

U-CLUB NEWS



Rogue River Valley University Club

August 2017

Summer Party — August 17

The Club's annual Summer Party will again be held this year at RoxyAnn Winery. Great wine, a great BBQ dinner and the Club's traditional auction supporting the work of the Club Scholarship Foundation. A great time shared with good friends!

Join us for one of the Club's signature parties in a spectacular setting and enjoy great wines, great food and great fellowship.

Ticket for our Club's largest annual social event are just \$45 per person and reservations are now being accepted. Reservation deadline is August 14.



Bob Vaughn enjoying last year's Summer Party (photo courtesy of Steve Addington)

Make your reservations online now at [Summer Party](#) or by calling Lori at the Club, 541-772-4707.

The U Club is now in its quieter summer period. Two of our regular events, Monthly Speaker and Lunch and Learn, will resume in September.

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Jim Maddux

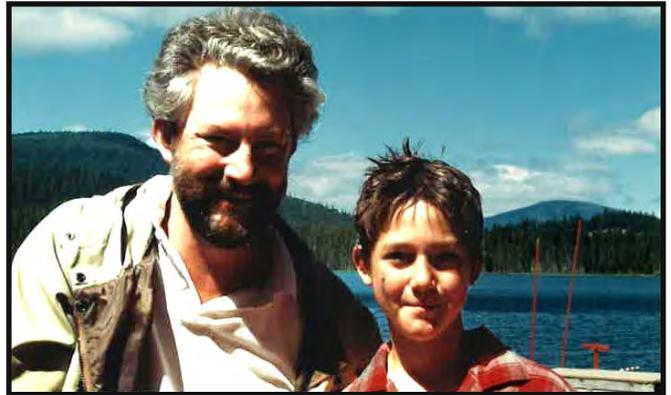
Welcome back to the U Club!

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SPOTLIGHT

Dave was born on Medford's Main Street in the old Community Hospital building — now the Century Building. He went to local schools and graduated from Crater High School. He went right up to the University of Oregon where he studied architecture. He has been a practicing architect in Medford for 47 years.

David Straus



Did you know?

- Dave designed that tall round tower at the airport, the one you see directly in front of you when you travel north on Biddle Road?
- He served in the Navy during the Vietnam War and pushed the button that permitted someone else to push a button that launched the very first ship-to-air missile fired in that war. (Ask him at lunch if it hit anything.)
- During the late 1960s he made frequent visits to the Haight Ashbury district of San Francisco and participated in the scene.
- He is really curious about chair and chair designs. Really. He studies them and collects them.



(top) Dave and his son Shaun on the Lake. (right) A portion of Dave's collection.



"Let us remember that the University Club has been here since 1910. The culture of the Club may need to change with the times but the tradition and fellowship needs to carry on for future generations." — President Jack Salter, August 2002

Many Club Members have previously provided for the Club's future in their estate plans and their generosity has helped create the experience you've enjoyed here.

Please consider helping to strengthen the Club's future by securing a bequest invitation form from [Jerry Jacobson](#) at 542-773-2727.



The Other Half - *The Ebell Club of Los Angeles*

I recently had an opportunity to tour the Ebell Club of Los Angeles which was founded in 1894 by Dr. Adrian Ebell, a former Yale professor and advocate of women's education. He founded a number of women's clubs throughout California and a number remain in operation. The Los Angeles Club's current home was constructed in 1927 and is a huge facility which, at its height, served over 3,000 members. Its current membership numbers approximately 350.



While I only toured a portion of the facility, I saw a Club house which includes two theatres, a large meeting/lecture room, a social room, numerous small meeting rooms, full kitchens and a courtyard. The facility, which has been very well-maintained, must require major ongoing operating cost. While available for private rental events such as weddings the Club heavily relies on rental income from the Wilshire-Ebell, the larger of its two theatres, to support itself.



It isn't clear when the Ebell's bylaws were amended to permit male members but the Club currently has only three such. Comparing



(top to bottom above) Wilshire-Ebell Theatre, meeting room, social hall, smaller theatre. (right) Interior courtyard with the Wilshire-Ebell Theatre sign atop the theatre's roof.

Meeting in Progress

Did you know that the Club's second floor conference room is available for private meetings at no charge? The room is quiet and is suitable for groups of as many as eight. And if you schedule your meeting during the noon hour, you can serve your guests lunch at the Club's customary \$12.50 per person. The conference room is also available during off-hours but food served other than at lunch requires special catering arrangements with Jason.

The Club's conference room is a quiet, private space — and it's available to Members at no charge as an added Membership benefit. And don't forget that the COPCO Library is just around the corner and is a perfect place for an informal visit in its easy chairs.

Just call Lori or Jason at 541-772-4707 to schedule the conference room.

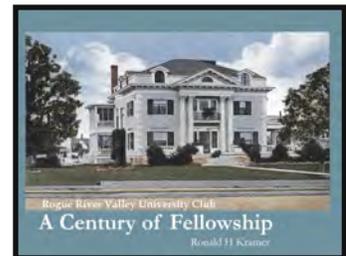
First Come — First Serve!



The Club's History

- 160 pages, 110 photos/illustrations
- The Club's founders, a complete listing of all members 1910—2015
- History of the Club and the community it serves
- \$34.95

Purchase at the Club or email admin@medforduclub.org.



The Board has regretfully accepted the resignation of Valerie Root.

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Recruit a former Member to return?

Do you know a former Club Member who might be interested in returning. Perhaps they were a Member when actively involved in business and just didn't have time to enjoy the Club but are now approaching retirement or even newly retired and have time to again enjoy Club fellowship.

Many things may have changed since they were Members including the extensive remodeling over the past 15 years. If you think they might be interested in re-joining the Club, bring them to lunch **and the Club will pay for their lunch.** Just note their name on your chit as a prospective returning Member.

Bringing former Members back to the Club helps both the Club and your former Member.



[Personal Member Application](#)

AED Installed!

The AED defibrillator, purchase of which was funded by a dozen Members at our March 30 Annual Meeting, has been installed in the foyer.

THANKS to Leigh Johnson, Greg Koenig, Len Merriman, Ken Pons, Doug Smith, Bill Thorn-dike, Bob Vaughn, Frank Watson, John Weisel, Bill Williams and Ron Worland for making this possible!



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