Annual Meeting and Spring Program with the Sir Walter Cabinet Members as guests
Tuesday, March 24
10:30 am
George Watts Hill Alumni Center, UNC campus

Amanda Holliday, MS, RD, LDN, Clinical Assistant Professor at the UNC-Chapel Hill Gillings School of Global Public Health and the School of Medicine, will be our speaker. Her areas of expertise include medical nutrition therapy and nutrition and aging. You may have seen her blog “3 Square Meals: A Nutrition Blog for Older Adults” - a wonderful resource for information about nutrition and aging! She will be speaking on “Eating Well to Live Well” and will be accompanied by some of her students who will join us for an interactive lunch. Come and bring a friend to what will be a great presentation and a delicious lunch by the Carolina Club. New officers will also be elected.

Optional served lunch after the program
$30.00 per person
Reservations and checks payable to the UWC in advance by March 9 and sent to Judy Tilson
525 Carolina Meadows Villa
Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Invitation to follow.
Making the University Woman’s Club Work: Someone Else Has to be One of Us—President Michele Fletcher

The title of my note to members may be a bit deceptive. It’s not about putting club members to work. Rather I want to focus on how our organization works and how we collectively are responsible. The club began in 1949 and has always been run by volunteers. The board, selected by a nominating committee and approved by a vote of the membership, is responsible for the club’s activities and finances and for making sure all members feel welcome and included. Our 26 board members have the critical and important responsibilities that make everything possible. These range from officers to committee chairs, from event coordinators to those who handle our finances, travel, publications, our scholarship fund, membership lists, member communications on the web, this newsletter and personal correspondence. These women work tirelessly and collaboratively to build and sustain the club. We also have a lot of fun doing it!

When I was elected as second vice president three and a half years ago, I had little idea what the board did. Fortunately the two years leading up to my presidency gave me ample opportunity to learn about and appreciate what goes into making our club such a vibrant and inclusive community for women to meet and enjoy each other in warm and personal ways. Our board meets monthly to discuss everything from encouraging new members to possible events to new activity groups and to set a calendar of events and trips that will appeal to our nearly 300 members.

My first taste of the challenge that our officers face in making the organization work was when I watched my immediate predecessor Linda Naylor search for volunteers to head up some of our programs two years ago. I then had my own baptism by fire last spring as I sought to fill positions. More often than not when I called to ask someone to help I was turned down. “Too busy, too shy, too new to the community, too old – someone young should do it,” were the most common responses. Fortunately I did get the yeses I needed and we are all benefiting from the efforts of these hardworking new volunteers.

Then in late November, our most able and committed nominations chair, Hannah Andrews, called me in what I can only describe as resigned frustration. Fourteen women had declined her request to serve as treasurer. This critical position has a three-year, non-renewable term and has been filled most ably by Betty Francisco. A call to members to self-nominate brought not a single reply. As it was so near the holiday season we decided we would regroup on January 6.

By then indefatigable Hannah had found a treasurer, who will be presented with other nominations on March 24 at the Sir Walter Cabinet luncheon. Hurray for her tireless work. But when she turned to finding a second vice president she was thrown back into a litany of “nos.” Collectively we came up with some new names, a few more rejections and then a yes from someone who will be a great president in three years. The answers were the same I had encountered last spring and they all boiled down to “let someone else do it.”

Well ladies, “someone else” has to be one of us. So I ask you to start thinking about how you can make this organization work. We are all women of a “certain age,” as the French would say. Our younger sisters are still in the workplace and don’t have the time to take on club activities or leadership. It is up to us, even as we feel our energies flagging a bit, to lead this group as volunteers.

So please, help make the University Woman’s Club work. Please volunteer when asked. It’s fun.

Historian needs your help
When you are planning to move or downsize your residence, would you be kind enough to be on the lookout for any old University Women’s Club items? Items can be yearbooks, invitations, newsletters, announcements, minutes of meetings – anything related to the UWC. Please don’t throw these away. The University Archivist at Wilson Library will be delighted to add them to the collection of UWC artifacts.
Myrna Bower— 919-490-5110. mbower@email.unc.edu
Chapel Hill Country Club  
Wednesday April 22, 2015  
11:30 Registration, Tea, Coffee, Wine on the Terrace  
12:00 Luncheon  
“The Arts: Visual and Performing”

Dr. Rhonda Wilkerson, former Professor in the School of Education at UNC and now Travel and Enrichment Chair for the N C Museum of Art Docent Organization will be our Speaker. Her topic “Taking a Second Look: Goddess, Priestess, or Ladies of the Court?” She will discuss 2 portraits of lovely ladies on view at the NC Museum of Art and how there is more than meets the eye.

Joining Dr. Wilkerson are two performing artists. Scott Dixon Green, a software engineer by day and a moonlighting musician by night, will be performing song selections from singers/songwriters of the 1970’s, such as James Taylor, who were troubadours of their day.

Dr. Elizabeth Joyner, a soprano soloist, has performed for audiences in the United States and Europe. Her solo credits include Handel’s Messiah and Rutter’s Magnificat. She also performs as soloist for 2 ensemble groups and several churches in the Triangle. She will perform several classical selections.

The cost for the luncheon and program is $20.00. Reservations and checks made out to UWC should be sent by April 15th to:

MaryAnn Stringer  
20008 Grier  
Chapel Hill NC 27517
The Fall New Member Coffee was held at the home of Florence Peacock. New members had an opportunity to meet UWC Board members and to learn more about the Activity/Interest groups and upcoming UWC programs.

All members are encouraged to bring guests and prospective members to any of our programs and activities. We welcome all women who have an interest in joining and sharing opportunities for friendship, social activities, intellectual stimulation and service.

Contact information for those who joined the University Woman’s Club after the current Handbook went to press is listed below.

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Our newest Special Interest Group meets monthly at the N. C. Museum of Art. The group is given a special tour of a different art collection each month and then enjoys lunch. Contact Barbara Day for more information.
UWC Spring Travel
Charlotte NC

The Travel Committee is hard at work planning the Spring Road Trip to Charlotte. The trip will be an overnight one. Visits to the Mint Museum, the History Museum, and the UNC Botanical Garden enroute on the return are a few of the stops. The details will be available soon.

Save the Dates April 29-30

Election of Officers
The Nominations Committee chaired by Hannah Andrews has proposed the following Slate of Officers for 2015-16. Approval of the Slate will be by voice vote at the Spring Program on Mar. 25.

President—Paula Easton
First VP—Barbara Day
Second VP—Aida Zukowski
Recording Secretary—Dee Lowdermilk
Corresponding Secretary—Sarah Snow
Treasurer—Lucy Smith
Assistant Treasurer—Ellen Johnson