

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

# Women's Club

## April 2021 Newsletter



Photo by Holly Beermann

### **“And the Friends We Meet Along the Way...”**

#### **ISUWC PRESIDENT, JOYCE SCHAFBUCH**



“And the Friends We Meet Along the Way . . .” When I chose that theme for this past year, little did I know “the way” was mostly going to be from our house, to the store, and back home! This has been a year of social distancing, wearing masks, and staying safe. I hope you were successful in this

endeavor. This spring, the conversation pivoted to vaccines, where and what kind, did you have side effects, etc. We are now entering a cautiously optimistic time when we can, bit by bit, go back to a “normal” life. Stay safe.

Thanks to all our wonderful members who figured out a way to meet - via Zoom, in parks, back yards and garages; to Marlene Geiger who coordinated Zoom calls, Mary Augustus and Judy Mongin who arranged monthly programs via Zoom, and to all of our interest groups who still found a way to serve and give back to our community through it all!

I so look forward to resuming activities and know that incoming president Shari Glenn and president-elect Jeanette Dieterich will do a wonderful job of continuing the vision of this club. Thanks to all those who stepped up to serve as officers and on committees this coming year. It's going to be a great year!!

I have been honored to serve as president of Iowa State University Women's Club this past year. I echo what others have said about feeling welcomed as a newcomer into this group. When I think about moving back from Houston six years ago and not knowing anyone in Ames, the opportunity to sign up for any number of interest groups at the Fall Opener was the perfect way to make connections. I think the combination

of 123 years of tradition and the ability to adapt to change is one of ISUWC's biggest strengths. Even in this very unusual year, I met some wonderful new members. I hope you did, too. And on we go . . .

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Monday, April 19**

**SPRING LUNCHEON—CANCELLED**

**May 3, 2021- 1:30 pm\***

**\*Please note time change.**

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**BIG BLUESTEM SHELTER,**

**Moore Memorial Park,**

**3050 Northridge Pkwy**

**Note: All retiring and incoming officers,  
Committee chairs and interest group chairs  
should plan to attend.**

*The vision of the Iowa State University Women's Club is to create unity through friendship, promote a sense of belonging with each other and within the community, and as we grow, to have an impact on our society.*

## ISUWC SPRING LUNCHEON CANCELLED

After thoughtful consideration we decided to cancel this year's Spring Luncheon. We thought of many options to have smaller groups, meet outside, or even to change the date. To keep the integrity of the event of having a sit-down meal, guest speaker, and social interactions among our membership, we find the safety and health of our members is a priority at this time. Not all members have received their covid vaccines and we do not want to risk anyone's health and well-being. This has been a difficult time for groups, families, and businesses to get back to normal.

We hope that one takes our decision to cancel is to err on the side of safety and know that we have your best interests at heart. When we can meet again in a large group setting it will be under circumstances that will serve our entire membership.

Joan Greenlee, Spring Luncheon Chair

## IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR....

It is time to renew your membership to the ISUWC! Everyone is looking forward to the coming months when we can resume our "new normal" meetings with interest groups and assembly meetings! You should have received a renewal form by US MAIL on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Returning members' dues is \$25 and there is an option to add a donation to the Scholarship Fund. Please fill in the form and return the bottom portion to Jan Bruce by **May 31<sup>st</sup>**. You can also renew membership at [Join / Renew – Iowa State University® Women's Club \(isuwc.org\)](https://www.joinrenew.com/Join/Renew-Iowa-State-University-Women's-Club). Your contact information can then appear in the yearbook to be distributed in August. Please contact us if you have questions: Marie Schropp 515-230-6244 or Jan Bruce 641-777-6197.

## YEARBOOK REMINDER

The Yearbook Committee is requesting that information for the 2021-22 ISUWC Yearbook be submitted to the committee on or before **May 15**. Email has been sent to all current interest group chairs and to those committee chairs or officers from which information is needed with specifics on how and where to submit. There is no form required for Yearbook information. The committee thanks everyone in advance for helping with this project.

## HEADS UP FOR ANNUAL REPORTING

Interest group reports are due May 15 for the 2020-2021 year. We believe it is important this year to record group activities in photos whenever possible. Please try to screen-capture Zoom calls and take photos of meetings or volunteer activities. The photos may be submitted with your annual reports and/or sent to Jonie Fitzsimmons to post on Facebook or the ISUWC website. Please include descriptions of the photos, name of the person that took the photo if you wish to be acknowledged as photographer, and members' names if you wish. However, members' names are not required.

## MARCH 2021 FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Friendship Committee sends cards for babies, hospital stays, extended illness, death of a member or death of a member's relative, special birthday (#70+), special anniversary (#50+), and for a special honor or award a member has received.

Our committee has sent 51 cards since November 2020.

**Thinking of You/Get Well** – 9 cards

**Death of Relative** – 4 cards

**Death of Member** – 3 cards

**Special Request** – 1 card

**Season's Greetings** - 34 cards  
to 50+ year members

We apologize if any member did not receive a card from our committee. We rely on our membership to let us know when a card needs to be sent. Please let us know if you become aware of any of the events listed above, and we will be glad to send wishes from ISUWC.

Sharon Olson, Friendship Committee Chair  
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## SLATE OF OFFICERS 2021-2022

**President** – Shari Glenn

**President – Elect** – Jeanette Dieterich

**1<sup>st</sup> VP – (Membership)** – Jan Bruce & Marie Schropp

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP - (Programs)** – Linda Cunningham, Julie Larson

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP - (Hospitality)** – Madonna Johnson

**Secretary** – Marybeth Buchele

**Treasurer** – Karen George

**Historian** – Holly Beermann, Ana McCracken

**Parliamentarian** – Joyce Schafbuch

## STANDING COMMITTEES

**Auditing:** Marlene Geiger, chair; Joyce Schafbuch, Maureen Wilt

**Awards:** Mary Jane Green, chair; Terri Hasselman, Ana McCracken, Phyllis Schrag, Linda Thompson, Doris Wiener

**Budget/Finance:** Jonie Fitzsimmons, chair; Barbara Brown, Karen George, Phyllis Seim, Sylva Williams, Kim Zahnle

**Fall Opener:** Sherry Yockey, chair; T.J. Fuligni, Barb Gohman, Julie Larson, Eileen Muff, Allis Peters, Jane Wombacher

**Fall Trip:** Marlene Geiger, chair; Karen George, Joyce Schafbuch, Sheryl Soden

**Friendship:** Sharon Olson

**Holiday Social:** Barb Splett, Joyce Schafbuch, co-chairs; Virginia Anderson, Karla Mortensen, Phyllis Schrag, Kitty Fisher, Barb Johnson, Pat Swanson, Toni Wheelock

**Hospitality:** Madonna Johnson, chair; Sylva Williams, Allis Peters, Mary Augustus

**Interest Groups:** Jonie Fitzsimmons, Mary Barratt

**Membership:** Jan Bruce & Marie Schropp

**Newcomers:** Sachiko Funaba, Marie McCuskey, RuthAnn Royer

**Past Presidents Luncheon:** Audrey Marley

## Publicity:

**Email Coordinator** – Marlene Geiger

**Facebook** – Jonie Fitzsimmons, Karen Hoiberg

**Newspaper/flyers** - Jill Lowman

**Newsletter** – Holly Beermann, Ana McCracken

**Website** – Ann Sandine

**Spring Event:** Joan Greenlee, chair; Mary Augustus, Sue Freeman, Mary Jane Green, Madonna Johnson, Eileen Tramp

**Yearbook:** Marlene Geiger, Kitty Lamont, Sherry Yockey, co-chairs; Shari Glenn, Laani Hill, Bernice Johnson,

Dorothy Kirkland, Alice Laabs, Beverly Nutt, Jeanne Rogert, Phyllis Seim, Taihee Song



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## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Scholarship Awards Committee met by Zoom recently to select our scholarship recipients for the 2021-22 ISU academic year. This year we received 13 applications. From those we were able to award **SIX** \$1,000 scholarships.

Our winners' fields of study include:

Applied Linguistics and Technology  
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and  
Mechanical Engineering

One of our winners is a Fulbright Scholar. Our international recipients' countries of origin include – Indonesia, Philippines, Spain, India. Photos of the recipients are included in this newsletter. Please watch for more details on each of our recipients in one of our upcoming newsletters.

We want to thank all the members who helped to support our scholarships.

Sincerely,

The Scholarship Awards Committee



## DOLLAR-TO-DOLLAR MATCH for 2021 SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

Did you know the Geneva Scholarship Award, established in 1913, was Iowa State University Women's Club first scholarship award? Imagine the women our club has supported over the years. What impact did those women make in their careers and their communities? And imagine how our yearly awards funded through a scholarship award endowment impact current women attending Iowa State. As your interest group considers its yearly-worthy-cause contribution, please consider targeting money to the Scholarship Endowment Fund to keep our long-standing tradition alive. Or, if you personally feel inclined to contribute, tax deductible contributions may be sent to the ISU Foundation, 2505 University Blvd, Ames, IA 50014 or to Karen George, ISUWC Treasurer, 2834 Cambridge Dr., Ames, IA 50010. **Contributions collected from now until May 31<sup>st</sup> will be matched dollar-to-dollar up to a \$1000.**

**Update:** Donations so far this spring have been strong. Thanks to all the members who have already donated - there's still time to send a donation along with your membership renewal before the May 31st deadline. Karen will report the final total after May 31st. Thanks to everyone for supporting the Scholarship Award Fund!!



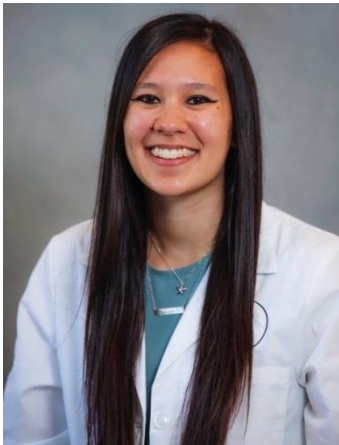
# **Iowa State University® Women's Club Scholarship Recipients for 2021-2022 Academic Year**



**Ananda Astrini Muhammad**, Indonesia  
PhD, Applied Linguistics & Technology



**Irene Mas Martin**, Spain  
MS, Mechanical Engineering



**Erica Moscoso**, Mission Viejo, CA  
DVM, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine



**Brittany Skaggs**, Gainesville, FL  
DVM, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

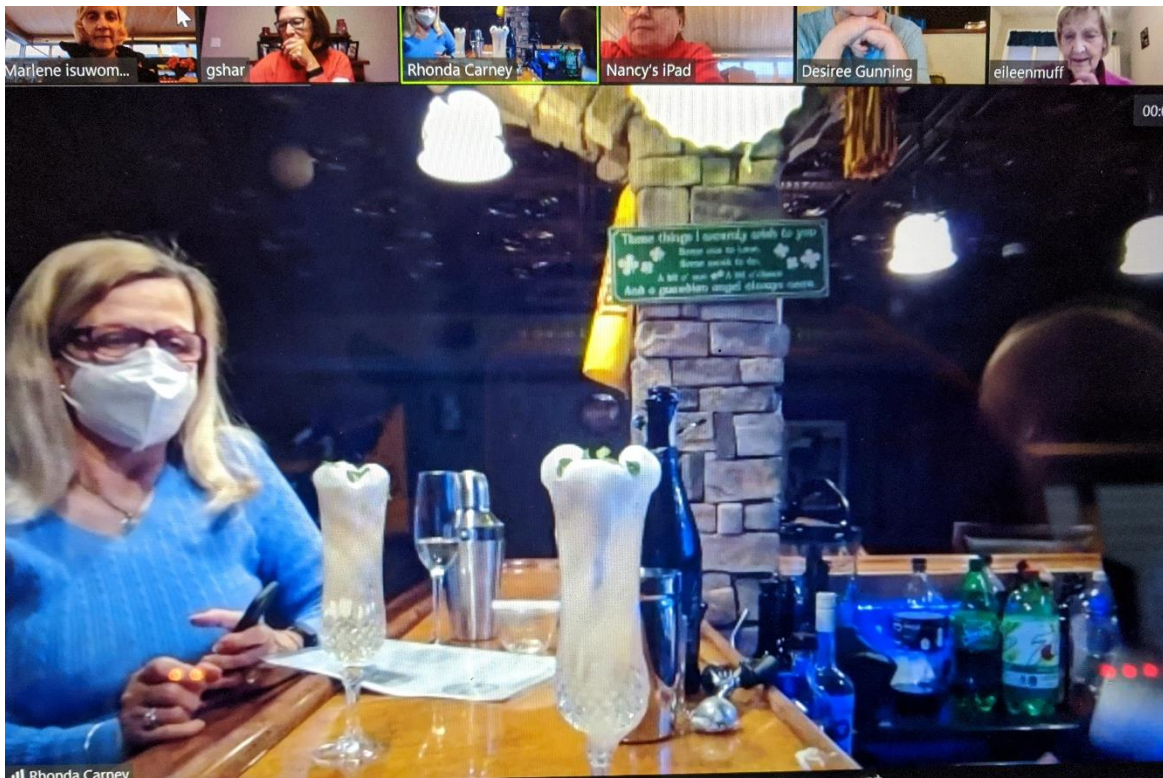


**Kara Valasek**, Palmer, NE  
DVM, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine



**Mithila Noronha**, Omaha, NE  
DVM, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

## PHOTO GALLERY



March hostesses, Angela Soukoulis and Rhonda Carney, gave an interesting program to Dionysus members by demonstrating the making of refreshing wine-based drinks with the addition of other liquors and ingredients.



Taste Buds collected snacks for Meeker Elementary School



# Quilting/Craft Sale

*When: Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup>: 9 am – 4 pm*

*Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>: 9 am – Noon*

*Where: 3011 Harrison Road, Ames, IA*

ALL proceeds  
go to the  
ISUWC  
Scholarship  
Fund!!

For more information or to donate fabric,  
quilting, sewing, or craft supplies, contact  
Phyllis Schrag or Joyce Schafbuch

