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The Extension

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Is it Autumn or Is it Fall?

Carol Stevenson

Autumn has arrived
Fall has fell
What is the difference,
Who can tell?

Autumn comes softly
In cool breezes and gentle rains.
Fall comes harder
With cold and damp that drains.

Autumn brings harvest
With its bounty and fullness.
Fall brings empty fields,
Melancholy and drabness.

Autumn leaves float
To the ground like a feather.
Fall winds whirl and whistle,
Like a dry hurricane or twister.

So whether autumn or fall
May your spirits be brightened.
Remember winter is coming
And spring is quietly waiting to appear only a few
weeks later.

The Extension

The Extension is published quarterly for the WSU retirees by the Wright State University Retirees Association (WSURA).

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- Nov. 1—Winter Quarter
- Feb. 1—Spring Quarter
- May 1—Summer Quarter
- Aug. 1—Fall Quarter

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President's Message

Gary Pacernik

Open the gates and the doors

Psalms

As president of the Wright State Retirees Association (WSURA), I say the gates and doors are wide open and waiting for you to join us in any and all of the opportunities that we offer.

Our activities programs during the last school year took us to the Cincinnati Art Museum, Brandeberry Winery, Wright State University Theatre, a Wright State basketball game, and a Dayton Dragons baseball game. This coming year we are beginning with a trip to The Wilds nature reserve for a full day, including a safari, viewing many species of exotic animals.

The Retirees Association always participates in the Health Fair and the Retirees Picnic as well as sponsoring various student scholarships, working with international students, and an oral history project preserving the early years of Wright State University. There is also a monthly discussion group called Socrates Café and lectures and presentations about subjects of interest to our members throughout the school year.

I have been a member of the organization for just a few years, but I have seen how it offers retirees a chance to meet with other retirees from throughout the university and to share meaningful experiences together. As Wright State becomes more important in the Dayton region and the country, I hope you will join us in helping WSURA and the Wright State University to grow and prosper.

Deaths

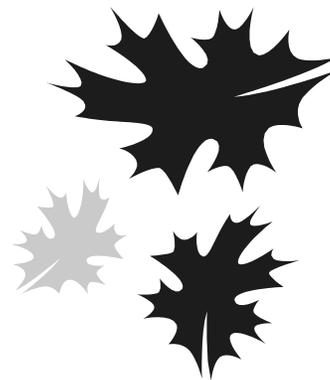
Betty Jung, Associate Professor, SOPP (active), June 2012

Paige Mulhollan, President, 1985 to 1994, June 2012

John Hildebrecht Sr., business manager, July 2012

Joseph Bitzko, Director of Chemistry Laboratories, July 2012

Jeanette Zech, Printing Services, July 2012



WSURA Activities Calendar – 2012-2013

Wednesday, September 5

Speaker: Dr. James Sayer

Topic: “The American Presidency” –

Dr. Sayer’s presentation will focus on the issues creating the Presidency at the Constitutional Convention, its importance in the states’ ratifying conventions, and trivia about our presidents.

Location: E-165B Student Union

Parking: Visitor’s Lot

Time: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Tuesday, October 2

Socrates Cafe´ - Abe Bassett, Facilitator

Time: 1 – 3 pm

Location: Temple Beth Or, 5275 Marshall Road – at intersection of Rahn Rd

Cost: Brown Bag lunch 1-1:30 pm; follow-up discussion from 1:30-3 pm

RSVP: To abebassett@gmail.com by Friday, September 28

Tuesday, October 16

WSURA Day-trip to “The Wilds” – Zanesville, OH

Your adventure includes a 10,000-acre center aboard an open air safari vehicle for a narrated tour through habitats to view hundreds of animals.

Depart: 8:30 am, Lot 8 (far side of the lake at the Nutter Center)

Parking passes will be provided.

Travel: Deluxe Motorcoach

Lunch: Overlook Cafe´ at “The Wilds” – Includes the Deli Buffet w/ sandwiches, fruit, salad, dessert and gratuity.

Price: Early-bird cost \$90 per person; after September 25, cost is \$95

Return: Approximately 6 pm

Hosted by: “Bee On the GO Travel”

Website: www.BeOnTheGoTravel.com;

E-mail: BeOnTheGoTravel@gmail.com

Phone: 937.428.7459 (**Owners & Operators:** Jan Austin and John Austin)

Wednesday, October 24

WSU Health Fair 2012

Time: 10 am – 2 pm

Location: Student Union Apollo Room

Be sure to visit the WSURA table for treats and sign up for a door prize!

Sunday, December 2

Dining-In Holiday Brunch

Hosted by: Tom and Helen Listerman

Time: 11 am – 2 pm

Cost: Cost for entrees to be shared among those attending. Contact Helen Listerman to choose a menu item to share.

Choices: Meat and egg dish, side (fruit, potatoes, bread, rolls), appetizers

Address: 161 Wynstone Ct., Xenia, OH 45385

Phone: 937.352.6265

RSVP: Due by Friday, November 16

Sunday, February 3, 2013

WSU Theater 2012-2013 Season

Play: 1913: The Great Dayton Flood

Time: 2 pm Matinee

Cost: \$20 for adults; \$18 for seniors

Tickets: On hold until January 1, 2013 only

Payment: Make check out to WSU Retirees Association and mail to WSURA Treasurer, 139 Millett Hall, Wright State University, Dayton, OH 45435-0001

Also, please RSVP to mary.gromosiak@wright.edu or phone 937.974.4010 so an accurate head count can be kept before unsold tickets are released.

Dinner: 5 pm, Max & Erma's, Fairfield Commons Mall

RSVP for dinner: By Friday, February 1

FYI: A number of other events are anticipated, but specific times are not yet scheduled. Watch your emails for more details. They include the Presidential Lecture Series (check wright.edu under the Ps for these dates, a tour of the sports facilities, and a second semester Basketball game (see winter Extension).

Scenes from Annual Board meeting and Summer Picnic



Jeri Knopp, 20 year Retiree, and Judy Rose



Malcolm Ritchie, 30 year Retiree, and his son.



Carolyn Smith, 5 year Retiree



Newly elected board members, Jim Sayer, Peggy Bott and Blair Rowley

News from WSURA

Wright State Retiree Survey

Wright State has developed a national reputation for service and service learning. For the third consecutive year, the university has been named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for its support of volunteering, service-learning and civic engagement, one of only 110 institutions across the country to receive such an honor.

A total of 12,414 Wright State students, faculty and staff were involved in academic service-learning during the 2010-'11 school year, resulting in 417,938 service hours that touched the lives of 997,720 community members.

Under the leadership of **President James Uphoff**, WSURA worked with **Dr. Jack Dustin**, Director of Center for Urban and Public Affairs, to develop and complete a survey of retirees to demonstrate that our members continue to serve our university and our respective communities during the past year. The complete study (frequency tables) will be posted on our website, but, in summary, the results indicated that:

Approximately 80% of the 51 respondents have volunteered for a community or professional organization in the last year; 60% used their professional skills in that endeavor.

Of those who volunteered, 67% indicated that the activity was in the field of education; 6% was with an arts organization; 78% served a non-profit organization; 8% served a governmental entity; 12% were members of the WSURA Board; 16% continued to be active in a professional organization; 6% were in a service organization; 14% served a religious organization; 10% were in civic organizations; 10% were in social organizations and 18% cited a variety of "other" areas of service. The overwhelming majority of respondents spent between one and ten hours per week in service.

Preliminary results of the study were presented to **President Hopkins** when he hosted the Board in June. It is probable that the results will be added to those compiled for students and active faculty and staff.

Oral Histories

Lew Shupe reported at the August WSURA Board meeting that 20 oral histories are now available online and five more are being transcribed. The following steps will access the histories:

1. Go to www.libraries.wright.edu
2. Click on: Special Collections and Archives
3. Click on: University Archives
4. Click on: WSURA Oral Histories
5. On this page is the Program description. In the first paragraph, click on: Oral History Interviews
6. On this page are listed the most recent interviews. To view all completed interviews, click on: "See all Records" under "Recent Submissions"

Estate Gift

WSURA has received notification from the Development Office that the **Nick Davis** WSURA Scholarship Fund has received a \$1000 gift from the estate of **Dr. Oris Amos Cross**, professor emerita of the College of Education and Human Services. Our thanks to **Oris** and her family for this continued support of our organization and students.

Jasmine Ardister will continue to be the WSURA office assistant. Office hours will be posted on the office door and on the WSURA answering machine after the beginning of the semester.

WSURA Patron Donation Fund

The Board of the Wright State University Retirees Association is pleased to announce the establishment of the WSURA Patron Donation Fund.

The purpose of the Patron Fund is:

To provide for the receipt of funds from Patron donors who desire to financially support the mission and goals of the Wright State University Retirees Association over and above established dues and fees with a charitable gift.

The funds may be disbursed at the discretion of the Board for functions supporting the mission and goals of WSURA as well as those of Wright State University over and above scholarships and memorial book gifts as presented to the Board for approval.

Contributions should be sent directly to the Foundation as follows:

Wright State University Foundation
3640 Colonel Glenn Hwy.
Dayton, OH 45435-0001

Make Your Check Payable to:

Wright State University Foundation
Note on Check Memo Line: 551327 WSURA
Patron Donations Fund

Because of the organization's relationship with the University and the Foundation, donations may be considered as charitable contributions, and receipts will be provided by the Foundation. Please note, also, your contribution to the Nick Davis Scholarship Fund during the annual scholarship drive is separate and distinct from the Patron Donation. If you have further questions regarding the Fund, its purpose and use, please contact Gary Barlow (gary.barlow@wright.edu) or Carol Stevenson (cstevenson14@woh.rr.com).

Your thoughtful consideration and generous participation in this new opportunity to support WSURA, Wright State University, and the entire University community is respectfully requested and sincerely appreciated.

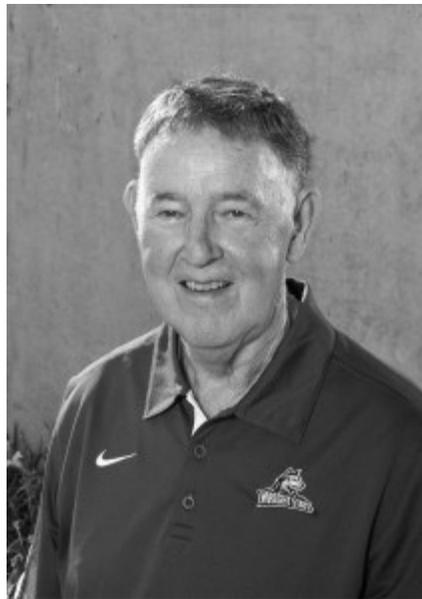
News from Campus

Wright State University is now officially on the semester system. Fall Semester dates are August 27th through December 14th.

Paige Mulhollan, Fourth President

Celebration turned to tragedy when, on June 18, **President Mulhollan** suffered a stroke while he and his family were attending the dedication of the Rinzler Sports Complex including Mulhollan Field. According to attendees, the family had enjoyed a day of reunion with old friends and acquaintances. His family was able to return him to Arkansas where he died on June 30.

The popular President oversaw expansion of the campus with the opening of the Nutter Center, increased on-campus housing, and the Russ Engineering Building as well as many other academic and research accomplishments.



Paige Mulhollan, WSU's Fourth President

The New Campus Wright State Physicians Building

The new Wright State University Physicians (WSP) Building opened on campus in spring 2012. Wright State Physicians consists of a group of more than 125 doctors. The 66,000-square-foot, three-story building houses physicians in the Dermatology, Family Medicine, Geriatric Medicine, Orthopaedic Surgery, Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation and Women's Health Care practices, as well as the WSP corporate offices.

In addition to the convenience for staff, students and faculty of WSU, it will also serve residents of Clark, Montgomery and Greene Counties. The facility also includes Wright Health Pharmacy, CompuNet Clinical Laboratories and an MRI facility operated by Miami Valley Hospital.

A new extended-hours clinic, Wright Care, opened August 27, and will see patients from noon – 7 pm, Monday-Friday.

The new facility will help WSP further their mission to retain outstanding medical faculty and staff. Additionally, the facility will offer a centrally-located site for medical students to gain clinical expertise and for faculty to conduct translational research.

Visit the WSP website at wrightstate-physicians.org for individual practice contact information.

The new WSP building is located at 725 University Blvd. at the intersection of Raider Road.

Other Campus News

Cassandra Lloyd, record breaking hurdler, was named Horizon League Athlete of the Year and, for the fourth time, Wright State female athlete of the year. The university's first All-American represented the Horizon League in the NCAA finals.

Rockafield House, built in 1969 for first **Presi-**

dent Brage Golding and occupied by the first five presidents has been transformed to the Rockafield Alumni Center for the use of returning alumni and their activities, at least until the end of **President Hopkins'** term. The **Hopkins**, who have school-aged children, chose to live off-campus. **Greg Schauer**, Director of Alumni Relations, hopes that, even if Rockafield is returned to a presidential residence, the brief stay will make a case for a permanent alumni home on campus.



President **Jim Uphoff** presents a copy of the Retirees' Survey to **President Hopkins** at the Spring Board luncheon.



WSURA Membership Form

New ____ **Renewal** ____ **Date** _____

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Spouse's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Primary Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Wright State Department at Retirement _____ Year _____

Spouse's Department at Retirement _____ Year _____

Email Address _____

Check One: Faculty Unclassified Classified

Life Membership:

- _____ \$100 (Ages 59 and below)
- _____ \$75 (Ages 60-69)
- _____ \$50 (Ages 70 and above)

Annual Membership:

_____ \$10

Patron (membership in WSURA not required):

No set amount. Donations are tax deductible . Contributions should be sent directly to the Foundation as follows:

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Dayton, OH 45435-0001

Make Your Check Payable to:
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Please fill in the information requested above and send it with your dues (please do not send cash) to:
WSURA, Attn: Treasurer, 139 Millett Hall, Wright State University, Dayton, OH 45435