



# The University Women's Club of The Ohio State University

125 Years of Service

Spring - 2020

## Past Presidents

Every spring we like to recognize the past presidents, those women who have taken time from their busy lives to lead the UWC with grit and compassion ensuring that the UWC remains a viable, relevant ongoing concern. The women listed below have led our Club during the amazing 21<sup>st</sup> century.

- 2018 Lynda Sirk
- 2017 Miriam Utter
- 2016 Sandra Cornett
- 2015 Tricia Herban
- 2014 Janet Mount-Campbell
- 2013 Constance Oulanoff
- 2012 Antoinette Beynen
- 2011 Patricia Herold
- 2010 Marba Wojcicki
- 2009 Sue Clark
- 2008 Anne LaPibus
- 2007 Ruth Anderson
- 2006 Elizabeth Shaudys
- 2005 Myrna Mumm
- 2004 Patricia Worthington
- 2003 Dorothy Driskell
- 2002 Virginia Gauthier
- 2001 Riek Oldenquist



Please look inside where we recognize our 50-year members!

## Lunch & Learn

### February 3, 2020

#### Elizabeth Keckley, Dressmaker to Mary Todd Lincoln

Revonne Hammond will bring to life Elizabeth Keckley, a former slave who became a successful seamstress, civil activist, and author in Washington, DC. She was best known as the personal modiste and confidante of Mary Todd Lincoln, the First Lady. Keckley moved to Washington in 1860 after buying her freedom and that of her son.

Hammond holds a bachelor's degree from Liberty State College in West Virginia, a Master's in education from Marygrove College in Detroit, and has been teaching in the Columbus School system since 1992. She began volunteering at the Ohio History Center around 2010 and is now a first-person interpreter where she has performed in the "Echoes in Time Theater" researching her characters while writing her own scripts. Her initial role was Mary Elizabeth Bowser, a spy in the confederate White House.

After her presentation Hammond will be happy to entertain questions from the attendees.



*-Margaret Armbruster  
Program Committee*

### March 2, 2020



President Michael V. Drake is the 15<sup>th</sup> president since Ohio State's founding in 1870. While he recently announced his retirement, Drake plans to continue to lead the University as a new presidential search commences.

His focus has been on strengthening Ohio State's position as a national flagship public research university in five strategic areas: teaching and learning; access, affordability and excellence; research and creative expression; academic health care; and operational excellence and resource stewardship.

During his tenure, the university has seen record highs in applications, graduation rates, academic excellence, diversity and donor support. Additionally, it has received national recognition for its commitment to teaching and learning as well as excellence in patient safety and clinical outcomes at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center.

Dr. Drake has been a leader in higher education for nearly four decades, serving as chancellor of the University of California, Irvine, for nine years prior to Ohio State. He is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine and the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He is chair of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities, past-chair of the Association of American Universities, vice-chair of the Big Ten Conference Council of Presidents/Chancellors and a member of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors.

We look forward to hearing his inside view on the university's accomplishments and future.

*-Carol Rachfal  
President*



## Carol's Column...

Greetings! Once again we are in a transition, from winter to spring. More daylight than darkness. Birds are flying north. Snowbirds are moving back north. Time to think about what to plant in the garden when it gets warmer. Students are counting their credits toward graduation. And UWC is finally in 2020...our 125th Year. We made it. Congratulations. And you are here to celebrate it with us. Thank you for your continued presence and dedicated service to this club.

-Carol Rachfal  
President

## 125th Celebration

Members were reminded at our December program to send UWC memories (whatever they may be) to Robin Rasor Thompson, Newsletter Editor until May 2020: rrtcareer@gmail.com.

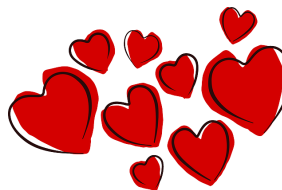
During the February luncheon, we hope you will enjoy viewing a 7-minute video narrated by historian, Sharyn Talbert, discussing Buckeye Bargains (BB) while you peruse BB Valentine-themed goods.

Watch for our celebratory panels from our 125-year milestone on display during our March 2 and May 4 programs. Ruth Anderson, 125th committee member, worked with member Jackie Merchant to produce our fifth panel reflecting our last 25 years: 1996-2020. Also, on view, before and after our Lunch and Learn program, will be a photo montage running on the big screen, reflecting a vast majority of our 125 years.

Another highlight of our March program will be President Drake's plan to present a proclamation celebrating our 125 years. In addition, we'll be sharing some facts about UWC member Marjorie Fawcett. As the wife of President Novice G. Fawcett, she was instrumental in the formation of Buckeye Bargains. And we'll be encouraging you to "Pay in May" for dues, as well as contributing to the Marjorie Fawcett Fund in commemoration of our 125 years. In March, be sure to check-out our display "Time and Change: 150 years of The Ohio State University" photo book.

On Saturday, March 21, UWC has been invited to be part of OSU's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration/Open House. UWC will be displaying the history of the UWC organization and Buckeye Bargains will have items for sale to the general public at the Faculty Club.

-Suzanne Kull  
President Elect



### February Lunch & Learn Details

Monday, February 3, 2020  
The Ohio State University Faculty Club  
Lunch: Pan Seared Cod/Lemon Chive  
Beurre Blanc, Brown Rice, Vegetables,  
Cherry Pie & Whipped Cream

Registration—10:30 AM

Lunch—11:30 AM

Program—12:30 PM

Registration Deadline

Monday, January 27, 2020

### March Lunch & Learn Details

Monday, March 2, 2020  
The Ohio State University Faculty Club  
Lunch: Pear & Gorgonzola Salad with  
Grilled Chicken Breast & Key Lime Pie

Registration—10:30 AM

Lunch—11:30 AM

Program—12:30 PM

Deadline for Registration

Monday, February 24, 2020



## Scholarship News

At our November luncheon we met three of our scholarship recipients. BUT WAIT. THERE'S MORE! This is the summary of our scholarship funding for the 2019-2020 academic year. Keep those donations coming and keep shopping at Buckeye Bargains. YOU are making a difference in young people's lives.

The UWC Scholarship Fund (605431)

Total Funded: \$32,882

Students Awarded: 14

Marjorie K. Fawcett Fund (602129)

Total Funded: \$3,568

Students Awarded: 2

Nina Weigel Music Scholarship Fund (607632)

Total Funded: \$1,800

Student Awarded: 1

# Welcome New Members

## New Members

### Zita Divis

Cell Phone: (614) 607-1599

Email: [divis.1@osu.edu](mailto:divis.1@osu.edu)

Interest Groups: Cinema, Gardening, Literature, Health and Wellness, Music

### Elizabeth Fitzgerald

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[Lizfitzgerald@msn.com](mailto:Lizfitzgerald@msn.com)

Interest groups: Active Adventurers, Wine Tasting

### Jane Warburton

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Interest Group: Music

## Member updates

Antoinette Beynen has a new email:

[antoinettekbr79@gmail.com](mailto:antoinettekbr79@gmail.com)

## Remembrances



### Elise "Lee" Mills, 1925 – 2018

Last year we overlooked the passing of our dedicated member Lee Mills. Lee left a long, generous and humanitarian legacy whether she was living abroad or in the states. She played a key role, beginning in the 1960s, by developing programs for the wives of international

OSU students. Lee and her husband Bob, along with several other couples, initiated an international dinner group, bringing foreign students into the homes of local families for formal dinner parties. In 1991, OSU recognized Lee and Bob for their foreign student outreach by presenting them with the International Community Service Award of the OSU Office of International Affairs. This is just a single example of her commitment to making OSU a warmer and more welcoming place. Her memory will be treasured by all who knew her.

## 2020-2021 Membership Renewal

It's that time of year again; time to renew your UWC membership. The Club continues to provide a high level of programming and fellowship while keeping the annual dues at \$35.00 per year.

You have several payment options:

### First Option

Pay by check or by credit card online. If paying by check, complete the form found in this newsletter indicating any changes to your contact information and return it, along with your payment, to Brenda Hosey, Membership Treasurer by June 15, 2020. (For inclusion in next year's Gray Book.)

### Second Option

Pay online by visiting the Club's web page at: <https://uwcohiostate.com/>. From the home page choose the "membership" option located on the top left of the page. There you will find the renew membership option and follow the prompts.

### Third Option

For your convenience, we will be accepting dues payments and forms at the April and May Luncheons.

The Club supports scholarship funds administered by the Office of Student Financial Aid at The Ohio State University. Please consider donating to one of our scholarship funds. In honor of our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, you can specify the Marjorie K. Fawcett fund, or simply donate to our general operating fund when you renew your dues.

**Remember:**  
*Donations to these funds are tax deductible!*

## 50 years and counting...

Every spring the UWC likes to highlight and applaud our 50-year members. Their support, engagement and lastingness as members have made the UWC a strong and enduring Club for 125 years. We would like to acknowledge—and congratulate—the following ladies...

- 1948—Beverly Kaplan
- 1954—Virginia Gauthier, Past President
- 1954—Elizabeth Shaudys, Past President
- 1955—Elizabeth Rockwell
- 1962—Rita O'Brien
- 1962—Riek Oldenquist, Past President
- 1963—Dorothy Loew Cameron
- 1963—Elaine Clark
- 1964—Sandra Byers
- 1964—Betty Glower, Past President
- 1964—Barbara Lach
- 1965—Edith W. Cole
- 1965—Joyce St. Pierre, Past President
- 1966—Ruth Anderson, Past President
- 1966—Barbara Bidwell Coombs
- 1966—Patricia Corbato
- 1966—Gerry Willke, Past President
- 1967—Sarah Hahn
- 1967—Jackie Merchant, Past President
- 1969—Ann Mirels
- 1969—Carol Roth, Past President
- 1970—Bernice "Bunny" Cooper

We would like to recognize these 50-year members:

Dorothy Himes, Jane Mikolajcik,  
Louise Ouimet and Marcile Woelfel



## UWC Membership Renewal Form 2020/2021

**SEND COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT TO:**

Brenda Hosey, Membership Treasurer 240 Collins Ave, Suite 3, Columbus, OH43215

**Make checks payable to the University Women's Club.**

**Renew by June 15, 2020 to be included in the Gray Book**

*Failure to pay dues by July 15 shall inactivate membership in the Club and Interest Groups*

**Please print**

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate below if there is an address, email, home phone, or cell phone number change:

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*Note: by providing your email you are giving the club permission to contact you electronically.*

**Dues and Donations**

Active Member Dues	\$35/per yr.	
Student Member Dues	\$17.50/per yr.	
Additional Donations (Optional)		
Marjorie K. Fawcett Scholarship Fund—In honor of our 125th Anniversary		
General Fund Donations		
Total Enclosed		



## Buckeye Bargains

Buckeye Bargains (BB) received a fantastic new jewelry item. It is a pre-owned Cartier 18k white gold Love Bracelet. The Love Bracelet was designed in 1969 and is still in production by Cartier. The bracelet is joined together by two small screws. We had the gold tested and the bracelet is clearly marked inside. The bracelet we have does not have its companion screwdriver, however, an eyeglass screwdriver will work just fine.

We would like to offer it to our UWC members before we try to sell it through another vendor. The pre-owned bracelet sells online for \$3995-\$5000. Buckeye Bargains will have the bracelet at the February luncheon for all to see. We will accept bids on the bracelet through the month of February. We had an outside vendor quote a price of \$1450 so we will start the bidding at \$1500 and will announce the name of the highest bidder at the March luncheon. Questions and bids can be submitted to Susan Schraff, Buckeye Bargains Jewelry Specialist ([mamaschraff@aol.com](mailto:mamaschraff@aol.com)).

Don't forget to bring your checkbook to the BB sale at the February UWC Luncheon. November's luncheon sale and art raffle brought in almost \$800. Many thanks to our generous members who continue to help us raise money for OSU scholarships.

*-Mary Gustafson  
Buckeye Bargains Chair*

## Luncheon Notes

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We are thrilled that so many members have used our revamped website for luncheon registration. However, please take care when making your reservations online and be sure to register for the correct luncheon.

Over the past year, on several occasions, members have unintentionally registered for the wrong luncheon. When this happens, confusion ensues, at the luncheon as it appears that the member did not register for the upcoming luncheon and consequently, they don't show up on our "paid list."

After some detective work, we've unscrambled the problem and figured out how it happens, but the trouble plays out at the luncheon registration table. Members arrive thinking they have paid, their name doesn't appear on the registration list and there is no way to resolve the discrepancy at that time. We are working on a better solution for our website to ensure the online registration process is streamlined so these errors don't happen in the future.

One final note: when registering online for a luncheon, make sure you complete all the steps—all the way to end—to the point where you print out a receipt (please feel free to bring receipt to luncheon). This will prove which luncheon you are paid. (Please feel free to bring receipt to the luncheon.)

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## Bylaws Update

The General Membership will vote to approve bylaw changes in February (or possibly March) during the Lunch and Learn. The following were approved by the Executive Committee on October 28, 2018 and presented for approval to the Governing Board in January 2020. The UWC Executive Committee requested that the Long Range Planning Committee (LRP) consider four bylaw changes. It was determined by LRP that two of the recommended changes were unnecessary because they are covered in the current bylaws.

Two other requested changes were processed as follows:

1. Requested change:

"Rewrite the definition of 'Member in Good Standing' to include payment of dues, payment of all other Club fees and assessments." Change to bylaw is below.

### ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

#### Section 5. Requirements for Good Standing

Any individual who has paid dues **and all other Club fees and assessments** for the current year, or is a courtesy member, is considered to be a Member in Good Standing.

2. Requested change:

"Implement a bylaw on how to enforce a remedy to any violation of the stated Conflict of Interest, Bylaws, and *Duty Sheets*."

### ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

**Section 6.** A member deemed to have violated the UWC Conflict of Interest statement, Bylaws, or *Duty Sheets* will, first, be referred to the Membership Chair for discussion of membership responsibilities. If the issue cannot be resolved by the Membership Chair, it will be referred to the Executive Committee for possible termination according to the procedure used for removal of an Elected Officer, as found in **ARTICLE VI ELECTED OFFICERS, Section V D.**

If you have any questions on these Bylaw amendments, please contact Long Range Planning Chair, Carole Williams, [carole.j3@gmail.com](mailto:carole.j3@gmail.com).

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**Executive Committee Meetings**

are held the last Monday of each month at the Old Worthington Library

As mentioned an article in this month's newsletter, please send me any photos or written favorite memories of your time with the University Women's Club.

I look forward to reading the stories of the wonderful time you had making memories with the UWC.

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<b>Active Adventurers</b> Adventure dates for 2020 include; February 8, March 12, April 8 & May 14	<b>Evening Drama</b> Activity dates for 2020: February 15, March 18, April 15 & May 20	<b>Lunch Bunch</b> Lunch dates for 2020: *January 27, February 24, March 23 & April 27
<b>Antiques</b> Activity dates for 2020: *January 21, February 18, March 17, April 21 & May 19	<b>Garden</b> Gardening dates for 2020: February 12, March 11, April 8 & May 13	<b>Music</b> Activity dates for 2020: March 16, April 20 & May 18
<b>Art</b> Event dates for 2020: February 11, March 13, April 10 & May 12	<b>Genealogy</b> Activity dates for 2020: February 6, March 5, April 2 & May 7	<b>Mystery Book Club</b> Book discussions for 2020: March 5 & May 7
<b>Bridge 101</b> Card playing dates for 2020 : February 13, March 12, April 9 & May 14	<b>Gourmet</b> Dining dates for 2020: February 10, March 9, April 13, May 11 & June 6	<b>Out for Dinner!</b> Dinner dates for 2020: February 13, March 12, April 9, May 14 & June 11
<b>Bridge, First Tuesday</b> Card playing dates for 2020: February 4, March 3, April 7, May 5 & June 2	<b>Health &amp; Wellness</b> Fitness dates for 2020: March 18 & April 15	<b>Scribblers</b> Scribbling sessions for 2020: *January 24, February 28, March 27, April 24 & May 22
<b>Bridge, Second Tuesday</b> Card playing dates for 2020: February 11, March 10, April 14 & May 12	<b>International Dining</b> Dining dates for 2020: , February 8, March 14, April 4 & May 9	<b>Toymakers</b> Toymaking sessions for 2020: February 5, March 4, April 2, May 6 & June 3
<b>Cinema</b> Movie dates for 2020: *January 23, February 27, March 26, April 23 & May 28	<b>Literature</b> Event dates for 2020: February 21, March 20, April 17 & May 15	<b>The Walkabouts</b> Walking sessions for 2020: March 24, April 21, May 26 & June 23
<b>Cosmopolitan</b> Activity dates for 2020: February 20, March 19, April 16 , & May 21	<b>Interest Group Calendar</b>	<b>Wine Tasting</b> Sipping & Tasting dates for 2020: *January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23 & May 28
<b>Day Trippers</b> Trip dates for 2020: February 14, March 13, April 10 & May 1		Please check with IG Chair or Gray Book for the latest information on activities. <i>*Due to delivery timing, only end of January activities are included.</i>