



College Club West Bulletin

November ~ December 2025

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Season's Greetings! The holidays will soon be upon us! It's time to look towards the Fall with great events planned for you. For our November 12, 2025 meeting, to be held at the Don Umerley Civic Center in Rocky River, our speaker from Malley's Chocolates will be presenting "Sweet Talk with Mr. Malley." He will share his expertise and passion, some background of the Malley family, and possibly share some samples. Many of you visited the first Malley's candy store on Madison Avenue in Lakewood. It was THE PLACE to go after a school program or in the summer. Don't miss this meeting!

As we move further into the holiday season, December promises to be full of cheer with our annual festive dinner, a time to gather and celebrate the bonds of friendship that make our club so special. Join us on December 10, 2025 at 6:00 pm for a performance by harpist Alice Allen and her mother, flutist Judy Moore, featuring a medley of **holiday classics**. History of the carols will be included. It will be an opportunity to celebrate the season together and reflect on the achievements of the first half of our year.

Throughout the year, we will also have numerous special interest groups meeting regularly, from literature to golfing, ensuring there is something for everyone to enjoy. Together, let us make this season a memorable chapter in the history of College Club West.

The Board and I wish you a joyful holiday season and a very healthy New Year 2026!

Claire L. Stair

President, College Club West 2025 -2026

From our Secretary

From Secretary Marie Stashick:

When you become aware of anyone who is ill, having surgery, experienced a death in the family, or anything else, please let me know. I prefer email or text, but you can call and leave a message.

IN MEMORIAM

Letitia Jean Evans

JANUARY / FEBRUARY BULLETIN DEADLINE

November 15

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 12, 2025.....7:00 pm

Place: Don Umerley Civic Center, Rocky River

Program: *Sweet Talk* with Mr. Bill Malley
History of Malley's Chocolates

HOLIDAY DINNER AND GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, Dec.10, 2025.....6:00pm

Place: Don Umerley Civic Center, Rocky River

Holiday Dinner Program: History of the Holiday Carols
Alice Allen, Harpist, Judy Moore, Flutist
Narrated by Claire Stair

Cost: \$35.00 - Payment required for reservation.

Make check payable to: CCW and mail check to Victoria Mowcomber by Dec. 1, 2025. Write your menu choice and dietary restrictions on the memo line.

Menu: Freshly baked rolls, Mixed greens salad w/sweet red onions, roasted butternut squash, pickled cranberries, crumbled feta cheese, balsamic vinaigrette.

Steamed broccoli, herbed orzo,

Chicken Piccata, tender sautéed boneless breasts w/lemon wine sauce, garnished with capers and fresh parsley.

Vegetarian option: Three grain and cheese stuffed peppers w/ Marinara sauce

Pumpkin bars w/whipped cream

Coffee service and Iced water

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, January 14, 2026.....12:00 pm

Place: Don Umerley Civic Center, Rocky River

Program: Games, Cards, and General Meeting

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New Members Recruitment:

New members are the best promoters for CCW. Share your enthusiasm in welcoming our newer members. Please refer anyone interested in joining CCW to Membership Chair Delia Costin.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Several new members joined our club over the summer. Their contact info is included in the handbook / directory.

2025 MEMBERSHIP

Regular Members: 152

New Member: 1

Life Members: 19

Total Membership: 172

CCW SCHOLARSHIPS

Donations for the CCW Scholarship Fund are encouraged at any time and are tax deductible, but CCW's main scholarship drive is in November.

► Please make your check **payable to College Club West Foundation Inc.** *A form to assist in donations is provided at the end of this issue.*

► Please designate: If the donation is for the Regular fund, an Honorarium (to honor a living person), or a Memorial (to honor someone who is deceased.)

► Be sure to include the name of the person being remembered and to write your name and address legibly.

► Mail your check, **payable to College Club West Foundation, Inc.** to Pat Schreiber, Treasurer.

MEETING CANCELLATIONS / BAD WEATHER ALERT

In case of cancellations of meetings or events, the I-Alert System will be used to notify members. The I-Alert system notifies WKYC-TV3, Newsradio WTAM 1100 AM, and WKYC.com

I-Alert will also notify WMVX, WMJI, WGAR, WAKS, WMMS, WHLO, WKDD, RADIO FREE OHIO - 1350 AM, WCPN, WCRF, WCLV, and WVIZ / PBS Ideastream.

APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

Application forms are available at www.collegeclubwest.org
For more information, contact Judy Bates, Scholarship Committee Chair, or any Scholarship Committee member.

CCW CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

SAVE THE DATE !

CCW Centennial Celebration

April 24, 2026

6:00 pm

Cleveland Yacht Club

Valet Parking Available

Our committee is looking forward to our April Centennial Celebration and hoping all our members are as well. *Women in History* will be entertaining us with a fabulous program, "Through the Years with College Club West," an adventure through times representing the CCW years from 1926-2026. We are looking forward to sharing these memorable moments with all our members.

Help us Promote CCW's Centennial Celebration

Show your support for our Centennial Celebration!

Commemorative Shirts now available!

Order form included with this issue.

Sizes: Small, Medium, Large, Extra Large

Choose your Logo style, #1 or #2.

Tee shirts are \$9.00 (Tees run small - suggest you order one size larger than you normally wear.)

Polo shirts are \$22.00

Mail a check **made out to College Club West**

to Claire Stair. Be sure to include your desired shirt type (Polo or Tee), logo style (#1 or #2) and size.

Style #1



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Centennial Celebration
1926 - 2026

Style #2



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ANNOUNCEMENT:

\$100 DONATION to the SCHOLARSHIP FUND for our 100TH CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Dear Members,

As we approach our 100th Centennial Celebration, we are excited to announce a special initiative to support our Scholarship Fund. I hope you will join me and contribute \$100.00, or any amount, to this fund, which will help us continue to provide scholarships to deserving women aged 25 or older.

Your generous donation will make a significant impact and ensure that we can celebrate this milestone with a meaningful contribution to our community.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication.

Warm regards,

Claire

INTEREST GROUP PROGRAMS

Groups that meet in homes may limit membership due to space restrictions. Members on waiting lists are encouraged to start a new group with the help of the Groups' Chair.

ADVENTURES IN COOKING

Chair: Lucy Evans

Place: At the home of the hostess unless otherwise noted

Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025.....12 Noon

Theme: Cheese Please

Hostess: Barbara Moran

Thursday, Dec. 11, 2025.....12 Noon

Theme: "Christmas Spirits"

Hostess: Mona Tomko

@NIGHT

New Group Chair: Jennifer Solinski

Time: Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 5 PM

Place: We will be voting to eat at either Cooper's Hawk Winery and Restaurant or Shinto's Japanese Steakhouse and Sushi Bar.

Time: Friday, December 12, 2025 at 6 PM

Place: We will be having our annual make a holiday centerpiece and gift exchange/potluck event. More details will be available as we get closer to the events. Please text or email group chair if interested in joining our group at contact information listed above.

BOOK REVIEW

Chair: Carol Sturrett.....

Co-Chair: Gerry Knapp.....

Time: Second Monday of the month..... 12:00 pm

Place: Claudette's Restaurant,
26485 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake

Monday, Nov. 10, 2025..... 12:00 pm

Presenter: Rachel Abernethy, The Frozen River
by Ariel Lawhon

BOWLING

Chair: Linda Beebe.....

Co-chair: Angie Holmes

Thursdays.....League begins at 9:30 am

Place: Rollhouse, 24488 Lorain Rd., North Olmsted
Beginning September 4, we bowl three games every Thursday through April, 2026. We will be off Thanksgiving Day and two weeks over Christmas.

Regulars, subs, and new bowlers are welcome. If you haven't bowled in some time you are the perfect person to come and have some fun. Please call Linda Beebe or Angie Holmes if you want to check it out!

We need bowlers. Come and join us. You do not have to be a super, fair, or even a beginner bowler. Just come and have some fun!

BRIDGE - DUPLICATE

Chair: Jane Erickson

The Duplicate bridge group met for the first time this season on September 8. It was a "bring your own lunch and beverage" affair with dessert being supplied by one of our members. Fortunately, we were able to find a 12th full time bridge player at the last minute so we were able to continue as a group. We always need substitutes, so if you are interested in playing with a friendly duplicate group, please contact Jane Erickson.

CREATIVE WRITING

Chair: Mary Jane Riddlebaugh.....

Join us monthly on the **first Thursday1:00 to 3:00 pm**

Thursday, November 6, 2025.....1:00 pm

Topic: What's in it for me

Place: Home of Nina Waitzman. RSVP to Nina

Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025.....11:00 a.m. Note earlier time!

Topic: Sometimes, maybe, never.

Place: Houlihan's in Westlake for our Christmas get-together. RSVP to Mary Jane

January, 2026No meeting planned

EXPLORERS

Chair: Cynthia Rodusky.....

Meetings at Westlake Public Library

on the **4th Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm**

Thursday, Nov. 2025..... No Meeting

Thursday, Dec. 2025..... Date and Time TBD

Place: Christmas Luncheon at Pomeroy House

FAIR WEATHER WALKING

Chair: Paula Deal

No walks in November or December.

FRENCH

Chair: Judy Bates.....

Friday, November 14, 2025.....10:00 am

Place: Home of Judy Bates, 31043 Old Shore Dr.,
N. Olmsted

Program: Continue reading and discussion of "Angélique";
petites histoires

Friday, December 12, 2025.....10:00 am

Place: Home of Char Horton,
7206 W. Baldwin Reserve, Middleburg Heights

Program: Celebrate the holidays; "Angélique";
petites histories. *FYI: No meetings in January or February.*

GAMES AND SUCH

Chair: Jackie Gramlich

Co-Chair: Pat Foell

Monday, Nov. 10, 2025.....12:30-3:00 pm

Featured games: Quiddler and Quirkle

Monday, December 8, 2025.....12:30-3:00 pm

Featured games: Mexican Train Dominoes and
Christmas Word Games

Place: Westlake United Methodist Church
27650 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake

Park and enter at the back of the church. We do not serve
refreshments. Feel free to bring a snack.

GOLF-NINE HOLE LEAGUE

Co-Chair: Linda Beebe.....

Co-Chair: Kathy McAndrew.....2

Golf is over for the year. Play will resume in May 2026!

HAPPY HOUR

Chair: Jan Brundage.....

Co-Chair: Joanna Clancy.....

THIRD & FIFTH Tuesday. Arrive about **4 pm**.

No reservation needed. Open to all.

Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2025:

Legacy at Sweetbriar - 750 Jaycox Rd., Avon Lake

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2025:

Burntwood Tavern - 5600 Great Northern Blvd.

Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2025:

Arrabiata - 600 Dover Center Rd., Bay Village

HOLIDAYS WITH FRIENDS

Chair: Ann Adams.....

Thursday, November 27, 2025Time TBD

Place: Blue Sky Restaurant, 802 Cleveland St., Elyria

RSVP to either Ann or Helen by Sunday, Nov. 23, 2025.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Thursday, December 25, 2025 TBD

RSVP: only to Ann Adams Merry Christmas!

INVESTMENT – OPTIMIST

Presiding Partner: Paula Binder.....

Monthly meetings **3rd Friday** of the month

Place: Rocky River library..... **10:00 am**

Hands on experience learning and practicing sound
investment techniques. Come make some money with us!

New members welcome, but please contact presiding
partner before attending your first meeting for additional
information.

LEND A HAND

Chair: Diane Schlegel.....

Co-chair: Jan Brundage

Tuesday, November 4, 2025.....1:00 to 3:00 pm

We will be sorting books at the Kids' Book Bank. Their new
address is 13913 West Parkway Road, Cleveland. Car
pooling will be available. We will be leaving from Umerley
Center in Rocky River. Dinner will be a Joe's Diner in Rocky
River afterward. Please let Diane or Jan know if planning to
attend.

Tuesday December 2, 2025..... 11:30 am

We will be enjoying a Christmas gathering at Houlihan's
Restaurant in Westlake. We will be ordering from the
regular menu. Please inform Diane or Jan if planning to
attend.

LITERATAE

Chair: Jean Seasholtz.....

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2025 10:00 am

Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel

Leader: Elizabeth Claypool

Hostess: Gerry Knapp

Tuesday, December 9, 2025.....10:00 am

The Longevity Economy by Joseph Coughlin

Leader: Rudi Simko

Hostess: Rudi Simko

Tuesday, January 12, 2026.....10:00 am

The English Understand Wool by Helen DeWitt

Leader: Claire Chase

Location: Claudette's

LIVE TO EAT

Chair: Jackie Gramlich.....

Thursday, November 13, 2025.....12:30 pm

Hostess: Jackie Gramlich..

Theme: "Thanksgiving Outing " RSVP to Jackie

Thursday, December 11, 2025.....12:30 pm

Hostess: Fran DeAngelis ...

Theme: "Tails and Teasers" RSVP to Fran

LUNCH BUNCH

Chair: Pat McAndrew

Co-Chair: Margaret Gerrity

Lunch Bunch meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at
12:00. Regular participants have collaborated on this year's
selections. Please RSVP to Pat McAndrew by the previous
Sunday. Carpooling may be arranged at that time. All are
welcome!

November 25, 2025

Place: Café Blanc, 6500 Pearl Rd., Parma Hts. 216-930-5050

Tuesday, Dec 23, 2025.....MERRY CHRISTMAS!

MAH-JONGG

Chair: Carleen Kruger
Meets on 2nd Wednesday but **no** Wednesday Mah Jongg in November and December. It will return in January.
Thursday, November 6, 2025.....6:45 pm
Hostess: Arlene Corrigan
Thursday, December 4, 2025.....6:45 pm
Hostess: Sandy Schurdell

MONDAY MATINEES

Chair: Karen Farmer.....
Co-Chair: Marilyn Sledz.....
Monday, Nov.3, 2025.....Time and Theater.....TBD
Karen will email the name of the film, theater, and matinee time on Friday, Oct. 31.
Monday, Dec. 1, 2025.....Time and Theater..... TBD
Karen will email the name of the film, theater, and matinee time on Nov. 28.

MURDER, SHE READ

Chair: Patt Kelly.....
Place: Rocky River Library Community Room.....**1 pm**
We meet on the **3rd Thursday** of the month.
Walk-ins always welcome.
November: *The Queens of Crime* by Marie Benedict
No meeting in December. Return in January, 2026
January: *Whose Body* by Dorothy Sayers
February: *The Crime at Black Dudley*
by Margery Allingham

NEEDLEWORK

Chair: Mary Kay McLean
Co-Chair: Janet Eyman
We meet on the **3rd Tuesday** of the month Sept. thru May from **1:00-3:00 pm** at a members' home. Our first meeting was Sept 19th. At that meeting, we scheduled the rest of the year's meetings. New members are welcome and can contact Mary Kay at marykathrynann@gmail.com or call 440-835-9244.

NEWER MEMBER MEETUP

Chair: Delia Costin.....
Temporary Co-Chair: Judi Norton
Wed. Oct. 29, 2025.....All Meetings at 12 noon
November 12, 2025 and January 7, 2026
Place: Panera Bread, 26086 Brookpark Rd., North Olmsted.
No set agenda - just discussion of all things CCW. Please RSVP to Delia. Anyone who is new or newer to CCW (past two to three years) is encouraged to join us!

N.I.C.E. D.I.E.T

Chair: Marijane Kubach
Co-Chair: Marjory Heyd
Place: Westlake Porter Library
Time: 11:00 am- 1:00 pm
Regular meetings 3rd Thursday
Thursday, Nov. 20, 2025
Topic: TBD, presented by Sally Novak
December, 2025.....No Meeting

OUT TO DINNER

Co-Chair: Susan Kirst.....
Co-Chair: Jan Kapur
Tuesday, November 11, 2025.....5:00 pm
Place: Bistro 83 - 36033 Westminister Ave., N. Ridgeville
Tuesday, December 9, 2025.....5:00 pm
Place: Summer Place - 12900 Lake Ave. Unit 2, Lakewood
RSVP by phone or email to Jan by the previous Sunday. .
All are welcome.

PAGE TURNERS

Wednesday, November 12, 2025.....2:00 pm
Chair: Karen Farmer Co-chair: Sarida Volante
Program: *The Water Keeper* by Charles Martin
Discussion Leader: Gerry Knapp
Place: Rocky River Library
Wednesday, December, 2025:No Meeting
Wednesday, January 14, 2026.....2:00 pm
Program: *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese
Discussion Leader: Dorothy Logemann
Place: Rocky River Library

QUILTING

Chair: Marilyn Sledz
Meetings are the **3rd Thurs** of the month. Contact group chairs for location of November meeting. No Meeting in December. We welcome new members.

SPANISH

Chair: Jean Seasholtz
Anyone interested, please contact Jean Seasholtz for more information as we plan from meeting to meeting.

TECH CONNECT

Chair: Paula Deal
Friday, November 14, 2025.....10:00 am
Place: North Olmsted Library, Large Meeting Room,
27403 Lorain Rd, N. Olmsted
Program: Cloud Computing, Round 2. More information and sharing on the many uses of cloud computing. Bring a device if possible.
December No meeting.

To make your generous tax-deductible contribution to the CCW Scholarship Fund, please complete the form included with this issue of the bulletin.

As we celebrate our **100th year**,
let's strive for **100% participation**
in this worthwhile cause!

Looking to enhance your style while attending
meetings

(or writing your scholarship check?)

Interested in spreading the word about our centennial
milestone?

Utilize the lower section of the form to place your
order for your stylish
T-shirt or Polo.

THANK YOU !

**COLLEGE CLUB WEST
SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION DONATION
2025 - 2026**

- ☐ Regular donation \$ _____
- ☐ In Honor of _____ \$ _____
- ☐ In Memory of _____ \$ _____

Donor's Name: _____

Donor's Address: _____

- ☐ Please check if the address has changed.

Make check payable to: **CCW Foundation Inc.**

Mail your check and this form to:

College Club West Foundation, Inc. c/o Pat Schreiber, 6706 Thornton Drive, Parma, OH 44129

Thank you for your generosity and helping us move toward 100% participation in this campaign.

All donations are tax deductible.



ORDER FORM

CCW's Centennial Celebration Commemorative Shirt

Name: _____

Circle your choice in each row:

Size: Small, Medium, Large, XL

Logo style (See below): #1 #2

Shirt Type: Tee shirt Polo Shirt

Prices: Tee Shirt \$9.00 (Tees run small. Suggest you order one size larger than you normally wear.)

Polo Shirt \$22.00

Total Enclosed: _____

Mail a check made out to: College Club West to Claire Stair.

Style #1

Style #2



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If ordering more than one shirt, please submit an additional order form.