University Club Newsletter

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The University Club Board wishes everyone a Happy Holiday and safe and prosperous New Year!

Upcoming Events and Activities

Thursday, December 13  Antiques Group Day Trip to French Lick

Friday, December 14  Christmas and Seasonal Music with The Grateful Divas

Monday, December 31  Kate Kroll’s New Year’s Eve Party

Thursday, January 10  Betsy Watson, Director, IU Lifelong Learning & Mini University and Bill Bennett, Director of IU Travels

The University Club office will be closed for the Holidays from December 21st to January 7th.
Welcome New and Returning University Club Members!

Mildred Harris
George Harris
Dorothy and David Evans
Fritz Breithaupt

Anne Wilkerson
Edward and Dian Robbins
Adlin Binti Iskandar Zulkarnine
Peg Faimon

WEATHER: The University Club follows MCCSC when closing due to inclement weather.

PARKING: Two hours of free parking at IMU Lot 1 and 2 is offered at all University Club Luncheons. Bring your parking ticket upstairs and ask the Manager for free parking validation. If on campus, your Club membership entitles you to 1/2 off the parking rates for IMU Lot 1 and Lot 2. Stop in the office between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to have your parking ticket stamped.

ELECTION: The University Club Presidents’ Room was a polling location during the November election. Below is a photograph of the busy entrance to our Club published in The Herald-Times November 7th issue.

Our House committee spread Christmas magic throughout the Club decorating our elegant rooms for the holidays. Several Christmas trees and beautiful mantel displays light up the Club, making the atmosphere merry and bright. Many IU departments and community organizations will celebrate this holiday season at the Club. We invite you to stop by and enjoy this beautiful display.
The Grateful Divas share their musical gifts with charities, non-profits and organizations they love as a way to pay-it-forward. Caroline Dowd-Higgins and Rebecca Keith began their careers respectively as professional singers. The IU Jacobs School of music alumnae have gone through career reinventions but still enjoy sharing their love of music with enthusiastic audiences. They both have vibrant careers at the Indiana University Alumni Association.

Wendy Elliot is an integral part of the Grateful Divas providing piano accompaniment and arranging. Wendy is also well known in the Bloomington community as the accompanist for the Quarryland Men’s Chorus. She is recently retired from IUAA.

Please make checks payable to the University Club
Mail to Indiana Memorial Union #150,
900 E. 7th Street, Bloomington, IN 47405,
or call 812-855-1325 to pay by credit card.

$15 for Members, $17 Non-Members
Deadline for reservations and payment, December 10

Please print your names as you would like them to appear on your name badge.

NAME____________________________________________________________
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Monday, December 31, 7 p.m. to ???
University Club Presidents’ Room
Potluck Dinner with Cash Bar

Magic and music for a night to remember! Enjoy great company and a tasty dinner, view an entertaining movie, practice counting backwards as the ball drops at Times Square (seriously, what other time do you count backwards throughout the year?) Save the best for last - toast in the New Year with Champagne! Meat and dessert will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.

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$20 for members/guests + Dish
Deadline for reservations, Friday, December 21

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Speaker Luncheon Series  
Thursday, January 10  
University Club Presidents’ Room  
Presentation at 11:30 a.m., Lunch following at the IMU Tudor Room  

Betsy Watson  
Director, IU Lifelong Learning & Mini University  
and  
Bill Bennett  
Director, IU Travels  

What are the challenges of developing quality and interesting courses that will attract alumni and others to enroll in lifelong learning?  

What about wide-ranging travel opportunities in the U.S. and around the globe? How difficult is it to work with travel partners while creating exciting educational trips?  

Get the answers to these and many more questions when the University Club welcomes Betsy Watson, Director, IU Lifelong Learning & Mini University, and Bill Bennett, Director, IU Travels.  

They will take you behind the scenes as they discuss the challenges and pitfalls of creating vast opportunities for ongoing expansion of our minds.  

There will be no meal served in the University Club. After the presentation, those who desire can have lunch at the Tudor Room. Lunch will be on your own.  

Reservations are required. Please call the UClub office at 812-855-1325 or email uclub@indiana.edu. We need to know how many chairs to set for the presentation and call in a group reservation for the Tudor Room.  

Deadline for reservations Friday, January 4
COMING UP NEXT YEAR

February 3   Super Bowl Party
February 14  Love and Companionship - Relationships As We Age - Debby Herbenick, School of Public Health
February 27  Glenn Gass - Professor of Music and authority on the Beatles
March 16     St. Patrick’s Day Party
March 19     40th Anniversary of Breaking Away with Dave Blase - Championship Little 500 rider and model for the main character in the movie
March 27     Safety and Security in the Schools - David Estell, School of Education
April 11     Spring Luncheon - My Sister’s Closet Fashion Show
April 24     UClub Annual Meeting

Big Ten Women’s Conference  
June 14-16, 2019  
University Club and IMU

Registration is now open!

Biddle Hotel Reservations:

http://imu-indiana-edu.webhotel.microsdc.us/
Following are the prices:
Room Rate Range: $134-$189
Single Queen: $134 TH, $149 FRI-SUN
Double Queen/King: $174 TH, $189 FRI-SUN

Use Group Code: BIG10WOM
Group room block will be released at Sunday, May 14, 2019 at midnight.
Biddle Hotel guests will receive a complimentary parking pass upon check-in to the hotel.

Indiana Memorial Union link for additional information

https://imu.indiana.edu/
CELEBRATE the 40th ANNIVERSARY

University Club, March 19, 2019
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Featuring

Dave Blase
Champion Little 500 Rider and Inspiration for Breaking Away’s Main Character

He was a kid from Speedway, arriving at IU in the fall of 1957 not entirely assured of himself; a “real nerd” is his description. Rollins House senior Gene Srver practically begged him to try out for the dorm’s Little 500 team and Blase had to muster the courage to reluctantly show up for the first training ride, not convinced he could make the grade. Immediately, he found he could ride faster than anyone and then participated in the 1958 and 1959 races. In 1962, as a member of the Phi Kappa Psi team, he rode an unheard of 138 of the 200 laps and found himself holding the winner’s trophy, teammates at his side. One of those was Steve Tesich who would write the screenplay for Breaking Away and use Blase as the model for cinematic cycling hero Dave Stohler.

On March 19th, Blase will describe his life at IU and his involvement in the production of the movie which was released in 1979 and won an Academy Award.
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We always appreciate your donations and support!

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**INTEREST GROUPS**

The interest groups are the HEART of the University Club and the BEST membership benefit of all!

University Club Members in good standing are eligible to participate in as many interest groups as they wish.

Please contact the interest group chair directly to sign up.

**ARTS AND ANTIQUES**

Our adventure this month will be on Thursday, December 13, 2018. We will be carpooling to a fun filled day at French Lick. We will meet at 9:30 am sharp at the parking lot at Wendy's on S. Walnut Street. Lunch, on our own, will be at Hagen's Club House Restaurant. Hagen's looks out at the beautiful, hilly golf course. The food is very good and is reasonably priced. After lunch we will drive to French Lick Resort where we will have time to shop and then take a tour of the historical resort. The cost for the tour is $10 pp, but the Antiques group funds will pay $5 pp. After the tour, we will drive to West Baden where you will have time to browse around at your leisure or just sit under the Holiday Tree and have a drink. We plan on heading home at 4 pm.

As usual, we are looking for people to drive. We will pay the driver $3 each for gas. We will not be able to go unless we have enough drivers, so please consider driving if you can volunteer.

If you are interested in joining us, please write a $5.00 check to UClub Antiques group and mail it to Carolyn Anderson, 3927 Baytree Lane, Bloomington, IN 47401 by December 6th. If you have any questions, please call or write Carolyn. 812-334-1716 or caanders@indiana.edu.

We hope you will be able to join us for a little holiday cheer.

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**BOOK CIRCULATING**

Are you an avid reader? Then consider joining the Book Circulating Group!

Here’s how it works: Hardcover books are circulated every two weeks, October to May. The final book you receive is yours to keep. The reading list includes both fiction and non-fiction. A reasonable fee is charged to cover the cost of the books. Books will be passed between members on the 5th and 20th of each month, beginning October 20th (excluding January 5th). Members must have their own transportation.

Co-Chairs: Lou Moir 812-332-0472 moirl@indiana.edu
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BOOK DISCUSSION

If you love to read and discuss a variety of interesting books in paperback form, this group is for you. The Book Discussion group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month, from September to May, to discuss books selected by members the previous June. Each member reads the book ahead of time, and everyone gets a turn at being a discussion leader. The group meets in members’ homes. Hostess duties rotate on a voluntary basis. Meetings begin with socializing from 9:30 to 10 am. Discussion runs from 10 to 11:30 am.

*There will be no meeting in December.*

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BRIDGE – DUPLICATE *This group has been discontinued.*    

You need not be an expert to have fun playing Duplicate Bridge. Anyone interested in playing is welcome! Participants meet at Meadowood in the downstairs Card Room at 12:15 pm (games begin at 12:30) on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. There is a 50 cent per person fee to cover the cost of prizes. You and your partner are welcome to join anytime during the year.

Chair: Carol Edge 812-333-9347 ccedge@alumni.iu.edu

PARTY BRIDGE

The Party Bridge group meets at Bobby’s Colorado Steak House on the 1st Monday of each month—year round—at 11:30 am for lunch, then plays bridge until 3:30. Bobby’s offers a fabulous, unlimited soup and salad buffet for $8.50. At the beginning of each meeting, each player contributes $1 for the prize for that day.

Chair: Judith Granbois 812-332-5781

BUNCO

BUNCO is a fast-moving, uncomplicated game of dice, luck and prizes. If you like plain old-fashioned fun, you should seriously consider joining the Bunco Squad. The group meets year round on the 3rd Monday of the month at 11:30am at Meadowood for lunch and play.

Players contribute $5 each time for the cash awards. There are 12 regular players; all others who sign up serve on the sub list. Those who wish to be a substitute may join at any time.

Chair: Janie Harnett 812-339-4528 jane.harnett@comcast.net
**DINING OUT**

The Dining Out group is open to all University Club members - singles and couples - who enjoy good food, good friends and good times. Dining Out events are usually on the fourth Sunday evening of each month. The schedule and other information is sent by e-mail, phone calls upon request. Responses must be received by the stated deadline so the restaurant can properly staff our event.

Restaurant seating is usually in groups of 6 – 8 to promote conversation and camaraderie. Guests are always welcomed. Joining the group can be done at any time simply by contacting the chair.

We do not meet in November or December due to the holidays.

Chair: Barb Aspy  812-350-4511  b.aspy@yahoo.com

**FINE DINING COOKING CLUB**

Like to cook?  Talk about good food and restaurants?  Try new gourmet recipes?  Make new friends? Then this may be the interest group for you!

Members are divided into groups of four or five doubles who meet in members’ homes with everyone sharing in the preparation and cost of the meal. The mix of people is different at every dinner. An “Opening Get Together” and an “End-of-Year Party” are held for the entire group.

Chair: Rosemary Harvey  812-287-7911  raharvey9@gmail.com

**MAH JONGG**

Mah Jongg is a tile-based game that originated in China. It is commonly played by four players. The game is played with a set of 144 tiles based on Chinese characters and symbols, although some regional variations may omit some tiles and/or add unique tiles. In most variations, each player begins by receiving 13 tiles. In turn, players draw and discard tiles until they complete a legal hand using the 14th drawn tile to form 4 melds (or sets) and a pair (eye). The Mah Jongg group meets each Friday. For more information, please contact the group chair.

Currently we have two tables of Mah Jongg and are open to new members who know how to play or are interested in learning the game. We are playing American style but may approach Chinese style later.

Chair: Kathleen Boggess    812-361-7332  kboggess44@gmail.com

**EUCHRE**  

**NEW group this year!**

Euchre is a trick-taking card game most commonly played with four people in two partnerships with a deck of 24, 28 or sometimes 32 standard playing cards. It is the game responsible for introducing the joker into modern packs; this was invented around 1860 to act as a top trump or best Bower. It is believed to be closely related to the French game Écarté that was popularized in the United States by the Cornish and Pennsylvania Dutch and to the seventeenth-century game of bad repute Loo.

The group will meet at Meadowood on the last Thursday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. Bring your own snack, drink and $1 for prizes. You do not need a partner to participate.

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**GREAT DECISIONS**

Great Decisions is the nation's oldest, most popular program of citizen education in world affairs. The common purpose is to help members become informed and involved, and to understand how world events affect their daily lives.

The University Women's Club - in cooperation with the Foreign Policy Association, IU's Center for the Study of Global Change, and Meadowood Retirement Community - offers programs for the 2017-2018 year. Meetings are held in the Terrace Room at Meadowood at 1:15 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, **September through May**.

The cost of the series is $15, which includes a book of readings.

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**HIKING IN SOUTHERN INDIANA**

In November the hiking group went to Porter West Preserve on the west side of Bloomington. We bundled up to stay warm in the crisp air. Shane Gibson, educator for Sycamore Land Trust, led us and told us the background of this preserve, acquired about 5 years ago.

Those hiking decided that determining a regular hiking time would work best for this group. Currently the second Wednesday of each month we will hike somewhere. Some hikes will be led by Shane Gibson and some by Angela Sturdevant from The Nature Conservancy. Occasionally our hikes will be led by someone in the group. If hikers have suggestions for hikes, please contact Kathleen Boggess, 812-361-7332. Her email is kbooggess44@gmail.com. Some members are unable to hike on Wednesdays as they still work. We will try to have four hikes a year that are on Saturday.

In January we will hike on January 9th. That hike, tentatively, will include going to Tulip Trestle in Green County, visiting a local historian’s house, seeing his antique train collection. We will have lunch at Yoho’s in Solsberry and then go to the Sculpture Trails. We will leave at 9 a.m. from the Sam’s Club lot and return around 3:30. January’s newsletter will confirm our plans for the day. Put the hike on your calendars now.

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**LUNCHETTES**

Join us in restaurant exploration on the last Friday of the month at 11:30 a.m. A different dining venue is chosen each month; lunch-goers order from the menu on separate checks. Reservations should be made with one of the Chairs below by Monday of the week of the luncheon. Participants will be sent an e-mail reminder of the event.

*Lunchettes will not meet in November and December.*

Co-Chairs: Jan Greenwood 630-272-0107 jantgreenwood@gmail.com
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP

Come be a part of this group and enjoy conversation over lunch with an interesting international student. We share culture, customs and interests! We meet at Bobby’s Colorado Steak House (Dutch treat) on the third Friday in the months of October, November, January, and February. **Meetings are at noon.** Yearly registration fee is $5.

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SHOP ‘TILL YOU DROP

If you love to shop, here’s your chance to join a like-minded group and hit the road for shopping adventures and fun galore!

All Shop ‘Till You Drop information is shared via e-mail. If you are already on the contact list, you need do nothing. If you are new to the game, be sure to contact Janie and sign up to be placed on the email list for information on future trips.

Chair: Janie Harnett  812-339-4528  jane.harnett@comcast.net

YOGA

You need not feel intimidated by yoga!  
If you are interested in improving balance, breathing, flexibility and relaxation, this is the group for you. No previous knowledge of yoga is necessary. Everyone works at their own pace and level.

Our group meets **throughout the year** each Tuesday from 10 am—11 am at St. Thomas Lutheran Church, located at the intersection of E. Third and Smith Rd.

Wear comfortable clothes that permit easy movement; bring a yoga mat and a stretchy band or belt. Our instructors strive to leave you feeling stretched, relaxed, and in a better place than when you came through the door.

Participation is FREE for University Club Members! There is no additional cost beyond your UCLUB membership dues, but we do encourage a voluntary donation to St. Thomas Lutheran Church for the use of their lovely facility.

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Many Meadowood outings sell out very quickly. Please call 812-336-7060 today to secure a reservation! All depart from the Meadowood Circle Drive 2455 Tamarack Trail

UPCOMING MEADOWOOD DAY TRIPS

Sunday, December 2

It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play Departs 12:00 PM to Studio Theatre at the Performing Center for the Arts, Carmel

Actors Theatre Indiana presents a tribute to both live radio and the beloved Frank Capra American holiday classic film, this endearing and iconic tale comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast – and you, the audience, will be right there in the studio! With the help of an ensemble that bring dozens of familiar characters to the stage, the story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve. Remember: “Every time a bell rings, an angel gets its wings” Tickets are $40/$45 plus dinner on your own at Arnie’s Pizza following the show.

Saturday, December 8

Sandi Patty-Christmas Blessing Departs 5:00 PM for Ogle Center, New Albany, IN

Sandi Patty is one of the most highly acclaimed performers with 5 Grammy awards, platinum records and much more. She brings her Christmas Blessing Farewell Tour to the Ogle Center in Indiana University Southwest campus in New Albany. Join us for a light buffet in the Terrace Room at 4:00 PM and depart at 5:00 PM for the performance. $65/$75 Non-Resident

Sunday, December 16

ISO Yuletide Departs 12:30 PM to Indianapolis

Ring in the holidays with Jack Everly, Angela Brown, Josh Kaufman, and specials guests as they bring to life the magic of tap dancing Santas, festive carols, and larger-than-life puppetry alongside the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. We'll stop for an early dinner at The Old Spaghetti Factory on the way home. Tickets are $70/$80 Guests. Dinner on your own.

Thursday, December 20

The Book of Mormon Depart 4:00 PM to Clowes Memorial Hall

From the four-time Emmy Award-winning creators of South Park, Trey Parker and Matt Stone comes this outrageous comedy musical about a pair of mismatched Mormon newbies who are sent on a mission to a place that's just about as far from Salt Lake City as you can get - Uganda. The musical was written in collaboration with Robert Lopez, the Tony Award-winning writer of Avenue Q and Frozen, and co-directed by Mr. Parker and three-time Tony nominee Casey Nicholaw (Spamalot, The Drowsy Chaperone). Tickets $65/$70 Guests plus Charge Back dinner at the Metro Diner before the show.

Sunday, December 23

Festival of Carols Departs 1:00 PM to the Palladium- Carmel, Indiana

Make 2018 the holiday season you will forever remember! The Midwest’s beloved holiday tradition includes your favorite carols and Christmas music featuring the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir, Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra and musical surprises for kids from 1 to 92. Tickets are $50/$55 Guests. Dinner on your own at a place to be determined on the way home.

May 8-21, 2019

Romania Tour

Fly from Chicago O’Hare airport and arrive in Bucharest. Visit Cantacuzino Palace, Revolution Square And tour Calea Victoriei, Bucharest's, oldest and most charming street. You’ll visit the US embassy, tour the northern region of Romania and see many important historic sites. Ask us for a detailed itinerary. Local guides provide history and cultural experiences. Trip price includes transportation to and from Chicago airport, air fare, all lodging expenses, all daily transportation via bus or coach throughout Romania, all tours, all meals (except at the airports and first day in Bucharest), taxes, fees, English speaking escorts and drivers and 24 emergency contact. Driver tips and alcoholic beverages, photo and video charges and extra personal charges at the hotel are not included. $2699 per person D/D. Single add $300. (Based on the euro to dollar exchange at time of tour.) Deposits due now. Prices may have changed. Verify current price with Mark Kraner.

Contact Mark Kraner or Mary Boutain to learn more or to sign up for a ticket.

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