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The official newsletter of the University Club and the Saint Paul Athletic Club

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

When I sat down to write this issue's letter, I couldn't escape the theme of gratitude. But I hesitated. "It's such a cliché; everyone talks about gratitude this time of year."

And then I realized: That's a good thing. It's a beautiful thing.
There's no such thing as too much gratitude, and we're happy to join in the effort to spread it around - especially this time of year.

We are so grateful for another incredible year at the Saint Paul Athletic Club and University Club. Every day, we get to help people reconnect, unwind, get healthy, learn something, enjoy a delicious meal, share a laugh with an old friend, or make a new one.
What's better than that?
As the old saying goes, our cup runneth over.
We want to share some of this spirit of gratitude. This year, in partnership with Second Harvest Heartland, the Saint Paul Athletic Club and
University Club will be collecting non-perishable food items from November 3rd - 23rd. You will find collection boxes near the front desk at both facilities. Let's fill them up!

We have our annual Thanksgiving dinner on November 27th from 11:00-2:00. We invite you and yours to gather round our table to celebrate. Adults $\$ 30.00$ Children 6-12 \$15.00 Children under five, free. Call to make your reservation today.
So I'll say it again, without shame of succumbing to cliché: Thank you. Thank you so much for being a part of this community. We're so glad you're here.

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Hours of operation

## UC: Fitness Center

Monday: 6am - 8pm
Tuesday - Saturday: 6am - 10pm
Sunday: 8am - 8pm

## Dining

Tuesday - Friday: 11am - 10pm
Saturday: 10am - 10pm
Sunday: 10am - 2pm

## SPAC

Monday - Friday: 5am - 10pm,
Saturday - Sunday: 7am - 8pm

# MEMBERSPOTLIGHT 

Daniel Revsbeck

Patient Advocate; Retired from Northwest Airlines


For some people, a hidden talent means juggling or being able to list all of the Beatles' number one hits. Dan Revsbeck says his hidden talent is: "Appreciating people's legacies, serving as a steward for people's legacies, and advocating for people who cannot advocate for themselves."
(Suddenly, we're not feeling quite as boastful about our ability to say the alphabet backward.)

We enjoyed speaking with Dan and learning more about the important work that he does and the many ways in which he enjoys the SPAC.

SPAC: How long have you been a SPAC Member?
DR: I used to be a member of the pre-renovation SPAC in the 1990s. As soon as it opened again, I knew I wanted to join right away.

SPAC: Tell us a little about the work that you do.
DR: I retired from a career at Northwest Airlines, and now I serve as a medical advocate for patients. My wife was a longtime volunteer and advocate for the American Cancer Society, and after she passed I picked up that torch and carried it for her. I also have the chance to speak about caregiver advocacy at different events.

SPAC: What's your favorite place that you've ever traveled?
DR: I went on a great golfing trip in Scotland. Next, I'd like to travel to Rome. I also read a beautiful article about the sherry-producing district on the Mediterranean coast of Spain, and I'd like to go there as well.

SPAC: What's your favorite thing to do at the Club?
DR: Other than the happy hours?
SPAC: Well, the happy hours can be your favorite thing.
DR: No, I like the cardio room and the pool best. And I really enjoy attending poetry readings at the University Club on the third Tuesday of the month. We have such tremendous talent in our local community. But I do like the happy hours at the SPAC, and the Scotch tastings at the University Club as well. There's always something interesting going on at these clubs. Plus, the staff is so friendly. They go out of their way to learn my name and greet me when I come in.

Welcome to the members who joined in October! We're so glad you're here!<br>\section*{Saint Paul Athletic Club}<br>Robert Awsumb<br>Joshua Cohen \& Anna Abrams<br>Warren \& Anne Claflin<br>Kelsey Czeck<br>Geoff Fischer<br>Maiya Grath \& Andrew Rose<br>Steven Guberman<br>Kyle Hawkey<br>Peter Hebig<br>Jason Hellum<br>David Honeybone \& Michael Daly<br>Carol Hunter<br>Benjamin Jordan<br>John Kuzma<br>Brooke Lee<br>Michelle Ma<br>John Palmersheim \& Kelly MacLennan<br>Dmitri Pankratov<br>Olivia Pelham<br>Laura Ruhl<br>Christopher Stark<br>Jimmy Stokes<br>Marta Takacs \& Andreas Synesiou<br>Daniel Zeleznik

## University Club

Scott Flynn
Maiya Grath \& Andrew Rose
Larry Jodsaas \& Lynda Macaulay
Timothy Murry
Chris Nicholas \& Michelle Nicholas-Pierson

Justine Virock

## LEAVE THE COOKING TO US

Spend your time enjoying your family, and we'll take care of the rest.
Thanksgiving Buffet
November 27th 11:00-2:00
Adults \$30.00 Children 6-12 \$15.00
Children UNDER 5 FREE


## GLEAN OUT YOUR PANTRY AND FLL THEIRS!

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Thank you for your support.

## Together we can!

For questions email Jason Rebeck at jrebeck@theSPAC.com

## FOOKOUT

## BEVERAGE SPOTLIGHT

Before we begin, a hearty "thank you" to those who joined us for last month's Oktoberfest celebration! We supremely enjoyed hosting a night of German fare and Beer and we are already


As November unfolds, we turn our attention to BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU, which is released each year on the third Thursday of November after less than six weeks from harvest to bottle. This wine is best enjoyed early in its life and celebrations all over France (and the world, in fact) herald its coming. Our own celebration will be held on the evening of Friday, November 21st at the University Club! In honor of this pseudo-holiday, this month's spotlight will meander through interesting tidbits and history regarding the grape, regions and celebration we have come to know and love.

Burgundy is a long and narrow wine growing region located between France's beloved culinary capitals of Dijon and Lyon and famed for boasting the most premium wines worldwide from Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. While French wine law allows very few grape varietals to be grown in Burgundy, the southern-most area of Beaujolais is planted almost exclusively with the grape GAMAY NOIR. The Gamay grape is not quite as delicate nor temperamental as its northern counterpart, Pinot Noir, thus wines are much more reasonably priced although not inclined to be aged for lengthy periods. Among the many types of wine from Beaujolais, Nouveau is a style of young, swiftly fermented wine from the Gamay grape. This fresh, light and fruity wine typically has a lower alcohol content and has earned the reputation as a "quaffing" wine, intended to be drunk during late November and December as a celebratory beverage representing the first taste of the vintage. Beaujolais Nouveau's popularity in the United States peaked during the 1980's on the heels of a heralded marketing campaign led by renowned winemaker Georges DeBouef. While contemporary sentiment
now labels Nouveau as more or less an entry level wine, it remains an autumnal tradition and is perfect for pairing with Thanksgiving and Christmas meals due to its bright acidity and easily drinkable characteristics.

During our celebration, we will present a more complete array of wines derived from the Gamay grape, including two additional styles from Beaujolais and one from Dry Creek Valley in California. The second French style we will offer is Beaujolais-Villages, an intermediary level wine hailing from vineyards surrounding the premium growing villages throughout Beaujolais. This wine remains a light, easy drinking red with a brilliant raspberry hue, often characterized by floral notes and a silky mouth feel. BeaujolaisVillages undergoes a unique additional fermentation, termed carbonic maceration, which allows bright fruit character to remain highlighted above any tannic qualities the wine would otherwise demonstrate and often releases intriguing inorganic aromas of marshmallow, bubble gum or artificial blueberry. Like its younger counterpart, Nouveau, this style of wine is intended to be drunk relatively soon after its release, but may reach its peak within one to three years of age rather than immediately after bottling.

From the intermediary experience of Beaujolais-Villages, we vault our palates towards the Cru Beaujolais and Domaine Launay produced in the small village of Julienas, named after Julius Caesar and home to 2000 year old vineyards. In the greater region of Beaujolais, only ten small hamlets have been granted the distinction of producing Cru Beaujolais wine; their specific terroir (consisting of a mesoclimate characterized by mild temperatures and southern facing slopes with a mix of granite rich alluvial soils) allow optimal grape maturation. Within Beaujolais, Julienas lies on the northernmost edge, bordering on the famous Pinot Noir growing region of Macon. This specific wine is exquisitely fashioned to express a spicy, peppery and textured version of Gamay that is uniquely recognizable. Enjoyable with grilled meats and charcuterie, this is a medium bodied wine capable of being aged up to six to seven years, presenting moderate tannins, bright red berry flavor and the scent of peonies on the nose.

Our final Gamay wine offers a domestic version grown and vinified from a small half-acre plot on the western side of Dry Creek Valley in California. Since 1981, Deborah and Andy Cutter ( a Minnesota native!) have been perfecting the American manifestation of this French varietal. In their own words, "our Gamay Noir is bigger (in style) than a typical Gamay Beaujolais, having more tone and body of a Zinfandel, it has plenty of fruit without being too jammy or hot." After visiting with these winemakers personally this past August and dining with them overlooking their vineyard, I am especially proud to present the Duxoup Gamay Noir!

We look forward to welcoming you all, especially all you oenophiles out there, to our Beaujolais Nouveau celebration to sample a flight of Gamay wines while enjoying live music and French hors d'oeuvres. See you at the Club!

## FOODSPOTLIGHT

 by Chef Chris GersterWe are now officially in the midst of fall and, for me, this is one of the best times to be a chef - the smell of wood burning in fireplaces, the crisp air, and the natural sweetness found in so many of our fall harvest items. Brussel sprouts and hard squashes (like butternut and kabocha) are highlights at the Farmers Market this time of year - partly because the early morning frosts serve to concentrate their sweetness.

This sweetness is at its peak after several frosts. Most of these vegetables are grown outside the city so once we've had our first frost, it's likely that will have already had several. That's the perfect time to enjoy them!

The other benefit to the concentrated sweetness is that it makes them perfect to roast in the oven - they get a sweet caramel like quality that pairs nicely with roasted and braised meats. Here's a flavorful recipe that's sure to be a crowd pleaser.


## RECIPROCALCLUBSPOTLIGHT

The University Club of Portland was founded in 1898. Its clubhouse, completed in 1913, is one of the finest examples of Jacobean revival architecture in Oregon and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979. The elegant Tudor-style Main Dining Room on the second floor and convivial Grille on the first floor serve lunch and dinner weekdays. A wonderful library on the second floor is a quiet haven, with its overstuffed leather chairs, well-stocked magazine rack, newspapers, and, on chilly days, a roaring blaze on the hearth. The clubhouse is open 8 am to 10 pm Monday through Friday. The club is located in downtown Portland at the corner of Sixth Avenue and Jefferson Street, two blocks east of the Park Avenue cultural corridor. The club does not have overnight rooms, but has arranged for special rates at nearby hotels for reciprocal members.


## SPAC MEMBER NIGHTS!

Grab your friends/coworkers and join us at SPAC on Thursday nights in Butler's Café (2nd floor). From 5:30-8 pm, we have free appetizers, a cash bar, lots of laughing and ...

## Save the Date:

- Thursday, November 6th - Trivia
- Thursday, November 13th - Remote Control Car Racing (*in the Ballroom, 3rd floor*)
- Thursday, November 20th - Game Night
- Thursday, November 27th - *SPAC will be closed for Thanksgiving*

If you have not been to a SPAC Member Night yet, please join us - we promise you will have a great time!

## G.K.CHESTERTONSOCIETY

Dale Ahlquist
In November, we will be discussing a selection of essays that Chesterton wrote for the New Witness. These have never been reprinted since their first appearance about 100 years ago.

The topic will be economics and justice and common sense! For copies of the essays, please email the Acting Czar at info@chesterton.org

# GREAT BOOKS DISCUSSIONS! by Margaret King 



Wednesday, November 19th at 7:30 Confessions of a Fallen Standard-Bearer, by Andreï Makine.

Must any political ideology serving the interests of the majority advance by the destruction of individual rights? Do the needs of a collective outweigh the needs of a few, or one? Explore these themes in our Great Books selection for November, Andreï Makine's novel Confessions of a Fallen Standard-Bearer. The narrator Alyosha, hearing news of his boyhood friend Arkady, begins a sudden journey into the past, giving us glimpses of Soviet-era Russia during World War II and the Cold War. A former Communist scout, he looks back on his childhood and attempts to rescue it from Soviet perversion. Andreï Makine composes this world in less than 150 pages.

Makine is often compared to Boris Pasternak, and in the coming of age of Alyosha and Arkady is a common theme: the clash of ideology and the individual. Why are individual rights sacrificed for the good of the community? How do we live with memories or past experiences that threaten to undermine any belief in humanity? These are just some of the disturbing questions that Makine forces us to consider.

Andreï Makine was born in Siberia in 1958 and grew up in Novgorod. He was granted asylum by the French government while studying in Paris in 1987. In 1995, Makine won both the Prix Goncourt and the Prix Medicis, two of the most prestigious French awards in literature, for Dreams of My Russian Summer.
Join other convivial readers for this interesting discussion! Great Books Discussions meets on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 7:30 pm, in the Casual Room. We hope to see you there!

For more information, email Margaret King: kingmuelken@q.com

## Public Arts Saint Paul Presents:

## READINGS BY WRITERS SERIES

Carol Connolly Saint Paul Poet Laureate curates

## Free and Open to the PublicThird Tuesday of the month 7pm

5:00 dinner, not connected to the performance.
Reservations at 651-222-1751. You do not need to be a member.
Bar is open and serves throughout the evening.

## Eight amazing poets will be showcased at November's Readings by Writers.

Mary Kay Rummel
Bette Hammel
Sandy Beach
Sharon Chmielarz
Nick Coleman

Warren Woessner
Jim Lenfesty
Dudley Riggs:
Circus performer turned founder of the Brave New Workshop Comedy Theatre.

Every reader is a published poet, except for Bette Hammel who has published a book on the houses of Summit Avenue, and Dudley Riggs, who will be reading the work of the late John Berryman. Please join us!

## ROBERT BYRD'S DOCUMENTARYNIGHT

The Saint Paul Athletic Club is the new home of Robert Byrd's
Documentary Night. This free series of finely curated documentaries are assembled by Robert, film expert and Program Director at the Jerome Foundation.

In his travels to various film fests as well as his work providing grants to excellent filmmakers, Robert has the opportunity to select those stand-out documentaries from around the globe that generate great conversation and leave a strong impression. This series happens approximately every six weeks throughout the Fall.
Anyone from SPAC or UC wishing to be included in the invitations can email danielle.palmer@twincitiesfilmfest.org.

## FOCUSONFAMILIES

by Sue Katsiotis

The University Club is a place to gather, enjoy a meal, share traditions, make memories and spend quality family time. The University Club has a long standing history of amazing summer programming, and we are excited to extend this programming year round. In addition to our monthly Family Fun Nights, the club is adding activities the whole family can enjoy including pasta nights, year-round swimming, educational hands on fun and more! Complete details and sign up information coming soon...

## Family Fun Night

November 14th 5:00-8:00 Varsity Grill
This months' Family Fun Night will feature make and take paper craft with member and craft expert Heidi Anderson-Isaacson.
Please RSVP at 651-842-9084

## Thanksgiving Buffet

November 27th 11:00-2:00
Adults \$30.00 Children 6-12 \$15.00 Children UNDER 5 FREE


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Sounds of the season performed by local pianist Steve Anderson
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Local and specialty fashion must haves!

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(includes small bites, a glass of wine or champagne and admission to the event)


## INVESTMENTCLUB (THEICLUB) $)_{\text {If Guman mase }}$

The monthly meeting agenda always includes time to discuss companies on the "watch list" (as well as the stock portfolio). Generally companies are placed on the "watch list" because there may be a paucity of facts or insufficient information to make a buy decision. During the October meeting a number of new companies were added to this list-HP Fuller (FUL), Roche Holding (RHHBY), and Whole Foods (WFM).
H.B. FULLER produces and supplies specialty adhesives for retail and industrial applications. ROCHE HOLDINGS AG operates in the pharmaceuticals and diagnostics businesses worldwide. WHOLE FOODS MARKET, INC. operates as a retailer of natural and organic foods.

These three companies are added to the "watch list" that includes TESLA, DASTY, USBANK and GASLOG. This should provide for a full agenda for future meetings. Other agenda items for further discussion include a look at investment opportunities in the banking industry more specifically regional banks that may see a revival in commercial loan demand.

It is interesting to note that with the extreme volatility of the stock market during the first two weeks of October (the market lost about 5\% of its value during the roller coaster ride), the ICLUB'S portfolio only was hit with a $2 \%$ decline. Wall Street pundits claim the market down-draft was attributed to geo-political reasons. Corporate earnings for the period ending on September 30 generally were in line with expectations. The economy is going in the right direction. Therefore, the market should bounce back. Keep your fingers crossed!

The ICLUB meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of every month. All meetings begin at 5:30 PM and adjourn at 7:00 PM giving the members time to have a "post-game" discussion in the Ramsey Room. Please join us. Contact Gene Mason at eugene.mason@comcast.net if you would like to know more about the ICLUB.

## COMMONWEALTH PROPERTIES

## Second Floor West Wing

1,000 sq. ft. apartment with 17 th and 18th Century European rooms, one bedroom, galley kitchen with granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, green marble bathroom, parqueted floors, rock crystal chandeliers and wall sconces, phenomenal view down Summit Avenue to the Cathedral, off street parking.

Available fully furnished for long or short term stays
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For more information and to schedule a showing, please contact Debbie at dburgwald@commonwealthproperties.com


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| equipment and bodyweight. TBC incorporates bursts |
| of cardio into movements intended to help you tone/ |
| define all major muscles. |
| Duration: 45 Minutes |
| Pilates Mat • Strengthen and lengthen your muscles |
| while improving posture and reducing stress and |
| tension. Pilates mat teaches basic movement |
| principles and focuses on core strength. |
| Duration: 55 Minutes |
| Level: Beginning |
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Warrior Sculpt • Combination of yoga inspired
movements and free weights for increased muscle
endurance. This power up session builds strength,
stamina, and flexibility. Our Warrior Sculpt is, a total
body workout designed to tone and sculpt every major
muscle group. Free weights serve as your own personal
adjuster as you move through sun salutations and other
yoga postures, enabling extra length and depth in each
pose.
Duration: 55 Minutes
Level: All Levels
Insanity • The same mind blowing, home DVD workout
in a group class setting! Prepare to be constantly
challenged in this extreme fitness class that will take
you through long bursts of high intensity exercises
followed by short breaks. This class will leave you
breathless, sweaty and feeling fabulous.
Duration: 55 Minutes Express: 45 Minutes
Level: Intermediate
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physique... without added bulk. Developed from a dance
and Pilates background, the Barre workout combines the
amazing results of dance with the principles of Pilates to
sculpt and chisel every angle of the body..
Duration: 55 Minutes
Level: All Levels
Cardio Fusion• A mix of cardio-based exercises
guaranteed take your fitness to the next level.
Duration: 45 Minutes
Level: All Levels

