



PENN STATE NOTES

FALL 2021



Greetings Dear Members,

It's time for our Fall Kick-Off Reception to become a reality. Through perseverance and hard work by our Board members, we have secured a venue that meets all our criteria and arrived at a date that is workable for all. Monday, September 20, 2021, is the day when we will be gathering for the season opener in a lovely outdoor courtyard at the Penn Stater Hotel & Conference Center.

We will have Interest Group sign-ups online again this year for several reasons. First: it's a much simpler process having everything all in one place. Using the form makes it much easier for our hard-working Interest Group VP and Assistant VP to keep track of all the group lists.

The second reason: we could not find a venue large enough to house all the sign-up tables (34) and members and still fit within our budget. This kickoff event is paid for by our dues, which have not increased in quite a while. But the costs at the venues for hosting this event have increased dramatically, in fact almost doubled in just a few years. Other events through the year are "pay as you go" so the limitations are not quite so stringent.

There is a lot going on this fall and we are already planning ahead for a fun spring as well. We are in the process of setting up a guest speaker program sometime in the new year — details will be shared in the winter newsletter. We have our Spring Luncheon & Business Meeting planned at the Centre Hills Country Club on April 28, 2022.

Our trips will be an excursion to Seneca Falls on October 7th and a shopping trip to King of Prussia Mall on November 9th in the fall, and the New York Trip April 19-20 in the spring. Announcements regarding these trips are in the Newsletter. Details and the sign-up process will be carried out by email and U.S. Mail. Please note the deadlines; they are very important as we need to provide accurate attendee counts for several events.

It has been our tradition to have our Scholarship recipients join us at the kick-off reception. Meeting them on September 20 will be a treat for us and for them. You can read about our High School Book Award winner in this newsletter.

As you can see, we have an exciting year of programs and trips ahead. It will be wonderful to visit again in person. If you have not yet sent in your 2021-2022 dues, a form is inserted in this newsletter for your convenience. Please remember that all those attending programs, trips, and group gatherings must be fully vaccinated. Thank you for your cooperation.

Looking forward to seeing you all very soon,

Teddy Nicholas

UWC President, 2021-2022

Remember these dates and deadlines!

September 4

Deadline to pay dues & get IG sign-up link on 9/9.

September 9

IG sign-ups start

September 10

Deadline to register for Fall Kick-off reception.

September 20

Fall Kick-off Reception

September 22

Earliest Date to postmark NYC trip registration

September 23

Deadline to register for Seneca Falls trip.

September 28

New Member Event

October 1

Deadline to pay dues for inclusion in directory.

October 7

Seneca Falls Trip

November 9

King Of Prussia Trip

April 19-20, 2022

New York City Trip

April 28, 2022

Spring Luncheon



*The University Women's Club
cordially invites you to the
2021 Fall Kick-Off Reception.*

Monday, September 20

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Remarks at 7:00 PM

Outdoor Courtyard*

The Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center
215 Innovation Boulevard, State College

Light Refreshments will be served.

The favor of your reply is requested by September 10.

Please use the form emailed to you to reply. If you will be bringing a potential member as a guest, indicate her name on the form. For questions, please contact Ingrid Blood (i2b@psu.edu).

Please note: all attendees must be fully vaccinated.

*In case of inclement weather,
the reception will be held indoors.

UWC SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Kapri Urie is the 2021 recipient of the annual University Women's Club Award recognizing a State High senior who plans to attend Penn State University and who demonstrated strong academic achievement and participation in school and community activities. The award was announced at State High's Virtual Senior Awards Program on June 1, 2021. A \$500 account at the Penn State University Bookstore has been established in Kapri's name.

Kapri will enroll at Penn State for fall semester to pursue an Early Childhood and Elementary Education major. As a ninth grader at State High, Kapri joined Interact, a Rotary-sponsored community service organization. She served as the group's president for two years. A recent Interact project was selling Think Pink bracelets and donating the proceeds to benefit breast cancer research. From the end of her first year through her senior year, Kapri also served as a Little Lion Ambassador, giving tours to school visitors and volunteering at open houses.

Dance, however, has been Kapri's lifelong passion. She started dancing at age 2 ½ years, was a member of the Roots of Life Performing Arts Ensemble during high school, and currently trains about 15 hours a week with the MindBodyArt School of Dance. She is a member of their competitive dance team, comprised of nine 15 - 18 year olds, that competes throughout the East Coast. This summer, she is teaching at MindBodyArt's STEAM camp and their dance camp. As a Penn State student, Kapri hopes to continue dancing with a Penn State dance club.

Kapri is a member of a Penn State family: her older sister is a Penn State grad and her mom works at the University's Office of Donor Services. Her dad works in Lock Haven and her younger brother attends State High.

A portion of every University Women's Club member's dues supports the UWC Award to a high-achieving senior at State High. This is in contrast to the UWC Endowed Scholarship, given to current University students, which is supported by designated member donations. Members have donated \$136,227 to the UWC Endowed Scholarship since the scholarship was established in 2010. Please read the UWC winter newsletter to learn about our 2021-2022 UWC Endowed Scholarship recipients.

*Thank you to all our scholarship donors!
A full list of 2021 donors* will appear in the winter newsletter.*

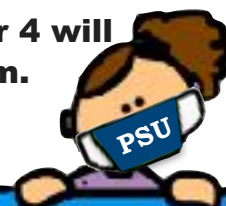
On September 9, all members who pay their 2021/22 dues by September 4 will get an email with a link to the online Interest Group sign-up form.

In order to sign up for any Interest Group, you must have paid your 2021-2022 UWC dues. Members who join or renew after September 4 will get the sign-up link when their dues payment is received.

The pandemic has changed many things in our daily lives, but the key aspects of the UWC Interest Groups remain the same. Interest Groups have traditionally been the heart of the University Women's Club. They are where members meet each other, make friends, and share interests.

Please follow current local health advisories regarding masking. At the time the newsletter is being published, there are no mask requirements in place for indoor or outdoor meetings.

To maintain safer conditions for all members, everyone who attends groups in person must be fully vaccinated; members who cannot or prefer not to be vaccinated, and members whose physicians recommend avoiding groups, are asked not to attend in-person meetings.



**2021-22
Interest
Groups**

AGED TO PERFECTION (WINE TASTING)

Aged To Perfection meets three times a year on Wednesday afternoon from 3:00-5:00 PM. This fun group meets at members' homes, with a fourth meeting at a local winery. We collect \$15 at each meeting to help cover the costs of the wine and appetizers. Everyone is expected to participate as either a host or presenter. In the past we explored wines of Italy and New York State.

Judy Barrile (jbarrile@gmail.com)

ALL ABOUT BOOKS

Members of this group have decided to continue meeting over Zoom at 1:30 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. We read both fiction and non-fiction but nothing sad. We choose books for 2-3 months at a time. Our discussions always begin with the book but generally expand into issues raised by the author.

*Jane Stanton (JStan2000@gmail.com)
Diane Twomley (di2mley@gmail.com)*

ANTIQUES STUDY

This group is for everyone who has, or would like to have, an appreciation for antiques and history. We meet at 1:30 PM on the fourth Wednesday of the month, except November which is the third Wednesday. E-mail reminders are sent to the members 10 days before each meeting with details and last minute information. In May, we will take a day trip to Eagles Mere, PA. The group fee is \$5.00.

*Connie DiNunzio (lioness230@gmail.com)
Lydia Fox (skippyfox66@gmail.com)
Linda Wilson (hjlaw11@aol.com)*

AROUND THE WORLD

Women from Around the World meet to discuss and learn about one another's cultures through art, food and discussions about customs and traditions. Meetings are typically held in member homes on the 3rd Friday of the month from 10 AM. till noon. So far women from Argentina, Bulgaria, Germany, India, Japan, Romania, Thailand and the United State form the group. We will meet in person in accordance with the guidelines laid out by UWC. We are a fun bunch with a huge welcome to new members.

*Mariana Degeratu (marianaxd@netscape.net)
Nilima Kumar (nilimakumar@yahoo.com)*

BICYCLING

We meet Tuesday mornings at 9:00 AM. spring, summer, and fall. Our rides are out-of-town on country roads and the ride distance is about 20 - 30 miles. There is no fee for the bicycling group.

Pat Schulte (pls5@psu.edu)

BOOK AND PLAY REVIEW

The Book and Play Review Group is one of the oldest interest groups in our club. We invite local authors, often PSU faculty, to lecture to our members on a wide variety of topics. We traditionally meet six times (on the 4th Monday of the month) at 1:30 PM at Schlow Library. Currently the Schlow meeting room is not available so we will not be meeting this fall in person. The dues are \$5 per person for the entire year.

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Uma Belegundu (umabelegundu@gmail.com)
Lida Ouwehand (lida@ouwehands.com)
Linda Witmer (lindawitmer@ymail.com)*

BRIDGE

The Bridge group consists of 12 women. We play 10 times a year, September to June, on the 1st Thursday of the month. We occasionally have openings but always need substitutes. With enough interest we will start a new group.

Tamara Downsborough (tamaradown@comcast.net)

COOKING WITH FRIENDS

Enjoy a luncheon with your Cooking with Friends members and take home some delicious new recipes! We meet in members' homes and the volunteer hostess specifies the number she can accommodate; not every member will be able to attend each luncheon. We maintain a waiting list if our group is filled and will contact you when there is an opening. Luncheons are held on the first Friday of each month, from September through June with February not included.

*Betz Hanley (eah3@psu.edu)
Pat Williams (pwilliams422@comcast.net)
Kay Kustanbauter (8kfk1@psu.edu)
Joan Grant (joangrant1949@yahoo.com)*

DAY OF DISCOVERY

The Day of Discovery interest group will take you to places you may have heard about but never ventured to. There will be three 1-day trips to include Flight 93 Memorial, Johnstown and the Flood Museum, and Horseshoe Curve. Dues are \$2.00.

Kay Kustanbauter (kfk1@psu.edu)

DINNERS FOR EIGHT

Join us for an evening of laughs and conversation once a month! We include husbands, but they are not required. If you sign up as a single, you can bring a friend (male or female) or not bring one. We gather in groups of eight for dinner, with each two bringing a part of the meal (vegetable, salad, or dessert) and the hosts preparing the main course. For holidays and special events, we go to restaurants & have picnics as a whole group.

Mary Ellen Beechan (crbee@comcast.net)

Teddy Nicholas (teddyandnick@comcast.net)

DOLLHOUSE DELIGHTS

Dollhouse Delights meets the third Tuesday of the month at 10:30 AM. at rotating members' houses. Owning a dollhouse is not a prerequisite. Members will be invited to view our dollhouse collections and share expertise and knowledge. We offer a range of skills from the basics of dollhouse design and restoration to building unique interiors. We have come to realize that there are so many people who love dollhouses and so few places for them to share this passion, learn more, or create stunning designed dollhouses to pass down through the generations. We are looking forward to sharing our love of this hobby and working with others who want to discover the joys that dollhouses can bring. Fee \$5.00.

Linda Berenson (linda8888@hotmail.com)

Adelina Hrislove (azbukiveri@gmail.com)

FUN WITH FOOD

Fun with food has the largest membership of all our interest groups, consistently numbering over 150. We welcome anyone who wants to join. Many of our locations have limited space but all members have an equal chance of securing a seat at any given lunch. Our \$5.00 fee covers printing and mailing costs.

Lurene Frantz (lurenef@aol.com)

Marilyn Gouran (mgouran@comcast.net)

Marge Hymer (wch@psu.edu)

GAMES NIGHT

We meet on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. to play games in a relaxed atmosphere. Check the email that is sent each month for the location, which may vary. Members are invited to bring games and we play whatever strikes our fancy. We are an eclectic group that enjoys sampling the gaming tastes of all members – come join us!

Kathy Rachael (kathyrachael@msn.com)

GARDENING

The Garden Club welcomes everyone from the novice gardener to the expert. We have eight meetings planned for the 2021-2022 season, generally meeting on the second Tuesday in September-December and March -June. Programs will include touring Patchwork Flowers, create your own arrangement, presentation on "Gardening Smarter, not Harder" and a bus trip to Bucks County. Fee \$10.

Pat Williams (pwilliams422@comcast.net)

Betz Hanley (eah3@psu.edu)

NEW! A GLOBAL DINING CRUISE

Come travel with a new UWC interest group called A Global Dining Cruise. The group would enjoy dinners hosted by members in one another's homes. The rotating host would decide the country/region to feature each month (or whatever time frame is decided on) and provide a main course entree. Everyone in the group would actively participate in some way by preparing and bringing part of the sumptuous repast. In advance of the actual meal, the host would research the country and share information with the group during the meal. Cultural recipes would be investigated and shared with group members. **New! Sign-up if interested!**

Ann Mitra (annmitra@earthlink.net)

GRAPES ARE US

Lovers of friendship, stimulating conversation, and wine, the members of this group take turns planning monthly meetings. Locations and formats of our wine adventures vary.

Jane Stanton (JStan2000@gmail.com)

Sukie Woodruff (sueb.sukie@gmail.com)

HIKING

If walking in the woods is one way you like to stay fit, join the Wednesday hikes. Since 1971, this group has been a perennial favorite for those who appreciate natural beauty, which abounds in Central Pennsylvania. For newcomers, walking and talking is a great way to meet people. Hikes are easy to difficult and range from three to seven miles. A printed schedule with a brief description of hikes and estimated times of return will be posted on the UWC website each fall and spring. No fee. Please contact Kathi Ferrigno if you no longer want to be on our list or rarely attend.

Kathi Ferrigno (kathiferrigno@comcast.net)

Jennifer Kolln (jennifer.kolln1@gmail.com)

REMINDER:

you must be an active member (dues paid) to be in an interest group. Members who have paid dues by September 4 will receive the IG sign up form in an email on September 9. Look for it!

KITCHEN FRIENDS

If you like to cook and enjoy sharing recipes and good food with friends, please join us. This group meets at lunchtime on the first Friday of the month, and we meet at a member's home. A few members volunteer to cook while the other attendees pay \$10 to cover the cost of the food. We ask that each member volunteer to cook or host one time during the year. This year we are waiving our \$5 registration fee.

Arlene Smeal (apsych@comcast.net)
Bobbie Hayes (hayesb10@aol.com)

LIT LOVERS

This group will explore the world of contemporary literature, based on the suggestions of the group. Members take turns facilitating lively discussion about the book selection for the month. We will meet at member's homes, or by Zoom. Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 4-6 pm. There is an initial group fee of \$5.00.

Judy Barrile (jbarrile@gmail.com)
Cindy Scanlon (casascan@yahoo.com)

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

The Knitting and Crocheting group typically meets on the third Tuesday of each month. We are a group that enjoys knitting, talking about projects we have finished (or are trying to finish), and sharing patterns found on the internet or in old pattern books. Though most meetings are unstructured, we do have the occasional program or field trip. We are thinking about a possible field trip in the fall and/or spring. If you are interested in knitting or crocheting or need a bit of help, do think about joining us!

Nanette Bohren (bohren@meteo.psu.edu)

LITERARY SUPPER CLUB

We are a monthly book discussion group meeting on the third Wednesday of the month in a member's home at 5:30 PM. The hostess provides light refreshments. Our reading list is eclectic and follows the whims of the group. We select books and hostesses in July for a ten-month cycle. In December and August we go somewhere for an activity such as dinner and a show. Fee \$5.

Pat Garthe (patgarthe@verizon.net)
Cindy Petrick (cindypetrick15@gmail.com)

LUNCHES FOR SIX

We invite you to enjoy an opportunity to learn more about club members along with good food and stimulating conversation. Laughter is guaranteed. Each member hosts once a year and invites five guests to come to her home or go to a restaurant. Two hostesses may plan the luncheon together. In order to meet everyone, we have had two pot luck gatherings each year—one is in October. Please join us the first Wednesday of each month, October through May (except January), noon or 12:30.

Lurene Frantz (lurenef@aol.com)

LADIES AFTERNOON WINE TASTING

The Ladies' Afternoon Wine Tasting group meets three times a year. We enjoy tasting new wines and pairing the wines with food that complements the wine. We meet in members' homes and take turns chairing the programs. This enables us to research wines and share our findings with the group. All members must participate in presenting a program when their turn comes up. We are a fun group and we love socializing with one another.

Rosemary Zoumas (rzoumas@aol.com)
Marilyn Mitinger (par4mitinger@comcast.net)

LION PRIDE

This group exists for members to share fun adventures at our wonderful University. Members take turns planning 5-8 annual Penn State related activities that may include behind-the-scenes and lab tours, visits to exhibits and performances, lunches/dinners, and meetings with professors. Some activities may be exclusive to our membership; others consist of getting a group together to attend some of the great offerings on campus. We will hold a group planning session as soon as the 2021-22 member list is finalized.

Laurel Zydney (laurelze@mail@gmail.com)
Jane Stanton (jstan2000@gmail.com)

NEW! MAHJONG

We are looking for mahjong fans or potential fans (it is not difficult to learn) to form a new Interest Group. Mahjong is a fun and popular ancient Chinese strategy game that is played today by people all over the world. Mahjong is also an excellent game to play if you're looking to improve your memory skills and relieve some stress! It can be played in-person or online so the group can adjust to whatever conditions COVID throws at us. **New! Sign-up if interested!**

Pat Weaver (pweaver111@comcast.net)

MEDITATION (YOGA)

Yoga Meditation is the art of focusing your mind and is also part of a well-rounded yoga experience. Being in the moment helps create that beneficial mind-body connection that yoga meditation is known for. Come and experience and learn this unique technique. You will learn to transform the mind from negative to positive, disturbed to peaceful, and from unhappy to happy. Meetings will initially be held on Zoom with in-person meetings to be held at some point at the Unitarian Church. Details will follow as dates for in-person meetings are known.

Lalita Patil (lgpatil@hotmail.com)

THANK YOU!

to our 52 Interest Group leaders!
 Your commitment is essential to our success as a club, and we wouldn't have a club without you!

UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CLUB INTEREST GROUPS

MOVIES

Join us if you enjoy movies and like to discuss them with others. We meet on the third Sunday of the month at the theater chosen, except during the summer. Members are invited to suggest films, preferably matinee showings, to the group coordinator, who will inform members by email as to the movie chosen, the location, and the time. This is an informal group, and you are invited to bring along friends. Sometimes we stop for coffee following the movie, and we have been known to go for a meal if there is interest.

Maureen Moses (mamamoses@gmail.com)

NEEDLECRAFT

This group is for anyone who enjoys creating with a needle and thread. All skill levels are welcome. Our group does not charge fees. Beginning in September, we plan to resume in-person meetings on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM.

Karen Truitt (truittka@comcast.net)

QUILTING

Quilt lovers come join this enthusiastic group and learn more about traditional and modern quilting. Pick up new techniques and perfect current skills. This group is open to beginners and experienced quilters. Demonstrations of projects as well as "hands on" opportunities will occur at each meeting. Come and be inspired. Lots of sharing and "Show and Tell." Field trips may be included should we qualify once things open up. We meet the 1st and 3rd Monday at 1:00 PM. Fee: \$10.00

Marty Snider (martysnider@bjsutt.us)

Michele Thomas (thomas.michele93@gmail.com)

SPEAKING OF ART

This is an interest group for people who love art. We talk about art, learn about art, and artists in the group share their work. Each year we have a "Challenge" project for those interested in participating. General meetings will be held at Foxdale from 1:00-3:00 PM. on the second Friday of the month, September to May. Due to current pandemic restrictions, alternate meeting sites are to be determined. In December we have a holiday lunch and gift exchange. We visit the Palmer Museum of Art and the Bellefonte Art Museum for docent and artist presentations. Our group usually takes one or two bus trips per year. There is a \$5 dues fee to cover the costs of refreshments and stipends for guest speakers.

Dotty Ford (dottysford@gmail.com)

Gloria Scaltz

WICKED GOOD READS

We meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month, September through May, at the Tanglewood Condominium Clubhouse, Circleville Road, from 1:00 - 2:30 PM. Lively and thought-provoking discussion is the hallmark of this book group. Each month a member presents a book for examination and edification. The books may be prize winners, classics, or the latest wildly controversial read, but none are immune from the incisive scrutiny of our members. There is a one-time \$5 joining fee.

Kathy Friedman (friedman.kathryn8@gmail.com)

Lida Ouwehand (lida@ouwehands.com)

WINE DIVAS

Wine Divas meets three times a year for a tasting of three wines paired with delicious appetizers. Tastings are usually in October, January, and April with the exact dates based on host and presenter schedules. Each tasting is hosted by one member in their home and the wine and the appetizers provided by three presenters. Each member usually presents or hosts every other year. We collect between \$12-\$15 at each meeting to help cover the costs of the wine and appetizers.

Lianne Groshel (lgroshel@gmail.com)

Carol Falke (falke248@gmail.com)

In Our Thoughts

Karen Dzenkowski

Bobbie Hayes

Jennifer Kolln

Trudy Lipowsky

Mary McLaughlin

Bev Mullen

Lalita Patil

Carol Stokes

Diane Twomley

Barbara Van Horn

Mary York

If you know of a UWC member who has reached a milestone, received an award, suffered a loss, is ill or recovering from surgery, or otherwise should be remembered, please contact Betz Hanley at 814-238-8124 or by e-mail at eah3@psu.edu. Betz will send a note on behalf of the UWC expressing friendship and well-wishes.

On the Road Again

October 7: Destination Seneca Falls!

November 9 or 17
Shopping trip to KING OF PRUSSIA

PLEASE JOIN US TO EXPLORE THE HISTORY OF THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT IN SENECA FALLS.

Last year was the 100th anniversary of the women's right to vote. This quaint village was the birthplace of the women's rights movement and women's suffrage.

We will tour the National Women's Hall of Fame "Showcasing great women...inspiring us all!" Learn about women from the distant past up to the present day who have shaped history and our lives. The Women's Rights National Historic Park which housed the first Women's Rights Convention includes several buildings and homes of significance in the fight for civil rights that changed the country. We will tour several of these homes, watch a film on the movement, and visit the visitors' center, filled with history and artifacts. Seneca Falls is also the home of the bridge that inspired the story of George Bailey in *It's a Wonderful Life*. Walk across the bridge and learn of the young man who risked his life to save another.

Our bus will leave the Weis parking lot (North Atherton) at 7:00 AM. We anticipate returning to State College @ 8:00 PM the same evening. Because of COVID-19, some of the details for this excursion cannot be finalized at the time of this newsletter printing. Anticipated

cost for this trip will be \$85 per person. As with all UWC events this year, members must be fully vaccinated.

Watch for an application and detailed information for this amazing journey through women's history to arrive in your email box in mid-August.



SHOPPING TRIP TO KING OF PRUSSIA

We will have a bus traveling to King of Prussia Mall on November 9th (snow date November 17th). Many of our members have expressed a desire to bring back this popular event. What a wonderful way to get a jump on all of your holiday shopping while enjoying the camaraderie of other lovely women. King of Prussia is one of the largest malls in America and is sure to meet all of your shopping needs. Our bus will leave the Weis parking lot at 7:00 AM. We anticipate returning there around 7-8:00 PM the same evening. The expected cost for this trip is \$65 per person. Watch for an email mid-September with registration form.



For questions about either trip, please email Julie Breuninger. julieknits4@gmail.com

Yes, I would like to register for the New York City trip scheduled for April 19-20, 2022.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS (Street, City, ZIP): _____

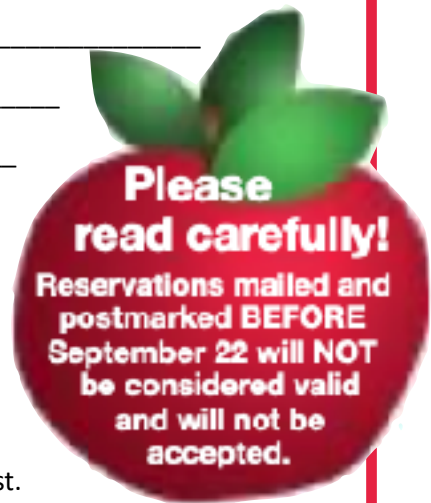
PHONE (include area code): _____ E-mail: _____

Check all that apply:

- I paid my University Women's Club dues prior to September 22.
- My check for \$400, payable to FULLINGTON TRAILWAYS, is signed and included.
- I have a roommate. Her name is: _____
- My roommate's registration and check are included in this envelope.
- I want to be in a double room but do not have a roommate. Please select a roommate for me. (Please note that singles are not available this year.)
- I am interested but cannot commit at this time. Please include me on the waiting list.

Place FORM and CHECK in envelope. Stamp and mail to: University Women's Club, ATTN: 2022 New York Trip
P.O. Box 341 State College, PA 16804

Envelopes must be postmarked September 22 or later!



University Women's Club
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State College PA 16804

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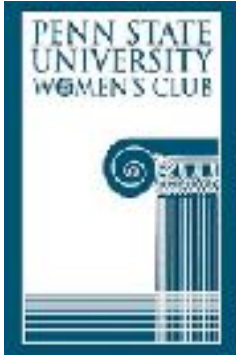


Dues are due!

Please pay your dues by September 4 using the enclosed form. You will get a link to sign up for Interest Groups on September 9 and your contact information will be included in the UWC Directory.



The next UWC Newsletter will be ready in mid-December. If you will be leaving the area in the winter and prefer to have your newsletter mailed, please be sure UWC Treasurer Sue Stephenson has your correct winter address by December 1. This will ensure you get your newsletter on time and avoid the Club getting charged automatically for forwarding your newsletter. You can reach Sue at sts39@comcast.net or send address change to PO Box 341, State College PA 16804.



2021-22 Membership and Dues Form

Name _____

ENCLOSED is a \$30 check for my dues, payable to University Women's Club.

DIRECTORY: Your contact information will be included if your dues are paid by October 1.

Opt out of directory.

NEWSLETTER: Your membership includes 3 newsletters per year. Please check one:

I'm going green! Please deliver my newsletter to my email address.

Please mail my newsletters to my home.

We share the University's commitment to inclusion and diversity and welcome as a member any woman with our common concern for the interests of The Pennsylvania State University, the community, and each other. Check one:

I am a NEW MEMBER.

I am a CONTINUING member.

Please print.

Email _____ Preferred phone number _____

Mailing address _____

Spouse's name _____

SIGNATURE REQUIRED:

I understand that by participating in University Women's Club events, meetings, and activities, I assume full responsibility for injury or illness (such as the case of COVID-19 exposure) and waive any action which might be undertaken against the University Women's Club.

Signature *Date*

**Complete form and mail with a check for the \$30 dues payable to University Women's Club to:
UWC Treasurer, P.O. Box 341, State College, PA 16804**

Please consider making a contribution to the UWC Endowed Scholarship using the form below.

For your convenience, you may include both forms and 2 separate checks in one envelope.
Dues checks must be **made out to UWC**; checks for donations must be **made out to Penn State**.

Donation to the UWC Endowed Scholarship Fund

Name: _____

Email/Phone number: _____

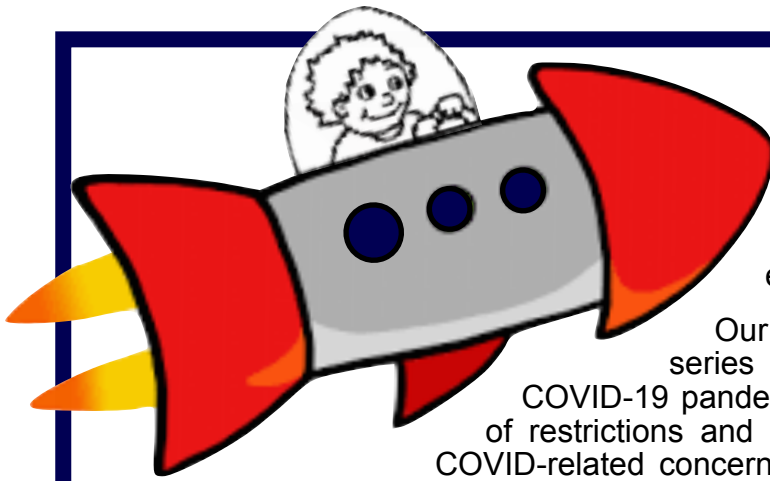
Check one:

\$ _____ donation check enclosed, payable to **Penn State**.

I made a \$ _____ donation online with my credit card at www.GiveTo.psu.edu/universitywomensclubscholarship

Optional: This donation is in honor of / in memory of _____
Circle one.

Please mail this form to: **UWC Treasurer, P.O. Box 341, State College PA 16804**
Donations to the Scholarship Fund are tax-deductible. Thank you for your generosity.



Penn State University Women's Club Looks to the Future

The University Women's Club has established a Futures Committee to help ensure the success of our group going forward.

Our club, like many women's clubs, is facing a series of complex challenges. Some of them are COVID-19 pandemic related and may expire with the loosening of restrictions and the vaccine induced lessening of fear. Some COVID-related concerns may continue going forward. Many more of the challenges are related to societal changes that impact the interests and needs of women, particularly women in their late career and post-career years.

The Penn State UWC has an impressive history of adapting to societal changes. Our membership remains strong and new members have continued to join. However, we have seen changes in the number of members interested in attending different types of events and serving in leadership positions. To ensure that we have a rich and successful future, we will need to plan carefully and think strategically. We need to do this now rather than wait until a serious problem develops.

In addition, our Penn State UWC is scheduled to host the annual Big Ten Women's Club Conference in 2027. Every Big Ten University has a Women's Club, and club members attend from all around the Big Ten. Obviously, hosting an event like this requires considerable advance planning in the areas of leadership, programming, and finances*.

With these challenges in mind, the current plan of the committee is to concentrate on three areas.

- Membership recruitment and retention
- Leadership development / mentoring
- Big Ten Conference planning and implementation

Other points needing attention may develop as we proceed with our work.

Building on our strong history, our club needs to look back in order to look forward. To guide that effort, Past Presidents Iris Flynn, Lurene Frantz, Marilyn Gouran, and Jane Stanton have all agreed to serve on the committee. They have been joined by Julie Breuning and JoLaine Teyssier, our current Program Vice President and Assistant Program Vice President.

Now we need to add other members who will contribute the time, experience, and out-of-the-box thought needed to develop strategic plans in the focus areas. In particular, we need some younger, newer members who can share their perspectives and plan to be active UWC members through 2027-28 when we host the Big Ten conference.

Please consider joining the Futures Committee!

Contact Jane Stanton (JStan2000@gmail.com) or another committee member to volunteer or with any questions.

*The Club has been putting aside a portion of annual dues for this purpose every year.

Trip to New York City - April 19/20, 2022

The annual overnight excursion to New York City is back! We will be heading to the Big Apple Tuesday, April 19 – Wednesday, April 20, 2022. We are planning to stay at the elegant Park Lane Hotel on Central Park South, which has just undergone a major renovation. We are requesting tickets for *Moulin Rouge* for Tuesday evening, and, for the optional Wednesday matinee, *Hamilton*. Other activities we are exploring include a guided costumes tour at the Metropolitan Museum of Art on Tuesday followed by dinner at Bobby Van's Steakhouse. On Wednesday morning, an optional tram ride to Roosevelt Island for a self-guided tour prior to the matinee is planned. The fun continues with appetizers on the trip home followed by preselected deli supper options from Sarge's. A movie on the bus tops off our adventure.

There is no denying this is going to be an expensive pampered excursion since we are opting for popular musicals, dining well, and sleeping in lovely surroundings. We also expect rising fuel prices and other expenses incurred by our bus company, Fullington, to increase costs. Please know we are always mindful of budgets and hope the three-payment plan will soften the blow. We are charging \$400 initially because the hotel requires a 50% down payment. In addition, we may need to pay for a show before our usual January or February second installment.

To reserve your space for this exciting trip, please use the registration procedure and form described below. Details, including the registration process and form, will also be available on our website (sites.psu.edu/psuuwc) and at the Kick-off Reception on September 20. Registrations will be accepted in postmarked order and should be mailed no earlier than Wednesday, September 22.

We are SO, SO looking forward to getting back into New York City. We hope you will join us! For further information, contact Lurene Frantz (lurenef@aol.com) or Janice Keay (jms32@psu.edu). Other committee members are Ann Gray, Cindy Hall, Betz Hanley, Diane Krentzman, Connie McLaughlin, and Sally Tucker.

The New York Trip Committee has been aware that the Fall Reception Kick-off registration process used in past years presented difficulties in trying to offer equal access to the trip for all club members. To that end, we are going to use a new registration process, fashioned after the procedure the Fun with Food Interest Group uses when a restaurant can accommodate only a limited number of women.

To register for the New York Trip, follow the instructions below. The reservation form is on the last page of the newsletter.

1. Fill out the registration form on the last page.
2. **Make your down payment check for \$400. Only checks that are properly made out to FULLINGTON TRAILWAYS and signed will be accepted as valid for registration.**
3. Be sure to sign your check. There will be 2 other payment installments as we learn the expenses for the trip.
4. Put your check and registration form in an envelope. (Do NOT include your Women's Club dues check in the same envelope.)
5. If you have chosen a roommate, put her check and registration form in the same envelope, please.
6. Address the envelope to: University Women's Club. ATTN: 2022 New York Trip
P.O. Box 341
State College, PA 16804. *Remember to put a stamp on the envelope!*
7. Mail the envelope containing the registration form and check on Wednesday, September 22 or later.

Registrations will be accepted in the order they are received, by postmarked date on the envelope.

Envelopes must be postmarked September 22 or later!

Visit the Penn State University Women's Club website at sites.psu.edu/psuuwc for the most recent Club news and updates. You can also "Like" our Facebook page to show support and to receive updates about the page in your News Feed!

The Audit Committee reviewed UWC financial records, found the 2020-2021 records to be accurate, and the audit was satisfactorily completed. Thank you to Audit Committee members Sue Stephenson, Joan Grant, Charlene Harrison, Bev Mullen, and Bobbie Hayes.