Happy 2016!

We hope each of you has had a fantastic holiday season and recuperated from this busy time of year! It is hard to believe that we are more than halfway through January, and winter has finally arrived in Omaha.

Now that the holidays are behind us, we look forward to UNOWC activities to brighten the long cold days of winter! Engaging with friends in fun activities certainly makes life more enjoyable and fills us with warm feelings!

Thus, we encourage you to think about joining one of our special interest groups, listed on the next page.

Two new interest groups are starting up this year: Knitting/Crafts Club and Writers and Readers Group. Please consider joining one of these clubs if they might interest you. All you need to do is call the woman on the UNOWC Interest Groups listing on page 2 and join. If you have other special interests that are not represented here, you can also start your own group! Just call either one of us so we can help you get started. The greatest way to get to know and make friends with the special women who are UNOWC members is to join one of our small groups!

Thanks to the Program Committee, we have a fun General Meeting coming up on Saturday, February 20, at 10:00 a.m. Dr. Chris Allen will provide us with a tour of UNO Television’s studios in the CPACS building, and after the tour, we will stuff and assemble gift baskets for the annual Chancellor’s Commission on the Status of Women (CCSW) raffle fundraiser to benefit the UNO Employee Loan Fund.

Monica Bayles has the 2015 – 16 UNOWC Membership Directory ready and will distribute them during the General Meeting on February 20th. Thank you, Monica, for the time and effort you put into this task! Then, off to a local restaurant for lunch and socializing!

Our Board Members and Chairpersons will be organizing the baskets for this fund raiser. Please consider donating or purchasing a few items for one or more of the themed gift baskets; if we all chip in a little bit, we’ll have the baskets filled and assembled in no time! It was a lot of fun making the baskets last year, and we hope you can join us this year!

On the flyer included in this newsletter, we have included the name of the organizer of each themed basket, a telephone number to reach them, and the theme of their basket. Simply call and let the person know what item(s) you will bring to the meeting or are able to contribute to this worthy fundraiser! You can also donate medium/large wicker baskets to be used for this event. Donations may also be given to the basket organizers ahead of time if you are unable to join us on February 20th. The gift of your time and donations is greatly appreciated and will contribute to the success of this project! Laraine would like to thank Angelika for the efficient and well-organized plan for putting raffle baskets together!

Given how fast time flies, we also want to bring to your attention that new officers will be needed for next year. Finding members to fill the various positions is sometimes a daunting task. You can help by giving thought to being a leader of the UNOWC next year. Each one of you has special gifts, so please seriously consider sharing these talents with UNOWC as an officer.

Many thanks to Elaine Allen for another outstanding publication of this newsletter. Her hard work and efforts are appreciated by all!

Our next meeting will soon be here. It will be wonderful to see all of you on February 20.

Stay warm and enjoy life!

Laraine Conway (402-216-4105)
Angelika Walker (402-813-7957)

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Spread the News: Half-Price Membership for All New Members

For this year only, the UNOWC is offering half-price membership to all new members! If you know someone who is a UNO employee, the spouse/partner of an employee, or a UNO alumna, please invite them to join our group. Ask them to contact either Gina Pearson, gpearson@nufoundation.org, or Mary Bernier, inspiredgivingpro@gmail.com to receive a membership application.

Need Items for UNOWC’s Archives

UNOWC Historian Ann Newton would appreciate receiving any papers that members or past members have from the former UNO Faculty Women’s Club. You can reach her at 402-556-5881 or email: Ann-Newton@cox.net. Past meeting minutes from past secretaries would be especially welcome. All historical material will eventually go to the UNO Archives. Thanks for helping.

UNOWC Interest Groups

Each group meets several times a year. If you are interested in participating in any of these groups, contact the group’s leader.

New Special Interest Group: UNOWC Writers and Readers

A new special interest group is forming in our club: The UNOWC Writers and Readers Group. It’s for those of us who are writers and/or readers of fiction or nonfiction. It’s not a book club but, instead, is a discussion group centering on the craft of writing. We’ll visit with guest authors and teachers, and even take some field trips to listen to famous authors.

If this a group that you would like to attend, please contact Mary Bernier to discuss. Our first meeting will be on Saturday, February 6 at 10 a.m. at Mary’s house, 2809 Westgate Road. This meeting will be a discussion to plan the group and decide on this spring’s activities. A light breakfast will be served. RSVP to Mary by email: inspiredgivingpro@gmail.com

General Book Group

Meets the 3rd Monday of each month at members’ homes.

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Third General Meeting

Join us for a tour of UNO Television’s renovated facilities with General Manager and Professor Chris Allen

Saturday, February 20, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Guests are welcome.

Meet in the lobby of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service (CPACS) building on the Dodge St. campus.

See the next page for the Basket Auction Stuffing Event details, following the tour. Lunch at a local restaurant will follow.

Parking is available in any surface parking lot on Saturdays.

RSVP at this evite link: http://evite.me/tPjVkJhq73

Or contact Amy Schindler
acschindler@unomaha.edu, 402-554-6046
UNO Women’s Club
Annual Basket Stuffing Event

Saturday, February 20, 2016
To follow our tour of UNO Television

Gift baskets support the UNO Employee Loan Fund Raffle Fundraiser and will be raffled at the Chancellor’s Commission on the Status of Women Annual Luncheon.

On Saturday, February 20th, bring donations for one or more of our themed gift baskets. We will stuff and assemble baskets after touring UNO Television! If you’d like to donate to a basket, please contact the basket sponsor below.

- Chocolate Lover’s Basket—Laraine Conway, 402-558-4105
- Coffee Lover’s Basket—Monica Bayles, 402-917-5162
- Tea Lover’s Basket—Angelika Walker, 402-813-7957
- Date Night Basket—Julie Messerole, 402-960-9433
- Italian Night Basket—Mary Bernier, 402-667-5985
- Beauty/Spa Basket—Mary Lynn Reiser, 402-558-1360
- Book Lover’s Basket—Anne Carroll, 402-553-3251
- Fitness/Sports Basket—Jennifer Katz (402-810-0026), Gina Pearson
- Pets Basket—Amy Schindler (402-554-6046), Elaine Allen (402-305-6939)
UNOWC Members Tour Baxter Arena

On Thursday, November 5, nineteen UNOWC members met to tour the recently-opened Baxter Arena.

Met by Baxter event coordinator, Katie Dinning, the group learned interesting facts about the traditions of UNO hockey, the ideas behind the design, ice maintenance, how the facility will be used by the community and more. We toured the main arena, the club house, the suites, and ended high in the sky in the press box.

We also got a view of the public ice rink that is visible from West Center Street.

Following the tour we circled up near the Blue Line Club for our second General meeting of the year, where Ann Newton was honored as UNO Women’s Club 2014 – 2015 Member of the Year.

In Memorial

Former UNO Faculty Women’s Club member Jeanette Bauer died in Iowa City on October 15, 2015. Her full obituary is in the Omaha World-Herald’s online obituaries at this link: http://www.omaha.com/obits/bauer-jeanette-i/article_d2012124-5d8a-5781-b036-ceedfe44ce54.html
Membership Form 2015-2016

Member’s First and Last Name: _____________________________________________________________

UNO Dept. /Position if applicable: __________________________________________________________

Home Phone: ___________________________________ Cell Phone: ____________________________

Home Address: ___________________________________________ City: _______________ State _____ Zip

If applicable, Spouse/Partner’s Name________________________ Spouse’s UNO Dept. /Position: ________

Preferred email address: ______________________________________ Yours ____   Spouse’s ___

UNO Campus Mail Address, if applicable: ____________________________________________________

*We require a home or UNO mailing address in addition to an email address* Newsletters and invitations will be sent electronically whenever possible. Please check which non-email address we should use:

_____UNO Campus Mail   _____Home

During the course of the year, we will be taking photographs during our events. These photos may appear in newsletters, campus publications, or online. If you do not want your photo to be published during 2015 – 2016, check the following:        Please exclude photos of me.

Please read the following before writing your check(s)!

The main mission of the UNOWC is to support scholarships for non-traditional students. The UNOWC would like all funds to pass through its account. Writing two checks and sending both to the UNOWC box allows the treasurer to give credit to the club for donations made to the NU Foundation.

If you want to claim the donation on your income tax, you should write one check for dues to the UNOWC and another for scholarship to the NU Foundation. Please send both checks to the UNOWC mailbox. The treasurer will send the scholarship checks written to the Foundation for processing, which will allow you to claim your donation on your income tax. If you write ONE check to the UNOWC for dues and a scholarship donation, you should not claim it on your income tax. The UNOWC is______not a 501(c)(3) entity, but the Foundation is.

Make membership check payable to UNOWC and, if donating to a scholarship, another check payable to the NU Foundation. Mail to address below:

Annual dues  $16.00  UNO Women’s Club
6001 Dodge St, Unit 120
Omaha, NE 68182

Scholarship donation  _____

TOTAL  _____

Scholarship Choices:
Josephine Bail
Mary Bernier
Margaret Naylor
Newton Family
Dorothy Patach
Stedman CBA
Mary Stoddard
Lou Ann Weber
UNOWC General Fund