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February 2016

## The 2015 Holiday Ball

A delicious dinner was enjoyed by 63 Ullrs at the American Legion in Savage. The staff was friendly and efficient. The food was excellent. The room was festive, comfortable and there was plenty of room to dance. The flower arrangements made by "The Flower Box" were red roses and white mums with a variety of greens. Thanks to the Foundation for the many door prizes they gave away. The Changing Times Band played "our kind" of music, and the dance floor was full. Thanks to Charlotte and Alan for being our photographers and to all who came to the Holiday Party.



Ball co-chairs: Diane Erlandson, Sharon Marini and Mary Jane Hochstein



Alan posted 33 photos from the Ball to the ULLR website, each one worthy to be printed in the Nullr. Please look at them at [ullr.org](http://ullr.org) The webmaster, JJ [Joe] Coursolle, is shown here with wife, Laurie.



Karen G & Barb C enjoy a book donated to Toys for Tots.

## Wanted: New ULLR Members

Last Fall, Membership chair, Jan Butler, represented our ULLR club at the Mid-West Mountaineering (MWM) EXPO located in the Cedar-Riverside neighborhood in Minneapolis. Hundreds of people of all ages attended. Jan realized many of those aged 40-60 would be wonderful new members. Jan wrote, **"Our ULLR club is a maturing organization that could benefit from...new ideas, enthusiasm and knowledge of people that flock to the MWM Winter and Spring EXPOs."** **"These are the people who would benefit most from the activities and friendships ULLRs can provide. We in turn can share with them our ULLR leadership talents and ULLR family while ensuring the health and viability of ULLR Ski, Bike & Social Club into the future."** There will be more information about volunteering April 22-24 at the Spring Expo in next month's Nullr.



Carol T, Dale B, and Charlotte N enjoy the social hour.

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**LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

by Patty Fitzgerald

Hi Fellow Ullrs,

As I write this letter, I am looking out at green grass in late December. I should be out skiing, but there is not enough snow for the ski areas to be open all day. I am certainly looking forward to some colder weather and a chance to get out on my new skis before I head out west.

Do you have an idea for an event for the Club? Our February and March calendars have many dates available, so now is the time to be planning a fun outdoor event or indoor cultural event. Talk to one of the board members. We are always looking for new ideas.

Your board Summer VP searched all over the metro for an alternative location to have our summer picnics. Several people were hoping that we could find a location south of the river for at least some of our dates. It turns out we found nothing that had a large enough facility for our group that would allow alcohol. We decided the location we currently have in Golden Valley is perfect for us, even though it is a long drive for some of you. The picnics have been our most popular event, and I hope you will continue to come to as many as you can.

In other board news, the treasury is in a very good place as of now, thanks to the discontinuation of mailing the Nullr and opting for the online version of delivery. We appreciate your support in this decision. We will be looking at ways to give back some of those funds to you, the members, so stay tuned.



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ULLR Ski, Bike and Social Club extends an Invitation to all Members to plan a trip or event.

**WESTERN SKI TRIP OR WARM WEATHER GETAWAY  
PROPOSAL GUIDELINES FOR 2016-2017**

ULLR Ski, Bike and Social Club has great trips for members who love to ski in the mountains or to bask in the warm sun of the tropics. Each April our members present trip proposals for the following year. If you have had experience running ULLR Club events and have an idea for a trip, please prepare a proposal for presentation to the Board. It is fun to do, and you will have lots of help along the way to make your event a success.

The brief guidelines on how to prepare a trip proposal are viewable or downloadable at:

<http://ullr.org/Forms/2016-TripProposalGuidelines.pdf>

**ULLR [Cancellation](#) and [Communication](#) Policies**  
can be reviewed at [www.ullr.org](http://www.ullr.org)

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**Downhill Ski at Granite Peak;  
Snowshoe or cross-country at Nine Mile Forest;  
Snowshoe at Rib Mountain State Park.**

All this is possible on the **Wausau, Wisconsin Trip!**  
The sign-up for this February 2-4 trip is over. But a wait list has started. Possibly rooms will be available. Cost is \$117 per person for lodging, breakfast, and a pizza party. Call trip chairs, Nancy Sand 952-435-5225 or Diane Erlandson, 952-941-5184 for information. See more details at [ullr.org](http://ullr.org)  
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**Room for 3 more at the 2016 Summer Bike  
and Golf Trip to Nisswa**

**Dates:** June 13-16, Monday-Thursday

**Stay:** at the Good Ol' Days Resort.

**Cost:** \$175. Make check payable to ULLR

**Send to:** Carol Bush, 5691 Hyland Courts Dr.,  
Minneapolis, MN 55437. Include emergency contact  
information. A wait list will be made when trip is full.

ULLR Cancellation Policy applies.

Joy Knudson is organizing a golfing program for those interested in golfing rather than biking. If interested in being put on her roster, e-mail her: [joyology@hotmail.com](mailto:joyology@hotmail.com)

**MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT** by Jan Butler

*[Only name information appears in the Online Nullr for security reasons. You will find more information in an e-mail sent to you by the webmaster.]*

**E-mail change for:** Mary Ellen Goriesky

**Directory Addition:** Bruce Mikkelson

**COME TO THE 2016 GENERAL MEETINGS**

**Date:** Thursday, January 21

Cathy Schutt CTRS, Director of Therapeutic Programs and Volunteers, will tell us about programs helping residents at Walker Methodist Health Center.

**Date:** Thursday, February 11

Brian Foley, the director at Padraig's Place, will tell us about its adaptive winter sports program at Buck Hill. It helps skiers and snowboarders with physical and/or cognitive disabilities enjoy winter. The ULLR Foundation has donated to this program.

**Date:** Thursday, March 10

Janet Conn will talk about the program, *Compassion & Choices*. It supports, educates and advocates to improve care and expand choice at the end of life.

**Location:** Marion Knights of Columbus Hall

1114 American Blvd., Bloomington 55420

[See [map](#) in the ULLR directory.]

**Times:** 6:00 PM Socializing

7:00 PM General Meeting and Program

**Details:** The KC Hall has a dining opportunity for Ullrs before the meeting. The dining room opens at 5:00 PM.

Please contact Kelly at 952-888-1492 to reserve. The costs of the meal and drinks are credited to the club to help defray the cost of the meeting room.

**A Walk down the ULLR Memory Lane  
as reported in the February 1997 Nullr**

by Margie Deutsch

The luckiest and unluckiest ULLR on the Thanksgiving 4-day Beaver Creek/Vail ski trip was **Jan Butler**.



She won \$64 at Lotto but fell and broke her collarbone.

**Carl and Damaris Frank** led a week-end ski trip. For \$99, it included skiing at Mount Frontenac, staying at the Treasure Island hotel, a buffet dinner, and show.

**Fran DeWell** co-chaired "Go Wild and Screw your Neighbor." More than 50 Ullrs drove to Wild Mountain on a rainy Nov. 30th, then played this strangely named card game in a casino setting. Ullrs want to win— so they looked for ways to get more chips. **Pat Fitzgerald** and **Ken Johnson** were two of the winners.

**Nancy Nelson-Keyes** took photos at the Holiday Ball, including ones of **Janet Farber** dancing with Santa and **Joyce Ingalls (Krake)** doing the Macarena. Women Ball attendees were given a Dance Card with a space already assigned by the dinner committee. This meant everyone danced at least once!

36 Ullrs helped at the MSC Ski Swap. Their work hours earned about \$700 toward the Foundation's goal to purchase two Bi-Skis for alpine skiers at Courage Center. Some of the volunteers were **Carol Bush, Dick**

**Dahlen, Linda Heintz, Jim Henn, Dick Johnson, Dave Lyons, Don Salmela, Jerry Swanberg, Marcia Switenki, and John Vogt**.

Dick and **Margo Dinneen** hosted a BBQ Valentine's Dinner at the February ULLR meeting.

**Lorri Christenson** advertised an 8-day trip for 16 Ullrs to Cancun, Mexico in March for \$640.

This past year I have included the names of 77 Ullrs— all of whom are still members. That is staying power! It is about one-third of our club members today.

## Recalling November December

A sincere thanks to these Ullrs who organized and/or led an event. What will you plan?

### November

**4,** Nerstrand Hike  
Nancy Sand

**8,** Lebanon Hills Regional Park Hike  
Linda Heintz

**12,** General Meeting  
Mary Jane Hochstein

**13,** Singles Card/Game Night  
Karen Holmquist



**& 15,** Louisville Swamp Hike  
Karen Holmquist

**17,** Singles' Dinner &/or Beverage & Movie Night  
Bill Handsaker

**20-22,** Help at Outdoor Adventure Expo at Midwest Mountaineering  
Jan Butler

**21,** Holiday Ball  
Sharon Marini, Diane Erlandson and Mary Jane Hochstein

### December

**4,** Directory Folding Party  
Mary Ellen Gabel

**5,** French Regional Park Hike  
Jim Habeck

**11-13,** MSC Winter Carnival  
Jerry Schuster

**11,** Singles' Card/Game Night  
Wendy Campbell

**15,** Help at Toys for Tots Warehouse  
Nancy Sand

**15,** Singles' Dinner & Movie Night  
Bill Handsaker

**29,** Sherlock Holmes & Humpback Whales at the Science Museum of MN  
Karen Gray



Left: The ULLR team: David R, Tom N, John E, Barb K, Jim H, Diane E, Carolyn B, Rosalie J, Mary Ellen G, Manfred D, Karen H, & Jerry S (We just missed Marlys S for the picture.)

Both photos by Karen Holmquist

Rosalie J, Mary Ellen G, Carolyn B, Manfred D, Diane E, Barb K, Carol Roberts (former member,) and Karen H, hiking late Saturday afternoon.

## Giant's Ridge

by ULLR Trip Leader, Jerry Schuster

Thirteen Ullrs rode on two of the three buses to Giants Ridge. There were only 3 groomed runs open, and, due to it raining cats and dogs the day before our arrival, the runs were a little stiff, but manageable. Those of us who rode on the early 7 AM bus were able to ski from about 11:40 to closing on Friday. There was a light dusting of snow each evening, and Sunday it snowed while we skied. Since the mild temperature each day was in the 30's, the very wet snow on Sunday melted on our clothing, which got very wet. We skied, hiked and participated in the on-hill party, turtle races, poker run, human slalom, banquet, dancing and other activities, while enjoying the camaraderie within our group and the other clubs' participants.



## Activity Calendar – 2016 See the flyers at [ullr.org](http://ullr.org)

If uncertain weather, call the trip leader to see if the event is cancelled.

### HIKING/ XC/SS

**January 23, Saturday - 10:45 AM**

Highland Lake Park XC/SS/Hike

Contact: Linda Heintz

**RSVP** by Jan. 20, 651-454-6152

**February 9, Tuesday - 10:30 AM**

Minnesota River Hike or snowshoe

**RSVP:** John Vogt, 952-829-7056

**February 17, Wednesday 1:00 PM**

Silverwood XC/SS/Hike

**RSVP:** Barb Kolbe, 651-633-0936 or

Mary Ellen Gabel—612-789-7832

**March 12, Saturday - 1:00 PM**

Elm Creek Regional Park XC/SS/Hike

**RSVP:** Jim Habeck, 763-559-5593

### DOWN HILL SKIING

**January 28, Thursday - 9:30 AM**

Welch Village [Meet in Main Lodge]

**February 2-4, Tuesday - Thursday**

Granite Peak in Wisconsin [see p. 3]

Contacts: Nancy Sand 952-435-5225

Diane Erlandson 952-941-5184

**February 18, Thursday - 9:30 AM**

Welch Village [Meet in Main Lodge]

**February 25, Thursday - 9:30 AM**

Welch Village [Meet in Main Lodge]

**February 28-March 5**

Ski Summit County, Colorado

Contacts: Nancy Sand 952-435-5225

Karen Holmquist 952-431-1903

## OBSERVE SWAN FEEDING

**Date:** Monday, February 22, 2016.

**Meet** at 10:00 a.m. at Swan Park on Mississippi Drive in Monticello.

[complete directions on the flyer at [ullr.org](http://ullr.org)] Lunch afterwards at Maynard's in Rogers, 21415 136th Avenue.

Swan Park becomes the home to over 2,000 Trumpeter Swans from Mid November- March. Feeding time is every day at 10:30 am. When you come during feeding time, Jim Lawrence is there to help educate you on these beautiful birds. There are opportunities for photography at every glance and bring binoculars if you have them.

**RSVP:** by February 19 to Nancy Sand (h) 952-435-5225 (c) 763-280-2600

[nsand878@gmail.com](mailto:nsand878@gmail.com) [In case of bad weather, call Nancy to verify if cancelled.]

## ULLRS COLLECT FOR TOYS FOR TOTS AND HELP AT THE WAREHOUSE

Apparently Ullrs like to shop for kids' toys and games. Ullrs also are generous. At this year's Holiday Ball, Ullrs donated five large bags of toys and games plus \$245 in cash donations to the *Marine Toys for Tots* program.

Then on December 15, ten Ullrs and one guest came to the Toys for Tots warehouse in Eagan to help sort and pack toys. We picked up mounds of toys, found the age range on the packaging, and took the toys to age-range bins for girls and boys. There were lots of Star Wars toys this year and many Barbie dolls. Matchbox and Hot Wheels cars filled the stocking stuffers bin. Footballs and soccer balls abounded. Games ranged from a simple deck of cards to complicated games to stimulate thinking. Nail polish collections will show up on the hands of young girls and teens.

While the bins were being filled, some Ullrs did the next step which was to pack all those toys from the bins into large boxes which are distributed to approved organizations for distribution to families. For this job, the most

important thing is to remember to count the toys put into the boxes, so each box can be properly labeled. As a general rule, one does not interrupt this process as it is so easy to forget the count – especially when a stocking stuffer box can hold over 200 small items!

In a couple of hours, we and some other volunteers had the toys cleared from the floor and the boxes packed. Some Ullrs headed for home or other events. A few of us went to Jake's for beverages and lunch/dinner.

So, through actual donations of toys and cash plus working at the Toys for Tots warehouse, Ullrs once again have brightened the lives of many children this Christmas.



The Gang of ULLR Elves  
Standing: Tom S (Jim's brother), Jim S, Kathy P, Wayne J, Mary Jane H, Sharon T, Vickie L  
Kneeling: Ron F, Nancy S, Carol B, George G

## SOCIAL & CULTURAL CALENDAR – 2016 - Flyers are at [ullr.org](http://ullr.org)

**January 8, Friday** - 7:00 PM

Singles' Card /Game Night

**Host:** Jan Butler

**RSVP:** 952-544-8163

**January 19, Tuesday** - 6:00 PM

Singles' Dinner &/or Beverage &

Movie Night [see p. 7]

**Contact:** Bill Handsaker

**RSVP:** 952-594-9061

**January 21, Thursday** [see p. 3]

ULLR General Meeting at KC Hall

6 PM-socialize; 7 PM ULLR meeting

**Contact:** Mary Jane Hochstein

Phone: 763-479-6890

**February 11, Thursday** [see page 3 ]

ULLR General Meeting at KC Hall

6 PM-socialize; 7 PM ULLR meeting

**Contact:** Mary Jane Hochstein

Phone: 763-479-6890

**February 12, Friday** - 7:00 PM

Singles' Card /Game Night

**Host:** Carol Bush

**RSVP:** 952-922-8035

**February 16, Tuesday** - 6:00 PM

Singles' Dinner &/or Beverage &

Movie Night

**Contact:** Bill Handsaker

**RSVP:** 952-594-9061

**February 22, Monday** - 10:00 AM

Observe Swan Feeding-Monticello

Swan Park [see page 5]

**Contact:** Nancy Sand

**RSVP:** 952-435-5225

**February 23, Tuesday** - 5:30 PM

Singles' Fine Dining at Ciao Bella

**RSVP:** Ellise Lamb 952-442-9332,

[ellise.lamb@mchsi.com](mailto:ellise.lamb@mchsi.com) [see p.7]

**March 10, Thursday** [see page 3 ]

ULLR General Meeting at KC Hall

6 PM-socialize; 7 PM ULLR meeting

**Contact:** Mary Jane Hochstein

Phone: 763-479-6890

**March 11, Friday** - 7:00 PM

Singles' Card /Game Night

**Host:** Char Strand

**RSVP:** 952-884-5859

**March 13, Sunday** - 4:00 PM

Bike Planning Party

**Hosts:** Patty Fitzgerald & John Stiefel,

952-470-5411

**March 15, Tuesday** - 6:00 PM

Singles' Dinner &/or Beverage &

Movie Night

**Contact:** Bill Handsaker

**RSVP:** 952-594-9061

**March 22, Tuesday** - 5:30 PM

Singles' Fine Dining at Blue Birch

**RSVP:** Ellise Lamb 952-442-9332;

[ellise.lamb@mchsi.com](mailto:ellise.lamb@mchsi.com) [see p.7]

**April 22-24, Friday-Sunday**

MWM Spring EXPO

**Contact:** Jan Butler

952-544-8163

**April 24, Sunday** - 2:00 PM

Fiddler on the Roof [see page 8]

**Contact ASAP:** Karen Gray

**RSVP:** 952-895-8960.

**What winter event will YOU plan?**



Front: Carol B, Barb K, Linda H, Sharon M, Pam A, John E, Judy B  
Back: JJ(Joe) C., Sharon T, Jim H, Carolyn B, Ken M



Hike leader: Karen Holmquist by Sand Creek. Louisville Swamp is one of the largest and most diverse sections in the whole Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge.

### Louisville Swamp Hike

By Karen Holmquist

On November 15, I am pretty sure we enjoyed the last great day of Autumn walking the Mazomani Trail at the Louisville Swamp hike in Shakopee! The trail was named after the leader of the Wahapetonwan, a band of the Dakotas whose name means "Dwellers." Thirteen Ullrs wandered over hill and dale past the remains of the

Ehmiller Farmstead, and along the Louisville Swamp area . Because the trail was closed by the dam, we followed the trail to one of the huge boulders left behind from the glaciers. There we turned around back to the parking lot for a 4 mile hike. We saw many bow hunters in the area. Yikes!! A delicious lunch was enjoyed at Dangerfield's in Shakopee.

## UPCOMING SINGLES EVENTS

[See detailed flyers on the website [ullr.org](http://ullr.org)]

ULLR Singles' Events are open to all single Ullrs. The long-time coordinator, Margie Seklund is taking a rest due to health issues. **Thanks, Margie, for serving in this role.** Jan Butler has assumed the interim position of Singles Coordinator.

Contact Jan with a question regarding ULLR Singles' activities or to volunteer to plan and/or host an event:

[Singles@ullr.org](mailto:Singles@ullr.org) or [jscmunch@comcast.net](mailto:jscmunch@comcast.net)

952-544-8163

## DINNER &/OR BEVERAGE & MOVIE NIGHTS

**Dates:** Tuesdays, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, Mar. 15.

Order dinner by 6:00 PM or come for a beverage. First person there saves the table.

**Location:** Big 10 Restaurant and Bar  
1106 Main Street, Hopkins, MN 55343  
[big10restaurant.com](http://big10restaurant.com)

**Movie after dinner:** at the close-by Mann Hopkins Cinema Six Theater. For a listing of movies call 952-931-7992 or go to [manntheatres.com/theatre/?tid=86](http://manntheatres.com/theatre/?tid=86)

## SINGLES CARD/GAME NIGHTS

Bring a dish to share, beverage, and any games that you would like to play.

**Date:** Friday, January 8, 2016 – 7:00 PM

**Host:** Jan Butler **RSVP:** 952-544-8163  
13506 Larkin Dr., Minnetonka 55305

**Date:** Friday, February 12, 2016 – 7:00 PM

**Host:** Carol Bush **RSVP:** 952-922-8035  
**Location:** 5691 Hyland Court Dr., Bloomington 55437

**Date:** Friday, March 11, 2016 – 7:00 PM

**Host:** Char Strand **RSVP:** 952-884-5859  
**Location:** 10725 James Rd., Bloomington 55431

**Hosts are needed for 2016 Card/Game Nights on:**

**Apr. 8, July 8, Sept. 9, Oct. 14, Nov. 11 & Dec. 9.**

**Call Jan Butler to volunteer.**

## 2016 Singles' Fine Dining

Please RSVP to Ellise Lamb, [ellise.lamb@mchsi.com](mailto:ellise.lamb@mchsi.com) or 952-442-9332 by the Sunday before the event. Arrive at 5:30 PM or come earlier for Happy Hour.

**February 23** at Ciao Bella

3501 Minnesota Drive, Bloomington 55435  
952-841-1000; [ciaobellamn.com](http://ciaobellamn.com)

**March 22** at Stacys Grill in the Marriott SW  
5801 Opus Parkway, Minnetonka 55343  
952-935-5500; [marriott.com](http://marriott.com)



Nerstrand hikers: Carolyn B, Alan M, Pat N, John S, Kathy P, John V, Charlotte N, Patty F, John E



It was a mighty wind that blew this Big Woods tree down!  
Hike leader, Nancy Sand

## Nerstrand Fall Hike

by Nancy Sand

With a weather forecast of 70 degrees and sunny skies, nine Ullrs notified event host Nancy Sand they would be coming on the November 4 Nerstrand Big Woods fall hike. However when the day dawned cloudy, windy, and chilly, everyone came anyway. The wind proved not to be a negative factor, as the heavily forested woods provided ample protection from the wind, and the exertion of our hike kept us warm.

Ten Ullrs hiked about five miles up and down hills on trails covered with crunchy leaves. Early in the hike, we enjoyed seeing the water falls on Prairie Creek, and later Nancy encouraged some to climb on trees or stand on fallen logs for photo ops.

Following the hike, we caravanned into Northfield for lunch at the Hideaway Coffeehouse and Winebar. It was a great day to be with ULLR friends.

**Needed:** 2 new co-chairs for the Lanesboro trip next year. The dates: Sunday-Tuesday, Aug. 28-30, 2016. There is a complete set of suggestions and guidelines to follow and you can add your own new ideas. Call Patty, 952-470-5411, to volunteer.

**The SKI SUMMIT COUNTY Trip  
on FEB. 28—MAR. 5, 2016**

Breckenridge—Keystone—Arapahoe Basin—Copper Mt.  
See flyer at <http://www.ullr.org/EventsAndTrips.html>

**Cost:** \$1,087; Land only \$813.

**Make checks to:** ULLR Ski Club;

**Mail to:** Nancy Sand, 15001 Burnhaven Dr., #108,  
Burnsville, MN 55306

**Questions?** Contact Trip Chairs: Nancy Sand (h) 952-435-5225; (c) 763-280-2600; [nsand878@gmail.com](mailto:nsand878@gmail.com) OR  
Karen Holmquist: (h) 952-431-1903; (c) 952-270-4739;  
[kholmquist@frontiernet.net](mailto:kholmquist@frontiernet.net)

**This trip open to all MSC members. The trip is full.**

**There is a wait list.** *ULLR Cancellation Policy applies.*

**ULLR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY FOLDING  
PARTY -- BOTH WORK AND FUN**

By Nancy Sand

Eighteen Ullrs gathered at Mary Ellen Gabel's home during the day Friday, December 4, to prepare the ULLR Membership Directory for mailing. Once again, Folding Party Coordinator Nancy Sand tried hard to keep everyone on task – not an easy job with this crew!

Event host Mary Ellen Gabel watched the progress carefully so lunch would be ready when the stamping was complete. She prepared a delicious main dish, and with the salads, appetizers, and desserts brought by Ullrs, no one went home hungry.

Socializing before, during, and after the folding jobs is always a fun part of the event. Ullrs love this part of every ULLR activity. At this time of the year, we share holiday plans, find out who will attend the next ULLR event, and tell lots of stories about past ULLR events.

The next folding party will be in May 2016. Keep checking the ULLR Website and Nullr for the date.



**Sunday, April 24,  
a 2:00 PM matinee.**

**Place:** Schneider Theatre, Bloomington Center for the Arts, 98th & Logan Ave. S., Bloomington, MN 55431

This TONY award winner is set in Imperial Russia in 1905. Filled with laughter and tenderness, this heartwarming story and musical theater classic centers around the father of five daughters and his attempts to maintain his religious and cultural traditions.

**Cost:** \$32 per ticket

**Send payment to:** Karen Gray at 13216 Pine Ridge Rd, Burnsville, MN 55337.

Because this is such a popular musical, seating is already limited so **reserve your seat today.** Call Karen at 952-895-8960. Tickets are exchangeable but not refundable.

Following the performance, Vicki Johnson is planning a place for us to dine out, location to be determined. She has a special interest in this performance since her niece has a starring role in Fiddler. Let Karen know if you would like to be included in the reservation.

<http://ullr.org/Flyers/2016/160424-FiddlerOnTheRoof.pdf>



5 ladies labeling,  
4 smiling faces,  
3 Ullrs folding,  
2 gents stamping,  
and a helper and  
hostess with the  
food!

