

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

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Directory

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Sue Williams

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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](#)

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