

WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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UBWC Board -2020-2021

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Co-Chair-Ellie Grieco

New Members -Beth Kaderabeck

Co-Chair-Eras Bechakas

Newsletter-Elaine Kellick

Co-Chair-Beth Hornung

Nominating -Julia Cohan

Co-Chair-Connie Rao

Telephone -Kathleen Cwiklinski

Co-Chair-Mary Anne Grady

Tribute Fund-Jane Meka

University and Community Service-

Patricia Butler-

Co-Chair-Andrea Borgioli

Member Recognition

Maryann "Po" Jumper

Co-Chair-Patricia Pokracki

Parliamentarian -Joyce Lenda

Ways & Means -Kim O'Donnell

Co-Chair-Pam Lojacom

Yearbook-Maryann "Po" Jumper

Co-Chair-Patricia Pokracki

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The U.B. Women's Club is a non-profit service organization to the University at Buffalo and its community. Its members participate in educational and charitable activities which directly sponsor the Grace Capen Academic Awards in the Spring semester. Membership in U.B. Women's Club is open to women who have a commitment to the University and the purpose of the Women's Club.

FROM THE PRESIDENT ~

As my Third term as President of UBWC comes to an end, I wish to thank all of you who have supported me throughout my tenure. I have enjoyed this opportunity to serve the club and hope our President-elect, Taunya Abaya and Vice President-elect, Elizabeth Kaderabeck, will find their new positions to be a pleasure to work in and an honor to be a part of U.B. Women's Club's 75 years of continued success.

We are happy to announce that 25 U.B. student scholars have earned the honor to receive the Grace Capen Award this Spring. Unfortunately, we cannot hold the traditional ceremony for them due to the pandemic, so they will receive their awards by mail.

Many of you have probably received at least one of your COVID vaccines by now but may still feel uneasy about socializing in person at large events; so our Annual Spring Luncheon for the installation of officers has been replaced with webinar plans again this year. The Nominating Committee invited members to join in a webinar "Meet the Slate" on March 15th which allowed you to get acquainted with the slate of Officers for 2021-2022 and then email your vote. They will provide you with further information regarding the Installation of Officers event they have planned to be held virtually in May.

Now that Spring has arrived, so has our Annual Spring Flower Sale. It's to get our gardens ready for summer. Chairs: Ethel Enserro @ 235-8617 and Betty Schaertel @ 807-0289 are selling \$10 vouchers again which you can use to select any regular priced plants or merchandise you choose at the Northtown Garden Center. Please keep in mind that all proceeds benefit the Grace Capen Awards and 25% of your total purchase is tax deductible. See announcement in this Newsletter.

Our Ways & Means Co-Chairs, Kim O'Donnell and Pam Lojaco, have arranged our newest fundraising venture with details announced in this Newsletter. It is a Reverse Raffle which is similar to a 50/50 Split Club Raffle with very exciting winnings that you can't pass up.

Members will be notified by email as soon as Activity Chair, Barbara Miner, learns it is safe to resume your favorite activities again, or you can contact the chairs of the particular activity with any questions. Any Member who wishes to start up a new activity (virtually) should contact Barbara Miner to discuss the activity further so she can include it on the Activity Chart.

Enjoy our brighter days ahead!

LINDA LEE SCIORTINO

General Meeting Minutes Available

The official minutes of our General Meetings (Holiday Luncheon, Election Luncheon, and Installation Luncheon) are available to all members upon request from the Recording Secretary, Sue Busch. email: sbusch526@roadrunner.com

ART N LUNCH:

Meets last Friday of every month

Announcements will be emailed

JUDIE CHAMPLIN 633-4008

BOOKS:**[ON HOLD]**

Meets 2nd Monday from 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Canterbury Woods Clubhouse

CAROLYN GIAMBRA 863-8945

BRIDGE (Adv/Inter):**[ON HOLD]**

1st and 3rd Mondays from 10:00 AM- 3:00 PM

@ Bob Evans, Niagara Falls Blvd, Amherst

DONNA GUBALA 440-8690

BRIDGE FLIGHT:

Bridge times are arranged by players

Playing online

NANCY DENEEN 835-2101

DOMINOES/MEXICAN TRAIN:**[ON HOLD]**

Meets 2nd Friday from 1:00- 4:00

at Congregation Shir Shalom

MARYANN "PO" JUMPER 435-3412

LINDA LEE SCIORTINO 832-9476

FRENCH CONVERSATION**[ON HOLD]**

Meets 1st MoNday at 2:00 PM at member's homes

Members are asked to speak in French only

MIMI SWADOS 839-2483

JEAN JAIN 633-5932

GOURMET TECHNIQUES**(COOKING DEMO/LUNCH)**

Meets 2nd Thursday of every month

Announcements will be e-mailed

JUDIE CHAMPLIN 633-4008

DEBRA BERGER 691-0279

LINDA EATON 854-3564

LADIES SMALL GROUP DINING OUT**[ON HOLD]**

Meets 1st Thursday at 6:00 PM at Local Restaurants

KATHY O'DONNELL 636-1878

MAJ-JONGG & MAJ-JONGG TOO COMBINED

Zoom Play every Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00pm

KIM O'DONNELL 939-2288

BETH KADERABECK 689-0883

MOVIES**[ON HOLD]**

Meets 4th Tuesday, times vary

E-mail will be sent each month

DONNA KOZINSKI 675-6197

NEEDLEWORK**[ON HOLD]**

Meets 3rd Thursday at 1:00 PM at member's home

Light refreshments will be served

LONA ALLENDORFER 688 -1734

SUSAN D'ANGELO 689-5752

**ACTIVITY GROUPS CALENDAR
AND DESCRIPTIONS**

CO-CHAIRS: Barbara Miner (810 9205)
and Patricia Smith(834 0231)

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Patricia Butler, and Andrea Borgioli, Co-Chairs

"A QUILT PROJECT" ~

UBWC Member (and Past-President of the BFWC) Marge Manos would like to urge UBWC members to take advantage of the opportunity to participate in a unique patriotic and potentially historic project sponsored by the College Club of Buffalo called "A Quilt Project" to memorialize those individuals who have had their lives cut short by the COVID 19 pandemic by using face masks to express our deep sorrow to all Erie County victims and their families. If you are interested in participating by collecting and sewing masks into a quilt, organizing, or promoting this project by possibly inspiring others to do so, your help is appreciated. For further details please contact Marge Manos at 649-8478.

ATTENTION MEMBERS!

From Barbara Miner and Patricia Smith,
Activities Co-Chairs

We are looking for a volunteer to co-chair with Po Jumper for the Dominos group. Please let us know if you are willing to help.

Second, if any member is looking to start a new group/activity for the ladies and is willing to be chairman of the group, email Barbara at shaynajewel@yahoo.com and we can discuss available days that would work.

Suggested idea: Women's-Issues-creating monthly sessions, panel discussion, guest speaker, on issues pertinent to Women. Be creative in designing a new activity.

UBWC Book Club Update

Beth Kaderabeck, Taunya Abaya, and Paula Salamone : Coordinating Temporary Zoom Meetings

The traditional UBWC book club led by Carolyn Giambra and Lois Kelly has been ON HOLD for the 2020/21 program year. It looks like our traditional monthly gatherings at Canterbury Woods Club House from September to May will continue to be **ON HOLD** for some or all of the 2021/22 year as well.

We did experiment with converting the book club to a Zoom format this past year with good success. Two discussion groups were organized with a maximum of 15 members per group to meet either the second Monday or Tuesday of each month from December 2020 to April 2021. The five women who led the discussions for each book presented their programs for both groups. Informal feedback from members was positive. Discussion was comfortable with 15 or less participants and some felt they had more opportunities to share thoughts than in the traditional group.

Moving forward to the 2021/22 program year for UBWC, our best option is to continue with the Zoom format. If you wish to join next year, please let us know by sending your response to salamonepaula@yahoo.com. Paula will be the coordinator of both groups next year. We will keep the group size to 15 per meeting, either the second Monday or Tuesday of the month from 1-2:30pm.

If you wish to propose a book to be considered for next year, please let Paula know the following information: book title, author, how many copies are in the library, a one paragraph summary of the book and which month is best for you to be a discussion leader. It would be nice if you are able to be the discussion leader for both meetings that particular month.

All books, both fiction and non-fiction, will be considered at a Zoom meeting on Monday, May 10 at 1pm. The eight books with the highest vote tally will be our selections for next year. You are invited to attend even if you do not submit a book. Just contact Paula so that you will be put on the zoom invitation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

Paula Salamone 716-479-1088 OR Beth Kaderabeck 716-364-8292

MAH JONGG GROUP

Kim O'Donnell and Beth Kaderabeck , Co-Chairs

The Mah Jongg groups have combined to form one group. For now, we are meeting on Zoom every Thursday at 12:30 for chat time. At 1 pm, we begin to play online together in small groups (while staying on Zoom so that we can talk) using a Mah Jongg game website (there is a small fee to play on the website). Experienced new players are welcome to join us. Please give Kim (9392288) or Beth (689-0883) a call for more information.

TRIBUTE FUND

Jane Meka -Chair

Donations are still being received for our Tribute Fund. This is a nice way of honoring someone for their birthday, or as an anniversary gift. Most often we have received donations in memory of past members. Please consider donating to the Fund.

Our most recent donation was made by Ann Rudin in memory of Carol Greiner .

Jane Meka at 836-6414 or mathmeka@aol.com.

WAYS AND MEANS

Kim O'Donnell (939-2288) and Pam Lojacono

We are continuing with our fundraiser through RADA Kitchen Store. Now would be a good time to try some of the soup mixes and maybe the bread knife (for the bread that you will eat with your soup)! Many of these products would make great Mother's Day or Wedding Shower gifts! Our club earns 40% of sales. The website is:

<https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=3805236.66e22a> Once on the RADA website, you simply click on the name "UB Women's Club", look through the items available and place your order. We hope you love your purchases as others have.

"Our big fundraiser for the year will be a Reverse Raffle that the club is holding this spring. Tickets are now on sale and the drawing will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 5 p.m. via Zoom. Please see the flyer and raffle rules included in this newsletter. If you have any further questions, please call Kim O'Donnell at 716-939-2288."

WE are honored to present the Executive Board and Standing Committees for 2021-2022

PRESIDENT	Taunya Abaya
VICE PRESIDENT	Beth Kaderabeck
TREASURER	Eileen Kuczmariski
ASST. TREASURER	Anne Bielinski
RECORDING SECRETARY	Susan Busch
ASST. RECORDING SECRETARY	TBA
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY	Karen Gerken
ASST. CORRESPONDING SECTY.	Sheila Marie Long
MEMBERS AT LARGE	Susan D'Angelo
	Jean Jain
	Vicki Pappas

STANDING COMMITTEES 2021 – 2022

Activities	Barbara Miner Ann Rudin
Federation	Marcia Sickau
Gifts and Awards	Betty Schaertel Deborah Loccke
Hospitality	Debra Berger Barbara Kaye
Member Recognition	Maryann "Po" Jumper Patricia Pokracki
Membership	Ethel Enserro Ellie Grieco
New Members	Dianne Burns Elaine Goldstein
Newsletter	Elaine Kellick Beth Hornung
Nominating	Julie Cohan Connie Rao
Parlamentarian	Susan Grelick
Publicity	Marion Schultz
Scrapbook	Penny Ferguson
Telephone	Kathleen Cwiklinski Mary Anne Grady
Tribute Fund	Jane Meka
University and Community Services	Patricia Butler Andrea Borgioli
Ways & Means	Kim O'Donnell Pamela Lojacono
Yearbook	Maryann "Po" Jumper Patricia Pokracki

MEMBERSHIP Ethel Enserro and Ellie Grieco, Co-Chairs

Thank you for your continuous support of UBWomen's Club. As most of us have gotten our Covid-19 vaccines, we hope that soon we will be able to enjoy each others' company again at one of our future UBWC functions. Our membership as of 03/31/21 is 397.

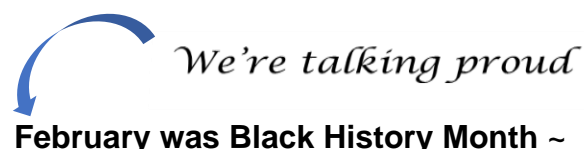
We would like to welcome back another renewal member, Catherine, and a new member, Chris, who joined us after the February 2021 newsletter. Please insert their information in your 2020-2021 UBWC yearbook.

Catherine Barthel

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Snyder NY 14226-4418
primary: 839-4371
catherine.barthel@mac.com

Christine (Chris) Fennie

212 East Prospect St.
Hamburg NY 14075-
primary/cell: 983-9100
cfen74@gmail.com



We're talking proud

February was Black History Month ~

UBWC received a copy of a published news article in honor of Black History Month from our long-time member, Marian Bass, who has been recognized for her many educational and work accomplishments as the first black woman trailblazer in local law enforcement. She has served as a Lieutenant and then Captain of the Buffalo Police Department, is a prolific writer as Commander of the Crime Preservation Bureau, is a motivational speaker for young people and has become a certified Paralegal after her retirement from the Police Department. Her full article was proudly distributed to our membership by e-mail on March 1, 2021.

Spring



Our 2021 Spring Flower Voucher Sale Is On!

We are selling vouchers for you to take to the nursery and pick out your plants.

Vouchers are good on any regular priced merchandise.

Nursery is:

**Northtown Garden Center
2121 Sheridan Drive, Tonawanda**

All proceeds benefit the Grace Capen Awards. 25% of total purchase of vouchers are tax deductible.

Vouchers are \$10 each

Deadline is June 30th.

The nursery is open!!!

Ethel Enserro will be distributing vouchers either hand deliver them or mail them to you. Betty also has vouchers, so if you are headed to the nursery and you need more you can pick them up from her - call first to make sure she is home.

Send this form or bring it with you if picking up vouchers, along with your
check made payable to UB Women's Club to:

Betty Schaertel
10 Crestwood Court
Tonawanda, NY 14150

If you have questions please contact Ethel Enserro at 235-8617 or Betty Schaertel at 807-0289

Name _____

Phone _____

of vouchers _____

Total \$ amount of order _____

University at Buffalo Women's Club Reverse Raffle Official Rules

Unlike a typical raffle, in a Reverse Raffle the purchaser of the last ticket drawn wins the Grand Prize.

1. Up to \$5,100 in Prizes will be awarded on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 for UB Women's Club to raise money for the Grace Capen Academic Awards for UB students.
2. The event will take place on the UB campus via Zoom with UB Women's Club Board members running the drawing. Ticket holders do NOT need to be present on Zoom to win. Winners will be notified via email or phone after the drawing.
3. Reverse Raffle tickets cost \$50.00 each. The cost of the raffle ticket is not deductible as a charitable donation.
4. You must be 18 years or older to purchase a ticket.
5. A maximum of 200 tickets will be sold, and tickets are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. No tickets will be held for later payment. If we sell fewer than 200 tickets, the number of prizes and prize amounts will be adjusted. The updated prize flyer will be emailed along with your ticket number on May 10, 2021. If you do not use email, please call Kim at 716-939-2288 for your ticket number. If you do not use email and you would like a copy of the purchased ticket list (available on May 10, 2021), call Kim to make arrangements to pick up a copy of the list.
6. A ticket is considered purchased when complete payment (\$50.00) has been received and recorded by the Reverse Raffle Chairperson. Payment must be made by check made payable to UB Women's Club. Once payment is recorded, the Reverse Raffle Chairperson will email a ticket number for each ticket purchased to the purchaser. If you do not use email, please call Kim at 716-939-2288 to get your ticket number.
7. Mailed payments must be received by the Reverse Raffle Chairperson by Thursday, May 6, 2021. If any tickets remain unsold on May 7, 2021, UB Women's Club members may purchase a ticket in person at the Reverse Raffle Chairperson's home between the hours of noon and 7:00 pm on May 7, May 8, or May 9, 2021. Please call first to be sure that tickets are still available. The Reverse Raffle Chairperson can be reached at 716-939-2288.
8. Ticket sales will end when all 200 tickets have been purchased or at 7:00 pm on Sunday, May 9, 2021, whichever occurs sooner. Once 200 tickets have been sold, an email will be sent to all Club members to let them know tickets are sold out.

University at Buffalo Women's Club Reverse Raffle

\$5,100 in Cash Prizes!

Only **200** Reverse Raffle Tickets will be sold!

Tickets sold on a first come/first sold basis – no holds. Get your ticket today!

\$50.00 Per Ticket

	Ticket Position	Cash Prize
	Early Bird**	\$100
1st	Ticket Drawn	\$300
25th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
50th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
75th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
100th	Ticket Drawn	\$300
111th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
125th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
150th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
175th	Ticket Drawn	\$100
197th	Ticket Drawn	\$200
198th	Ticket Drawn	\$500
199th	Ticket Drawn	\$500
200th	Ticket Drawn	\$2,500
	Total Cash Payout	<u>\$5,100</u>

Date: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 Time:

5:00 p.m.

How: Virtual via Zoom

Where: Comfort of your own home

Do: Bring a drink of choice and noisemaker to cheer the winners!

Each ticket purchased provides a:

❖ 1 in 200 chance at the \$2,500 Grand Prize ❖

Chance at other cash prizes totaling \$2,600

❖ Great way to support the Grace Capen Academic

Awards

Ticket holder does not need to be present on the Zoom event to win.

Details to access the virtual Zoom event will be emailed prior to the event date.

If you have questions, please contact:

Kim O'Donnell | kim3737@gmail.com | 716-939-2288 home | 304-290-0229 cell

Pam Lojacono | plojacon@buffalo.edu | 716-689-4726 home | 716-572-2596 cell

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Women's Club Reverse Raffle Ticket Request

****Purchase your ticket by Saturday, April 10, 2021 to be entered in the Early Bird Drawing to win \$100.00! Kim O'Donnell **must** receive your check by April 10, 2021 to be included in the Early Bird Drawing.**

Complete the information below and return with your check payable to UB Women's Club to: Kim O'Donnell

102 Covent Garden Lane
Williamsville, New York 14221

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number of Tickets Requested: _____ X \$50.00 = \$ _____

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Eileen Kuczmariski – Treasurer
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