

## NEWSLETTER

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### *President's Message*

Greetings and Happy New Year. Thank you for putting your trust in me to lead the OSU Emeriti Association for 2025. It is both an honor and a privilege to be a part of this amazing group of individuals. The talent and energy on the Board is just incredible! I am looking forward to a very productive and positive year! Additionally, I am hoping that the weather will cooperate with our meeting schedule this year.

Gary Clark, who is VP for Programs, has put together an exceptional series of programs for our Monday night dinners. On February 3rd, we will engage with First Cowboy, Darren Shrum, who will discuss the OSU Student Farm. A program that you don't want to miss. At this writing I believe that we will be meeting at Legacy Village for the February meeting.

A special thank you to Bob LeValley who is now coordinating the catering for our Monday night dinners. Also a shout-out to Joe and Sue Williams for coordinating our "pre Monday night dinner" activities. Zane Quible continues to do an outstanding job producing this newsletter and the directory (coming soon)-- so hats off to Zane!

I am pleased to announce that we will once again have clerical support from the OLLI Office. We are pleased to welcome Patricia Acurio who has been hired for the new staff position. The Executive Board is meeting with her to discuss our needs for Emeriti. Please say "thanks" to Gary Clark, Mike Woods, and Mike Lorenz for keeping the administrative part of Emeriti functioning for the last 8 months.

I would really like to put an emphasis on obtaining new members for 2025. Word of mouth about the Emeriti Association is one of the best recruiting tools we have. So be aware of those persons you engage with who might enjoy being a member. Mike Lorenz is here to help you with the paperwork. The first time a potential member attends a Monday night dinner, we absorb the cost of the meal- what a deal!

In closing, please contact me at any time with suggestions or concerns. I most certainly do not have all of the answers, but I will do my best to find out. I take this position very seriously, and I have big shoes to fill. I promise that you will always have my undivided attention. My cell phone is 405-612-6138 or at Noltens@aol.com.

Best & Go Pokes,

Carolyn

## ***Emeriti Committees and Groups***

### ***Ambassadors***

*Joyce Sherrer*

### ***Archive /Historian***

*Barbara Miller*

### ***Benefits***

*Jim Huston*

### ***Catering and Reservations***

*Bob LeValley*

### ***Communications***

*Zane Quible*

### ***Directory***

*Zane Quible*

### ***Faculty Council***

*Tom Royer*

### ***Finance***

*Liz Tarbutton(chair);*

*Carolyn Gang*

### ***Investment Club***

*Ron Elliott,*

*Ray Huhnke*

### ***Meet and Greet***

*Joe Williams*

*Sue Williams*

### ***Membership***

*Michael Lorenz*

### ***Name Tags***

*Michael Lorenz*

### ***Newsletter***

*Zane Quible*

### ***Nominations***

*Mike Woods*

*Carolyn Gang*

### ***Tours and Travel***

*Cathy Shuffield*

### ***Web Site***

*Zane Quible*

## ***Emeriti Association's Upcoming Programs***

Gary Clark, Vice President--Activities has confirmed the programs for the next several months. The following are the commitments he has so far:

- February 3 First Cowboy Darren Shrum (and others)  
Topic: OSU Student Farm
- 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

## ***Content Added to the Emeriti Web Site Since Publication of the Last Newslette***

Jack Stout [Obituary](#)

Kenneth Case [Obituary](#)

Beverly Perkins [Obituary](#)

December [Newsletter](#)

November [Minutes](#)