Hello, Sooner Sisters!

UWA’s 62nd year on the OU campus is off to a great start! 85 women attended our Registration Event, and two new Interest Groups have been formed! So if you are interested in joining the “Walking Shoes” or the “Theatre Goers,” see “iGroups” on page 3 for contact information.

Mark your calendars now for some important upcoming dates. On November 6th, we will tour the beautiful “new” Gould Hall and learn more about OU’s Institute for Quality Communities (IQC) from its director, Blair Humphreys.

February 9th will be our fabulous Champagne and Chocolates Reception, followed by the drama, *Mary Stuart*. All proceeds go directly into the UWA Student Scholarship Fund.

Our Spring Installation Luncheon is scheduled for May 4, 2012. Our own members will model clothes for travel. “One Trip-One Week-One Suitcase” will be the theme of this style show.

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**UWA Event in Gould Hall**

**College of Architecture**

**Sunday, November 6, 2011**

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

- 2:00 Enjoy refreshments and meet new friends
- 2:15 Charles Graham, Dean of Architecture
- 2:30 Blair Humphreys, Executive Director, IQC
- 3:15 Building Tour with Student Ambassadors

Parking is available in the Stadium Garage off Asp, just north of Lindsey. Gould Hall, located at 830 Van Fleet Oval, may be entered through the east or west doors.

For more information please contact Joyce Keller 573-7432 or Sarah Hall 329-0312 or visit [www.uwa.ou.edu](http://www.uwa.ou.edu)

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**Your new UWA Directory** will be available at the November 6 event. Be sure your info and photo are included – call Juanitta Goins at 831-5622.

If you have not already done so, please send your $25 dues to Cyndy Adams, 227 Kingsbury Dr., Norman, OK 73072.
Cathy Brister, Publicity, grew up in Childress, TX. She moved to Durant, OK where she earned her BBA at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. In 2001, Cathy and husband Kenneth moved to Norman, both joining the OU community: Cathy in Political Science and Kenneth with Corix Utilities. Cathy enjoys reading, knitting, cross-stitching, and playing golf. The Bristers share their home with three special dogs—Smokey, Jaycie, & Bandi.

Corissa Madison, Spring Event, is another Alumni Charter Member, graduating from OU in 2002 with a degree in Interior Design. For the last ten years, she has been the design consultant to the AGD sorority on campus. Corissa is also a co-partner in Avalon Studio - doing event planning, holiday deco, landscaping, and interior design. She and husband, Brandon, are the new parents of son, Gage, who is quickly becoming her business manager!

Judy Grillot, Parliamentarian, moved to Norman in 2006 when her husband Larry accepted the position of Dean of the new College of Earth and Energy. When Judy joined UWA last year, she immediately agreed to serve on the board. The Grillots have two married daughters and four grandchildren living in California. Judy enjoys music, traveling, gardening, reading, golf, and the incredible world of academia at OU.

Carol White, Fund Raiser, has been a customer service representative, an office manager, and a teacher. Her husband of 42 years, Jerry, and she are recently retired and have returned home to Oklahoma. Jerry is a former Coordinator of Media for Arts and Sciences at OU. The Whites have three grown children. Carol is a member of the BasketWeavers Guild of Oklahoma and is a proud member of the Choctaw Nation.

Shari McGrew, Spring Event, is an Alumni Charter Member, graduating from OU in 1988 with a BA in Fashion Merchandising. She immediately began a 17+ year career in the retail/advertising industry. Shari and husband Lon have two boys attending Norman High School. Her interests include OU football, interior design and running. She is currently training to run in the Komen Race for the Cure® this fall.

Melanie Wilburn, Secretary, has been an OU employee for six years. Her campus involvement includes chairing the OU Staff Week Committee, Co-Chairing the OU Awards Committee and serving on the Hourly Employees Council. Melanie devotes her free time to supporting cancer research. She is a team captain for the Cleveland County Relay for Life, the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure and a volunteer at the Breast Cancer 3Day.

With Gratitude, keepsakes . . .

Thanks to the Rainbolt family for providing our members with such unique bookmarks - each displaying favorite quotes of Jeannine Rainbolt.

Thanks to M’Liss Graham for the adorable “save-the-date” magnets listing upcoming UWA events.
MINGLING, VISITING, MEETING, JOINING, EATING, LAUGHING, LEARNING, ENJOYING...

The above activities make up a good party and were exactly what the UWA Fall Registration Kickoff event was all about. With over 85 women in attendance, it was a huge success. Hosted in the newly renovated Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education building, UWA members and guests felt right at home in the only building on campus named solely in honor of a woman. With a kickoff event of this caliber, this year’s UWA events are off to an exciting start!

Attendees admired UWA Historical Yearbooks and enjoyed a tasty selection of savory and sweet refreshments, along with punch, prepared by the board members.

With the classroom filled to capacity, guests were both riveted and touched by Dr. Ed Marek’s discussion on the developmental stages of Romanian orphans. He explained how many of the children are attributed to almost a total lack of human interaction.

iGroup Contacts

Antiques Group:
Sue Harrington, 329-6932

Books-Contemporary:
Juanitta Goins, 321-7934

Books-Eclectic:
Mary Carpenter, 321-4667

Bunco Squad:
Starla Boyd, 329-5217

Investment Club:
Janet Crain, 321-8184

New Sooners & Adventurers:
Juanitta Goins, 321-7934

Out-to-Lunch Bunch:
Regina McNabb, 364-9278

Salad Luncheon:
Janet Crain, 321-8184

Theatre Goers:
M’Liss Graham, 307-0543

Walking Shoes:
Ellen Greene, 325-6912
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Nominating (3 yr)..............Tish Marek

Scholarship Chair Barbara Starling presented Hana Goff, Ceara Parks, Alicia Clark and Kate Dinsmore with their final scholarship checks. Not pictured is Courtney Sawyer who is studying in Spain.

Also at our November Event, Help fill Santa's Bag!!

Plan to bring a gift or cash donation for the Secret Santa Program managed through the Citizens Advisory Board of Cleveland County Child Welfare Unit. This will be the 25th year C.A.B. has provided Christmas for children in Cleveland County DHS foster care. The wish lists of 680-700 children are waiting to be filled! For more information, please call Tish Marek at 229-0176.

See You Then—November 6th
with you on Sunday,
Bring a potential member
Never Close!
Membership in UWA

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