

The Star Line

The Newsletter of the University of Central Florida Women's Club

Fall 2011

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Above: Dr. Richard Tucker, "You and Your Memory"

Middle: A beautiful Knight centerpiece!

Scenes From the Fall Luncheon

Thanks to all of the members and their guests for attending the Fall Luncheon! Everyone enjoyed listening to the guest speaker, Dr. Richard Tucker. Several members put on a mini fashion show modeling gorgeous outfits that they purchased at previous clothing sales benefiting the scholarship fund. A great afternoon!





Right: Karetta Lee models a Clothing Sale outfit. Looking good!

Upcoming Events- Mark Your Calendar!

Online Auction - December 2-7, 2011

Holiday Tea - December 6, 2011, 2:00-4:00 p.m, the Burnett House

Cookie Exchange - December 15, 2011, 5:00 p.m., home of Carolyn Huseman. Mark your calendars for the Third Annual Holiday Cookie Exchange! The opportunity to see Carolyn Huseman's "Christmas House" is certainly worth baking 3 dozen cookies. As you can see, at left, Dell Shadgett, Maggie LeClair and Liz Medlock had a blast last year baking cookies together. Might be an idea for you and your friends. Bring 3 dozen cookies to exchange!

Clothing Sale - spring 2012

Spring Luncheon - April 2012



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- Beth

From Your President-Beth Barnes

What an honor it is for me to serve you as your president this year. The Women's Club is such a fine organization of beautiful, committed women and, although we are a friendship-based organization, we also raise funds for nontraditional scholarships for UCF students.

We have already gotten off to a fine start for the 2011-2012 year with a very successful and well attended Fall Luncheon at the Fairwinds Alumni Center. Dr. Richard Tucker, a national authority on aging, former University of Central Florida professor, and director of the LIFE at UCF program, spoke to us about aging, memory loss, and Alzheimer's disease, and made many of us feel much better about our ageappropriate memory loss!

We also had a mini-fashion show, with models wearing some of the fashions purchased at our last clothing sale, and we heard from one of our scholarship recipients about the difference our scholarship has made in her life and education. In addition, we brought to the luncheon non-perishable food and household items for Knights' Pantry, a service for students by students. We were amazed when we learned the number of students on campus who might go hungry if it were not for Knights' Pantry, and we felt compelled to help. I hope that we can continue this tradition at every fall and spring luncheon.

We have many more wonderful events planned for you this year: our annual online auction in December, the Christmas Tea with Town and Gown Council in support of the Coalition for the Homeless on December 6, and our annual Cookie Exchange on December 15. We will have a trivia night in the spring, our annual clothing sale, and our annual spring luncheon. In addition, our interest groups are thriving. I hope you will join at least one or two (or three or four) of them this year for the experience and fellowship they bring.

We've instituted something new this year, too: Pop-Up events. Pop-Ups are for any club member who wants to attend and are not limited to individual interest group members. Anyone in the Women's Club can offer a pop-up. All I ask is that you attend the event you announce. You don't have to plan transportation, sell tickets, or take RSVPs (unless attendance is limited). Just send me an email detailing what, when, and where, and I'll announce the event to the club. So far, we have seen the movie The Help together and attended First Thursday at the Orlando Museum of Art; we've made oyster mats, attended the Latin American Festival, and cheered for UCF's cross country team at the Cross Country Invitational. I know that some members are planning to announce a Holiday Tour of Homes, a zip line adventure, a trip to Bok Tower, and, possibly, a tour of the Florida Robotics Institute. What fun!

And in addition to having fun together, we cannot forget the responsibility we have undertaken of offering scholarships to non-traditional students. Please support our online auction and our clothing sale, and give generously to our scholarship fund.

Thank you all for your participation in this club. I hope you have a wonderful year.

Beth

Watch your email for Pop Up Events!

The members pictured at right enjoyed hearing Gloria Steimem at a recent event.



New UCFWC Website!

Don't forget to check out the new UCFWC website at www.ucfwomensclub.com!



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- Please note that Gourmet I, II and III and MahJongg (Day) groups are at capacity.
- The Originals group is only for original members of the

International Friendship

Seven members of the International Friendship Group enjoyed a Potluck evening with good food at Sigi Stockhammer's house on Thursday, October 13. The highlight was the presentation by Mark Freeman, Public Affairs Coordinator for the Office of Global Perspective at UCF. He told us about the many facets of the Office of Global Perspective's work. Mark's enthusiasm and passion in his work is inspiring. A very educational and fun evening!



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Needlework

beautiful work from the ladies of the Needlework group!

Some



Originals

On October 4th, the Originals gathered at Jane Fuller's home for brunch. The Originals are a group of UCF faculty wives, faculty and staff members who have been at the university since 1976, when it was known as Florida Technological University.

Golf

Eight members have signed up for the new Golf Group! Activities will include golf clinics, match play and/or scramble outings. Some of the members are beginners and some have a bit more experience, but all agree that one never finishes learning and improving. Ron LeClair volunteered to conduct weekly golf clinics and the group is so thankful for his willingness to do so, and also very appreciative of his patience!





Daytime Bookworms

Off to a great start! We have been on a "field trip" to Jungle Adventures in Christmas, FL, where the setting was ideal to discuss *Swamplandia* by Karen Russell. Members, those willing, got to hold an alligator, touch snakes and hold a tarantula. It was a very exciting day for all.

Our second meeting, held at Teresita Leeson's home, was highlighted by a special guest, Dr. David Kuhn. Our book selection, *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot, allowed Dr. Kuhn to impart to his special expertise in cell research and development, which gave us a better understanding of the scientific nature of the book. We very much appreciate his willingness to take time with us.

There are many wonderful selections to be discussed in the remainder of the year. Read! Read!

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Gourmet III

Early August found Gourmet III at the Stickleys 'cooling' it inside and savoring Charcoal Grilled Salmon Fillets with Creamy Horseradish Sauce. The first of October we were treated to an "Italian Adventure" by the team of Fuller and Shadgett. From first course of Grilled Asparagus with Melon, to the Crab Stuffed Manicotti, Tomato Rockefeller and ending with Raspberry Fudge Layered Dessert it was a true gourmet delight. Jane's gorgeous fall table raised the bar for future tables! Our annual Christmas Gourmet will be hosted by the Moharams and the usual great fun with the Chinese Gift Exchange.

Top: Lined up in the kitchen, L-R, Dottie Stickley, Don Fuller, Jim Moharam, Eric Van Stryland, Richard Turkiewicz, John Shadgett, Lynn Moharam, Jane Fuller, Dell Shadgett, Mary Agnes Turkiewicz, Barb Van Stryland, Martin Stickley.

Right: Mary Agnes Turkiewicz and Martin Stickley talking recipes!!!





Beauty, Health & Fitness

The group has its first meeting October 12 at Holiday Inn, UCF. After a light meal provided by Endicron, a division of Johnson and Johnson, Heather Kisner, an employee of Endicron and daughter-in-law of Chris Kisner, introduced our guest speaker, Dr. Kristin Jackson. Dr. Jackson, a gynecologist in Orlando is an expert in advanced gynecological procedures and minimally invasive surgeries. She presented an excellent program about common aging issues including symptoms and various treatment options. Other programs that are being planned for the year include weight management, skin care, and exercise programs. Dates are to be determined.

The Hikers R Us hiked Hontoon Island on Friday October 14th with an easy drive there and beautiful weather. We say wildlife before we arrived (Sand Hill cranes before the turn off to get there and wild turkeys at the entrance) and in the park (deer, butterflies, spiders with amazing webs). We had a good hike of about 3 miles and picnicked on the island.

Hikers R Us



National Estuary Day

The UCF Women's Club continues to stay involved in assisting Dr. Linda Walters in her environmental stewardship efforts. Saturday, September 24 at the Biology Field House witnessed over 300 volunteers assisting with oyster mat making and mangrove seed planting. Our grandchildren enjoyed yummy snacks, face-painting, Star Wars characters, touchy-feely time with sea creatures, story time and hat making activities! Attending from UCFWC were: Maggie LeClair, Dell Shadgett, Ginny Holmes, Sigi Stockhammer, Connie Washam, Linda Lewman and Kiley Wagenschnur who brought along relatives, neighbors and friends. It was a huge success! To read more and see pictures, go to: <u>http://www.centralfloridafuture.com/ucfcelebrates-national-estuary-day-1.2636677</u>

Pictured: The record breaking oyster producing "Frances Millican Reef" at the National Seashores



Sunshine Report from Bette Boston

If you know a club member in need of some sunshine, please contact Bette to let her know!

Judit Sentze- Congrats on tenure Amy Foster- Congrats on tenure Ed Rinalducci- Get Well Amy Foster- Congrats on

publication of book Kimiko Akita- Congrats on

publication of book Connie Lester- Sympathy Wendy Radwan- Thinking of

You Ann Rinalducci- Thinking of You

Nancy Gerber- Cheer Ann O'Leary Smith- Get Well

Bob Smith- Thinking of You Maggie LeClair- Thinking of You Ron LeClair- Thinking of You Judit Sentze- Cheer Judy Dziuban- Congrats Homer & Matthew Gerber-

Sympathy Carole Goldsmith- Thinking of You

Jan Fisher- Get Well Dell Shadgett- Get Well Bette Boston- Get Well Burnett Family- Sympathy Rex & Jeanne Brown- Friendship Jeanne Brown- Sympathy

Mission Statement:

The mission of the University of Central Florida Women's Club is to support the advancement of the University's ideals and goals and to provide scholarships benefitting non-traditional students of the University of Central Florida. We welcome members from the community as well as the University and provide opportunities for sharing interests and developing friendships.

Another wonderful pop-up event for the UCF Women's Club: Ziplining at EcoSafaris on November 30, 2011

Mary Meeker invites everyone to go zip lining at EcoSafaris near Holopaw. What an adventure! This should be a really memorable trip and one you don't want to miss. If 10 of us go, we will get a 10% discount on the \$85 admission price. Check your email for more details! Pop Up Event!

Kudos Corner– UCFWC Congratulates Our Members!



Congratulations to Dr. Amy Foster, UCF faculty member and treasurer of the Women's Club, upon the recent publication of her book, *Integrating Women into the Astronaut Corps-* Politics and Logistics at NASA, 1972-2004.

When someone publishes a book, they are normally content to host a gathering of friends for some dinner and drinks, perhaps a reception and book signing to celebrate and commemorate the accomplishment. Not our own Dr. Amy Foster. Her book has been published and how does she mark the accomplishment? Can you tell what is on Amy's leg? It is the Library of Congress call numbers for her book! She is truly unique and talented and we are proud of her accomplishment and that she is a member of our wonderful organization. Congratulations Amy - love the tattoo!



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We welcome your submissions- articles, updates, photos, and other information is all welcome! Please contact April Plourde (Keiffer) at aprilkeiffer@gmail.com



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