

**Fall  
2017**



## **NEWSLETTER**

### **2017 Emeriti**

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### **Retiree Benefits**

Open Enrollment for Under 65 health, dental and vision will be November 1 – 17, 2017. The Over 65 BCBS Medicare Rx plan open enrollment is October 15 – December 7. Watch your mail for communication from OSU Benefits for details to be delivered by the end of October. If you wish to change your Rx plan, please request a packet from OSU Benefits, [osu-benefits@okstate.edu](mailto:osu-benefits@okstate.edu) or 405-744-5449.

As a reminder, OSU Retirees have a retiree life insurance policy provided by OSU, please ensure your beneficiary designations are up to date. You can access a retiree beneficiary designation form at <https://hr.okstate.edu/benefits/retiree> or by contacting OSU Benefits 405-744-5449.

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### **University and Faculty Standing Committees**

Emeriti members have an opportunity to share their expertise and continue contributions to OSU as members on Faculty Council and University Committees. By active participation, they also provide a conduit for the rest of the Emeriti members to be more aware of activities within the University.

We currently have a vacancy for the Intellectual Property Committee. Please consider if you could fill this position and contact Russ Wright or Anne Matoy if you are interested. And many thanks from all of us to those who commit their time to serving both the Emeriti and the University.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) Board – Ed Arquitt

Athletic Council (ex-officio) -- Glade Presnal

Intellectual Property – Currently Vacant

Academic Standards and Policies –Kathryn Castle (5-31-19)

Athletics – Dennis Bertholf (5-31-19)

Budget – Andrea Arquitt (5-31-20)

Campus Facilities, Safety & Security – Chuck Leider (5-31-19)

Diversity Advisory Committee – Mimi Ward (5-31-19)

Faculty – Barbara Miller (5-31-19)

Learning Resources/Student Affairs – Kent Sampson (5-31-19)

Long Range Planning & Info Technology – John Kirkpatrick (5-31-19)

Research – David Lewis (5-31-19)

Retirement & Fringe Benefits – Bob Wettemann (5-31-18)

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# Possible New Member Contact

We have just received a listing of those individuals who retired from OSU in the past 18 months. Each person will receive an invitation to join the Emeriti Association as well as a brochure outlining our many activities.

If you know of a recent retiree, now would be a great time to invite them to an upcoming monthly meeting. Remember as your guest, the prospective member does not pay for his/her first dinner.

## Monday Night Dinners

**November 6**

Captain Kyle Gibbs  
Stillwater Police Department

**December 4**

Christmas Dinner at Meditations  
Stillwater Concert Chorale

Be sure to complete the catering evaluation after each of our regular dinners. It is very beneficial for the planners and caterers to hear your comments.

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## Making the Most of Retirement

After taking a summer break, the Making the Most of Retirement special interest group resumed its monthly programming in September. The meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month, from 1:30 - 2:30, and are held in the 3rd Floor Reception Area of the Stillwater Public Library. The Stillwater Public Library is a co-sponsor of this special interest group.

- Nov 15 Laura Payne: "Volunteering at The Botanic Garden at OSU"
- Dec 20 No Program (Winter Break)
- Jan 17 Daryl Nord: "A Tour of Israel" (Armchair Traveler Series)
- Feb 21 Doug and Kathryn Castle Aichele (Armchair Traveler Series)  
"Sled Dawgs and Their Tales - It's All About the Dawgs!"
- Mar 21 Larry Jones: "A Tour of Japan" (Armchair Traveler Series)
- Apr 18 Stephanie Hesser and Jennifer Muret:  
"Volunteering for Stillwater Habitat for Humanity and the Habitat's ReStore"

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### *Special Thanks to the McColloms*

We recently received a special gift from Katherine McCollom in honor of her husband, Kenneth. The gift is substantial and the Council is thinking that the funds might best be used for a special event or purchase. If you have suggestions, please visit with a Council member.

# 2017-2018 Emeriti Association Scholarship

**Devin Peck**, a Sophomore from Shawnee majoring in Chemistry is the second recipient of the OSU Emeriti Association Scholarship. Let's get to know him.



**What are your career ambitions, and how do you plan to achieve them?** I am currently looking into both dental school and grad school for chemistry as my two options after finishing my undergraduate degree. I plan on shadowing dentists in the near future to see if this is the path I truly want to follow. I plan on finishing my undergraduate in chemistry at Oklahoma State in either scenario.

**Why did you choose to attend Oklahoma State?** I chose to attend Oklahoma State University when I visited the campus. The atmosphere and the beauty of the college campus drew me in. I had originally wanted to attend OU (The University of Oklahoma). After visiting both campuses and meeting the people I decided Oklahoma State was the campus I wanted to be apart of.

**Why are scholarships important to you?** The various scholarships I have received my first year of college truly impacted the amount of time I could devote to my studies at Oklahoma State University. Without the scholarships I was given over the course of this last year I would not have been able to pull off the GPA that I currently have, especially with the classes I took last year as a freshman.



**What has been your proudest achievement so far?** I am an Eagle Scout. The eagle scout award is only given out to a very small percentage of people (no more than 5% of all boy scouts). I have always been proud to call myself an Eagle Scout. The lessons and practical skills I acquired through my journey to become an Eagle Scout will last all of my life and have already helped me in numerous occasions.

*"I appreciate any amount of effort someone is willing to put into my education and words cannot express the true gratitude I have for your time and energy!" - Devin Peck*

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## **Thank You**

for SUPPORTING the  
OSU EMERITI ASSOCIATION  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

As we near the end of another tax year, please consider a tax deductible contribution to the OSU Foundation. Contributions are always appreciated and continue to increase our possibilities for additional scholarships. Please designate contributions to account #20-91150. Contributions can be made over the phone, 800-622-4678 or online at [OSUgiving.com/give](http://OSUgiving.com/give).

# Branson



**December 5th - 7th**

**Price:       \$399.00 pp dbl  
              \$499.00 single**

**Deposit:    \$100.00 pp due with reservation**

**Final Payment Due: November 1**

**For information and reservations call Jack & Jody Stout (405) 372-6960**

Dec. 5   Stillwater to Branson - Travel day with a lunch stop arriving in Branson mid-afternoon. The evening will take us to dinner and the **Miracle of Christmas** at the Sight and Sound Theater.

Dec. 6   Branson - 3 shows and dinner are included today - **All Hands on Deck Christmas Show, The Duttons, Shepherd of the Hills Trail of Lights** and the **Paradise Grill**.

Dec. 7   Branson to Stillwater - After seeing **The Bretts** we'll head home stopping at the **Russell Stover's Outlet** on the way and arriving late afternoon.

## A TRIBUTE TO THOSE WHO PASSED

Ed Long	Edwin Darby	Mildred Rodriguez	Eddie Basler
Ned Raun	Jerry Waughtal	Max Craighead	
David Robinson	Robert Henrickson	Ann Waughtal	
Evan Tonsing	Adalene Paulin (Micki)	Beverly Bale	

Obituaries may be viewed on the Emeriti Website at: <https://emeriti.okstate.edu>

The OSU Emeriti Association is registered as a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization with the IRS. Donations to the Emeriti Association are tax deductible.