President’s Message:

“Bring a Positive Attitude to the New Year

Happy 2013!!!

I hope your holiday break was great and you were able to spend time with family and friends. Holidays can be stressful, but then again some of the best memories we have in our lifetime occurred during a holiday too.

This is the time of year to look back and remember the good things that have happened, the places we have traveled and the new friends we have met. It is also the time to reconnect with old friends including UNOPA friends. We also at this time of year look forward to a new year and all the promises it may bring. If we use our positive attitudes, the New Year will bring us joy and happiness even in the most unexpected ways.

I’m sure the people who have suffered from any of last year’s disasters would agree that even the small things that we take for granted should be appreciated more. It is not how much you have but how much you appreciate what you do have.

Now is the time to set some goals and pursue those dreams that always get put aside. Make plans in baby steps and with the completion of each baby step you will have a sense of satisfaction that will motivate you to keep on tackling the next baby steps. Before you realize you are on your way to accomplishing that goal or dream. Remember if you think you can do something you will find a way to do it. Be positive!!

Speaking of doing things, you will want to mark your calendars for all the upcoming UNOPA meetings and the 50th Anniversary party. The party will include a delicious dinner, entertainment and a fun time remembering the past 50 years of UNOPA. At the upcoming spring meetings we will have some terrific speakers, honor a member with the Rose Frolik award, recognize our Past Presidents, and install a new President and her Executive Board. I’m excited about these events just writing about them.

See you soon, Happy New Year!!

– Linda Luedtke, CEOE, 2012-2013 UNOPA President

Campus Plans are Topic for Joint January Meeting

Amy Goodburn, Associate Vice Chancellor from Academic Affairs, will speak on “Changes Going On Around Campus” at the annual joint UNOPA/UAAD meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013, at the Gaughan Multicultural Center. The luncheon and meeting are from 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

This meeting is a brown bag meeting so please plan to bring your lunch. Water will be provided.

Even though this is a brown bag meeting, we still need to make sure we have enough seating available, so please RSVP to: Alicia Arnold, 1700 Y St—BSC, City Campus, 0694, or email her at: aarnold6@unl.edu
UNOPA Members Respond Generously with Donations to Barnabas Community

December’s Giving Tree Project benefitted the Barnabas Community in the Belmont neighborhood. Cheryl Stubbendieck, the center director, (below at right) spoke of the poverty rate in Lincoln and explained that many people who benefit from the community are working families.

Donations of new and gently-used clothing were gathered and displayed at UNOPA’s December meeting (see middle picture with Lisa King and Diane Carson). Monetary donations amounting to $93 were used to meet various needs at the center. For more information about the Barnabas Community, see https://www.facebook.com/BarnabasProjectBelmont.

Also at the December UNOPA meeting, the Pius X show choir, Spectrum entertained attendees with Christmas chorale presentations (see bottom picture).

Thank You Expressed from Barnabas Community

Executive Director Cheryl Stubbendieck (at right) wrote the following letter thanking UNOPA members for donations at the December meeting to the Barnabas Community:

“My thanks to ... the members of UNOPA for selecting the Barnabas Community as the recipient of your holiday donation project. Your members were so generous: we received many clothing items for babies and young children, coats, socks, and underwear, a few decorative items and $93 in cash.

Your items were offered to our shopping guests on the Saturday following your December meeting. All of the baby items were gone by noon, having been selected by several different families. One woman talked about how happy she was that her baby would have new clothing to wear for her extended family’s Christmas celebration.

Your cash contribution will enable us to buy items we need for the store, including a portable, folding rack on casters that we can use when we have extra clothing to display (such as winter coats) or a coat rack in the community center.

Your gifts have blessed many families. May you also be blessed.”

CALENDAR for 2012-2013

January
15 Joint UNOPA/UAAD General Meeting, 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m., Gaughan Multicultural Center.
16 Bradley Munn deadline.
15 PSP deadline.
17 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites.

February
5 UNOPA Board meeting, 3 p.m., Whittier Conf. Room, 3rd floor.
12 UNOPA General Meeting, 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m., Neb. East Union.
21 UNOPA’s 50th Anniversary Celebration! 5:30 p.m., Nebraska East Union.

March
5 UNOPA Board meeting, 3 p.m., Whittier Conf. Room, 3rd floor.
9 PSP Luncheon, “Decades of Beauty,” Vine Congregational Church, Lincoln, 10:30-1:30.
12 UNOPA General Meeting, 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m., Gaughan Center.

April
2 UNOPA Board meeting, 3 p.m., Whittier Conf. Room, 3rd floor.
9 UNOPA General Meeting and Past President’s Luncheon, 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m., Nebraska East Union.

May
7 UNOPA Board meeting, 3 p.m., Whittier Conference Rm 3rd Floor.
14 UNOPA General Meeting, 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m.

Inspirational Thoughts

“What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness.”
― John Steinbeck, Travels with Charley: In Search of America

“My old grandmother always used to say, ‘Summer friends will melt away like summer snows, but winter friends are friends forever.’”
― George R.R. Martin
UNOPA Board Reviews Revenue
By Linda Luedtke

The football parking lot revenue is in and I want to personally thank everyone who came out on a Saturday and helped with the parking lot. I think that everyone who worked the lot would agree it’s a fun two hours and a great way to get to know fellow members as there is always time to visit.

Linda Arnold was the winner of the $25 gift card to Target in the volunteer worker drawing.

We parked a total of 299 cars in seven games which is far short of the number parked in a season at the old lot on ‘R’ Street. We did generate some revenue to off-set expenses and we will be credited with $1794. We are going to see if Parking Services has another lot we can have for next year that will hopefully be closer or at least have a larger number of cars who regularly park there.

With parking lot revenue much less this year, your Executive Board has voted to have another fund raiser this spring to help with expenses. Please look for details coming soon. Thanks again to everyone who helped out!

PSP Committee Plans Luncheon

Are you interested in changing fashions from the Victorian Era through the 1960s? If so, the Professional Standards Program (PSP) Endowment Committee is providing a perfect opportunity to learn about historical fashions. The committee is holding its 7th Annual PSP Luncheon “Decades of Beauty” on Saturday, March 9, 2013. PSP is a voluntary program based on education, experience, and professional activity. There will be a lunch, silent auction with door prizes, and speaker Susan McLain (at right).

McLain, better known as “Yesterday’s Lady,” lives with her husband in a historic 1887 building, with her vintage clothing collection and shop on the main level in downtown Beatrice. She has been collecting vintage clothing for 25 years and as a Nebraska Humanities speaker, she has traveled the Midwest entertaining groups with a wide selection of fashion programs and shows. Yesterday’s Lady aims to take you on a trip through time as Sue shares her love of vintage clothing. Check out her website at: http://yesterdayslady.net/programs.

The luncheon will be held at Vine Congregational Church, 1800 Twin Ridge Road, Lincoln. Doors will open at 10:30 a.m. with lunch served at 11. McLain will speak at 11:45a.m. The public is welcome to register for this event. Tickets to the fund-raising event are $15 and must be purchased in advance. Seating is limited. Make checks payable to PSP and mail your registration to Debbie Hendricks, 317 Orcutt Ave. E., Lincoln, NE 68504, by March 1, 2013.

Nominate a friend or co-worker for Rose Frolik Award

The Rose Frolik/Past Presidents luncheon is Tuesday, April 9, 2013, from 11:45–1 p.m. at the Nebraska East Union.

Nominations are open for the annual Rose Frolik Award. This award was created to recognize a UNOPA member who demonstrates the attributes of UNOPA's founder and first president, Rose Frolik. Rose was an enthusiastic, energetic person who challenged life and felt that how you do your work may be a lot more important than what you do.

Any UNOPA member who has been an active member for at least the last five years is eligible. (Members of the 2012-2013 Awards Committee, including the director, and UNOPA elected officers are ineligible. Individuals who have previously received this award are also ineligible.) Nominees must meet all eligibility criteria to be considered. A nomination may be made by any one, including self. In the event of a tie, the monetary award will be split among the winners.

UNOPA is looking for nominees who exemplify the spirit of Rose. Nomination information is on our website at: http://unopa.unl.edu/about/annualawards and should be submitted by March 4, 2013. Please direct questions to Diane Carson, dcarson2@unl.edu, 402-472-8209.
Join UNOPA in Celebrating 50 Years!

Please join members of the University of Nebraska Office Personnel Association (UNOPA) as they celebrate the group’s Golden Anniversary on Thursday, Feb. 21, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the Nebraska East Union (NEU). This gala event promises to include food, fun, and plenty of memories. Rick Alloway, associate professor of broadcasting, will be our guest speaker.

In 1963, Rose Frolik and a group of Office/Service employees set out to create an educational, networking, and informational association at the University of Nebraska. That group became today’s UNOPA.

Please help us celebrate 50 years of high professional standards in education. Watch for more details soon and if you’d like to help with this historical event, contact Marcy Tintera (mtintera1@unl.edu) or Tricia Liedle (pliedle2@unl.edu).

Technology Tips

Windows 8 and MS 2013 Not Supported by I.S.

By Kathy Schindler

The UNL Information Services (I.S.) Department does not support Windows 8 Operating System or Microsoft Office 2013, according to their website (http://is.unl.edu). The Windows 8 operating system will not work with Firefly or the SAP GUI (Graphical User Interface).

While all campus networking has been upgraded to support new Windows 8 features, there is a lack of support for Windows 8 by Firefly.

Watch for upcoming Windows 8 and MS 2013 training sessions from Information Services. Specific questions about Windows 8, MS 2013, Internet Explorer, and Firefly may be directed to the CSN Helpdesk at 402-472-7373.

Join UNOPA and make a difference! Contact Barbara Homer, Membership Director, at b homer@unomaha.edu to join.