

NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Accolades continue to be expressed by the Emeriti Association members concerning how much they enjoyed the 35th Anniversary Celebration Dinner in September. I again want to thank the anniversary committee members for their fine work in preparation for that special event.

At the October Emeriti Dinner, members enjoyed hearing from OSU Softball, Coach Kenny Gajewski. He has taken the softball team to great heights in the past few year--all the way to the prestigious World Series.

At the November Emeriti Dinner, we will be honoring our military veterans. Each veteran will be individually recognized for his or her service to our country. Emeriti ladies who are also members of the Daughters of the American Revolution will make the presentations. The veterans and their spouse will also be first in line for the evening meal.

At the recent Emeriti Council Meeting and our October Dinner, Mike Woods reported on the agreement between Blue Cross and Blue Shield and the Stillwater Medical Center. Everyone seemed relieved that there is finally an agreement, but there are still questions remaining, such as how much premiums might increase, etc..

Kent Sampson, Carol Schmitz, and Mike Woods have been diligently working on the 2024 Council and officers for the Emeriti Association. We appreciate their willingness to take on this task.

Lastly, I want to thank the Emeriti Association members who have helped as ambassadors to the Alumni Association for their work during football game day activities.

Respectfully,

Gary Sherrer

Content Added to Emeriti Web Site Since the Last Newsletter

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

Early [History](#) of the Emeriti Association

August [Minutes](#)

Emeriti Committees and Groups

Ambassadors

Joyce Sherrer

Archive /Historian

Barbara Miller

Benefits

Mike Woods

Catering and Reservations

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Communications

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Directory

Zane Quible

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Finance

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Investment Club

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Meet and Greet

Michael and Velda Lorenz

Membership

Michael Lorenz

Name Tags

Michael Lorenz

Newsletter

Zane Quible

Nominations

Kent Sampson, Gary Sherrer

Technology Group

Glade Presnal

Tours and Travel

Cathy Shuffield

Web Site

Zane Quible

Congrats to Our Scholarship Winners

Our recent scholarship winners are Leah BWolf, a senior marketing major who is from Huntsville, TX. She received the McCollom Emeriti Scholarship. Leah plans to pursue a career in sports graphic design.

Ashlyn Goad is a junior scholarship recipient, and she is from Okay, OK. Ashlyn is a political science major and received the Emeriti Association Scholarship. She plans to work in public health (her minor) after she completes her degree.

New Member of the Emeriti Association

Barbara Stoecker

New Information-Sharing Feature

A new information-sharing feature will arrive in your email box each month along with the link to the latest Emeriti Association newsletter. All of us who use the Internet have likely accessed information that would be helpful to other members but had no easy process for sharing it with all members of the Association. That is changing!

Each month when you receive an email announcing the publication of a new edition of the Association's newsletter, you will also receive in that email a list of Internet resources that Association members have reported as being helpful. So now when you access relevant information in one of the following broad categories that others might be interested in reading, please send the link to Zane Quible at <zquible@okstate.edu>, along with your name. The links should center around the following broad senior-relevant topics: (1) Travel; (2) healthy living and wellness; (3) finances and estate planning; (4) hobbies and special interests; (5) senior humor (non-offensive); (6) miscellaneous.

A clickable link will be created from the submitted information. Following are two such examples:

[Presidential Libraries](#) (submitted by Jane Doe)

[14 Secrets of Super Agers and Their Healthy Brains](#) (submitted by John Doe).

Note: To display the links, you may have to depress *Control/Click* on your mouse.

Thanks to Sofia Gustafson, the Association's administrative assistant, for this excellent suggestion about this new feature.