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President's Message

Over 100 Emeriti and guests gathered on Monday evening, December 5, at Legacy Village and were treated to the fun and soothing sounds of Stillwater High School Concert Chorale directed by Dana Ayers! She shared with the crowd her planned retirement this coming summer, and we once again got to enjoy her high energy and unique approach to music! A most fun and memorable night for all!

We do not have a January Monday Night Dinner; thus the next gathering is on Monday evening, February 6, at 6 pm at the ConocoPhillips Alumni Center (social is at 5:30).

The next Council meeting is set for Monday, January 30, at 1:30 in the Alumni Center. The Association's incoming president, Gary Sherrer, will preside over this first-of-year meeting. Other newly installed officers include the following:

Secretary—Kay Keys (for one more year). Please see her if you are interested in following her in this role.

President-Elect—Mike Woods

Past President—Kent Sampson

Councilors (3)—Bob Levalley, Gary Clark, and Michael Lorenz

Also, at the January meeting, Carol Schmitz is to be approved to serve the remainder of Mike Woods councilor's term.

A special note of thanks to our two retiring councilors--Cara Beer and Francis Eplin—both of whom have served us well!

During our November meeting, the Council asked our Executive Group to meet and present to the Council during January 30 meeting the following items: Budget plans and guidelines for 2023.

Membership invitations have been sent to new OSU retirees and notices sent to those current members effected by new membership guidelines.

Council also approved new wording for Section #2 of the Policies and Procedures that pertain to the new membership rules.

Also, the president and past president are to meet soon with the new Alumni Association director, Anne Caine, regarding the annual agreement and office use and the resurrection of the Association's Ambassadors program.

Monday, September 11, has been set as the time to celebrate the 35 years of the OSU Emeriti Association's existence. A former Association president, Ron Beer, will highlight our past successes and priorities. Dinner is planned for 6 pm. Volunteers are needed to help with this program.

Sincerely,

Kent Simpson, 2022 President

Emeriti Committees and Groups

Ambassador and Alumni Relations	Judy Lewis
Archive /Historian	Barbara Miller
Benefits	Mike Woods
Catering and Reservations	Clem Ward
Communications	Zane Quible
Courtesy	Carol Olson
Directory	Zane Quible
Facilities	Althea Wright
Faculty Council	Barbara Miller
Finance	Ron Miller (chair); Kent Sampson; Ron Elliott
Investment Club	Ron Miller, Ron Elliott
Meet and Greet	Lorenzes, Sampsons, Olsons
Membership	Michael Lorenz
Name Tags	Michael Lorenz
Newsletter	Zane Quible
Nominations	Michael Lorenz, Kent Sampson
Technology Group	Glade Presnal
Tours and Travel	Cathy Shuffield
Web Site	Zane Quible

Content Added to Emeriti Web Page Since the Last Newsletter

The following items have been added to the [Emeriti Association's Web Page](#) since the publication of the last newsletter:

October 2022 [Minutes](#) Dorothy Friend [Obituary](#)
Louise Bellati (No obituary available at this time)

Upcoming Monday Night Dinner Programs

February 6: Kendra Cost, Director of Pete's Posse—"Pete's Posse and Some Furry Employees"

March 6: Jerome Loughridge, OSU VP of Operations—"OSU's New Strategic Plan"

April 3: Mark Blakeman, Director of the McKnight Center—"Update on the McKnight Center"

May 1: Joint Program with OLLI

Emeriti Association's Governance Documents

The Emeriti Association has three governance documents that guide the actions of the Council and various committees that operate with the Association. The three governance documents are found in the Association's Web site. You can also access them using the following links: (1) [Constitution](#); (2) [Bylaws](#); (3) [Policies and Procedures](#).

Do You Have Questions About Your Membership Status?

If you are an annual member (i.e., pay dues annually) and have a question about your membership status, please contact the Emeriti Office <emeriti.association@okstate.edu>. Within a few weeks, those annual members who last paid their dues in 2018 or 2019 will be eliminated from the membership roster. The Emeriti Office will be able to tell you how to maintain a current membership status in order to remain listed in the 2023 directory. Recall that once an annual member has paid dues for 10 years, he/she becomes a life member and pays no more annual dues.