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President's Message

It's Fall and the colors of the trees are so beautiful! November is a wonderful time of the year! During the month, there is a day of Thanksgiving for all that we have been given. For me, it has always been a day of turkey, pumpkin pie and football. Oh, and of course, great family time!

The year is so rapidly slipping by. We just had our next to the last Emeriti Dinner of the year. Soon we will be installing a new slate of officers. On November 27, the Emeriti Council will be voting on new officers, council members and committee chairs. The new group of office holders will be presented to the full Emeriti Association Membership at the Christmas Dinner on December 4.

At the recent Emeriti Dinner, we honored our military veterans. We had an ROTC Honor Guard to present the colors, and Kevin Gerfen led the group in singing the National Anthem. Each veteran present was given a Service Pin and a thank you certificate by the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The certificate was in recognition of each veteran's Valor, Service and Sacrifice during the Vietnam War. One certificate was given to a WW II Era Veteran. Mary Woods, as the State Organizing Secretary for the Oklahoma Society of the DAR, was responsible for making the certificates and pins possible.

Vietnam Veterans honored at the Emeriti Dinner were: Ken Bartels, Gary Clark, Ray Ely, Francis Epplin, Kevin Gerfen, Larry Hoberock, Ladd Hudgins, James Huston, Leonard McMurtry, James Motes, Ed Noltensmeyer, Glade Presnal, Jim Rutledge, Gary Sherrer, Clem Ward, and Joe Williams. Albert Rutledge was honored as a WW II Era Veteran.

In closing, I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving! Let's all be thankful for the privilege we have of living in the greatest country in the world! America, the beautiful!

Respectfully,

Gary Sherrer President

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Benefits

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Catering and Reserva-

tions

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Ron Elliott, Ray Huhnke

Meet and Greet

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Lorenz

Membership

Michael Lorenz

Name Tags

Michael Lorenz

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Nominations

Kent Sampson, Gary

Sherrer

Technology Group

Glade Presnal

Tours and Travel

Cathy Shuffield

Web Site

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Information Added to the Emeriti Association Web Site Since the Lat Newsletter

Odell Walker Obituary

September Minutes

New Member of the Emeriti Association

Carolyn Sanders

Information-Sharing Links

This is the first time the new feature, *Information Sharing Links*, has been included in the *Emeriti Association Newsletter*. These are links to information individuals involved with the Emeriti Association thought might be of interest to others in the Association. If you would like to suggest information, please send your the URL and title of information/link to Zane Quible zquible@okstate.edu. For more information, please review relevant information on page 2 of the October Newsletter.

Note: If a link you are trying to access does not open when you click on the link, right-click your mouse button. Then, scroll to the bottom of the list of choices, and then click on "Open Link."

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