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Welcome Picnic Sets Record!

The 2015 Emeritus College Welcome Picnic attracted over 200 emeriti and their guests to a warm and beautiful lakeside setting in the Owen Pavilion. The weather couldn't have been more pleasant as long-time colleagues and friends chatted and enjoyed an old fashioned barbecue meal. Emeritus College Interim Director, Chip Egan, introduced ten new members of the Emeritus College as Advisory Board Chairman, Del Kimbler, gave them each a welcome packet. The new members in attendance were Syd Cross, Robert Green, Mickey Hall, Imtiaz Haque, Hoke Hill, Bob Hogan, Catherine Paul, Diane Smathers, and Webb Smathers.



From the Interim Director

My first several months as your interim director have been a steep but rewarding learning curve. Initial efforts have been focused on hiring our first staff member, Tiffany Cowden, profiled on page 7. With Tiffany's help, members of the Emeritus College are being entered into People Soft, the University's Human Resources software, restoring their automated access to University resources they choose to use such as software licenses, email, library privileges and other access that current faculty members enjoy.

I have also been coordinating efforts to reach out to the Clemson University Osher Lifelong Learning Institute by holding several joint meetings with representatives of OLLI and the Advisory Board of the Emeritus College. OLLI director, Julie Vidotto, and project assistant, Amanda Turner, have been enormously helpful in exploring the exciting ways that OLLI and the Emeritus College can collaborate. Current plans include the formation of a joint task force to develop an executive recommendation to Provost Jones for the future of an exciting OLLI and EC partnership while allowing the two organizations to maintain their discrete identities and memberships.

I am proud to work for such a vibrant, valuable and active organization!

Sincerely, Chip Egan



In Remembrance

William F. Steirer, Jr.

Prof. Emeritus of History

1936—2015

Harry E. Stewart

Prof. Emeritus of Languages

1930—2015

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Prof. Emeritus of Forestry

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What's Happening: Event Update

Please plan to join your fellow members of the Emeritus College for the two remaining 2015 Summer Speaker Series events sponsored jointly with Clemson's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the Cheezem Center, Patrick Square.

Friday, July 10 at 10AM—Prof. Mickey Harder

Friday, August 14 at 10AM—Dr. Vernon Burton

Following each event, enjoy lunch with the speaker at Seasons by the Lake and enjoy a 10% discount!

Emeritus Lunch at Vaqueros



A convivial group of about 30 emeriti enjoyed lunch at Vaqueros Mexican Restaurant on the square in Pendleton on Tuesday, April 7. Included among the group were several Emeritus College Advisory Board members who had just completed their spring board meeting.

The Kenelly-Voss Distinguished Emeritus Award

The Kenelly-Voss Distinguished Emeritus Award recognizes an outstanding emeritus whose contributions to academia, the University, the community and mankind have continued beyond retirement. The award, which includes a recipient-directed acquisitions grant of \$500 to the Cooper Library, is presented annually at Emeritus Day in October. To nominate a member of the Emeritus College for this prestigious award, download the nomination form at the Emeritus College website— clemson.edu/emergituscollege/opportunities/. The form and an accompanying letter of nomination (not to exceed two pages) are due to Chip Egan by September 1, 2015.

Mentors Needed

Mentors are needed for fall semester in the CIS program. If you are interested in meeting once a week with an international graduate student to help improve his/her English and adjustment to our culture, contact Adolph Beyerlein, EC Curriculum Chair - albrl@g.clemson.edu.



From the EC Development Committee:

It's time to renew or initiate your gift to the "Clemson Forever" fund designated for the Emeritus College. Your annual gifts to the CU Foundation support two Clemson students who are awarded the Emeritus College Scholarships.

Your gifts also provide support for the activities and programs of the Emeritus College. We count on your continuing support! Giving is easy online at: <http://www.clemson.edu/giving/>.

The Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE)

Larry Gahan attended the AROHE Board Retreat, January 25-27, 2015, in Los Angeles. The following is his report:

The AROHE Board was called together by President Patrick Cullinane following in the footsteps of the Past President, Sue Barnes who used the same approach two years ago. We were indeed fortunate to have Helen Dennis, who served as our facilitator throughout the retreat to keep the board discussions on track as well as ask the hard questions, i.e., "What do you want this organization to be?" She recently won the Gloria Cavanaugh Award and will be featured at the American Society on Aging (ASA) Conference in March. She is noted for her work with non-profit organizations and their boards.

The AROHE retreat planning committee presented the board members with several assignments leading up to the actual meeting dates: Review the AROHE vision, mission statement and mantra. As well as, look at ways AROHE can enhance its non-dues revenue stream.

We arrived on Sunday afternoon of the 25th and gathered in time for the Embassy Suites evening reception in the lobby. For the most part, we had never met each other before although we had participated in two previous month's board conference calls. During dinner at the hotel we had an opportunity to introduce ourselves and to get to know the other board members, at least putting a face with a voice. It was encouraging that the board retreat had a 100 percent participation considering the 15 members had come from throughout the United States.

The next day and a half was spent discussing how we wanted to "shape" AROHE for the future in light of our stakeholders: Customers, Resources, Regulators and Competitors. We were also asked to identify the trends affecting each of these stakeholders and develop strategies for each of the stakeholder groups.

And finally, we were divided into seven work groups to investigate and implement prioritized strategies. The groups included *Case Statement*, *Business Plan*, *Membership*, *Communications*, *Funding Sources*, *Successful Practices* and *(ROI) Return on Investment*. These groups will continue to gather information and make progress reports during the monthly board conference calls.

I am confident that based on the commitment displayed by the board members at the retreat that the changes and challenges facing the AROHE leadership over the next several years will be met. AROHE does indeed have a bright future ahead.

Heartfelt thanks to our 2015 Emeritus College Donors!

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Success Stories: *Welcome Picnic 2015*



Success Stories: *Picnic continued*



Spotlight on Tom Parks, Associate Dean Emeritus of HEHD

In a line from one of his award-winning plays, a character says, "Every exit is an entrance to somewhere else." That could very well sum-up the turn of events for retired Clemson professor and administrator Tom Parks. His post-



retirement entrance into the world of playwriting has been a surprising success for the former Associate Dean of Health, Education and Human Development, with one play scheduled for three Off-Broadway performances in New York this summer and several others named winners in international competitions.

His first attempt as a playwright was immediately selected for production by a Chicago theatre, which gave it a showcase performance this past October, with videotapes of the performance picked up for broadcast by public television stations in several states, including Iowa, Wisconsin, Ohio, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Oregon. What started as "an enjoyable exercise" after retirement proved to be more of that proverbial "entrance to somewhere else" depicted in one of his plays.

In addition to productions in New York and Chicago, his plays have received awards in international competitions held by the Washington D.C. Arts Council and the "Shakespeare in the 'Burg" theatre festival in Virginia. Two new plays are scheduled for production in Texas this summer, and he has received word that a musical, "Boutique," has made it to the final round in another Chicago competition.

Other than what he describes as "a lifetime of watching and listening," he has had no preparation or training in the art of playwriting. "But I have been to thousands of meetings and events and occasions during my 52 years as an educator, and my head is filled with characters and plots and dramas and comedies and tragedies that have set up residence there. The best description for me would be a primitive playwright," he commented. "It's beginner's luck, and I'm lucky that I enjoy it so much."

Spotlight on Dwaine Eubanks, Prof. Emeritus of Chemistry

In March 2015, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, Dwaine Eubanks, received the American Chemical Society George C. Pimentel Award recognizing excellence in Chemical Education over a lifetime career. Eubanks was co-recipient of the first award for outstanding service from the ACS Division of Chemical Education and was elected as a Fellow of the American Chemical Society in 2012.

Eubanks, and his wife, Lucy, both members of the Clemson University Emeritus College, were in Denver from March 20-27, 2015, attending the award symposium, "From Sputnik to Smartphones: A Half-Century of Chemistry Education," all day on Tuesday, March 24. The awards banquet was that evening where all the national awards from the different branches of chemistry were celebrated.

Eubanks has been active in the ACS for decades serving as chair of the Division of Chemical Education in 1985. From 1988 to 2001, Eubanks was director of the ACS Examinations Institute where he spearheaded efforts to put improved testing methods and assessment techniques into practice. He brought the Institute to Clemson University in 1992 where he taught until his retirement in 2003.



"The breadth of his contributions to chemical education is truly extraordinary," according to Mary Virginia Orna, professor of chemistry at the College of New Rochelle in New York.

Clemson University Emeritus College Class of 2015

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Dr. Ronald Thomas, *Professor Emeritus, Food, Nutrition, and Packaging Sciences*

Meet Tiffany Cowden

Tiffany S. Cowden graduated from Winthrop University in 2006, with a B.S. degree in Family and Consumer Sciences. She immediately began work at John Hamrick Real Estate in Seneca. Later she joined PACE (Professional Advancement and Continuing Education) in the College of Business and Behavioral Sciences at Clemson. In 2009, Tiffany enrolled in the graduate program in PRTM and began volunteering in the Emeritus College office. Her work as a volunteer was invaluable to the Emeritus College as she not only helped with emeritus events, but she is personally responsible for the development of the Emeritus College data base.

Tiffany is married to Bryan Cowden, a 2006 graduate of Clemson. They live in Fair Play and have a blonde lab named "Jordan." Tiffany is also the daughter of professors' emeriti, Webb and Diane Smathers. She says: *Both my and Bryan's families have strong Clemson ties. His sister, Ashley Fisk, teaches in the English department; his dad, Richard Cowden, was a university auditor; and his grandfather, Herb Marett, was a county Extension Agent.*





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July 10.....OLLI/EC SUMMER SERIES
Prof. Lillian "Mickey" Harder
Followed by lunch at Season's by the Lake

August 14.....OLLI/EC SUMMER SERIES
Dr. Vernon Burton
Followed by lunch at Season's by the Lake

September 8.....Executive Comm. Meeting

September 22.....Advisory Board Meeting

September 22.....Emeritus Luncheon

October 6.....EMERITUS DAY
Speaker: Provost Bob Jones

*Don't simply retire from something; have
something to retire to.*
— Harry Emerson Fosdick

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