



**Signature Groups
Winter/Spring 2012**

Automobile Appreciation Club

Facilitators: Connie D'Amato & Dean DeGalan
This club informally meets once per quarter to foster interests in the automobile. Activities focus on the historical, global industry as well as current state-of-the-art technology. The club arranges group trips to local destinations of interest and encourages other activities pertaining to this business and will support the annual Car Show at the City Club in May.

Bible Study

Facilitator: Janette Van Auken
Days: Every Wednesday
Time: 10–11:30 a.m.

In 1940 Mortimer Adler published a book called "How to Read a Book". Adler contends that informed readers ask questions of the text, which fall into three categories: 1) Facts—what does the author want us to know; 2) Interpret—what ideas is he trying to get across; 3) Application—How does it apply to me. Are there warnings and prohibitions to heed, examples to follow, encouragement and comfort for the slings and arrows of this life. Those of us who are participants in this class hope to become informed readers of that long time best seller—the *Bible*.

Book Discussion Group

Facilitator: Suzanne Powell
Day: 3rd Friday of each month
Time: 10:30 a.m.

This is an informed group that chooses one book from a wide variety of books to read each month. A report is given and all members are welcome. Meetings are held each month from September through June.

Double A Investment Group

Facilitator: Jean Dickinson
Day: 3rd Wednesday of each month
Time: 1 p.m.

This group was formed in December 1999. Generally, most of us meet for lunch at the Club prior to our monthly meeting. We follow the education materials of the NAIC. In addition to the education topic, we take turns reporting on possible new stock purchases and reviewing our portfolio at each meeting. New members are welcome. If you are interested, please call Jean at 971.7039.

Duplicate Bridge – ACBL Sanctioned Games

Days: Every Monday, Tuesday & Friday
Time: 1 p.m.
All members are welcome!

Evening Book Discussion Group

Facilitator: Karen Valvo
Day: 2nd Thursday of the month
Time: 6:30 p.m.

This group meets for dinner with discussion following. We welcome all men and women who enjoy reading and sharing their perspectives on a variety of books. If interested contact Karen: kqvalvo@finkvalvolaw.com.

Euchre Club

Facilitator: Marcia DeBoer
Days: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays
Time: 4–5:30 p.m.

All members are welcome. For more information contact Marcia at deboer.me@gmail.com.

Garden Club

Facilitator: Janet Cassebaum
Day: 4th Thursday of the month
Time: 10 a.m.–12 Noon
Fee: \$10/semester

Many of our presenters are Master Gardeners and/or members of the Club. During nice weather, we head outdoors for visits to various gardens in the local area. Winter programs meet indoors. The club is separate from the Grounds Committee. New gardeners and new members are always welcome.

Genealogy Group

Facilitator: Ronnie Meade
Day: 4th Friday of the month
Time: 10 a.m.
Fee: \$10/semester

This group will meet periodically to talk about the 'how to' and tips for developing family trees. Members will decide on the agenda for these get-togethers based on their genealogy interests and skill levels.

Great Decisions Group

Facilitator: Barb Pomey
Day: 2nd Wednesday of the month
Time: 7 p.m. / 5:30 p.m. for dinner
Fee: \$30 for program materials

Great Decisions, sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association, is a discussion opportunity for adults who are interested in learning more about the world. We will meet at least once a month (more often if participants choose to) to discuss topics outlined in the 2012 Briefing Book. Participation requires some preparatory reading but no prior knowledge or expertise. The meeting will begin with a DVD presentation and will be followed by discussion for an hour. We meet at 5:30 p.m. for dinner with the program following.

History Club

Facilitator: Bill Thomas
Day: 1st Wednesday of the month
Time: 7 p.m. / 5:30 p.m. for dinner

This group begins with dinner and follows that up with either a speaker or discussion on a pre-determined topic. For further information contact Bill at wotsales@comcast.net.

Local Food Club

Facilitators: Stephanie Kadel Taras & Cynthia Sorensen
Meets: Quarterly

Join to discuss buying, growing, preserving, cooking and eating locally grown and produced food. We meet once each season to share information about local farms and farmer's markets, new local products, gardening tips, recipes and efforts to promote the "locavore" movement. We also seek to help the City Club kitchen use more local ingredients. Contact Stephanie: 663.0875 or skadel@timepiecesbios.com.

Movie Night

Facilitator: Suzanne Powell
Day: 4th Thursday of each month
Time: 5:30 p.m. for dinner

Meet at the Club for dinner and then go off-site for a movie. Contact Suzanne at 769.1188 for details.

Novice Duplicate Bridge

Facilitators: Don Cleveland & Lee Evans
Day: Every Thursday
Time: 1 p.m.

Members who have fewer than 300 master points are welcome.

On Our Own Club

Facilitator: Mary Dolan
The purpose of this group is to bring single members together for camaraderie and support. Please contact Mary at a2doles@gmail.com for further information.

Poetry Club

Facilitator: Mary Louise O'Connell
Day: 1st Thursday of the month
Time: 5:30 p.m.

The Poetry Club is a group of City Club members with varying interests and pursuits who have come together to enjoy reading and talking about poetry. We read and explore both contemporary and traditional poets. In the future, as we set our schedule, we hope to invite local poets to share their work with us. We also enjoy writing poetry ourselves about different subjects—nature, places we have visited and people we have known. We take field trips to places on campus and in town that spur our imagination. Laughter and friendship and the love of the written word are what bring us together. Please email Mary Louise at lpoconnell@aol.com if you would like to receive emails about the Poetry Club.

Quilt Club

Facilitator: Penny O'Malley
Days: 2nd Monday of even numbered months
Time: 11 a.m.

The Quilt Club is for City Club members who like to quilt or who would like to learn to quilt. Our hope is to learn from each other's experiences. Email Penny at any time if you have questions about this club or would like to join at pennyomalley@comcast.net.

Social Bridge

Facilitators: Ellen and Paul Hoffrichter
Days: 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month
Time: 1 p.m.

Players of all skill levels are welcome. For more information call Ellen at 971.684

Traveler's Club

Facilitator: Rotating
Day: 2nd Thursday of the month
Time: 11:30 a.m. in the Pub

Do you like to travel but don't want to travel alone or do the driving? This group is for those who might be interested in getting out of town for a day, a week or even longer. Its mission is to organize trips for members.

Walking Group

Facilitator: Janet Cassebaum

Days: Every Thursday

Time: 8 a.m.

This group meets promptly at 8 a.m. every Thursday to walk around the neighborhood. Wear comfortable shoes and bring water. Walks should last about 60 minutes, weather permitting. All members are welcome.

Watercolors

Facilitator: Pat Fitzgerald

Days: Every Thursday

Time: 9–11:30 a.m.

Fee: \$10/semester

Learn from one another in a supportive, creative atmosphere. Whether you have never painted before, or have and would love to return to watercolor, you will be welcome. Art materials will be suggested.

Writing Group

Facilitator: Jeanette Brock

Days: Every Friday

Time: 1–3 p.m.

Fee: \$10/ semester

“Graduates” of Stephanie Kadel Taras’ memoir writing class and other writers gather together to share personal writing they’ve done during the week. Discussion follows each reading. There is often time to start a new piece, sometimes inspired by another member’s writing.

Yarn & Darn

Facilitator: Ellen Kenney

Days: Every Tuesday

Time: 10–11:30 a.m.

This dynamic group meets weekly. Knitters of any ability are welcome. Come join us for knitting support, camaraderie and spinning yarns! This group knits year around and makes several annual donations. Please come join us and stay for lunch.