

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON WOMEN'S CLUB

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Established in 1923

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March 2020

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Spring General Meeting

Please join us

THURSDAY

MARCH 19, 2020

at the historical Hower House

Gift Shop will open at 6 p.m. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person

Guest speaker will be Kristen Pool, owner and grower of Black Dog Acres in Freedom, Ohio. Kristen's topic will be "Preservation of Bees."

RSVP to Jane Gwinn by Monday, March 16, 2020

(330) 603-3598 | (330) 678-2239 or via email to *janeagwinn@gmail.com*

Diane Wolf will be hostess.

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Discussion Group

Five members met for the February 20, 2020 Discussion. A lively discussion was held regarding the democratic nominees. Our next meeting will be at 750 ml Wine Bar on West Market on March 26, 2020 at 7pm. We will discuss the election and evangelical voters.



Spotlight

Sue Yoder

Resides in: Copley, Ohio

Member since: Spring of 2015 was about the time I first began hiking with the group.

Connection to The University of Akron: Although I have no direct connection to UA, I am a friend of Martha and Mel Vye. Martha and I attend the same church and she invited me to come with her to a hiking group activity. I continued to join the group on their hikes, eventually joined the Gourmet Group, and attended General Meetings at Hower House. I joined UAWC during that first year as a sponsored member. (I am a retired school counselor in four elementary Stow-Munroe Falls Schools.)

Offices held in the Club & Participation:

I am currently serving my second year in my first term as secretary. I have agreed to serve another two-year term (2020-2022) as secretary. A few years ago I served on the Nominating Committee.



Favorite Activities in the Club: Hiking, eating out with the hiking group (LOL!), going on tours with the tour group when they are scheduled, events at Hower House and O'Neill House. I haven't been able to attend events at the Tudor House yet; I'm sure I would enjoy those. The Shaw Festival was terrific. **Travel:** I have been to Europe three times, Mexico, Canada, and almost all 50 states, 47 to be exact. I still need to get to Hawaii, North Dakota, and Oklahoma. I have been to many national parks, but still haven't been to Yosemite, so that is on my list. Many of my vacations consist of driving ones where I go to visit family in Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Illinois; I have no close family nearby so it's important to me that I spend time visiting them.

Other Activities: I sing in my church's choir and play in the handbell choir. I am also on two committees there and serve as chair of one, and help in the church's choice food pantry which is open on Tuesday mornings. I am treasurer of Summit County Counselors Association (school counselors) which meets once a month for lunch (there's that eating thing again!) and has pertinent programs for counselors. I also serve on other committees when the time is right (my high school reunion committee).

Any concluding comments about the Club?: The women of the club are super nice, adventurous, smart, and creative. I have really enjoyed becoming acquainted with some of them, and feel the mission of the club is very worthwhile. I look forward to many more fun times in the future.

The UAWC Scholarship and its History

The University of Akron Foundation

"The Faculty Women's Club Scholarship"

October 2017—The Faculty Women's Club Scholarship is given by The University of Akron Women's Club, formerly The University of Akron Faculty Women's Club. (The name of the club was changed from "The University of Akron Faculty Women's Club" to "The University of Akron Women's Club" by vote of the membership on March 15, 2007). The original scholarship description was written in 1989 and was revised in April 2010.

The Faculty Women's Club was started in 1923 by Mrs. C.R. Olin, Mrs. Hezzleton E. Simmons, and Miss Gladys Weeks, secretary to University President Simmons, at the request of Dr. Kolbe, former President of The University of Akron (then Buchtel College). Mrs. C.R. Olin was the first President of the Club. The purpose of the club was originally to organize faculty wives and "campus women" in a social club and to make new faculty feel more at home. Prior to that time, the social life of the faculty and their wives had "always" been actively involved with those of the students and their college social events due to geographic proximity of their homes/lodging. With the growth of the college and the transportation changes that allowed people to move out of Akron, the new faculty was not being as integrated into the college social life in the 1920's.



The establishment of the Club is to promote the general good of the University, to promote social, informational, and service opportunities for its members, and to welcome newcomers into the University Community.

The women recipients of The Faculty Women's Club Scholarship will be selected by the Club's Scholarship Committee from those women whose applications are submitted by the office of Student Financial Aid on a rotation through all the colleges.

Funding Arrangements

The Faculty Women's Club Scholarship Fund started with the Acme-Zip Luncheon and Fashion Show in 1981 and became an opportunity to benefit female athletes at The University of Akron. In 1992, Carolyn Cox, Scholarship Committee Chairperson, led an effort to raise the new scholarship fund to over \$10,000. An anonymous challenge gift of \$1,000 was met by three club members. Additional funds are added through fundraisers and events held by The University of Akron Women's Club.

Hiptastic Award

This February the Staff Employee Advisory Committee announced Peggy Walchalk as the Ziptastic Award recipient. Peggy was nominated for this award by her colleague Debbie Gannon, of the Gary B. and Pamela S. Williams Honors College.

"Peggy does an outstanding job assisting the dean and plans nearly all the events," wrote Gannon in her nomination letter. "She does a remarkable job keeping everything organized, making sure every event is memorable for students and staff."

Walchalk's career at The University of Akron began in 1991 with the Office of Research Services and Sponsored Programs. In 1993 she moved to the President's Office as assistant secretary to the president. It was in the year 2000 when Walchalk joined the Honors Program, later named the Williams Honors College. She has said that her work in the Honors College is "truly rewarding." Her various responsibilities allow her to use her creativity and design, or "super-powers" as they are called by Dr. Dane Quinn acting dean of the Williams Honors College.

Peggy currently serves as member and officer of the Staff Employee Advisory Committee (SEAC), the Ohio Staff Council of Higher Education (OSCHE), University Council's Talent Development and Human Resources Committee, and The University of Akron Women's Club. She also serves as advisor to the Honors Engineering Group, EUREKA.



Peggy Walchalk left, pictured with nominator, Debbie Gannon

In her spare time, Peggy enjoys volunteering. She has represented the Akron Zoo as an EdZoocator since 2014. She enjoys traveling with her husband, Bob, and spending time with family, especially with their 17 great nieces and nephews (a.k.a. future Zips!).

SHAW FESTIVAL TRIP - Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada

Sponsored by The University of Akron Women's Club

Many thanks to all our friends who have supported The University of Akron Women's Club scholarship fund. We are proud to announce our eighth trip to enjoy the plays of the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake. The dates for 2020 are October 6, 7 & 8, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. As usual, the proceeds from the trip will continue to support the scholarship fund of the UAWC. Your loyal participation enables this trip to continue.

** PASSPORTS for land crossing into Canada ARE REQUIRED****

The fee for the trip will include:

- * Comfortable round trip transportation (bus with bathroom) and all tips and admissions.
- * <u>Three</u> plays come with the package, you may purchase a fourth.

For play information check *shawfest.com*.

- * We will ALL see a one-act play together on day three, Flush, based on Virginia Woolf's novella.
- * Your choice of two of these five plays: *Gypsy, Charley's Aunt, Desire Under the Elms, The Raven's Curse* and *Trouble in Mind*.
- * Two nights at the elegant and beautiful Prince of Wales Hotel.
- * Dinner on Tuesday evening & lunch on the way home on Thursday.
- * Time to enjoy the ambiance of the picturesque village of Niagara-on-the-Lake

We will make one comfort stop on the way home after leaving the Duty-Free shop. We plan to arrive in Akron about 8:30 pm Thursday evening. All of this, plus wonderful traveling companions for only:

\$725.00 per person, based on double occupancy. Single supplements - \$300.00

You will not want to miss this exciting trip. Please send your deposit of \$100.00 soon to reserve your place.

PLEASE NOTE: Your deposit is 100% refundable until July 30, 2020. Final payments are due by July 30, 2020.

ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER July 30, 2020.

Please make checks payable to: The University of Akron Women's Club and mail to:

Sylvia Johnson, tour coordinator, 398 Silk Court, New Franklin, OH 44319

If you are interested in purchasing trip insurance I would suggest that you contact one of the providers of this kind of insurance. Please check <u>www.insuremytrip.com</u> or call, 800-487-4722. This information is being provided as a service to you, the UAWC would not receive any compensation from any insurance organization.

Questions? Please contact Sylvia Johnson, member of UAWC, at 330-644-3090 or email sylvia5@uakron.edu.

NAME:	Email		
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Things to Do

Bridge Groups

Women's Afternoon

- March 26, 2020
- April 23, 2020

Discussion Group

March 26, 2020

Evening Book Review

March 18, 2020

Gourmet Dinner

- April 25, 2020
- May 16, 2020

Hiking Group

Schedule coming soon

Performing Arts Group

- March 11, 2020
- April 18, 19, 2020



Women's Club News and Notes

The **Bridge Group** wishes Marcia Mazak a speedy recovery from her bout with pneumonia. Also, a cheery shout-out to Marilyn Crabtree whom we miss dearly.

Note: If you have any news to share, contact our Secretary, Sue Yoder at (330) 666-5238 or email to sby17@roadrunner.com. Sue will send appropriate card on behalf of the club.

Special Activities

Chair: Jane DeLuca, (330) 968-9887 (delucajane12@gmail.com)

Evening Book Review

Co-Chairs: Sharon Gandee (330) 864-4659 and Kirklyn Kuzdrall (330) 923-8662 ssgandee@gmail.com kirklyn19@att.net

The group meets the third Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m. to review book and enjoy dessert. All members are invited to join the Book Review Group.

Schedule: March 18, 2020

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Reviewer: Laura Monroe; Hostess and dessert: Betty Miller

Gourmet Dinner

Chair: Jane Gwinn (330) 678-2239 *janeagwinn@gmail.com*

The Gourmet Dinner Group meets four times a year: Aug/Sept, October, April & May.

- April 25, 2020Hosts Diana and Gerhard Kunze with
Denise Beck co-hosting.
- May 16 2020
 Hosts Leslie and Roger Bain with

 Norma and Richard Wrobel co-hosting.



Co-Chairs: Leslie Bain (330) 485-4252 or (330) 819-2846

lbain220@gmail.com

Martha Vye (330) 644-7490 vye@uakron.edu

Watch for upcoming tour announcements.



MORE FUN THINGS TO DO!

Bridge Group

Women's Afternoon

Co-Chair: Leslie Bain	H: (330) 485-425	52 / C: (330) 658-1965
Co-Chair: Bev Brockett	(330) 618-6256	alnbev.bb@gmail.com
Back-Up: Anais Webb	(330) 322-6209	awebb629@gmail.com

This group meets the fourth Thursday of each month. Before playing, participants lunch at noon in the Rockynol Dining Room. Bridge begins at 1 p.m. Announcement of upcoming monthly dates will be sent out to participants to make sure there are enough players to fill bridge tables (multiples of 4).

Schedule: March 26, 2020 April 23, 2020

Anyone interested in joining should contact Leslie Bain or Bev Brockett.



Co-Chairs: Denise Beck

(330) 699-6941 beck490@gmail.com

Sylvia Johnson

(330) 644-3090 Sylvia 5@uakron.edu

The Discussion Group meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Discussion topics/locations will be shared in newsletters.

Schedule: Thursday, March 26, 2020 at 7 p.m. @ 750 ml Wine Bar on West Market Street, topic will be election and evangelical voters.

Hiking Group

Chair: Leslie Bain

Home: (330) 485-4252 or Cell: (330) 819-2846 or

This group hikes at various locations throughout the area in late spring, summer and fall. The 2020 schedule will be available soon.



Co-Chairs:

Susan Colville-Hall colvillehall@uakron.edu 330-686-1860 | 330-714-3765

Therese Sheffer therese.sheffer@gmail.com 330-836-0150 | 330-730-2997

<u>Seraph Brass</u> Wednesday, March 11, 2020 (7:30—9:30 p.m.)

<u>UADC Spring 2020 Dance Concert</u> Saturday or Sunday, April 18/19, 2020 (7:30 p.m.)

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Sunday, April 19, 2020 (3—4 p.m.)

Contact Info: (330) 972-8301 or concerts@uakron.edu

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We're on the Web at www.uakron.edu/uawc/



Membership form for 2019-2020

(Regardless of your anniversary date, please pay your annual dues in June or July if possible.

Please send this completed form, along with a check made payable to UA Women's Club, to Penny Marquette, PO Box 707, Bath, OH 44210.

Your Name	Spouse's Name					
Your Department	Spouse's Department					
Mailing Address (Street)						
City, State, Zip	Email address					
Home Phone	Work Phone					
Membership Status Active \$20 New Member \$20 *Associates are those who have been active dues paying members and are now in retirement status. Associates who are regular participants in special activities are encouraged to pay full dues.	☐ Associate* \$10	□ Sponsored Membership \$10 				
Please check here if you wish to receive newsletter via U.	.S. Mail	Scholarship Donation \$				
Please let us know what special activities you might be interested in (check as many as you like):						
Afternoon Bridge Discussion Group	Evening Book Review	v Tour Group				
Gourmet Dinner Hiking	Performing Arts Grou	qu				

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