



TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT PHOTO CONTEST

The UAWC Board is pleased to launch our very first Photo Contest! Here's a chance for you to win prizes by sharing your creative and artistic side.

Rules and guidelines —

Three categories— People, Pets and Nature

Limit one entry per category, resulting in a maximum of three photo entries per UAWC member.

There will be three winners per category—first, second and third place. The winning photo participants will receive—

- 1st place per category will win a \$25 gift card
- 2nd place per category will win a \$15 gift card
- 3rd place per category will win a \$10 gift card

Each entry must include —

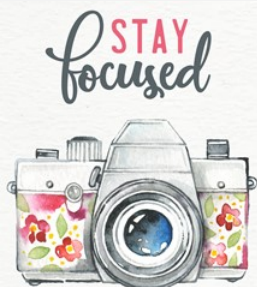
- 1.) UAWC Member name and email address
- 2.) Entry category with photo
- 3.) Title of photo

Submit your entry to
TheUAWC@gmail.com

Deadline to enter is
February 19, 2021



*Winning photos
will be
announced and
featured in our
March 2021
Newsletter.*



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Spotlight stories



In the Spotlight featuring *Susan Colville-Hall*

Susan has been a UAWC member since she retired from UA in 2014. Her former student, Diana Kunze, became a professional friend, then just a good friend and convinced Susan that it was a great organization.

In 1989 Susan joined the College of Education. She later earned the title Emeritus of Teacher Education in Foreign Languages, after her 25 years with UA. Prior to that, she taught French (and/or Spanish) in Connecticut and Colorado in secondary schools (18 years) and 3 years as a GA at OSU.

Susan is pleased to have held offices with the UAWC including Scholarship Chair and Book Review Co-chair. Some of her favorite special activities include Hiking, Book Review, and Discussion .

Talk about travel, Susan has been to all but five of the U. S. states, France (multiple times including visiting professor), Mexico, Canada, Costa Rica, Spain, Italy, Morocco, Kenya, Greece, former Yugoslavia, Austria, Hungary, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Netherlands, Belgium, England, Switzerland, Brazil, China (visiting professor). She has secondary, university and professional groups to France, Costa Rica, Mexico, and China, sometimes as part of the Fulbright Hayes or another type of grant. Susan's first time as group leader was to France with the Experiment in International Living in 1971. She never stopped seeing the beauty in new cultures, new languages, new foods and customs. Unfortunately, Susan is in withdrawal this year due to COVID guidelines and restrictions for travel.

Susan listens to most kinds of music (classical, Jon Batiste and jazz, folk, rock, Celtic, etc.). She also likes to dance. She was active in starting up a group to go to concerts together, but Covid-19 got in the way!!

The Coville-Hall family includes Susan's husband Steve, her step-daughter of Alaska Jennifer and husband Gordon (graduate from Firestone HS) and their sons Liam (electrical engineer in WA) and Riley (senior at UA in Fairbanks). Other family members include Susan's stepson Dan of Seattle, stepson David of Nantucket and his wife Lizzie, and their daughters Linnie (ceramics in CN) and Jule (real estate).

Susan is so active. She enjoys reading new fiction and non-fiction. She also picks up mysteries and cookbooks!!! Her favorite place is Stow Munroe Falls Public Library, but she's not limited to just one library. Susan will frequent Akron (downtown and Highland Square), Hudson, Cuyahoga Falls and Kent to get the best selections.

Since 1970 through 2017 Susan has biked with her husband locally as well as during national and international trips. They have been members of League of American cyclists, International Bike Touring (now Bike Adventure Club), Akron Bike Club, ROMEOs and JULIETs (retired old men eating out / just unique ladies interested in eating too). Some of their trips include Roscoe Ramble from here to Coshocton and back; Lewis & Clark Trail from St. Charles MO to Bismark ND; White Rim Trail in Canyonlands; French Alps Tour; Southern France Tour; Texas Hill Country; New Mexico Tour; DelMarVa Tour (Delaware, Maryland and Virginia); The Danube Bike Trail in Austria & Hungary. According to Susan, "you really get to know the countryside when pedaling through on a bike. I think we may have it in us to do one more international bike trip. Hope so!!!"

Susan has been Dragon boating with the Dragon Dream Team since 2013. It's Ohio's only all breast cancer survivor team. It's an awesome group. Her team placed 3rd in International Competition in Florence, Italy, in 2018. The team practices three times a week at Rex Lake from May through October 10 in a normal year. Last year was NOT normal so Susan picked up kayaking thanks to my teammates.

Susan also enjoys skiing when there's snow at Boston Mills; sometimes she gets to go to Colorado to ski with friends in the winter. She started snowshoeing with Susan B. Women's Stomp for the Cure in Frisco, CO, which she says is really fun. She will try it here if there's ever enough snow.

We are thrilled to have Susan with our club. She says it's been delightful getting to know these fun ladies and she's proud to be associated with the University of Akron Women's Club. She looks forward to the meetings, even on Zoom. Susan encourages more women to join. It's a great outlet for activities and getting to try new things. Susan looks forward to doing the theater trip in Canada soon.



Susan with her husband Steve.



Save the Date

Spring General Meeting

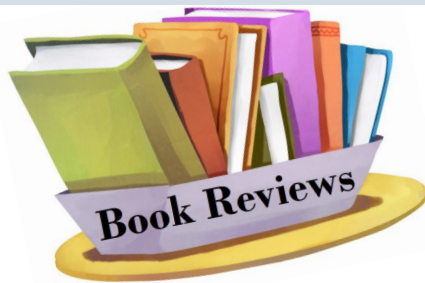
Thursday, March 18, 2021 (7 p.m.)

Our Spring General meeting is set for March 18th and will feature guest speaker Kristen Pool, owner and grower of Black Dog Acres in Freedom, Ohio. Kristen's topic will be "**Preservation of Bees.**" Our General Meeting will follow the presentation. More information to follow in the March 2021 Newsletter.

Interested participants should RSVP to Jane Gwinn at H: (330) 678-2239, C: (330) 603-3598 or via email to janeagwinn@gmail.com by Monday, March 15, 2021.

Spring Salad Luncheon and Changeover Meeting

We are hopeful that COVID guidelines will be open to small to medium sized gatherings by late spring. For now we will tentatively plan to have this meeting on Saturday in May 15, 2021. More information to follow.



Happiness

Book review met on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 to review this compelling novel by Aminatta Forna.

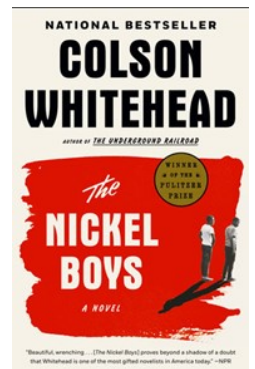
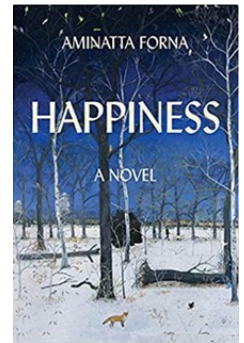
Place: Waterloo Bridge, London.

Action: Two strangers collide. Attila, a Ghanaian psychiatrist, and Jean, an American studying the habits of urban foxes. From this chance encounter in the midst of the rush of a great city, numerous moments of connections span out and interweave, bringing disparate lives together. In this delicate yet powerful novel of loves lost and new, of past griefs and of the hidden side of a multicultural metropolis, Aminatta Forna asks us to consider the values of the society we live in, our co-existence with one another and all living creatures—and the true nature of happiness.

Shared by Susan Colville-Hall

The next Book Review is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

Nichel Boys
by Colson Whitehead





The pandemic can't keep our UAWC members down. What better way to cope with winter and current limitations than gathering with friends and enjoying the great outdoors? Our Hiking Group will soon be scheduling terrific opportunities for the spring hiking season. Until then get out and enjoy what nature has to offer in our surrounding parks.

Feel free to capture and share your adventures by emailing photos to Peggy Walchalk (peggy1@uakron.edu). Here are some photos taken and shared by UAWC member Diana Kunze.



Diana Kunze and Susan Colville-Hall



Rita DiFrangia and her husband with Gerhard Kunze



Denise Beck and Diana Kunze



Bev Cinovec feeding chickens at Seiberling Nature Realm

DISCUSSION GROUP

The discussion group met on January 7, 2021. The planned topic was to be the Georgia elections and Trump's call to pressure the Secretary of State to change the votes on the presidential election. However, the group discussed the attack on the capitol building instead. There was also discussion on Stacy Abrams and the Georgia election, as well as the possibility of impeaching President Trump and removing him from office. It was a lively discussion with (12) members of the group attending.





THINGS TO DO

Bridge Group

On hold due to COVID

Discussion Group

- February 18, 2021

Evening Book Review

- February 17, 2021
- March 17, 2021

Gourmet Dinner

On hold due to COVID

Hiking Group

Returning in Spring

Performing Arts Group

On hold due to COVID

Tour Group

On hold due to COVID

Women's Club News and Notes

In light of the current COVID 19 situation, Special Activities will be scheduled as conditions permit. Please check with your Special Activity Chair to make sure your program is taking place on the scheduled date. At this time there are no plans to participate in the Shaw 2021 Festival.

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)

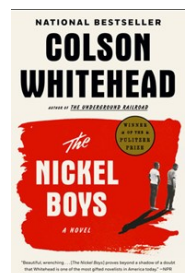
Evening Book Review

Co-Chairs: Susan Coville-Hall	Betty Miller
covillehall@uakron.edu	bmiller@uakron.edu
H: 330-686-1860	H: 330869-8193
C: 330-714-3765	C: 330-696-7921

The group regularly meets on the third Wednesday of each month from September through May at 7 p.m. Because of COVID 19, meetings are being held virtually.

If you have a suggested date for a summer book discussion; especially if you are willing to host, please let the co-chairs know.

Wednesday, January 17, 2021 "Nichel Boys" by Colson Whitehead
Reviewer Denise Beck



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

The Gourmet Dinner Group meets four times a year: September, October, April & May. Couples or singles are welcome. A different theme for each dinner is set by the hostess (for instance, Italian night using all Italian recipes). Hostess will research and send recipes to each participant to make a different dish to share. All costs are shared equally (bring receipts). Bring your own beverage as well.

Dinners are currently on hold due to COVID 19



MORE FUN THINGS TO DO

Bridge Group

Co-Chair: Leslie Bain - H: (330) 485-4252 / C: (330) 658-1965 lbain220@gmail.com

Co-Chair: Bev Brockett - C: (330) 618-6256 alnbev.bb@gmail.com

This group meets the fourth Thursday of each month. Before playing, participants enjoy lunch at noon in the Rockynol Dining Room with Bridge beginning at 1 p.m. Announcements 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: Bridge dates are currently on hold because of COVID 19

DISCUSSION GROUP

Co-Chairs: Denise Beck (330) 699-6941
beck490@gmail.com

Sylvia Johnson (330) 644-3090
Sylvia5@uakron.edu

The Discussion Group meets on the third Thursday of the month.

Schedule: Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.

If interested in joining, contact Denise Beck. The process is easy to connect and Denise will send the invitation to the Zoom location.



Hiking Group

Chair: Leslie Bain (330) 819-2846
lbain220@gmail.com

This group hikes at various locations throughout the area in late spring, summer and fall.

There are no hikes scheduled at this time.



THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON WOMEN'S CLUB

c/o: Peggy Walchalk
517 Hilbish Avenue
Akron, OH 44312



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



Membership form for 2020-21

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 _____ and Department (If appropriate) _____

Mailing Address (Street) _____ Email address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Cell Phone _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Membership Status Active \$20 New Member \$20 Associate* \$10

*Associates are those who have been active dues paying members and are now in retirement status. Associates or sponsored members who are regular participants in special activities **are encouraged** to become active members by paying full dues.

Sponsored Membership \$10

Name of Sponsoring Club Member

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 _____ Book Review _____ Discussion Group _____ Performing Arts Group
_____ Gourmet Dinner _____ Hiking _____ Tour Group