



### **340,000 square feet**

35-foot climbing wall
1/5-mile indoor 3-lane track
50-meter indoor pool
50-meter outdoor pool
35-person sauna
12 racquetball & squash courts
100's of fitness machines
100's of weights
4 gymnasiums for basketball,
volleyball, and badminton
9 multi-purpose areas
150-seat auditorium
3 meeting rooms
instructional kitchen





# Spring 2011 – Ikenberry Commons Dinner & Tour

What fun it was to experience dorm eating of present day students! The food court offers quite a selection. On some nights, you can even have a steak grilled to order! We had an all-you-can-eat dinner, choosing food from six stations, so there was something for everyone, including many homemade desserts. One way to discourage weight gain is not to have trays. Students stand in different lines and carry their plates. We were given trays, however, so most of us did fill multiple plates. Kari Mattlock, the director of Housing, showed us the library, the fitness room, the music rooms, other places to buy food, and all the different spaces to bring students together. During the tour we also saw the high tech and accessibility features.



Waiting in line to enter the Dining Center...



The Caffeinator – Snacks for those on the run!



Prairie Fire Food Station – Pizza anyone?



57 North – Salads, sandwiches, etc. to go...

Virtual Signs – MTD Poll Results

# **Spring Luncheon 2011**

Around 40 members and guests had a very yummy meal at Kennedy's Restaurant at Stone Creek for our annual spring luncheon. The gavel was passed on from outgoing President Mary Jo Thomsen to incoming President Sheila Krein. Mary Jo thanked her current board and introduced the new board. Tom Overbye, the Fox Family Professor in Electrical and Computer Engineering at the U of I, gave a very interesting and enlightening presentation, "Can We Have Our Cake and Eat It, Too: Renewable Energy, Efficiency, Economics and the Smart Grid." Many questions followed with all of the attendees feeling smarter and better informed at the end.

We also had Dr. Overbye draw the winning raffle ticket for the last Motawi Round Barn Tile. Judy Ikenberry was the *very* excited winner of this beautiful barn board commemorative plaque. Thank you, thank you to all who bought tickets for this scholarship fundraiser. With your help, we sold just over \$500 in tickets. After deducting a bit more than \$40 in expenses, we made a total of \$467.71 for our scholarship fund!

(L) Mary Jo Thomsen & Birgit McCall(R) Sheila Krein









(L) Tom Overbye & Board Members

(R) Judy Ikenberry





### **Calendars & News Bits**

# Have you seen our online calendar? calendar@theillinoisclub.org

All interest group meetings, tours, events, and deadlines are posted there. We also have meeting places, hosts, and themes listed. To add events or to make changes, please e-mail us at <a href="mailto:calendar@theillinoisclub.org">calendar@theillinoisclub.org</a> and we will be happy to update it.

## **Board Meeting**

Monday August 29, 2011 7:00 p.m. Sheila Krein's home

Please RSVP to

president@theillinoisclub.org

whether or not you are able to come.

Just a reminder that Board Minutes are posted on our website under "Board" on the sidebar.

### The Illinois Club Listsery

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

### **Facebook**

Are you on Facebook? If so, search for "The Illinois Club" and become a fan to 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 <a href="mailto:facebook@theillinoisclub.org">facebook@theillinoisclub.org</a>.

### The Illinois Club Events for 2011 – 2013

Market at the Square	Sat. – Aug. 27, Sep. 3, 10, 24	Lincoln Square Village, U. (p. 4)
Board Meeting	Mon., Aug. 29, 7 – 8:30 PM	Sheila Krein's, C. (p. 14)
Fall Expo	Mon., Sep. 12, 4 – 6 PM	Hilton Garden Inn, Illini Ballroom, C. (p.2)
Newcomers' Homecoming Tailgate	Sat., Oct. 1, 10 AM – 4 PM	Memorial Stadium, C. (p. 5)
B. Harley Bradley Home Tour	Tues., Oct. 4, 8:30 AM – 4 PM	Kankakee, Illinois (p. 3)
Holiday Party	Thurs., Dec. $8, 5-7$ PM	Clark-Lindsey Village, U. (p. 2)
Memorial Stadium Tour, Opt. Dinner	Fri., Jan. 20, 2012; 4 – 7 PM	Memorial Stadium & Houlihan's, C. (p. 4)
Antiques Appraisal & Tea	Sun., Feb. 12, 2012; 1 – 3 PM	Urbana Civic Center, U. (p. 2)
Scholarship Awards Brunch	Sat., Mar. 3, 2012; 10 AM – 12:30 PM	Hawthorn Suites, White Oaks I, C. (p. 2)
Newell House Tour, Optional Dinner	Fri., Apr. 13, 2012; 4 – 7 PM	Ty Newell's & Milo's, U. (p. 4)
Spring Luncheon	Thurs., May 3, 2012; 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	Biaggi's, Champaign (p. 2)
Big Ten Conference @ Illinois	Friday – Sunday, June 7 – 9, 2013	I Hotel, Champaign (p. 9)

# The Illinois Club Membership Form for 2011 – 2012 Club Year: July 1 – June 30

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Membership 1	Membership 2				
Are you affiliated with the University? Self Spouse/Member 2 None	Are you affiliated with the University?  Self  Spouse/Member 1  None				
Department	Department				
<b>Age:</b> Under 40  40-69  70+	<b>Age:</b> Under 40				
Membership: New Renewing Renewing	Membership: New Renewing Renewing				
Year Joined?	Year Joined?				
Email:	Email:				
Dues*: Individual – \$25  Couple – \$40  Golden (50-year member) or Associate (Grad Students) – \$15  Golden Couple – \$30  *Those who participate as a couple in interest groups must belong to the Club as a couple. Thank you!  Please make checks payable to: "The Illinois Club"  Mail to: Membership, The Illinois Club, P.O. Box 2782, Champaign, IL 61825  To renew (only) via PayPal: <a href="http://www.theillinoisclub.org/pay_pal/2011_membership.php">http://www.theillinoisclub.org/pay_pal/2011_membership.php</a>					
Please consider contributing to The Illinois Club Scholarship Fund  Since 1917, the Club has provided financial support to worthy University of Illinois students. I have included a contribution, made payable to UIF − The Illinois Club, in addition to my dues:  Your Choice \$ Honor Roll (\$50) □ Dean's List (\$100) □ Bronze Tablet (\$200) □					
( <i>Optional</i> ) My gift is (please check one) $\square$ in honor $\square$ in memory of					



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# \*Indicates you have paid dues for 2011 - 2012

### The Illinois Club Board 2011 - 2012

**Elected Positions** 

# **Sustaining Member**

Past President ......Mary Jo Thomsen

### **Appointed Positions**

Archivist	Vivian Larson	
Hospitality	Sonia-Anna Cappello	
Tours	Julia Schmidt	
Webmaster	Birgit McCall	
Scholarship Committee	Sheila Krein	
Pat Cardenas, Peri Ceperley, Marcy Joncich		
Big Ten Conference Chair	Susan Haney	

We are looking for:
Assistant Newsletter Chair

Please consider volunteering!

