



**Iowa State University Women's
Club**

2016 - 2017





“Friendship...Fellowship...Stewardship”



**One-Hundred and Eighteen Years
of Friendships**

1897- 2017

**Cindy Fell
Jan Bond
Historians**



2016-2017



**ISUWC 2016-2017
Janice Bruce, President
“Friendship, Fellowship and Stewardship”**



2016-17 ISUWC Cabinet: president Janice Bruce,
president-elect, **Joan Fitzsimmons**, first vice president, **Bonnie Trede & Bonnie Staiert**, second vice president, **Tanya Goodman, Terri Hasselman, Linda Thompson**, third vice presidents, **Jan Esterly & Chelly Kenney**, historians **Cindy Fell & Jan Bond**, treasurer, **Karen George**, secretary, **Becky Hanlon**, parliamentarian, **Nancy Wlezien**



Fall Opener-September



Fall Opener “Friendship...Fellowship...Stewardship”

The Iowa State University Women's Club kicked off its 2016-17 year on Monday, September 19, from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Oakridge Road Church in Ames.

The club is open to all women in the community. The Fall Opener is an opportunity for club members and guests to learn about each of the thirty-nine interest groups, pay membership dues and socialize with friends. At the Fall Opener, over 200 members attended the event. Members and guests enjoyed lunch and dessert.

The ISUWC is open to all women who support the Club's three-fold mission of friendship, education and scholarship.

You are invited to the

Iowa State University®
women's
Club est. 1897

Fall Opener


September 19, 2016
Come and go from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Lunch available from 11:30 - 1:00

City Church of Ames-DSM
2400 Oakwood Rd.

Have lunch with us and learn more about the
ISU Women's Club.

There are many divisions to choose from for
Friendship, Fellowship, & Stewardship.
New members can increase their club opportunities
by joining the 'Newcomers' Division.

Go to: www.ISUWC.ORG or contact: isuwomensclub@gmail.com

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Fall Opener - September



Fall Opener Committee
Chair: Sandy Wie
Barbara Brown, Karen George,
Phyllis Seim, Sylva Williams,
Kim Zahnle





Fall Opener - September



**Members
and
guests en-
joying the
delicious
luncheon**



**Excited members
and
members-to-be
signing up for in-
terest groups
and
enjoying the
Fall Opener**





ISUWC Fall Trip October 11, 2016



ALL ABOARD! —OFF WE GO for a day of discovering Appanoose County and Centerville. . .

. . . rich in history and stories of the Sac and Fox Indian Tribes, the Mormon migration, abolitionists and the Underground Railroad, coal mining, prohibition and the Women's Temperance Union, Al Capone and Fred Burke, political violence and the Ku Klux Klan, and ethnic diversity
. . . blessed with an abundance of outdoor recreation and fun, home to beautiful Lake Rathbun, Honey Creek Resort State Park, camps, hunting grounds, and Rathbun Fish Hatchery
. . . warm and inviting cities and towns offering historic sites, unique shopping, parks, theaters, and restaurants



Day to include:

Coffee at the Coffee Connection in Knoxville,
tour of Centerville's historic town square
(largest in Iowa),

lunch at Lucile's in the grand
Continental Hotel,
shopping at Bradley Hall,
tour of Rathbun Fish Hatchery, and
tour and dessert at Honey Creek Resort.



ISUWC Fall Trip October 11, 2016



Fall Trip - "Discovering Appanoose County" Centerville, Iowa

The annual ISUWC fall trip took us to Knoxville, Centerville, a fish hatchery and finally Honey Creek Resort! A great time was had by all. Thank you, Fall Trip Committee for planning such a wonderful trip and beautiful weather!!!



The good life at Honey Creek Resort

Marion County Courthouse (Iowa)



Centerville, Iowa is ready for Halloween



Visit to Rathbun Fish Hatchery in Moravia, Iowa



General Assembly - October



Monday, October 17, 2016



ON BECOMING THE 'MAYO' OF VETERINARY MEDICINE AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY Monday, October 17

Cabinet Meeting – 12:15 pm
Assembly – 1:30 pm

Dr. Lisa Nolan, ISU Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, will share insight into the ever-changing profession. The Book Club and Time of your Life Book Club members will host the October assembly. Meeting location: Bethesda Lutheran Fellowship Hall, 1517 Northwestern Av.





**General Assembly - November
Monday, November 21, 2016**



**VOLUNTEER AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES
AT MARY GREELEY MEDICAL CENTER**

Monday, November 21

Cabinet Meeting – 12:15 pm

Assembly – 1:30 pm

Bethesda Lutheran Fellowship Hall
1517 Northwestern Av.

More than 500 volunteers provide vital support to Mary Greeley Medical Center and a variety of volunteer opportunities are available. Hear more about these opportunities and the many services available to older adults at MGMC from Vickie Newell, Manager of Volunteer and Older Adult Services. Bacchus and Block Builders will host.



Vickie Newell
Manager of Volunteer and
Older Adult Services
At Mary Greeley Medical Center

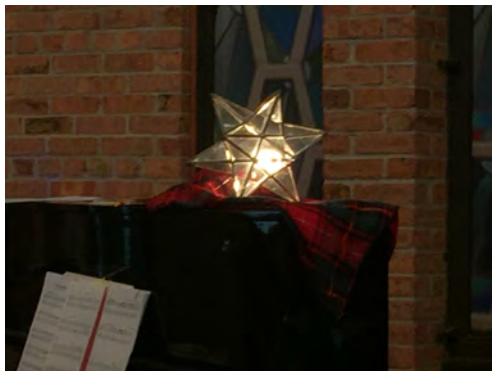




General Assembly -
Monday, December 5, 2016



HOLIDAY MEMORIES
Holiday Social
December 5, 2 to 4 pm
Bethesda Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
Refreshments and music by our own song
group, *Belles of Iowa State*, will help us
welcome the December holidays.





General Assembly - February
Monday, February 20, 2017



“MENTIONING the UNMENTIONABLES”

Monday, February 20

Cabinet Meeting – 12:15 pm

Assembly – 1:30 pm

Bethesda Lutheran Fellowship Hall

Our own, Phyllis Schrag, will entertain and inform us with her presentation on women’s clothing fashion trends defined by the undergarments of the period. “Mentioning the Unmentionables” explores how fashion trends have shaped—literally and figuratively—gender roles from 1810 through the late 20th century. Armchair Travelers Evening and Art and About will host.



Phyllis Schrag

“Presentation of
 Fashion Trends through Ages”





General Assembly - March Monday, March 20, 2017

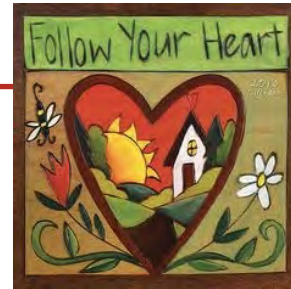


ISUWC March 20 Assembly
1:30 pm
Bethesda Lutheran Fellowship Hall
Election of 2017-18 Officers ~ Assembly Program by Sarah Grant
Spring Luncheon Tickets ~ Quilt Raffle Tickets



“SARAH GRANT BUILT A HOUSE OF STICKS”

Sarah Grant-Hutchison, Founder and CEO of Sticks, Inc, artist, and unwitting entrepreneur, will share her story of turning her love of nature and storytelling into sought-after art and heirloom-quality furniture, building a business (Sticks, Inc) as a woman, and creating pieces for public, private, and corporate installations and collections. Members of the Armchair Travelers Afternoon and WOW divisions will serve as hostesses. Members of the Ames Woman's Club will be our guests.



Sarah Grant-Hutchison
Artist and owner of
“Sticks, Inc”

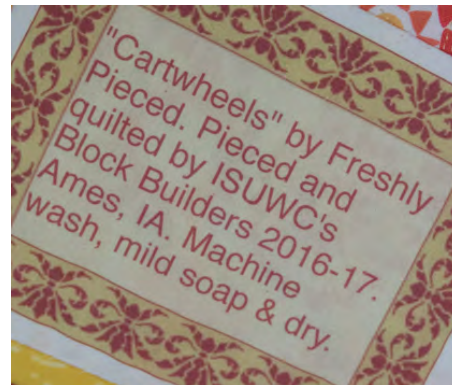




ISUWC SPRING LUNCHEON Monday,
April 24, 2017



"There's No Place Like Home!"



Spring Luncheon Committee
Chair: Kim Zahnle
Mary Jane Green, Beth Johnson,
Carla Sacco
President: Jan Bruce
President-Elect: Joni Fitzsimmons





Spring Luncheon
Monday, April 24, 2017



“There’s No Place Like Home!”

Come one, Come all
to our annual Spring Luncheon at
the Iowa State Alumni Center
on April 18th.
The Cafe will be catering our event,
so you know the food will be
yummy!!



Nikk Holland
Interior Designer





Spring Luncheon



“There is No Place Like Home”



**Janice Bruce (2016-17)
passes the office of President to
Joni Fitzsimmons (2017-18)**



ISUWC Cabinet for 2017-2018
 President: **Joni Fitzsimmons**

2017-18 theme: “Embrace Random Acts of Kindness”

President-elect, **Polly Gilbert**,
 First Vice Presidents,
Bonnie Trede & Bonnie Staiert,
 Second Vice Presidents,
**Mary Augustus, Cathy Halverson,
 Bernice Johnson**,
 Third Vice Presidents,
Jan Esterly & Joyce Schafbuch,
 Historians, **Cindy Fell & Jan Bond**,
 Secretary, **Chelly Kenney**,
 Treasurer, **Karen George**,
 Parliamentarian, **Janice Bruce**



Iowa State University Women's Club International and Senior Award Scholarships



ISUWC awarded six scholarships for the 2016-2017 academic year.

These awards recognize leadership and academic, personal, and community achievements of Iowa State University women students. Scholarships are funded by interest received from an endowment established by the club.



The 2016-17 Awards recipients:

ISUWC Awards (Left to right)

Alexandria McPhail, Cedar Rapids, IA, Senior, *Dietetics*

Mica Magtoto, Ames, Iowa Senior, *Nutritional Science*

Raegan Hoefler, New Vienna, IA, Senior, *Genetics*

The Patricia Miller Award:
Danielle Tucker Marengo, IA Senior, *MBA/Animal Science*

Sabrina Portner, Sleepy Eye, MN Senior, *Dairy Science & International Agriculture*

Morgan Bahl, Carpentersville, IL Senior, *Nutritional Science & Dietetics* (pictured left with Anne Hogberg)



Awards Committee

Co-Chairs
Anne Hogberg &
Ardie Roehr

Judy Dahlke
Cindy Fell
Mary Jane Green,
Doris Wiener



ISUWC

Interest Groups



Interest Groups



All Things Beer
Armchair Travelers
Art and About
Bacchus
Block Builders
Book Club
Bowling
Bridge
Cards and Games
Couples Club I & II
Couples Having Fun
Culture Sharing
Dionysus Circle
Exploring Photography
Foodies
Gardening
Genealogy
Golf
Good Food-Good Friends
Gourmet
Hooks and Needles
Iowa Cafe Adventures
Lunch Bunch
Movie Mavens
Nature Study
Newcomers
Potpourri
“Spice” Girls
Stitchery
Taste Buds
Time of Your Life Book Club
Viva la Vino
Walk and Talk
Wine and Tapas
WOW (Women on Wine)



“All About Beer”

Chair: Marybeth Buchele

Meeting the 2nd Wednesday from 3:30-5:30 pm, this group focuses on developing curiosity, appreciation, and respect for beer as well as educating members about tasting, brewing and cooking with beer through various experiences. The hostess plans the monthly beer experience or activity. Membership is limited 12.

Membership:

Holly Beermann
Marybeth Buchele
Mavis Butler
Cindy Fell
Joan Greenlee
Mary Howard
Ana McCrackon
Kathy Nervig
Deb Sheez
Linda Trudeau
Lynne Van Valin





“Armchair Travelers”



Co-chairs: Kitty Fisher, Diane Tufte, Lynne VanValin

The afternoon Armchair Travelers group offers presentations on the travel experiences of members and friends; presentations include photos, videos, souvenirs, reminiscences, and travel tips. Refreshments related to the specific destination are provided by the hostesses. Except for November and December, the group meets from September to April on the 4th Tuesday at 1:30 pm. The meeting location is the Northcrest Community Green Room, 1801 20th St. New members are welcome. Dues are \$2 per year. Community service included monetary donations towards the ISUWC's Scholarship/Awards Fund.

Membership:

Kathy Anderson
Lynn Arant
Barbara Brown
Elaine Dekovicic
Mary Ann Dilla
Karen Dohrmann
Peggy Faden
Kitty Fisher
Evelyn Fuller
Lucy Futrell
Sandra Gartz
Marge Hartman
Fay Gish Hill
Linda Hodges
Shirley Hulse
Judy Keeling
Betty Keeney
Alice Laabs
Allis Peters
Joyce Powell
Betty Schneider
Shirly Shaw
Taihee Song
Jaye Stefani
Shon Stephenson
Shashi Sukhatme
Sarah Terrones
Linda Thompson
Diane Tufte
Lynne Van Valin
Jan Verploeg
Nancy Wlezien
Carol Wright
Elizabeth Wright





“Armchair Travelers (Evening)”

Co-chairs: Marlene Geiger, Kitty Lamont

Armchair Travelers offers travel experiences by means of presentations, photos, videos, souvenirs, travel tips and interesting stories. Programs are given by members or invited guest speakers. Light refreshments related to the presentation are served. The group meets in members' homes on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm unless noted otherwise. Dues are \$2 per year. Membership is limited. Community service included monetary donations for pool and bus passes to The Good Neighbor Emergency Program.

Members:

Nancy Bern
Marlene Geiger
Sheri Glenn
Fay Gish Hill
Bernice Johnson
Judy Keeling
Carol Kenton
Dorothy Kirkland
Kitty Lamont
Anna Loan-Wilsey
Phyllis Seim



Armchair Travelers and Culture Sharing enjoyed a cold December evening with Kevin Stalder who presented a program on Australia, “Going Walkabout in the Land Down Under.”



“Art And About”



Co-Chairs: Barbara Gurganus, Mary James

The Art and About division explores area museums, galleries, Historic buildings and displays. Afternoon tours take place every other month on the 2nd Thursday, unless the venue dictates otherwise. Events are scheduled closer to the excursion due so that the group can take advantage of the current exhibits that are often not announced in advance. A cover-the-cost fee is charged as needed. Membership is open.

Membership:

Julia Anderson	Sue Koehrsen
Jan Bond	Judy McGee
Marybeth Buchele	Rosemary Mitchum
Sandra Cordell	Joyce Powell
Pam Curtis	Joyce Schafbuch
Elaine Decovic	Lynn Seydel
Jan Esterly	Barbara Sloan
Kitty Fisher	Ellen Shrum
Polly Gilbert	Diane Smith
Marilyn Hayne	Bonnie Staiert
Joan Herwig	Margaret Torrie
Linda Hodges	Diane Tufte
Mary James	Jan Verploeg
Sue Jensen	Carol Volker
	Rose Wilcox



Art and About

enjoyed a visit to the recently opened

Hitchcock House on the Underground Railroad (above)

and the

Carnegie Art Museum (l)

at Lewis, Iowa



“Bacchus”



Co-chairs: Gina Moore, Doris Wiener
Treasurer: Phyllis Seim

Bacchus (Roman god of wine) members meet on the 1st Monday at 6:30 pm on members' homes to enjoy and advance their appreciation of wine. Hostesses provide information about the wines with appropriate food pairings. Dues are \$50 per year to cover the cost of the wines. Membership is limited to 10. Community services this year included collection of nightwear and toiletries for ACCESS.

Membership:

Nancy Bern
Darla Emery
Karen George
Ellen Janke
Bernice Johnson
Gina Moore
Phyllis Seim
Trish Strah
Linda White
Doris Wiener





“Block Builders”



Co-Chair: Joan Fitzsimmons, Chelly Kenney
Treasurer: Allis Peters

This division meets on the 2nd Friday of the month from 10 am to noon in the Rotary Room at Ames Public Library, 515 Douglas Av. Members seek to share and expand their knowledge of quilting. New quilters and experienced quilters connect through encouragement, exploration, and appreciation of this art form. Membership is limited. Dues are \$10 annually payable by the October meeting. Community service included the construction of their third annual group quilt that was then raffled off with the proceeds donated to ISUWC Scholarship/Awards Fund.

Membership:

Virginia Anderson
Janice Bruce
Joan Fitzsimmons
Rebecca Hanlon
Deanna Jordan
Chelly Kenney
Lenny Mangold
Fidella Marty
Martha Mills
Joan Nass
Deanna Jordan
Allis Peters
Joyce Powell
Marilu Raman
Joyce Schafbuch
Mercedes Silva
Sheryl Soden
Bonnie Trede
Doris Wiener

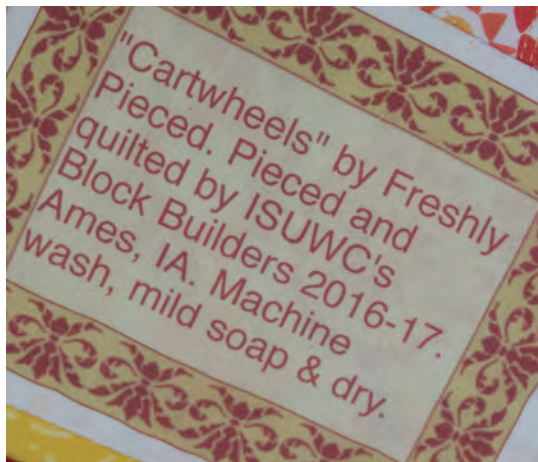
Doris Weiner hosted a coffee for long time friends from Denmark in June, 2016 with Block Builders members, discussing differences in quilting techniques.



Block Builders, Marilu Raman, Jan Bruce, Becky Hanlon and the row experience they worked on over the winter



"Block Builders"



BLOCK BUILDERS CREATE FOURTH QUILT to BENEFIT the ISUWC AWARD FUND



Block Builders Division is proud to reveal the quilt they created for raffle to benefit the ISUWC Awards Fund. The 2017 quilt is called Cartwheels. It was paper pieced by members of the division and machine quilted by Phyllis Schrag. The quilt measures 59- by 67-inches and will be perfect to curl up in while watching an ISU football or basketball game! The winner of this year's raffle will be announced at the Spring Luncheon



"Book Club"



Co-Chairs: Sheri Glenn, Chelly Kenney

Book Club members select, read, and discuss fiction and nonfiction books with a goal to broaden their personal reading and view literature in a new way. Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month, September through June, 1:30 pm at Green Hills, 2200 Hamilton Dr. Dues are \$5 per year. Membership is limited. Community service included the collection of magazines, books, and note cards that were donated to MICA.

Membership:

Barbara Brown
Marybeth Buchele
Dorothy Dake
Jeanette Dieterich
Mary Ann Dillac
Peggy Faden
Kitty Fischer
Joan Fitzsimmons
Evelyn Fuller
Lucy Futrell
Sandra Gartz
Shari Glenn
Pam Hallenbeck
Rebecca Hanlon
Joan Herwig
Lea Hinz
Chelly Kenney
Carol Kenton
Adele Knop
Connie Lastine
Barbara North
Patricia Post
Jean Prestermon
Rosellyn Rudolph
Taihee Song
Rita Strabala
Trish Strah
Sarah Terrones
Carol Wright



Book Club enjoyed the holiday music provided by Peggy Faden and friends and volunteered at the Scholastic Warehouse Sale to "earn" books for the division's 'Little Library' in Ames.



"Book Club"



**Bringing home "the goods"!
Members of the Book Club Division vol-
unteered at the Scholastic Warehouse
Sale to "earn" books for
the Division's Little Library located in
Ames.**





“Bowling”



Co-chairs: Barb Eisenmenger, Dorothy Yoerger
Secretary: Connie Sweeney
Treasurer: Lois Heckert

Bowling members meet weekly at 9 am Thursday, at Perfect Games, 1320 Dickinson Ave. The 2016-17 Bowling season will begin September 3rd and end April 21st. In addition to weekly bowling fees, member dues are \$5. Membership is not limited and bowlers of all skill levels are welcome. Bowling will not meet if the Ames Community Schools are closed due to inclement weather. Community services included donations to ISUWC Scholarship/Awards Fund,

Membership:

Sevinc Akinc
Sandra Baker
Lynn Bishop
Jan Bond
Marla Christians
Gladys Colwell
Carolyn Cornette
Mary Ann Dilla
Barb Eisenmenger
Linda Emmerson
Darcy Ewing
Carolyn Gagnier
Jean Goudy
Sharon Guber
Kathy Gundlach
Pam Hallenbeck
Darla Hartzler
Lois Heckert
Judy Hodges
Janet Lawrence
Shirley Malaby
Nancy Marks
Jami Mirka
Eleanor Ostendorf
Carol Payne
Marilyn Smith
Marianne Spalding
Carole Stevens
Mary Stevermer
Connie Sweeney
Christine Trampel
Connie Wilson
Maureen Wilt
Mary Lou Wright
Dorothy Yoerger



Bowling has 10 teams but could use more members. They continue to donate to the ISUWC Award Fund.





“Bridge”



Chair: Deanna Miller
Treasurer: Deanna Miller

Bridge is played at 1 pm on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of each month throughout the year at the Northcrest Retirement Community Fireside Room, 1801 Northcrest Ct. Division dues are \$1 per year and \$1 per meeting attended for cash prizes. All bridge players are

Membership:

Sharon Berryhill
Holly Beermann
Judith Burris
Jan Esterly
Zoanne Erickson
Dorothy Ewing
Jan Esterly
Teresa Garman
Sue Griffin
Shirley Hulse
Connie Lastine
Deanna Miller
Rose Wilcox





“Cards and Games”



Chair: Beverly Nutt

Members of Cards and Games enjoy an afternoon of fun playing games of all types. Meetings are held throughout the year on the 4th Thursday of each month with occasional date changes due to holiday conflicts. The group meets at the Northcrest Retirement Community Fireside Room, 1802 Northcrest Ct. Play begins at 1:30 pm and concludes at 4 pm. The hostess chooses the games (cards or other) and provides a light snack. Play is for fun and no prizes are awarded. There are no dues. All who enjoy cards and games are welcome. Community service involved the collection of monetary funds for Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA).

Membership:

Karen Barnes
Sharon Berryhill
Rose Bevins
Nel Cochren
Beth Coon
Sandra Cordell
Barb Eisenmenger
Cynthia Johnson
Alice Laabs
Rosemary Mitchum
Beverly Nutt
Joyce Powell
Mary Seever
Lois Slobe
Judy Stehr
Shashi Sukhatme
Sarah Terrones
Sylva Williams





“Couples Club I & II”

“Couples Having Fun”



COUPLES CLUB I

Co-chairs: Carol Bailey, Eileen Muff

This group meets for fellowship several times per year with host couples taking turns in planning an event. A cover-the-cost fee for each gathering is determined by the hosts. Membership is limited. Community service included the collection of checks, toothbrushes, toothpaste and floss that were then donated to Story County Dental which is a part of MICA (Mid-Iowa Community Action).

Membership:

Carol (Ted) Bailey
Nancy (Carl) Bern
Marybeth Buchele
Wes Buchele
Becky (Joel) Coats
Bobbi (David) Countryman
Marlene (Randall)Geiger
Laani (John) Hill
Cecilia (Jack) Horner
Bernice (Larry) Johnson
Betty (Dennis) Keeney
Kitty (John) Lamont
Karen (Londell) Mannes
Eileen (Don) Muff
Dianna (Ron) Nelson

Couples Club I enjoyed a light supper at Wheatfield Cooperative prior to a tour. They finished the evening with dessert and conversation at the Johnson home

Couples Club II visited the Boone Railroad Museum and picked apples as a service project

Couples Having Fun supported SHOP, a food bank for ISU students, with pantry items; they also had a cookie exchange and enjoyed a chili supper.

COUPLES CLUB II

Chair: Carol Melvin

This group enjoys social interaction among members and their spouses. Events are planned for the last Friday of the month with exceptions made when the event calls for it. All couples take turns in planning events. There is a cover-the-cost fee determined by the hosts. Membership is limited. Community services included the bagging of apples that were given with food basket(s) at Thanksgiving as well as donations to ISUWC Scholarship/Awards Fund.

Membership:

Margery (James) Baker
Regina (Wayne) Ellingson
Rochelle (Roger) Ginder
Fay Gish (John) Hill
Rose Marie Shevokas (John) Kluge
Glenys Bittick (Dave) Lynch
Audrey (Steve) Marley
Carol (Stewart) Melvin
Beverly (Mel) Nutt
Lois (Rick) Slobe
Willie Struss

COUPLES HAVING FUN

Chair: Joan Fitzsimmons

Members meet monthly to share a meal and enjoy each other's company. The date is flexible to accommodate as many as possible or to coincide with an event that the group wishes to attend. Membership is limited. Community service included the donation of non-perishable foods to different organizations within the community.

Membership:

Mary (Patrick) Brooks
Karla (Roger) Drapal
Jonie (John) Fitzsimmons
Marilyn (Dave) Haynes
Karen (Eric) Hoiberg
Judy (Bob) Stehr
Eileen (Dale) Tramp
Joyce (Daryle) Vegge



“Culture Sharing”



Co-chairs: Shon Stephenson, Jan Verploeg
Treasurer: Taihee Song

Culture Sharing members enjoy an evening of international friendship in a group of mixed heritage and/or citizenship. This group extends a special welcome to international women. Members meet the 3rd Wednesday at 7 pm for an internal or cultural presentation followed by informal sharing and refreshments. Annual dues are \$5. Meetings are held at the Northcrest Community Green Room, 1801 20th St., unless noted otherwise. Membership is open.

Membership:

Haifa Alkili
Nancy Bern
Pegi Bevins
Marybeth Buchele
Mavis Butler
Judy Dahlke
Dorothy Dake
Elaine Dekovic
Sharon Fenton
Kitty Fisher
Florence Gilchrist
Lindy Good
Sharon Guber
Ann Hein
Joan Herwig
Fay Gish Hill
Lyuda Hupalo
Berthe Ilboudo
Judy Keeling
Sue Koehrsen
Ruth Larson
Anna Loan-Wilse
Kaukab Barni Merchant
Jean Prestemon
Marilu Raman
Daphne Reyes
Lynn Seydel
Ellen Shrum
Taihee Song
Shon Stephenson
Shashi Sukhatme
Lynn Van Valin
Carol Weber
Jan Verploeg
Linda White
Elizabeth Wright



The Community Project for this year included the collection of over \$400 worth of disposable diapers which were then donated to Youth and Shelter Services of Ames.



“Dionysus”



Chair: Lynne Van Valin
Treasurer: Angela Soukoulis

Dionysus (Greek god of wine) Circle meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. This group promotes the enjoyment and understanding of wine in a convivial atmosphere for tasting and discussion. The co-hostess team selects the wines for tasting and provides refreshments to accompany the wine selection for five in-home meetings. Two additional meetings allow for optional wine experiences. Members contribute \$50 annually to cover the cost of wines sampled. Membership is limited, but guests may occasionally be invited by the hostess. Community service for this year



Membership:

Marlene Geiger
Shari Glenn
Desi Gunning
Ria Keinert
Julie Lelonek
Beverly Lytle
Eileen Muff
Angela Soukoulis
Lisa Vaknin
Marina van Leeuwen
Lynne Van Valin

Dionysus Circle members practiced the fine art of wine sensory analysis by learning to recognize the aromas present in red wine.

Members found out that it was much harder than they thought it would be.





“Exploring Photography”



Co-chairs: Cindy Fell,

Exploring Photography members invite local and regional photographers to share their adventures with photography. Their photos, expertise, hints and tips encourage members to explore their own photographic skills. Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday, 1:30-3:30 pm in the Danfoss Room at the Ames Public Library, unless noted otherwise. Membership is open. Community service was the selling of greeting cards from members' photo prints at the Fall Opener and at each general meeting. The proceeds were donated to the ISUWC's Scholarship/Awards Fund.

Membership:

Sandi Austin
Mavis Butler
Cindy Fell
Shari Glenn
Jennifer Groat
Ellen Janke
Connie Lanstine
Kathy Nervig
Allis Peters
Marita Rouse
Sue Scoles



Above:
Fall Field trip to
Reiman Garden



Above:
Fundraiser: selling Greeting
Photo Cards.

Below:
McClanahan Photo Studio Tour
by Dan and Alex McClanahan
Ames, Iowa





“Foodies”



Co-chairs: Cathy Halverson, Sylva Williams

Members enjoy delicious food and food-related experiences on the 1st Thursday at 12 noon unless announced otherwise. The monthly hostess(es) plans the menu or food experience for the group. A cover-the-cost fee may be assessed for a lunch or program. Membership is limited. Community services for this year included donations to ISUWC’s Scholarship Fund and to the Emergency Residence Project.

Membership:

Sharon Axland
Bobbi Countryman
Regina Ellingson
Rochelle Ginder
Holly Greufe
Cathy Halverson
Mary Harms
Jeanne Mahary
Karen Mannes
Ellen McKean
Marie Schropp
Sylva Williams





“Gardening”



Co-chairs: Trish Strah
Treasurer: Dorothy Kirkland
Correspondent: Jeanette Dieterich
Community Garden Coordinators: Shirley Malaby, Dorothy Kirkland

Gardening meetings begin with a brown bag lunch at 11:30 on the 2nd Wednesday; a program follows from 12-1 pm. Members enjoy and learn about all aspects of gardening from garden tours, invited speakers, member sharing, and garden-related crafts. Dues are \$2 for the year and there is no limit on membership. Community services included planting and maintaining a garden at Stuart Smith Park during the summer and decorating a holiday tree at Iowa Arboretum

Membership:

Virginia Anderson
Jeanette Dieterich
Joan Fitzsimmon
Marlene Geiger
Karen George
Tanya Goodman
Holly Greufe
Barbara Gurganus
Linda Hodges
Bernice Johnson
Dorothy Kirkland
Shirley Malaby
Barbara North
Joyce Powell
Sheryl Soden
Donna Sogard
Trish Strah
Lorraine Stumbo

A sunny day and glorious beauty greeted the Gardening Division which toured the Better Homes and Garden test gardens in Des Moines.

If you are in the area on Fridays between noon and two, you simply must drop in!!!



Thank you

Gardening Interest Group,
for making one busy inter-
section in Ames a lot more
welcoming!!



“Genealogy”



Co-chairs: Jan Cummings, Rochelle Ginder

Treasurer: Mary Stevermer

“If the family were a fruit, it would be an orange, a circle of sections, held together but separable- each segment distinct.” - Letty Cottin Pogrebin. The focus of this division is to learn various techniques for researching family lineage and ancestry. Programs are relevant to genealogy or of historical interest. Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month, 1:30-3:30 pm, at the Rotary and PEO Rooms at the Ames Public Library, 515 Douglas Av, unless indicated otherwise. Dues are \$5 per year. Community service included monetary donations to the Ames Historical Society and the ISUWC’s Scholarship/Awards Fund.



“Cemetery Symbols and
Stone Cleaning Techniques”
by Dennis Allen

Membership:

Virginia Anderson
Marybeth Buchele
Mary Buck
Jan Cummings
Kitty Fisher
Barb Giese
Rochelle Ginder
Joan Herwig
Karen Hoiberg
Marilyn Johnson
Carol Kenton
Lenny Mangold
Karen Mannes
Fidella Marty
Carol Melvin
Margie Oldehoeft
Allis Peters
Rosellyn Rudolph
Diana Shonrock
Elizabeth Starleaf
Mary Seever
Carole Stevens
Mary Smith
Carole Stevens
Mary Stevermer
Frances Theile
Margaret Torrie
Mary Townsend



“Lunch Bunch”



Co-chairs: Peg Helms, Sheryl Soden

Lunch Bunch meets the 2nd Tuesday at 11:30. Trips are made to restaurants in Iowa. The lunch outing coordinators (*captain) plan the trip and make all arrangements, including confirming reservation time. Members carpool to the destination and drivers are tipped \$3-\$10 by their passengers depending on the distance. There are no dues.

Membership:

Virginia Anderson
Margery Baker
Nel Cochren
Ruth DeBoer
Lilith Dorr
Karen George
Bea Gibbons
Holly Greufe
Marilyn Haynes
Peg Helms
Fay Gish Hill
Pam Hinderaker
Mary Holmer
Joyce Krug
Audrey Marley
Carol Melvin
Rosemary Mitchum
Beverly Nutt
Lori Peake
Joyce Powell
Lois Slobe
Sheryl Soden
Donna Sogard
Elizabeth Starleaf
Shon Stephenson
Shirley Stromer
Shashi Sukhatme
Jan Verploeg
Carol Weber
Mary Lou Wright

Lunch Bunch met in January at the
Mary Kay's Flowers & Garden Cafe
for a delightful meal



Great way to start the Fall with lunch
at the
“The Apple Orchard Cafe”
in Fort Dodge, Iowa





"Golf"



Co-chairs: Carole Stevens, Kim Zahnle

The 2016 Golf season will begin May 10 at Homewood Golf Course located at 20th and Duff. The season will end August 30. Cost is \$9.50 for nine holes. Play is weekly on Tuesday mornings with tee times starting at 7:56 am. Teams of four will follow every 7 minutes. Community service for this year included monies collected weekly and donated to ISUWC Scholarship Fund.

Membership:

Marie Anderson
Sandi Austin
Margery Baker
Sandra Baker
Peg Barbour
Marilyn Barquist
Lynne Bishop
Jan Bond
Jeanette Dieterich
Holly Greufe
Sharon Guber
Anna Hartwig
Laani Hill
Pam Hinderaker
Ann Hogberg
Karen Hoiberg
Ellen Janke
Cynthia Johnson
Patricia Judge
Carol Kenton
Karen Mannes
Nancy Marks
Eleanor Ostendorf
Carol Payne
Anne Schmitt
Donna Sogard
Marianne Spalding
Judy Stehr
Carole Stevens
Sarah Terrones
Eileen Tramp
Joyce Vegge
Dorothy Yoerger
Kim Zahnle





“Good Food-Good Friends”



Co-chairs: Mary Atherly, Maria Tringides
Treasurer: Ingrid Anderson

Members meet at the home of the hostess on the 3rd Wednesday at 11:45 am. Meals reflecting favorites of the hostess are prepared by the hosting team and enjoyed with friends and lively, congenial conversation. There is a fee for each meal. Members are requested to RSVP to the hostess by Monday noon prior to the luncheon. Membership is limited. Community service for this year was the collection of monetary donations for Ames Animal Shelter.

Membership:

Ingrid Anderson	Mary James
Mary Atherly	Dorothy Kirkland
Wendy Edelson	Joyce Mercier
Hanna Gradwohl	Shirley Shaw
	Maria Tringides





“Gourmet”



Chair: Barbara Burnham
Vice Chair: Ardie Roehr
Treasurer: Donna Walker
Courtesies: Lucy Futrell, Donna Walker

The focus of the division is to broaden members' knowledge of food and enjoy fellowship with others through planning, preparing and serving attractive and delicious meals. Luncheons are held in members' homes on the 1st Thursday of each month at 12:30 pm. There is a fee of \$10 for each luncheon. Members who are not able to attend a meeting must notify the hostess by Monday prior to the luncheon. Membership is limited.

Membership:

Grace Amemiya	Bernadene Pohm
Katherine Asjes	Patricia Post
Barbara Burnham	Ardie Roehr
Judith Burris	Eileen Tramp
Lucy Futrell	Ardy Ulrichson
Madonna Johnson	Donna Walker
Sandy Meeks	
Mary Ann Mulford	
Lori Peake	
Mary Jane Pearson	





“Hooks and Needles”



Chair: Sharon Berryhill

Members of Hooks and Needles meet on the 4th Monday of the month at Books-A-Million (BAM), 1200 S Duff Ave. from 10-11:30 am to crochet and/or knit. Currently members are crocheting and knitting for various community organizations. Membership is open to all who enjoy the art of crocheting and knitting regardless of skill level. Members with more advanced skills welcome the opportunity to teach their craft to beginners or those wishing to advance. Community services included making purple baby hats for Shaken Baby Awareness month, red baby hats for Heart Month and twiddle muffs for Alzheimer and autistic patients.



Membership:

Sharon Berryhill
Regi Bevins
Janice Bruce
Marybeth Buchele
Jan Esterly
Mary Jane Green
Cathy Halverson
Ann Hein
Lenny Mangold
Audrey Marley
Linda Rosa
Anne Schmitt
Rita Strabala
Nancy Sundberg
Linda Trudeau
Sandy Wee
Jinx Woolson
Kim Zahnle

Hooks and Needles donated 150 knit and crochet purple baby hats to local hospitals.





“Iowa Cafe Adventures”



Co-chairs: Joyce Schafbuch, Doris Wiener

This adventurous group meets the 1st Tuesday of each month. Through shared experiences, members make new friends, enjoy fellowship and good food, and learn more about our own Iowa “backyard”. The outing coordinator plans the trip and makes all the needed reservations. Dues are a canned or non-perishable food item each month of participation, with a small donation asked for those who drive. Membership is open.

Membership:

Kathryn Andre
Holly Beermann
Marybeth Buchele
Joan Fitzsimmons
Bea Gibbons
Tanya Goodman
Mary Jane Green
Traci Hess
Cynthia Johnson
Sharon Olson
Lori Peake
Allis Peters
Carla Sacco
Joyce Schafbuch
Mary Seever
Lynn Seydel
Bonnie Staiert
Linda Thompson
Diane Tufte
Doris Wiener
Kim Zahnle



The **Iowa Cafe Adventures** Division devoured Fong Pizza in Ankeny. We should have taken a "before" picture, but once the four pizzas arrived, any thought of pictures was GONE!!! Thank you Rod for being such a great host and server at our monthly event. Fong Pizza = Gone Pizza!!!



“Movie Mavens”



Chair: Joan Fitzsimmons
Treasurer: Terri Hasselman

Clueless about Oscar season? Love movies but hate to go alone? Movie Mavens will try to help with both by attending first-run movies in a timely manner at Cinemark Movies 12, 1317 Buckeye Ave. Meeting monthly on the 2nd Thursday and 4th Monday, this group will attempt to see a full range of movie genre to give members a good perspective on current motion pictures.

The adventure continues with a discussion of the film over coffee at Books-A-Million (BAM), 1200 S Duff Ave. Dues are \$2 per year. Membership is open and guests are welcome. Community service included a donation to ISUWC’s Scholarship/Awards Fund through collected dues.



Membership:

Marilyn Barquist
Holly Beermann
Mavis Butler
Nel Cochren
Pam Curtis
Ruth DeBoer
Karla Drapal
Kitty Fisher
Joan Fitzsimmons
Evelyn Fuller
Teresa Garman
Karen George
Bea Gibbons
Mary Jane Green
Cathy Halverson
Terri Hasselman
Janice Hove
Jane Lohnes
Beverly Nutt
Sharon Olson
Carol Payne
Allis Peters
Marcia Peterson
Joyce Powell
Jeanne Rogert
Carla Sacco
Joyce Schafbuch
Sheryl Soden
Bonnie Staiert
Jaye Stefani
Judy Stehr
Linda Thompson
Diane Tufte
Paula Wiebel
Rose Wilcox
Kim Zahnle



“Nature Study”



Membership:

Pegi Bevins
Mary Brooks
Barbara Brown
Mary Eileen Buck
Ruby Buck
Marion Chenhall
Gladys Colwell
Judy Dahlke
Mary Ann Dilla
Jan Esterly
Peggy Faden
Evelyn Fuller
Lucy Futrell
Peggy Gielda
Marge Hartman
Judy Keeling
Dorothy Kirkland
Karen Klaiber
Marylys Ladd
Jane Lohnes
Shirley Malaby
Rosemary Mitchum
Kris Moorman
Kay Outks
Lori Peake
Mary Jane Pearson
Allis Peters
Patricia Post
Joyce Powell
Linda Rosa
Betty Schneider
Linda Sharpnack
Shon Stephenson
Margaret Torrie
Jan Verploeg
Nancy Wlezien
Carol Wright

Chair: Rosemary Mitchum
Treasurer: Barbara Brown
Programs: Kris Moorman

This division enjoys nature through field trips, lectures, and shared fellowship. Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month, August through May, excluding November and December. Meetings are held at Green Hills Dining Room, 2200 Hamilton Dr. at 1:30 pm unless noted otherwise. An early morning bird walk in May is an optional activity. Dues are \$5 per year. There is no limit on membership. Community service included the donation of collected funds to DMAC/Boone to assist with GED testing costs and cap and gown fees for graduation.



August meeting was a presentation by

“ISU Insect Zoo”

by Ginny Mitchell, Coordinator by the City of Ames Parks and Recreation.
Was held at Brookside Park, Maple Shelter





“Newcomers”



Co-chairs: Mary Augustus, Polly Gilbert
Advisor: Joan Fitzsimmons

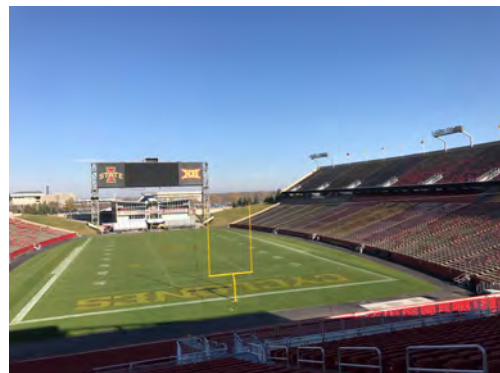
All new ISUWC members are invited to join Newcomers. This division offers opportunities to meet other new members and enjoy informal gatherings while learning about the club's programs and events, Iowa State University and Ames. Meeting days and locations vary depending on the planned activity. A monetary donation was contributed to ISUWC Scholarship Fund.

Membership

Mary Augustus
Karen Barnes
Alta Byg
Marion Chenhall
Betty Mae Feinberg
Jonie Fitzsimmons
Teresa Garman
Polly Gilbert
Sheila Jones
Jane Reschly-Murdoch
Mary Noseco
Jeanne Rogert
Phyllis Schrag



The **Newcomers Group** discovered the inner workings of ISU football by visiting the Bergstrom Football Complex, Sukup Hall and the Jacobson Building recently!!!
What a view from the south end!!





“Potpourri”



Co-chairs: Bonnie Staiert, Kim Zahnle

Members of Potpourri have an opportunity to experience anything and everything that strikes the fancy of the group. Meeting dates and time fluctuate according to the special events or activities the group chooses. Members are notified by phone or email as to when activities will take place. Membership is limited 28. Potpourri gave \$100 to the Heartland Senior Services after a visit to the Heartland Day Center.

Membership:

Holly Beermann
Janice Bruce
Marybeth Buchele
Marion Chenhall
Bobbi Countryman
Kay Craig
Karla Drapal
Nancy Dunn
Tanya Goodman
Mary Jane Green
Cathy Halverson
Trace Hess
Sue Jensen
Karen Mannes
Rosemary Mitchum
Gina Moore
Carla Sacco
Anne Schmitt
Lynn Seydel
Bonnie Staiert
Diane Tuft
Lynne Van Valin
Sandy Wie
Sylva Williams
Kim Zahnle



Potpourri group in the media room after touring Hilton Coliseum

Potpourri gave \$100 to the Heartland Senior Services after a visit to the Heartland Day Center.


HEARTLAND
Senior Services

Story County Resources for Successful Aging



"Spice Girls"



Co-chairs: Judy Stehr, Sylva Williams

Spice Girls meet on the 1st Monday at 12:30 pm at a location chosen by the hostess. This group surveys a variety of food topics. A cover-the-cost fee may be assessed for a program. Membership is limited 12 with an opportunity for guests when programming permits. A group food experience is planned by the hostess.

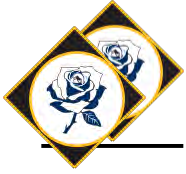
Membership:

Sandi Austin
Karen DeWulf
Karla Drapal
Nancy Dunn
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Marlene Geiger
Judy McGee
Jane Reschly-Murdoch
Carla Sacco
Judy Stehr
Eileen Tramp
Sylva Williams

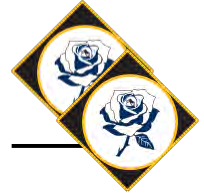


The Spice Girls Division "spiced" things up at the Small Wonders Pre School, Karla Drapal hosted. They had a "school lunch" Very tasty. ..and heard from the director of the Ames Public School, School Lunch Program. They completed their service project by filling school bags with school supplies for children in Africa....A wonderful afternoon, with an awesome, teacher, Miss Karla





Stitchery



Co-chairs: Ann Hein
Treasurer: Kathy Anderson
E-mail coordinator: Bonnie Trede

Stitchery members meet on the 1st Monday of the month, 1-4 pm, October through May, and from 10:15 am to 4:00 pm on the 5th Monday. Meetings are held at Quilting Connection, 238 Main St, in the lower-level classroom. The workshop coordinator provides members with a list of project supplies in advance and participating members supply their own materials. Members may also work on any project rather than the one designated at a meeting. Division dues are \$5 per year. Membership is open and guests are welcome.
and weighted blankets

“Fidgit Aprons” **Stitchery** members made and gave to Heartwood House Memory Care Unit at Northcrest this year for their Community Service.



Membership:

Kathy Anderson
Virginia Anderson
Nan Brewer
Janice Bruce
Linda Chimenti
Jan Esterly
Marlene Geiger
Ann Hein
Martha Huinker
Effie Lingren
Judy Maly
Lenny Mangold
Fidella Marty
Sharon Olson
Joyce Powell
JoAnn Sell
Mary Stevemer
Lorraine Stumbo
Bonnie Trede
Doris Wiener
Jinx Woolson



"Taste Buds"



Chair: Joan Senne

This division meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1pm for a food experience planned by the hostess. Meetings are held in the home of the hostess or at a place of her choice. A cover-the-cost fee is charged as needed. Membership is limited to 10.

Membership:

Marybeth Buchele
Lilith Dorr
Karen George
Eileen Muff
Joan Senne
Sue Stidwell
Linda Thompson
Joyce Vegge
Nancy Wlezien



Our **Taste Buds Division** gave high marks to the Little Woods Tea Shop on September 21 after a tea tasting program.

The **Little Woods Tea Shop** is located at 136 Main Street in Ames.

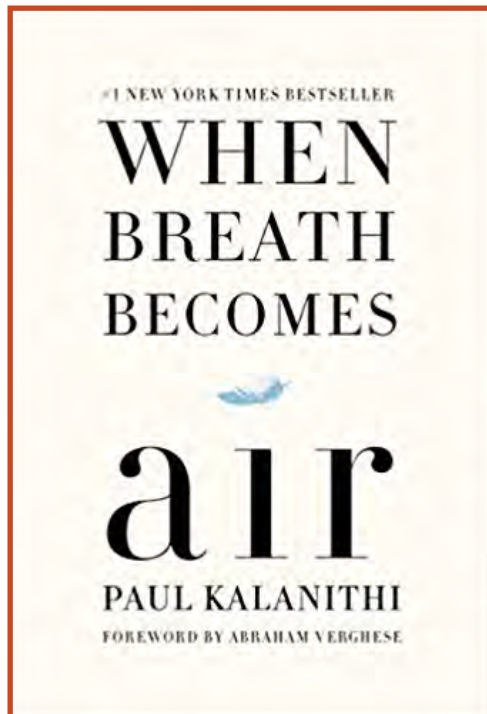


Time of Your Life Book Club



Chair: Polly Gibert

Members read and discuss selected books to enhance their appreciation of literature and enjoy the companionship of fellow bibliophiles. Meetings are held the 2nd Friday at 10 am in the homes of member. Dues are \$5 per year. This group contributes to Raising Readers as their charitable service project. Membership is limited to 18.



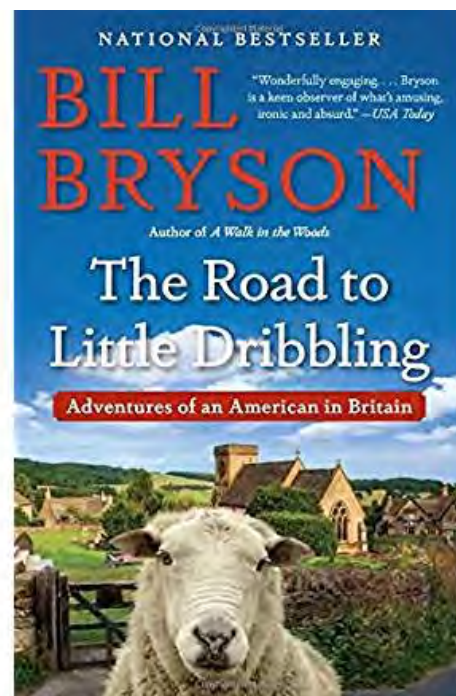
TOYLBC - first book of the year (biography)
#1 *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER • PULITZER PRIZE FINALIST • This exquisite memoir by an idealistic young neurosurgeon asks *What makes a life worth living?* and makes a profound graduation gift—especially for aspiring doctors and

Membership:

Mary Augustus
Holly Beermann
Sharon Berryhill
Karen DeWolf
Jan Esterly
Polly Gilbert
Deanna Jordan
Kathy Nervig
Linda Rosa
Carla Sacco
Lara Stauer
Linda Telleen-Martens
Linda Trudeau

TOYLBC - second book was a non-fiction from the Iowa native Bill Bryson.

It is hilarious and loving sequel to a hilarious and loving classic of travel writing: *Notes from a Small Island*, Bill Bryson's valentine to his adopted country of England





“Viva la Vino”



Co-chairs: Karla Drapal, Carla Sacco

Viva la Vino meets in members' homes on the 2nd Monday from 4-6 pm. The purpose of the group is to learn how to taste wine, appreciate the various wines, and choose wines with confidence. The hostess and co-hostess provide the wine and appetizers. Membership is limited for the convenience of entertaining and conversation.



Membership:

Holly Beermann
Marybeth Buchele
Karla Drapal
Cathy Halverson
Marilyn Haynes
Traci Hess
Kittly Lamont
Karen Mannes
Carla Sacco





“Walk and Talk”



Co-chairs: Karen George, Sue Jensen

Walk and Talk meets from September to May on the 3rd Tuesday at 9 am, unless indicated otherwise. Weather permitting, this group gathers for a neighborhood walk followed by light refreshments follow at the home of the hostess. Division dues are \$2 per year. New members are welcome.

Membership:

Julia Anderson
Sandi Austin
Margery Baker
Marybeth Buchele
Mavis Butler
Rebecca Christiansen
Ruth DeBoer
Jeanette Dieterich
Karen George
Holly Gruefe
Terri Hasselman
Peg Helms
Laani Hill
Pam Hinderaker
Mary Holmer
Ellen Janke
Sue Jensen
Bernice Johnson
Beth Johnson
Ria Keiner
Carol Kenton
Dorothy Kirkland
Anna Loan-Wilsey
Barbara North
Mary Seever
Joan Senne
Donna Sogard
Taihee Song
Jaye Stefani
Trish Strah
Linda Tellen-Martens
Mary Townsend
Susan Twedt

LOVELY...LADIES...LUNCHING ...LAKESIDE!!!
It's the **Walk and Talk interest group** hiking through McFarland Park - wonderful walk, wonderful women!!!



The Walk and Talk division dodged the rain, but not the talking part of our group!!!





“Wine and Tapas”



Chair: Eileen Tramp

The Wine and Tapas group meets the 3rd Thursday from 4-6 pm at the home of the hostess or a place of her choice. Participation is limited to 10 members for the convenience of entertaining and conversation. This group aims to appreciate wine, tapas, and friends.



Members:

Peg Barbour
Barbara Burnham
Cathy Halverson
Anne Hogberg
Jane Reschly-Murdoch
Carol Payne
Joan Senne
Judy Stehr
Eileen Tramp
Joyce Vegge





“Women On Wine (WOW)”



Co-chairs: Shari Glenn, Terri Hasselman,

WOW (Women on Wine) meets the last Thursday in the afternoon. The exact time varies depending on the location. The focus of this group is to appreciate and learn about wine by exploring a variety of wine tasting opportunities in central Iowa. Each monthly coordinator arranges for the location; refreshments are provided by members when appropriate. Costs vary depending on the program and are shared among the members. Membership is limited.

Membership:

Jan Bruce
Jeanette Dieterich
Karen Dohrmann
Karen George
Peggy Gielda
Shari Glenn
Holly Gruefe
Terri Hasselman
Mary Homer
Marlene Johnson
Donna Sogard
Nancy Wlezien
Kim Zahnle

The **WOW (Women On Wine)** sampling wine at the WineStyles in Johnston, IA.
Thank you Allan Graham, the owner, for hosting this event for WOW!!!



The **WOW division (Women On Wine)** members enjoyed the first ever progressive wine tasting event on November 17th.





In Memoriam



Ruby Eileen Costello Buck, 100, of Ames, passed away on Jan. 7, 2017, at Israel Family Hospice House, in Ames.

Ruby was born Oct. 29, 1916, to Francis (Frank) Leo and Essie Zazle (Smith) Costello, on a farm east of Edina, Mo. She attended country school and then Edina Public Schools, graduating in 1934. In 1937, she went to Fort Madison Business College for a secretarial and book-keeping course. She completed her course work in May 1938 and was offered a position at Iowa Wesleyan College in Mount Pleasant.

Ruby accepted a position at Iowa State College in May 1945 as a bookkeeper in the Women's Foods Department. When the Residence Department at Iowa State College was formed, she was transferred into that department as the first office girl under Dr. J. C. Schlitter.

On Aug. 31, 1947, Ruby was united in marriage to a horticulture student, Griffith J. Buck, at Collegiate Methodist Church. To this union two daughters were born: Mary in 1951 and Susan in 1954.

At the time of her death, Ruby was a member of Collegiate United Methodist Church, 50-year plus member of the ISU Women's Club, a life member of the Iowa Arboretum, a member of the Audubon Society and the Iowa and American Rose Societies. She worked in a number of organizations while her girls were growing up. She enjoyed bird watching, sewing, cooking and reading.



Ruby Eileen Costello Buck



In Memoriam



Esther M. Harmison

Esther M. Harmison, age 84, died at Green Hill Health Care Center on May 15, 2017, in Ames. A Celebration of Life service will be at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017, at Collegiate Presbyterian Church, 159 South Sheldon Ave Ames, Iowa 50014.

Esther was born January 31, 1933 in Sioux City, Iowa the daughter of Robert and Emily Hunter. She graduated from Central High School in Sioux City, Iowa, and received her BS in 1955 from Iowa State College. She married Herbert A. Harmison Jr. on April 23, 1955 in Sioux City, Iowa. Esther was dedicated to raising her family and supporting her husband. She also worked part time at Iowa State University. She was a member of PEO Chapter HN, Sundial Chapter DAR, ISU Faculty Women's Club and Ames International Orchestra Festival Association.

Esther is survived by her husband Herbert Harmison of Ames; one daughter; three sons; five grandchildren; two great grandsons; one great granddaughter; a sister, Mary Hunter and seven step grandchildren.



Mary Jane Hazen

Mary Jane Hazen, 91, passed away peacefully on Feb. 19, 2017, at Northcrest Community Health Center in Ames.

Mary Jane was born on Dec. 28, 1925, in El Reno, Okla., to Joseph and Fern (Mann) Waldron. She graduated Valedictorian from El Reno High School, and then attended Oklahoma A&M (Oklahoma State University) where she graduated with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. After graduating from college, she worked in Tulsa, Okla., as a medical technologist.

She married Thamon E. Hazen on Feb. 6, 1949, in El Reno, Okla.,

Moving to Ames in 1952 with her husband and two small daughters, Mary Jane was involved in Faculty Women's Club, United Methodist Women, P.E.O., Chapter HN (50-year member), Hospital Auxiliary, Camp Fire Girls, Kappa Phi and many other volunteer organizations. She assumed leadership positions in every group of which she was a member. Another interest was helping Iowa State University foreign students. She enjoyed golfing and bowling and traveling with Thamon for many years.

She is survived by her husband, Thamon; their daughters, Ella Vee Sage (Jeff) and Mary Elizabeth Frank (Timothy); six grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.



In Memoriam



Mary Jane Pearson

Mary Jane Pearson, 83, of Ames, passed away peacefully at her home Sunday, Sept. 4, 2016, of pancreatic cancer.

Mary Jane was born July 25, 1933, the only child of Dorothy Dannatt and Henry Barlow in Buffalo, N.Y., where Henry worked as a chemist for DuPont. Henry passed away from nephritis at an early age when Mary Jane was only two years old. Mary Jane learned at an early age from her mother to be strong, independent and to value the importance of a good education.

Mary Jane attended Iowa State University where she obtained a mathematics degree. Two post college jobs included mathematical graphing of thorium testing during the Cold War as well as work on early computers at MIT. Mary Jane met Phillip Pearson at Iowa State University and they married on Aug. 28, 1954, in Davenport. They spent most of their years in Ames raising their family. In May 2002, Mary Jane sadly lost Phillip after more than 47 years of marriage. On Aug. 18, 2008, she married a long-time dear friend, Ramon Runkel, in a celebration uniting the Pearson and Runkel families. Ramon sadly passed away in August 2015.

Mary Jane was a devoted wife, mother and woman of God. She was a breast cancer survivor! She was a volunteer, serving others through Bethesda Lutheran Church, PEO, Mary Greely Oncology department, Bethany Manor in Story City, Kappa Delta Sorority and many other organizations. She loved her bridge groups, gourmet clubs and Faculty Women's Club. She loved to travel and attend plays, concerts, football and basketball games and was an avid supporter of everything Iowa State.

Survivors include two daughters, two sons, three granddaughters, six grandsons, Scott (Sheryl) and three great-grandchildren,.

Velma S. "Sheryl" Holden, 73, of Iowa City, died of Alzheimer's Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Solon Nursing Care Center.

Sheryl was born October 1, 1943 in Jefferson, Iowa, the daughter of Lester and Velma Jones Gift. Sheryl taught elementary school in Jefferson and Des Moines and married Dr. Palmer Holden in 1974. Sheryl continued teaching until her son, Daniel, was born. She became a full-time homemaker until he graduated from high school and then was a substitute teacher.

Sheryl was a member of St. Cecilia's Catholic Church circle and choir in Ames, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Iowa State University's Women's Club - including president from 2007-2008, and an adult literacy volunteer - receiving the Governor's Award.

In 2007, Sheryl was diagnosed with Alzheimer's. She and Palmer moved to Iowa City in the fall of 2011 to be near Daniel, April, and their children. Sheryl moved to Assisted Care in December 2013 and to Solon in March 2016. She enjoyed cooking, baking and sharing events and time with her family.

Sheryl is survived by her husband, Dr. Palmer Holden; son, Daniel (April) and grandchildren, Laird and Nadia; brothers, Bill Gift (Marilyn) and Don; and several nieces and nephews and grand-nieces and nephews.

Velma S. "Sheryl" Holden





In Memoriam



Mary Jane Brinkman Harms passed away in the early morning of Nov. 4, 2016, at the age of 73 of acute myeloid leukemia. Mary was born Dec. 30, 1942, to Norman Henry (N.H.) Brinkman and Mildred Jane Kimberley Brinkman of Colo. She was a graduate of Colo Community Schools, Iowa Methodist School of Nursing, and Iowa State University. On June 11, 1966, she married Dean M. Harms at Colo United Methodist Church. Three children were born to them, a daughter and two sons. They lived in Iowa City, California, Illinois and Wisconsin before settling in Ames in 1975.

Mary was a member and volunteer of a variety of groups and organizations including Collegiate United Methodist Church, P.E.O., Rotary and Questers. She also enjoyed her bridge clubs and book club. She and Dean worked as volunteers at the Central Christian Ophthalmic Clinic in El Progresso, Honduras. She enjoyed music, gardening, travel and her home, but most of all her family and friends.

Mary is survived by her son, Philip Harms, of Chanhassen, Minn.; her daughter, Sarah Freitas (Gary), of Waconia, Minn.; her son, Mark Harms (Lisa), of Madison, Wis.; four treasured grandchildren, Joseph, Ryan and Julia Freitas, and Evan Harms; two brothers, Harold Brinkman (Janet), of Nevada, and John Brinkman (Maxine), of Mason City; as well as nephews and nieces and extended family.



Mary Jane Brinkman Harms

Marion Geoffroy McKeown



Marion Geoffroy McKeown, longtime resident of Ames, died peacefully on Sept. 29, 2016, with family by her side at Bickford Cottage in Urbandale.

Marion was born on June 29, 1923, in Glendale, Calif., to Wilfred and Helen (Leonard) Geoffroy. She graduated from high school in 1941 in Springfield, Mo.

Marion attended Stephens College in nearby Columbia and then Millikin University in Decatur, Ill., graduating in 1945. From there, she went on to graduate school at the University of Illinois, where she met Donald McKeown. They were married in 1947.

After living briefly in Denver and Omaha, they moved to Ames, where Don joined the faculty of the Department of Architectural Engineering at Iowa State University. Marion was a member of the League of Women Voters, served on the Board of Trustees at Collegiate Presbyterian Church, was a member of P.E.O., the ISU Faculty Women's Club, Pi Beta Phi Sorority, and a volunteer with the Camp Fire Girls.

After her children were grown, she studied accounting and spent many years doing tax work for the Newbrough Law Firm. She and Don were avid travelers. They were longtime residents of Green Hills Community.



In Memoriam



Grace Aiko Obata Amemiya, 96, passed away on July 22, 2017 at Green Hills Health Care Center in Ames, Iowa. A memorial service will be held Saturday, August 12, 2017 at 2pm at Collegiate Presbyterian Church in Ames. A private burial will be held at Iowa State Cemetery.

Grace was born October 26, 1920 in Vacaville, California to Tetsugoro and Retsu (Funaki) Obata, the youngest of five children. Grace attended the University of California, Berkeley, and was a nursing student at University of California, San Francisco when Pearl Harbor was bombed. Two months later, Executive Order 9066 was signed and Grace and her family were sent to Turlock Assembly Center and then to an internment camp in Gila, Arizona. Determined to continue her nurse's training, Grace was accepted by St. Mary's School of Nursing in Rochester, Minnesota, one of a few schools who would accept Japanese-Americans released from internment camps and given their citizenship back.

Grace moved to Cleveland, Ohio with her family and married UC Berkeley classmate, Minoru Amemiya, on Sept. 6, 1947. They moved to Columbus, Ohio, where Min attended graduate school at The Ohio State University, and Grace worked as a nurse. Following graduation they moved to Grand Junction, Colorado, then settled in Ames, Iowa in 1960. Min worked as a USDA extension agronomist while Grace focused on raising their two sons, Grace and Min told their stories together, educating many school children and adults about internment camps. After Min passed away in 2000, Grace continued to speak around the country about her experiences until she was 95 years old.

Grace was very active in Iowa State University Women's Club, PEO Chapter KC, Lion's Club, Special Olympics, Collegiate Presbyterian Church and the Japan-American Society of Iowa.

Grace was recognized by a variety of organizations. Her most recent awards were being named as the 2014 Outstanding Alumna of the Year, Japanese American Women Alumnae of UC Berkeley, and her induction into the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame in 2016.



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