

Women's Club Newsletter



April 2024

UBWC Board -2023-2024 Executive Board

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Yearbook-Pamela Lojacono

Co-Chair-Bunny Neenos

Co-chair-Andrea Borgioli

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 UB Women's Club is open to women who have a commitment to The University and the purpose of the Women's Club



President's Message

Well, you wouldn't know it by the weather, but Spring is here. Where did this year go to? We only have two more events, and they are very important. On April 13 we will vote on the new slate of officers for next year. It was a difficult choice for me to decide to not run for a second year for the presidency.

Eras Bechakas made my decision easier. Having worked with her on the board in the past I could think of no one better for the job. I fully endorse her. In fact, I endorse the entire board. The committee, under Julie Cohan, worked very diligently in lining up a new board. I'm looking forward to the luncheon and seeing many of you there. Samuel's Grand Manor is a delightful place to gather.

Beth Kaderabeck, President

Kudos for the Chinese Dinner.

Jean Jain who chaired the Chinese Banquet wishes to thank her cochair, Ann Rudin, as well as Barbara Miner for their help in making the evening a wonderful success. We praise the beautiful presentation and service at the Golden Duck Restaurant. Many thanks to the owners, Chris and Marlee Mu for their continued support of our annual dinner.

Be sure to check out the reservation forms for the Election Luncheon and the Spring Luncheon in this issue. Also, there are two important notices that are a must read.

This is the last newsletter until August/September issue.

UBWC ACTIVITY GROUPS

CO-CHAIRS: Ann Rudin (716-689-7804) and Vicki Pappas (812) 361-9500

BOOKS:

Meets 2nd Monday from 1:00 - 3:00 FRENCH CONVERSATION

Canterbury Woods Clubhouse Meets 1st Monday at 2:00 PM at member's homes CAROLYN GIAMBRA 716-863-8945 Members are asked to speak in French only JEAN JAIN 716-633-5932

(VIA Zoom) 2nd Tuesday

PAULA SALAMONE 716-479-1088

DOMINOES/MEXICAN TRAIN MAH JONGG

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

MARYANN "PO" JUMPER 716-435-3412 BETH KADERABECK 716-689-0883 CLAUDIA REEVES 716-633-6637

BRIDGE FLIGHT NEEDLEWORK

Bridge times are arranged by players

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

NANCY DENEEN 716-835-2101 Light refreshments will be served.

SÜSAN D'ANGELO 716-908-2370

SMALL GROUP DINING EVENTS & MOVIES
Days and places vary Dates and places vary

VICKI PAPPAS 812-361-9500 BARBARA MINER 716-810-9205

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK I	2:00 PM FRENCH CONVERSATION Member's Home (2:00 PM)		MAH JONGG 1:00-4:00 Temple Shir Shalom		
WEEK 2	BOOKS Canterbury Woods Clubhouse (1:00 PM)	BOOK Via Zoom 1:00 PM	MAH JONGG 1:00-4:00 Temple Shir Shalom	MOVIE GROUP	DOMINOES MEXICAN TRAIN (1:00-4:00 PM) Temple Shir Shalom
WEEK 3	BRIDGE Inter/Advanced (10:00 A.M)		MAH JONGG 1:00-4:00 Temple Shir Shalom	NEEDLEWORK Member's Homes Light Refreshments (1:00 PM)	
WEEK 4			MAH JONGG 1:00-4:00 Temple Shir Shalom		

Welcome all new members. Join an activity group.

Participate in one of the coming special events.

UBWC Activity Groups for 2023-24

BOOKS:

The Book Group meets monthly on 2nd Mondays, September–May, at the Canterbury Woods Club House from 1:00–2:30 pm. Books are selected for the coming year by the group in May. After refreshments, a member leads the book discussion. A Zoom option is available the following Tuesday from 1:15–2:30 pm. **Contact:** Carolyn Giambra (716-863-8945), Lois Kelly (716-649-8015), Paula Salamone (716-479-1088)

BRIDGE FLIGHT

Flight Bridge is an easy and flexible way to play bridge as a foursome. Just get a partner and sign up as a team. You'll receive a list of the teams and how many games to play during the year once the signups are complete. Bridge time and hosts are arranged by the players. New bridge players are welcome.

Contact: Nancy Deneen (716-835-2101)

DOMINOES (Mexican Train)

We currently play this version of Dominoes on 2nd Fridays at Congregation Shir Shalom from 1:00–4:00 pm. Players receive an invitation the weekend before and play for 25¢ a round; lowest score wins \$1.00!

Contact: Po Jumper (716-435-3412) or Claudia Reeves (716-998-1239)

FRENCH CONVERSATION

French Conversation occurs on 1st Mondays from 2:00–4:00 pm at Canterbury Woods in the Trafalgar Building's private dining room. We have refreshments, speak in French, read aloud, and translate a reading.

Contact: Jean Jain (716-633-5932)

MAH JONGG

Players meet every Wednesday from 1:00 – 4:00 pm at Congregation Shir Shalom on Sheridan Drive. This group welcomes experienced players, but if you'd like to learn, we can connect you with a teacher. It usually takes 4-6 lessons to be a confident player. You're welcome to visit if you'd like to learn.

Contact: Beth Kaderabeck (716-689-0883)

MOVIES

The Movies Group meets monthly on 2nd Thursday afternoons. Following the movie, we'll meet to discuss the film at a late lunch/early dinner or a coffee/pastry shop. We'll have an initial meeting in September to schedule members to take turns choosing the movies.

Contact: Barbara Miner (716-810-9205)

NEEDLEWORK

The Needlework Group meets monthly on 3rd Thursdays in members' homes. We focus on all kinds of needlework: knitting, crochet, needlepoint, and mending. If you want to learn or improve your technique, we can help you. Beginners are welcome!

Contact: Susan D'Angelo (716-908-2370)

SMALL GROUP DINING OUT

Members are assigned to one of the yearly groups of about 8 diners each. Each group sets their own monthly dinner dates and also decides which restaurants they'd like to experience. It's a chance to explore different local restaurants, enjoy great UBWC company, and make some new friends!

Contact: Vicki Pappas (812-361-9500)

SPECIAL EVENTS

This group offers 3-4 all-day excursions each year. All UBWC members receive invitations via email and the Newsletter. Examples of past events are trips to Letchworth Park/Glen Iris Inn and Hurd Orchard in Holly.

Contact: Barbara Miner (716-810-9205)

Want to know more about these groups or suggest new ones? Contact our Activity Coordinators: Vicki Pappas (812-361-9500) or Ann Rudin (716-689-7804)

2023-2024 Calendar of Event

April 13- Saturday----11:00am-2:30pm ELECTION MEETING LUNCHEON

Samuel's Grande Manor, 8750 Main St., Williamsville, 14221

Chairs: Carmella Hanley, Mary Lou Mancuso

May 18- Saturday----11:00am-2:30pm SPRING LUNCHEON & OFFICER INSTALLATION

Russell's Steak, Chops & More, 6675 Transit Rd. Williamsville, 14221

Chairs: Jane Meka, Betty Schaertel

Book Club

Coordinators: Carolyn Giambra,716-863-8945, Lois Kelly, 716-649-8015 Meetings are on the second Monday of the month at Canterbury Woods Chelsea Clubhouse, 671 Downing Lane, off Ayer Road, Williamsville.

Refreshments at 1 pm, discussion at 1:30 pm.

Zoom meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 1 pm.

Coordinator: Paula Salamone, 716-479-1088.

April 8, 9

Planning ahead: The <u>April 8</u> meeting is canceled because of a conflict with the solar eclipse. The book planned for that month, <u>Hurricane Lizards and Plastic Squid</u> by Thor Hanson, will be added to next year's calenda

May 13, 14 Planning Meeting Facilitators: Carolyn Giambra, Lois Kelly, Paula Salamone Hostesses: Beth Kaderabeck and friend



Please consider making a donation to our Grace Capen Fund. You can donate the funds in memory of a loved one or a special gift for someone who attended the University. The gift could be for someone who just needs to be remembered in a special and unique way. Thank you to those members who have donated in the past. Contact Jane Meka at (716)836-6414 or at mathmeka@aol.com to donate. Checks are made out to U. B. Women's Club.

Donations for the past few months are as follows. In memory of Marisa Mihich donations are from Richard Mihich, the Davi-Ellen and Bruce Chabner Family Foundation Inc., Geri Wagner and Romaine Rustum. Thank you for your generosity.

Spring Holiday Greetings!

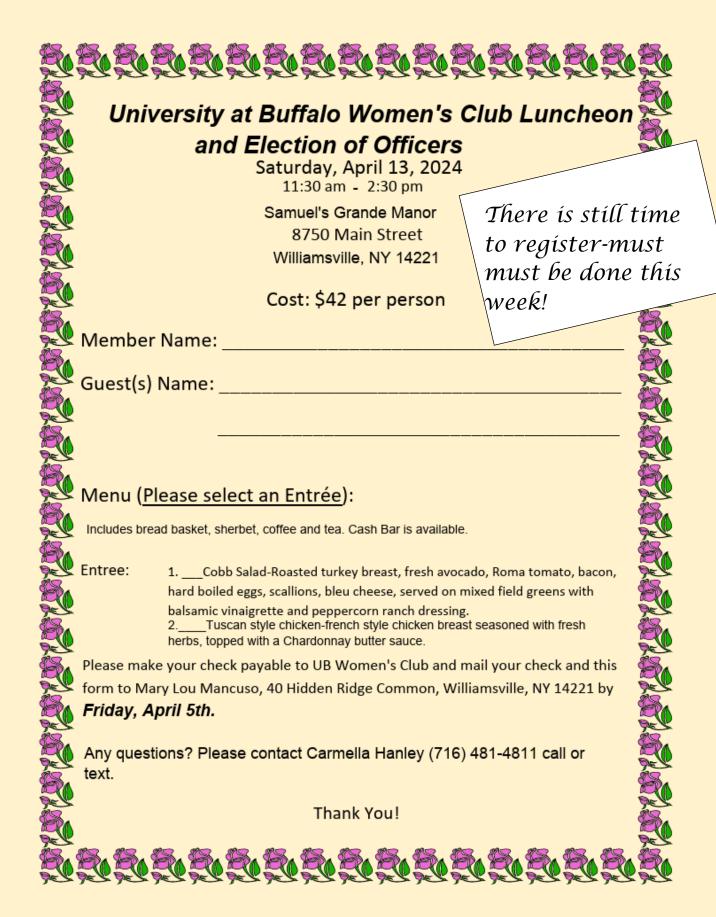
As the world awakens from its winter slumber, **spring** arrives with a flourish of colors and renewed energy. Whether you're celebrating **Easter**, **Passover**, or simply enjoying the blossoming flowers, may this season bring you joy, warmth, and delightful moments.



Please

Note

Wishing you a **blossoming spring** filled with laughter, love, and all things beautiful!





Spring Luncheon and Officer Installation Saturday, May 18, 2024

Arrive at 11:30 am – no assigned seating installation begins at 11:45 am and lunch at noon

Russell's Steaks Chops & More 6675 Transit Road Williamsville, NY 14221

\$55.00 per person – Reservations are limited Tickets for Split Club will be available at check-in

All lunches served with Caesar Salad and Belgian Chocolate Cake for dessert.

Entrée Choices:

5 oz. Petite Filet Mignon
Chicken Cordon Bleu
Poached Salmon with Champagne Dill Sauce
Vegetarian Option – Penne Ala Vodka
Coffee and tea available before and during lunch

Co-Chairs: Jane Meka - 836-6414 and Betty Schaertel – 807-0289 Please send reservation form and check made payable to <u>UB Women's Club</u> to:

Betty Schaertel 10 Crestwood Court Tonawanda, NY 14150

Reservation deadline is May 3, 2024 or earlier if limit is reached.

Make sure you get your reservation in early.

If non-member please place an X in the guest box.

Please list only those names you are paying for.			
		5 oz. Filet	Chicken Cordon Bleu
Name	Guest	Poached Salmon	Penne Ala Vodka
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Amount enclosed at \$55 per person			
e-mail address:			

Phone Number:

Special Events Schedule

From Barbara Miner

Event 1. Rochester Lilac Festival

Registration is now open for the Special Event trip to the Rochester Lilac Festival on May 15. We will be leaving Buffalo around 9:15 am to arrive at the festival. We will reconvene at 12:30 for lunch at 1;00. After lunch we will head back to Buffalo. If you plan on going please let me know so we can arrange carpooling. Cutoff date is May 8. Lunch at The Distillery. Soup, salad, pasta, fish, burgers.

Co-Chaired by "LuLu T. de la Plante."

Event 2. Butterfly Conservatory, Niagara Falls Ontario

June 13 Thursday 11:00 AM \$19.00 admission

Lunch TBD.

We are looking for a volunteer to be cochair of this event.

Event 3. Miss Buffalo Lunch Cruise

July 2024 11:00 AM

38.00 per person includes ham, bacon, eggs, potatoes, pasta salad and fruit salad, rolls and mini croissants. There will be a cash bar. **We NEED A MINIMUM OF 30 PEOPLE TO BOOK THIS CRUISE** as it is not part of their usual schedule. Date will be determined when we reach our minimum attendance. If you are interested in this event, please send your check to Barbara Miner 74 Dan Troy Williamsville NY 14221. Questions? 716 810 9205. This event is open to all members, friends, and family.

Co-chaired by Beth Kaderabeck

Event 4. Sunflowers of Sanborn

August 15 Thursday 11:00 AM (this date might change)

Lunch at The Silo in Lewiston 1:00 PM

For further information on these events contact Barbara at 716 810 9205

Buffalo Federation of Women's Club-Marcia Sickau-UBWC liaison

Watch your email for Macia's next collection project.

If you prefer to make a donation instead of shopping, she will accept a personal check made payable to BFWC and she can shop for needed items. Please mail your check to her at Marcia Sickau, 9530 Transit Rd., - Villa D, E. Amherst NY 14051. 716-472-6412.

Editor's Note

This is my last issue as editor of the UBWC newsletter.

Please consider taking on the role of this position. For many years I have enjoyed the opportunity to use my creativity when compiling the newsletter. If you have computer skills, or if you learned to use the new Canva app this is a very comfortable and satisfying position. Being a part of the Board of this organization you will work with an amazing group of women. I will be available to assist the new editor in all ways. I hope someone will consider this. Please contact Julia Cohan at mgtcohan@buffalo.edu

Elaine Kellick

Two Important Notices

FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We need to fill two very important board positions: Newsletter Chair and Historian Chair. If you want to get more involved in the club, and have strong computer skills using Microsoft Word (for the Newsletter) or Google Drive and Google Photos (for Historian), WE NEED YOU!

For Newsletter, templates are available and articles are submitted by board members and event chairs. Much of the work will be copy and paste into existing layouts. Outgoing Newsletter chair, Elaine Kellick, will be available to answer questions.

For Historian, be creative! We are in the early stages of this digital archive. We have a Google Photos repository and need to continue to add photos from events along with flyers, programs and menus. Julie Cohan will provide guidance.

Here are the Duties for these two positions. Contact Julie Cohan at mgtcohan@buffalo.edu or 716-430-6026 if you can help us for the 2024-2025 term. Term begins May 20, 2024.

Duties of the Newsletter Chairs

- 1. Meet with a co-chair to schedule preparation of four (4) newsletters for the year, two in the Fall and two in the Spring.
- 2. Announce deadlines for receiving news items in each issue and at the first board meeting.
- 3. Materials shall be received, edited and prepared for publication.
- 4. Templates of previous newsletters, created in Microsoft Word, are provided.
- 5. Distribute the newsletter via email and print copies for the members with no email.
- 6. Receive list of members with no email from Membership Chair and mail the printed copies to those members. There are fewer than 20.
- 7. Co-chair should be called on to proof read and help collect news items.
- 8. Co-chair may also assist in mailing the printed copies to those without emails.
- 9. At year end, submit an annual report, along with all board members, including recommendations.

Duties of the Historian Chairs

- 1. Organize historical records of the club.
- 2. Create a digital archive of flyers, programs, and photos from our events.
- 3. Collect other media to be organized in notebooks.
- 4. Work with co-chair to publicize events in free on-line community calendars.
- 5. Work with Publicity chair who advertises in the Buffalo News and local Bees.
- 6. Transfer notebooks older than three years to our collection in University Archives.
- 7. At year end, submit an annual report, along with all board members, including recommendations.

And...

WHAT TO DO IF YOU RECEIVE A PHISHING EMAIL OR ANY TYPE OF SCAM

Recently, members reported receiving an email from Beth Kaderabeck, asking them to purchase gift cards to help her out. She was identified as President of UB Women's Club, but the email was not from Beth. Even though her name was listed as the sender, by viewing the email address that actually sent the message, we could tell that it was not Beth's email. So, replies went to someone other than Beth.

How do you tell the difference between a legitimate email and an email that is designed to trick you into sending money or divulging personal information to a fraudulent sender?

Here are some links with important information to educate yourself. I urge everyone to check them out. I hope everyone will become experts at identifying scams!

PLEASE LOOK AT THIS LINK (It is valid): https://dart.socialsandbox.xyz

UB formed a consortium to create this educational tool specifically designed for seniors.

The Federal Trade Commission also provides educational information.

https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams

If you receive a fraudulent email, and more importantly, if you are a victim of electronic fraud, report the incident at this email address, reportphishing@apwg.org and this link,

https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/.

Contact me if you have additional questions. Julie Cohan mgtcohan@buffalo.edu

UBWC Eileen Kuczmarski, Treasurer 4955 Glenwood Dr. Williamsville, NY 14221-4129





WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

UB Women's Club Election Meeting Saturday, April 13, 2024, Samuel's Grande Manor

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS

President
Vice President
Treasurer
Treasurer Asst.
Recording Secretary
Asst. Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Asst. Corresponding Secretary

Members at Large

Eras Bechakas
Sue D'Angelo
Eileen Kuczmarski
Kate Donohue
Sue Busch
Sarah Walsh-Brown
Debbie Wallace
Sheila Marie Long

Barbara Miner Jean Jain Ginger Mitchell