

Faculty Club Newsletter

Coming Events

November

Fri. 4th – Wine dinner with Kermit Lynch

Fri. 4th and 18th – Fish buffet

Tues. 8th – Prime Rib Dinner

Fri. 18th – Lecture by Alison Gopnik

December

Thurs. 1st – Lecture by Frederic Tubach

Wed. 7th, Thurs. 8th, Fri. 9th – The Annual Faculty Club Christmas Parties!

Annual Closing

Except for Hotel guests, the Club will be closed from December 19th to January 2nd

Message from the Manager

I want to thank everyone who attended the Oktoberfest dinner. It was a fun event and the speaker was great as well. During November we will continue with all our Kerr dinner specials, along with wine tasting and appetizer specials during happy hour in the bar.

We are busy preparing for the Monks Christmas dinner and the invitations have been mailed so I look forward to seeing you at the dinner. We are still in the process of getting details worked out with the Campus on our structural repairs and I will keep you informed on the progress.

As we prepare for our 2012 programs, please let me know if you like to see any special events at the Club. Meanwhile, have a great Thanksgiving!

– *Felix Solomon, Manager*

Christmas Parties Are Almost Here Again!

The Monks are taking their robes out of storage, the Moose is practicing his part in the play, Carl our chef is planning the grand dinner, the Boar's Head has been checked for fleas – all so that once again our members can celebrate the 110th party with their near ones and dear ones – and other members of the Club – on **Wednesday, December 7th, Thursday, the 8th, and Friday, the 9th**. By now you should have received your invitation in the mail. Remember this is one occasion for which you must make your reservations on paper (either by mail or by dropping your form off at the Club). At the same time, contributions to the staff appreciation year-end Christmas Box Fund may also be charged to your account. (If you have not received an invitation, call Susan at the Club, at extension 2-224.

Holiday Hotel Specials!

Many members take advantage of the Club's hotel rooms to house their holiday visitors. This year, from **November 15th through January 3rd**, guests staying at least 3 nights will receive a **10% discount on hotel room rates**. During the Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's weekends, for a two night stay **we are offering a complimentary bottle of house champagne**. Reserve at extension 3.

Art Show for November – Tom Conckle

Tom Conckle earned his Ph.D. from Cal and worked as a research geneticist and Genetic Project Leader in the Forest Service. Now retired, Tom travels with his wife Freida, and both enjoy photography. Tom's other hobby is oil painting, an interest he shared with his son David and daughter Kathy. All three of them bring recent paintings to the Faculty Club this month.

Economical Dining Room Offerings – Old Favorites Continue, plus a Special Wine Offer

We serve our \$3.99 **Breakfast Specials** every morning – a full breakfast, with eggs and toast. The **Early Bird Dinners** provide a three-course meal for just **\$13.95** to those who arrive by 6:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, with a special fish buffet on Fridays. Our next **Prime Rib Dinner** will be on **Tuesday, November 8th**. The cost for a great meal of salad and prime rib au jus is only **\$15.95**. **Bring your own wine, and the corkage fee will be waived!** Reservations at ext. 0.

Wine Tasting in the Bar

We will have a special wine tasting in the bar on **Thursday, November 10th**, from 4:30 to 6:30. Taste the wines, and enjoy a glass or bottle. We will be pouring Rockwall winery's 2009 Russian River Chardonnay, 2010 Super Alamedan California: a blend of Sangiovese, Montepulciano, Cab, and Zinfandel, and 2009 Monte Rosso Reserve Zinfandel. Great wines served with assorted cheeses, baguettes, and Carr crackers. Many Club members will remember the Rockwall owners, the Rosenblum family, from their winery with great Zinfandels in Alameda. No reservation necessary.

Golden Girlfriends Widows' Group Lunch

After an interesting and wide discussion at our October meeting, this group – open to widows of members, as well as widowed staff and faculty – plans to hold its next meeting in January. Please watch for a mail notification of our next meeting and an announcement in the December *Newsletter*.

Fall Lecture Discussion Series – November 18th and December 1st – Frederic Tubach and Alison Gopnik

Our series of talks and discussions given by faculty members, some with books freshly out on the market, continues. Before the end of the semester we have two such offerings. On **Friday, November 18th**, Alison Gopnik will talk on the understanding of causality in very young children. She is an internationally recognized leader in the study of children's learning and development and was the first to argue that children's minds could help us understand deep philosophical questions. The final Fall Semester talk will be given on **Thursday, December 1st** when Frederic Tubach will discuss his book *German Voices: Memories from Life in Hitler's Reich*. Drawing on personal experience and archived letters from WW II, he provides new insights into Germany's most tragic years.

Each occasion begins with a wine and cheese reception at 5 p.m., followed by the talk and discussion at 5:30. Take advantage of our Early Bird dinner offerings to continue your rehash of the talk over a great meal (see details above). Cost for the reception and talk: \$10. Reserve at extension 2-224.

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Bar hours: M-F 11:30-1:30; Happy Hours 4:30-6:30; closes at 8:30 p.m.

Buffet lunch: 11:30-1:30 M-F

Guest accommodations available:

Reservations may be made at 540-5678, ext. 3, or through our website.

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