Letter from the President  June 2019

Dear Fellow UT Dallas Retirees,

Another academic year has come and gone. During that time many of our colleagues have retired. Please join us on June 14th at 1:30 PM in the McDermott Suite for our annual reception to welcome them into our group. The recipients of Staff Council Scholarships, donated by you during our annual enrollment, will also be introduced. I hope you will attend as it is a great opportunity to catch up with old friends.

In March we successfully hosted our annual meeting with the TI Retiree group. We are looking into possibly joining in on some of their outings. In April we returned as a guest to the UTD Development Board meeting where the feasibility plans for a new Capital Campaign were unveiled. Classroom space is a problem. They are planning to build a large classroom complex, increase endowments and research dollars. I am sure Dr. Benson will bring this up on the 14th when he speaks at our meeting.

I met again in May with Dr. Edgington, the Vice President of Development and Alumni Relations, our liaison with the University. There were no answers regarding our MOU only more questions. He wants the Association to handle the clerical work which we are willing to do. As far as the budget is concerned, he is evaluating what the University can and or should give us. We will meet again on the 14th following our Annual Meeting and hopefully we will have a resolution to this issue once and for all.

Lastly you may have heard on the news that Texas Health Emergency Rooms are out of network for Blue Cross. I contacted the Systems Benefits Office for clarification. It is true. Currently our plan DOES NOT cover Texas Health Emergency Rooms Doctors. They are under a separate contract from the hospital. Blue Cross is still in negotiations with them. Note this is the emergency room only. If you have any questions, contact the Office of Benefits at System.

I hope you have a great summer and we see you on June 14th.

Keep cool,
Rochelle Pena
The UTD Retiree’s Planner

More details on all activities in newsletter

Events

Reception for New Retirees
June 14, 2019
1:30 p.m.
McDermott Suite

UT Dallas Benefits and Wellness Fair
Monday, July 22, 2019
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

First Monday Lunch @ 11:00 a.m.
RSVP to judyclothier@gmail.com for FML

- First Monday Lunch, June 3rd, 11:00am at Cappuccino Italian Bistro, 1310 Campbell Rd, Richardson
- First Monday Lunch, July 1st, 11:00am at Shady’s Burgers & Brewhaha, 2701 Custer Pkwy #915, Richardson
- First Monday Lunch, August 5th, 11:00am at Rockfish Seafood Grill, Coit/Campbell Rd., Dallas
Next General Meeting

When: June 14th at 1:30 PM
Where: McDermott Suite
Program: Annual reception to welcome new retirees into our group.
The recipients of Staff Council Scholarship will also be introduced.
Our guest speaker will be Dr. Benson, President of UTD.
Parking: The parking pass and instructions are attached at the end of the newsletter. Once you have parked in the designated A or B lots, place the parking pass on your dash. Shuttles to the library will run between 1:14 – 2:15 p.m. Return shuttles to parking lots will run 3:15 – 4:14 p.m.

Membership Report

Our membership numbers are currently as follows:
Retirees 149
Spouses 25
Total 174

Of the one hundred and seventy-four, thirty-seven are lifetime members and twenty-two are new for the 2018–2019 year.

We will be sending renewal forms to you between now and the first part of June so that, if you come to the General Meeting June 14th, you can turn the forms in then.

Jean Stuart
Membership Chair

From the Social Committee

Hello summer! Time to put on our shades and get social. Mark your calendar to attend these upcoming retiree events:

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These luncheons are informal get-togethers. We meet at an area restaurant, order our own food and pay for it ourselves. We try to select restaurants that are easy to find, reasonably priced with easy parking. We appreciate the good food but find that the conversation makes the meal.

Next, plan to attend our first summer “museum meet-up” scheduled for **Tuesday, June 11th, 10:30am at the Frontiers of Flight Museum, Dallas Love Field.** This is a gem of a museum, conveniently located with an
admission discount for seniors over 65 and free parking. Our fellow retiree, Paul Oelkrug, will provide a guided tour of approximately one hour. Check out this website for more information on the museum: https://www.flightmuseum.com/ (RSVP to judyclothier@gmail.com by Friday, June 8th if you plan on attending.)

We need you! Volunteer to help man our booth at the UT Dallas Benefits and Wellness Fair on Monday, July 22nd, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The theme this year is “Explore and Discover.” Lots more information will be coming your way by email soon. Please consider signing up to help us for an hour or two. Our booth is always a big hit with attendees.

Finally, make sure you stay connected to UT Dallas and your fellow retirees. Join our private UTD RA page on FACEBOOK plus check out our UT Dallas website for news of upcoming events and activities.

Meeting with TI Retirees: March 14, 2019

At the annual meeting with the TI retirees, the program was presented by Molly Keebler from the UTD Center for Brain Health.
First Monday Lunches

February 4, 2019 at Southern Recipes Café in Plano

March 4, 2019 at Apollonia’s in Richardson
April 1, 2019 at **Eggsquisite** in Allen

May 6, 2019 at the **Fifth** in Richardson

Editor’s Note:
Thanks to Judy Clothier for all the time and effort to make our FML activities a most enjoyable happening!
Membership Happenings

I noticed that David Ford was sporting many medals at the March Frist Monday luncheon. He had just come from the Dallas 2019 Senior Games and obviously was a star.

Judy C
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The University of Texas at Dallas
Retiree Association
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gwen Bowen, Susan Chizeck, Judy Clothier, Marlys Damman, Peggy Eckelkamp, Dan Eckelkamp, Judy Feld, Dave Gaarder, Betty Garrett, Lynda Gary, Barbara Geiger, Sandee Goertzen, David Holmes, Teresa Hollon, Teresa Johnston, Ekkehard Kuner, Kay Kuner, Susie Kutchi, Lin Maute, Paul Oelkrug, Chris Parr, Bill Pervin, Diane Reed, Marjory Robbins, Dave Routzahn, Mary Ann Routzahn, Doug Shedd, Lydia Selvidge, Jean Stuart, Sue Wadlow, Kathy White, Marjorie Wu

GUEST: Nate Howe

WELCOME: David Holmes welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Judy Feld, our Program Director. Judy then introduced our speaker for the meeting, Nate Howe, who is in IR for UTD. He spoke about safety in passwords for phone or computer. He recommended changing our passwords frequently and making them longer which makes them harder for someone to find it. He also recommended that we check our credit report quite frequently.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by David Holmes, President. He thanked Nate for his presentation.

2. MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 14, 2018. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Jean reported that we have 134 members. Forty are lifetime members and 11 are new this year. The total is 156 total membership.

B. NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Ekkehard did not have anything to report at this time.

C. SOCIAL COMMITTEE: The next social trip will be 11/29 at the Bush Presidential Library. Everyone should meet for lunch at 11:00 at #43 Café. The Holiday luncheon will be at Rockfish on the 6th of December. Anyone that would be interested in volunteering for graduation, contact Judy Clothier.

D. PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Judy Feld reported that she has had several suggested topics for the next meeting.

E. TREASURER’S REPORT: Gwen Bowen reported that there is $10,455.55 in the checking account.

F. ACADEMIC SENATE: Bill Pervin mentioned from the Senate that the budget is depressing.

G. STAFFCOUNCIL: Sandee had nothing to report from the Staff Council.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Status of new UTDRA web page: Sandee gave a report on the status of the new web page. Rachel Ortega is the coordinator who is working on transferring our web page to the new format.

B. Status of Memorandum of Understanding: The MOU was sent to Dr. Edgington by Dave Routzahn, David Holmes and Sandee Goertzen. No response has been received to date.

5. NEW BUSINESS
Volunteers: There was discussion of the possibility of retirees working at social functions for the University. Judy Clothier has some suggestions and will pursue getting volunteers, working with the Office of Administration.

New Retiree Reception: The date for the New Retiree Reception is Friday, May 18th. Dr. Benson will be the guest speaker at this event.

6. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Sandee Goertzen, Secretary
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