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President's Message

The OSU Emeriti Association began the semester with an attendance of 100 individuals at our Monday Night Dinner. Included in that group were four "golden achievement" over-age-90 members. We were able to wish Myr Lou Rollins Wade a Happy Birthday as she joined the golden group.. Myr Lou was a founding member of our association and has been a loyal member since its inception. As I remarked at dinner when surveying the room--- the amount of talent, institutional knowledge, and community service among our members is just awesome. OSU Emeriti members do not retire—they repurpose themselves. They keep on giving.

It was also my pleasure to recognize Clem and Mimi Ward who recently received the Outstanding Community Service Award from Cimarron Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution. Clem coordinated our dinner catering for several years. He and Mimi are very active within the Stillwater community. Just another example of Emeriti members making a difference.

Dr. Justin Moss and Matt Beartrack along with several student employees provided a wonderful overview concerning the OSU Student Farm. This is a major endeavor and is making a difference in combating food insecurity within the campus and community. The farm is in partnership with Our Daily Bread Food Pantry. I truly like vegetables, and they grow everything there – okra, tomatoes, melons and even broccoli. I would encourage you to go online to OSU Student Farm as there is a short video about their operation. Again, students making a difference to help others.

Now I need your help: If you or someone within our Association have recently received an honor or award, please send me an email. I want to be able to continue to recognize what our members are doing.

I hope you have March 3 marked on your calendar for our next Monday night event. Chancellor Sean Burrage will be speaking on the future of higher education. We will be returning to our regular meeting place at the Conoco Phillips Alumni Center. I believe Duncan Catering will be preparing our meal that evening. Our apologies for our last caterer's lateness; however, an adjustment was made in our invoice to compensate.

Also , I like to shake things up a bit so at each meeting, there will be some small surprise. Nan and Baker Bokorney were the winners of the Valentine candy surprise at the last meeting.

Rainbows, pot of gold, leprechauns, who knows???

Best,

Carolyn

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Recent Content Added to the Emeriti Web Site

The following content has been added to the Emeriti Web site since the publication of the last newsletter:

Frank Steindl [Obituary](#) Gayle Ward [Obituary](#)

Jodelle Stout [Obituary](#)

Mike Woods [2024 President's Report](#)

Emeriti Association's Upcoming Programs

Gary Clark, Vice President--Activities has confirmed the programs for the next several months, including the following.

- March 3 Chancellor Sean Burrage—Topic: The Future of Higher Ed in Oklahoma
- April 7 President Emeritus Burns Hargis—Topic: Reflections of a Former First-time President
- May 5 Prof. Kevin Wagner Topic: Oklahoma's Water Future
- June 2 Senior Vice Provost Chris Francisco —Topic: New Directions for General Education at Oklahoma State University

Welcome to Our Newest Members

We welcome several individuals have recently joined the Emeriti Association, including the following:

Donna Koeppe Edwin Koeppe
Amada Harrest Daniel Stiffler

Reminder About Annual Members Dues' Deadline

Annual members are reminded that their dues need to be paid by March 1 to have their names listed in the upcoming 2025 *Emeriti Association Directory*. Please mail them to the Emeriti Association address shown in the lower-left corner of page 1 of this newsletter.