The University League, Inc.
presents
Cello by Candlelight

Saturday, November 23 – 5 p.m.
Nakoma Golf Club
4145 Country Club Road, Madison

Uri Vardi
Cellist

Thomas Kasdorf
Collaborative Pianist

The University League welcomes you to a performance of cello and piano music by Uri Vardi and Thomas Kasdorf (their biographies are on page 2) as well as a time to meet and greet your friends and have a delicious meal catered by Nakoma.

Dinner Choices:
- Chicken Marsala
- Chargrilled Sirloin Steak
- Baked Lake Superior Whitefish
- (Sautéed Chicken Breast)
- Maitre D’ Hotel Butter
- Citrus Basil Butter
- Mushrooms, Garlic, Spring Onions
- Hay-stack onion strings
- Steamed Asparagus
- Roasted Red Potatoes
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- Steamed Asparagus
- Roasted Red Potatoes
- Nakoma Salad
- Roasted Red Potatoes
- Nakoma Salad
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- Dessert: Turtle Sundae
- Beverages: Coffee, Decaf, Tea, Milk
- Vegetarian option available on request

Please return the reservation form on page 9 with a check for $36.00 payable to The University League, Inc. to be received no later than **November 15, 2013** to: Betty Zeps, 1922 Adams St. Madison, 53711.
ABOUT THE ARTISTS*

Uri Vardi, cellist, has performed as a recitalist, soloist, and chamber player across the United States, Europe, South America, Asia, and his native Israel. Born in Szeged, Hungary, Vardi grew up on kibbutz Kfar Hahoresh, Israel. He studied at the Rubin Academy in Tel Aviv, was an Artist Diploma student at Indiana University, and earned his Master’s degree from Yale University. His teachers have included Janos Starker, Aldo Parisot, Eva Janzer, and Uzi Wiesel. Vardi has recorded and toured widely with the Israel Chamber Orchestra and was a founding member of the Sol-La-Re String Quartet and was Principal Cellist of the Israel Sinfonietta. In 1990, following an extensive teaching and performing career in Israel, Vardi was appointed professor of cello at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In addition to his work at Wisconsin, Vardi has taught and conducted master classes at numerous music schools, including: Juilliard, Eastman School, New England Conservatory, and the Jerusalem Music Center (Israel).

Vardi puts great emphasis on the relationship between movement and sound. In order to further his understanding of this approach, he has specialized in the Feldenkrais Method, for which he received the 1999 UW-Madison Arts Institute Faculty Development Award. The Feldenkrais Method is used to improve body awareness and has proven to be highly effective in alleviating pain, anxiety, and movement difficulties. The Method involves the use of movement, touch and imagery as tools for learning new ways of functioning. The heightened awareness that develops through the use of this method leads to improved body image, organization and function. For the last five years, Vardi has taught a course at UW-Madison: "Feldenkrais for Performing Artists." In 2012, he was awarded the UW Art Institute Emily Mead Baldwin Award to Create a Program for Somatic Education in the Performing Arts at UW-Madison.

Thomas Kasdorf, freelance collaborative pianist, coach and musical theater director, graduated in 2011 with a bachelor of music in piano performance from UW-Madison, studying with Professor Christopher Taylor. At UW-Madison, Kasdorf was selected to be an inaugural member of the Perlman Piano Trio, which awards scholarships and performance opportunities to talented undergraduate students to give performances of chamber music. He was named co-winner of the Irving Shain Woodwind and Piano Duo Competition, with collaborative partner, flutist Morgann Davis and was awarded the Bolz Prize of the Madison Symphony Concerto Competition and performed Grieg’s Piano Concerto in A Minor at their Spring Youth Concerts. He has performed in master classes given by: composer William Bolcom, violinists Nadja Salerno Sonnenburg and Pinchas Zukerman; cellists Steven Isserlis, Ronald Leonard, Ralph Kirshbaum and Timothy Eddy, and pianists Robert MacDonald, Jeffrey Siegel and Adam Neiman. Of his work with other artists, Kasdorf says, “I’m constantly inspired by my collaborative partners. I feel so blessed to be able to learn so much from every individual that I work with, and that insight carries into all of my future collaborations.”

*Information excerpted from Uri Vardi’s website and from an interview with Thomas Kasdorf by Gayle Worland in the Wisconsin State Journal.
GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a great way to celebrate fall! The Arboretum was beautiful, the Autumn Coffee was a phenomenal success with 120 participants and our celebrated speaker, Lee Weiss, giving an extraordinary presentation of her watercolors and painting techniques over many decades of “Learning to See.” The Garver Gallery graciously displayed four of her paintings that many of us would be happy to own. Trader Joe’s on Monroe Street generously donated large mums for our table centerpieces that some lucky participants could take home. Say thank you to the staff at Trader Joe’s if you happen to shop there. Kudos to Betsy Haimson and her program committee for all their successful efforts.

Another highlight of this program was to hear from two of our scholarship recipients, LèAndrea M. Vernon and Debra Dawidziak, who briefly spoke about their career aspirations. They were an inspiration to all of us. More scholarship recipients will be highlighted in this newsletter thanks to Judy Olson who interviewed the students and invited them to our programs.

University League is appreciated! Having had the opportunity to attend several Scholarship Honors Awards ceremonies in September, other Board members and I met with many of our scholarship recipients and their parents from the College of Letters and Science, the School of Education and the School of Veterinary Medicine. These students are so bright, talented and are enormously grateful for their awards. You would all be proud to meet them. Why are we appreciated? We were told that the schools and colleges eagerly await our scholarship award letters every summer and are appreciative that they can depend on us. Scholarship awards go only part way in closing the huge gap that exists between what the university can provide and the tremendous need for student financial aid.

For the first time, University League was invited to be the Donor Speaker at the Letters and Science Awards program to discuss the Angelen Frensley Lenehan Endowed Scholarship and other endowed scholarships that are given to Letters and Science students. As speaker, I also talked about the League, our mission and commitment to UW-Madison students. It was great publicity for us and acknowledged the importance of our scholarship activities. It was quite impressive to say that we raised over $28,000 for General and Memorial Scholarships and were able to award over $81,000 for the Endowed Scholarships.

The membership committee’s “Each One, Reach One” goal is to increase our membership by 10% or over 40 new members by May 31, 2014. Currently we have 388 regular members and 48 spousal members.

The New Member Coffee was held October 1st with over 14 new members in attendance. This was a tremendous turnout. We ask you to “Reach Out” and use your personal contact to invite acquaintances to our programs and interest groups. Some people are just waiting to be asked. Remember the following:
• Our dues are a bargain for the benefits enjoyed as a League member.
• Dues cover our operational expenses (which we keep very low), with any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year going to the General Scholarship Fund. Paying your dues helps to sustain our organization. Your donations enable us to award the general and memorial scholarships.
• Joining League provides opportunities to meet new people, experience new interests, and make a difference in the lives of UW-Madison students.

The membership committee’s “Each One, Reach One” program is in the developmental process. We have established a goal to increase our membership by 10% or over 40 new members by May 31, 2014. Many of our publicity efforts are in place (see Publicity on page 12) and there is more to come. We will announce more information in our next newsletter.

Past President, Bobbie Johnson, and her Nominations Committee have already begun meeting. Please consider a position on the Board of Directors. It is an opportunity to promote the League, meet other UL members and yes, have some fun along the way. It is a good feeling to know that you are contributing your energy and ideas to make the UL a better organization for its members. You can contact Bobbie at bobbie2217@gmail.com.

Mark your calendars now for the November 23rd Candlelight Concert. Consider a donation for scholarships with your reservation. Every level of gift is important!

Thank you for being a member of the League!

Sincerely,
Mary Jo Willis

DOLLY SCHOENBERG CELEBRATES HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

Long time University League member, Dolly Schoenberg, celebrated her 100th birthday on Saturday, October 5 with a musical performance by the Artists of Bach Dancing & Dynamite Society of which she is a beloved audience member at Oakwood Village.

Dolly moved to Madison with her son and husband in 1965 when her husband joined the Mathematics Research Center. In the almost 50 ensuing years in Madison, Dolly has built a life rich in friendship, community, and music. She volunteered for many years at the UW Hospital. Dolly, an accomplished pianist, gave piano lessons and accompanied classical singers. An avid birdwatcher, she has been a member of the University League Bird Group since the late sixties and been a loyal supporter of University League scholarships.

Though her birthday has passed I’m sure Dolly would enjoy hearing from her University League friends. Those wishing to send Dolly a card, please send to Dolly Schoenberg, 6165 Mineral Point Rd. #34, Madison, WI 53705.
MORE ABOUT OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

ALEXIS DUNNUM
Alexis is one of two University League Louise Defolliart Endowed Scholarship winners. She is a freshman from Westby, Wisconsin and was in a 65 member graduating class. She’s not in the least overwhelmed by the UW experience and seems to be approaching this semester with gusto.

She describes herself as an extremely active girl. In high school she was in four bands, five choirs, Wisconsin State Honors Choir and Wisconsin State FFA Honors Chorus. In addition to that she was in National Honor Society, 4-H and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She also competed in Varsity Volleyball and Varsity Track. Finally, she had time to volunteer to tutor a girl who was an English language learner and gave over 40 hours to that effort.

Alexis’s focus at CALS is in Agricultural Business and International Business. She grew up on a family farm in a small Norwegian farming community. She hopes to become a representative for a company that sells agriculture based products nationally and internationally.

Her love of music has inspired her to compete for a spot in the U. W. marching band. She was successful and is now a trumpet player there.

She closes her thank you note as follows “I am a very hard working girl, and I plan to get all I can out of my experience at UW-Madison. I promise this money will go to great use! Thank you so much for helping make my dreams come true. I can’t tell you enough how fortunate I am to have received this. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

DYLAN BRAUN
Dylan has been chosen by the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) to receive one of two University League Louise B. DeFolliart Endowed scholarships this year. He is a sophomore who is majoring in Genetics and German. He chose the UW because it is a premier research university and he wants to pursue genetics.

Dylan graduated from Muskego High School. In high school he was in the band, played piano and the drums and also played tennis. Now his extra curricular activities are related to his two majors, the German Club and the student Genetics Association. The Genetics Association offers social time and invites professors to attend to discuss their research.

As a freshman Dylan became involved in research and became intrigued with the emerging field of evolutionary genetics. He has continued to pursue research and plans to have that as his career path. Dylan thanks the League for its scholarship and says it allows him to continue to spend his time on research.
REMEMBERING PAST LEAGUE PRESIDENTS

Janice Golay was University League President for two consecutive terms 2007-08 and 2007-09. Always gracious, encouraging and appreciative of others, Janice credits the success of her presidency to her dedicated League Board. Janice says, “The highlight of my presidency was the Big Ten Conference held here. The ripple effect it had on the other Universities to develop their own scholarship programs was very satisfying.”

The Conference had the theme Navigating Today’s Currents: Charting our Course. The plenary session featured Martha Taylor, Vice President for Development, the University of Wisconsin Foundation. The complementary organizations to our League from the other universities attending the conference were amazed at and inspired by the large scholarship donations our University League has traditionally raised. They learned so much about how to build their own scholarship programs from Martha Taylor and the other speakers and workshops. Our own League learned of a number of new types of Interest Groups popular at other universities. Once again, Janice gives credit for the large success of that conference to the committee members particularly Ann Gordon-Walker and Kathy Sandefur.

REINTRODUCING OUR ASSISTANT TREASURER, A PAST PRESIDENT

Roma Lenehan was University League President in 2010-2011. Although Roma followed in her mother’s footsteps as League president, she does not know much about Angelena Lenehan’s 1977-78 presidency except that there was lots of entertaining going on then.

Roma graciously gives credit for the success of her presidency to the Nominating Committee that gave her such a fine Board of Directors. She believes that delegating responsibility is an extremely important part of being president. Believe in your Board and let them do their work. That’s the Roma way. Roma has the knack of being encouraging. If criticism seems necessary, Roma will have alternate suggestions with reasoning, research and with deference to the work others have done. I can just hear her saying, “Now this is just a suggestion; I want you to be comfortable with the decision.” She expresses appreciation graciously and often.

What does a president do after her term is finished other than chairing the nominating committee? Well for Roma, it is pretty much what she had been doing before and during her presidency. She is more active than ever in controlling non-native invasive species and in restoring the Lakeshore Nature Preserve. Roma started the Movies in the Afternoon Interest Group and is co-chair of the Bird Study Interest Group for the thirteenth year. Of course, Roma is now Assistant Treasurer of University League. She is a good writer, is good with numbers and is well qualified for her current University League position. She has held League Board positions as President, Newsletter Editor, Membership chair, Volunteer Services Chair and Roma has an M.B.A. in Finance, Investment and Banking from University of Wisconsin, Madison. The League is very pleased to have her back on the Board.
UNIVERSITY LEAGUE AEROBICS GROUP CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

The University Aerobics Group celebrated its 30th anniversary this September. For its members it has exemplified a spirit of camaraderie and cooperation as well as fitness and joyful motion.

The group meets on Mondays and Thursdays from 8 to 9:30 A.M. throughout the year at the MadTown Twisters Gym on Old Sauk Road, near the intersection with Gammon Road. Two of our present members, Caroline Liedtke and Jeanne Grover, were among the founding members in 1983. They are still at the top of their form! Two other members, Marilyn Gundermann and Margaret Kaufman recently represented Wisconsin at the National Senior Olympics held in Cleveland in July. Marilyn swept the 100 and 200 meter dash competitions, winning two gold medals. Of course we are not all super athletes and we have many different reasons for joining the Aerobics Group such as doctor’s orders or never finding the time to exercise at home. We keep coming because we like the way we feel afterwards and we also love the company!

Twice a week, for 1 ½ hours, our session consists of 45 minutes of aerobics, 15 minutes of Yoga, 15 minutes of weight training and 15 minutes of floor exercises with stretching in between. Caroline Liedtke, who has been leading the group since 1992, is constantly searching for new routines and exercises to challenge us. She leads the group in aerobics, weights and core exercises, while Jill Muehrcke, a long time Yoga enthusiast, leads us in the Yoga exercises. Marilyn Gundermann leads the group when Caroline is away on a trip.

For our 25th anniversary, many members wrote a verse about the group to be read at our anniversary celebration. As Jill read each verse, the members chimed in with the chorus, “Exercise is a helluva thing. But fitness and friendship are priceless.” Here are just two of the many verses that expressed our enthusiasm which continues to this day.

On Mondays and Thursdays, to exercise we flew
Yoga, weight, abdominals, and aerobics to do.
To keep us in line
We have Jill, Marilyn, and Caroline!

I first came just for the exercise.
That led to strength and joy in motion.
Then the spirit of this aerobic sisterhood captured me.
Now I come to be together.

We welcome new members and strongly encourage all, who yearn to feel hail and fit, to join us. For more information about the League Aerobics Group, call Marilyn Gundermann at 833-8553.
ON THE TRAIL WITH THE BIRD STUDY INTEREST GROUP

The Bird Study Interest Group has been busy this Fall. Here they are out and about at Indian Lake and at Eagle Heights Gardens.

Checking out what’s up the road.

Gardens attract birds as well as lakes and woods.

We thought there were water birds on the lake--but where??

NEW MEMBER COFFEE

It was a beautiful fall day and Mona’s Steele lovely home was the setting for the New Member coffee held on October 1, 2013. Fourteen new members attended the coffee and it was an excellent occasion to get to know the new members and inform them about all the wonderful opportunities they will have since joining University League. I hope this enthusiasm will carry over when they attend the various events, interest groups or volunteer opportunities.

Thanks to Kathy Knox, Pat Feltskog, and Nancy Meyer for furnishing the delicious food for the coffee. Also thank you to the board members who attended the coffee and presented information about league to the new members: Mary Jo Willis, Mona Steele, Charlotte Burns, Joyce Anderson, Helen Read, Barb Sullivan, Pat Feltskog and Betty Zeps.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

As of October 1, we have 389 regular members and 48 spousal members for a total of 437 members. We are pleased to welcome the following new members who have joined since the August newsletter: Shawn Ahren-Djamali, Nancy Cappoletti-Johnson, Theresa Calderon, Rosemary Ehr, Ann and Silvano Garofalo, John Nimis, Karen Ostrov, Christine Reeb and Amal Vitale. Please welcome them when you have the opportunity to meet them in your Interest Groups or other meetings.

Membership recruitment is not just the work of the Membership Development Committee, but each and every member of University League. Please send names of prospective members to Pat Feltskog 238-9836, pafeltsk@wisc.edu and I will be happy to send our brochure “You Are Invited” to interested people.

FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT CHAIR

University League is needed! The Schools and Colleges Scholarship Recipients Receptions have begun for the fall. What we have learned from the Deans, Assistant Deans and Scholarship officers from these schools is that University League’s donations are essential. Each member’s contributions to scholarships helps close the very large gap between the financial help that is requested by students and what the University can provide. This gap is huge-over $45 million.

It is a pleasure to belong to our organization, The University League, Inc., which not only voices the importance of excellent education but supports it with our dollars. Let’s continue that support with greater generosity this year.

Sincerely
Helen Lackore, Scholarship Benefit Chair
## THE UNIVERSITY LEAGUE, INC. - REPORT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
### June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013

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| League Balance and Income | $140,658 |

| Expenses June 1, 2012 - May 31, 2013 | |
| Scholarships & Gifts | $ 36,100 |
| Endowments to UW Foundation | $ 32,681** |
| Bookworms Books | $ 8,334 |
| Publication/Mailing Costs | $ 4,480 |
| Board Expenses | $ 608 |
| Professional Fees (CPA, etc.) | $ 664 |
| Program Expenses | $ 10,450 |
| **Total Expenses** | **$ 93,317** |

| League Balance May 31, 2013 | **$ 47,431** |

* The May 31, 2012 and May 31, 2013 UW Credit Union balances include the Bookworms balances on those dates.
** The May 31, 2012 balance includes $2,895 in endowment funds which had to be carried over to 2012-2013.
# The Board made an internal transfer of $100 from dues to Bookworms in memory of Cynthia Benevenga.

This accounts for the extra $100 ($3,490 vs $3,390) in the Bookworms Sub-Account report.

### DONATIONS SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER

**To General Scholarships**
- Ann Albert
- Mary Anderson
- Sally Bilder
- Lynda Cantrell
- Martha Christensen
- Ruby Dobson
- Karen Funkhouser
- Susann Griffiths
- Anita Gurda
- Betsy Haimson
- Ruth Heins
- Kay Jarvis-Sladky
- Joan Jennerjohn
- Kathy Knox
- Carol Koscik
- Fern Lawrence
- Claire Mangasarian
- Joan Maynard
- Fumiko Miyazaki
- Judy Olson
- Roberta Preston
- Fran Rall
- Peggy Schmidt
- Anne Stoelting
- Marguerite Sykes
- Catherine Tesar
- Judy Troia
- Lore Wahl
- Betty Zeps
- Ruth G. Johnson
- Dean Calkins
- Joan Calkins
- Jim Moser and Jean-Pierre Golay
- Betsy Haimson
- In Honor Of Marcia Schmidt
- Mary Jo Willis
- To Bookworms
- In Memory Of Cynthia Benevenga and Jim Knox
- Kay Jarvis-Sladky and Robert Sladky

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**Bookworms** League Sub-Account

| Bookworms Income 2012-2013 | |
| Balance May 31, 2011 | $6,407 |
| University League Gifts*** | $3,490# |

| Non-League Grants | $5,200 |
| **Total in 2012-2013** | **$15,097** |

| Bookworms Expenses 2012-13 | |
| Books Purchased | $ 8,334 |
| Balance May 31, 2013 | $ 6,763 |

*** League is the fiscal sponsor of Bookworms.
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Reservation Form

Due by Friday, November 15, 2013

Program: Uri Vardi, Cellist and Thomas Kasdorf, Collaborative Pianist
Member: ________________________________
Guest(s): ________________________________

Need a ride? __________ Can offer a ride? __________

Dinner Choices:
[ ] Chicken Marsala  [ ] Chargrilled Sirloin Steak  [ ] Lake Superior Whitefish
[ ] Vegetarian Dinner choice available on request.

____ Reservations @ $36.00 each = ________
Scholarship donation = ________
Total = ________

Check(s) payable to: The University League, Inc.
Mail to: Betty Zeps, 1922 Adams St. Madison 53711  608-255-5252

HAIL, HAIL, THE GANG’S ALL HERE

The 2012-2013 Board of Directors (most of whom are on the 2013-14 Board) are posed in their final meeting last Spring at Dorothy Binning’s home. From bottom to top of the stairs are Dorothy Binning, Nan Bailles, President Bobbie Johnson, Robbie Preston, and Charlotte Burns; Priscilla Thain, Betty Zeps and Helen Lackore; Kay Jarvis-Sladky, Judy Olson and Mary Jo Willis; Mona Steele, Elinor Zach and Kathy Knox; Sally Lorenz, Cathy Tesar, Pat Feltskog, Betsy Haimson and Lynda Cantrell. The University League is indeed lucky to have such energetic and dedicated volunteers to lead now and to plan for our future.
PUBLICITY FOR UNIVERSITY LEAGUE

University League has received an anonymous donation to increase awareness of our organization in the greater Madison Community. Our Membership Committee members have met with representatives of Wisconsin Public Radio to develop eight “support” announcements which will identify University League and its mission, will promote our upcoming Candlelight Concert, as well as our website. The announcements will air randomly on WERN, 88.7 FM, from November 8-14 anytime between 6:00am and 11:00PM. WERN is the station which airs programs such as “All Things Considered,” and “To the Best of Our Knowledge.” We are excited about this effort to raise awareness of our programs and increase the knowledge of the University League in Madison. Let us know if you hear them!