

OHIO UNIVERSITY

March 2021

The next Emeriti Association meeting is scheduled for **March 18, 2021 at 11:00 AM** via Zoom. An invitation to the Zoom meeting will be sent to all those on the Emeriti Listserv. Emeriti Association Vice President Scott Moody announced that the speaker for the March meeting will be Philip Cantino, Professor Emeritus of Environmental and Plant Biology, on the history and goals of the <u>Athens Conservancy</u>.

Notes from the February 18th meeting_	

Emeriti Association President Rosemary Rossiter <u>welcomed 20 new Emeriti</u> (clickable link) as named by the Ohio University Trustees recently. The new Emeriti are in addition to those who were named Emeriti in the Fall. Ohio University President Duane Nellis congratulated them on their new Emeritus / Emerita status and thanked them for the legacy they have left to the students and the University. He also highlighted several of the recent special achievements of faculty, programs, and students and noted that the day was Founders' Day, the 217th birthday of Ohio University, promoting the brand "Forever Ohio" as "First, Finest and Forever". Recommendations for plans forward such as academic re-imagining and international outreach are being developed by several groups. Nellis noted that retention rates are strong but we want them to be even stronger and described plans such as the Ohio Guarantee+ to encourage student engagement even after graduation.

Emeriti Association Vice President Scott Moody then introduced the main speaker for the meeting, Dean of Arts and Sciences Florenz Plassmann. Plassmann reviewed "the challenge, the response and the outlook" concerning the changes that have taken and are taking place in Arts and Sciences since 2016 primarily as a response to declining enrollments, student credit hours, and revenue, thus needing to reduce expenses. He shared several charts summarizing the data. (see below) Graduate stipends were not reduced. Major cuts were made in non-personnel budgets such as travel as well as in support staff. The College is switching to a professional advising model in part to track the documentation requirement for the Ohio Guarantee+ with faculty continuing their mentoring role.

Audio of the Zoom meeting can be made available to Emeriti upon request.

Emails on Listserv

E-mail addresses for the new Emeriti were added to the Emeriti Association Listserv. Email address additions, changes, and updates to the Listserv can also be made directly at this link: https://listserv.ohio.edu/mailman/listinfo/emeritiassoc

If there is a problem with connecting to the Listserv for subscriptions or changes, one can also contact either President Rossiter at <rossiter@ohio.edu> or Webchair Rich Post at <postr@ohio.edu>.

We have been asked several questions regarding continuation of **Ohio University email service for Emeriti**. Per the following website from the Office of Information Technology, "RETIREES and EMERITI: You will have access to your Catmail account indefinitely." https://www.ohio.edu/oit/services/email-calendar/email/help

Emeriti are reminded that their ohio.edu email addresses, if not used in the preceding 18 months, may be subject to cancellation although a simple note to the Office of Information Technology Help Desk should result in reinstating a canceled email address.

https://www.ohio.edu/oit/help#contact

It is also possible to automatically forward all your ohio.edu emails to your current favorite email system such as gmail or similar by following the instructions at the link below. The forwarding is one-way only, that is you can no longer use a secondary account such as gmail to respond as if it were your ohio.edu address. As an example, if you send an email to <postr@ohio.edu>, the email system has been set up to forward that email directly to <postrr@gmail.com> but any response sent back will show as being sent by that gmail address.

https://www.ohio.edu/oit/services/email-calendar/email/forwarding

 Emeriti Website information	

The **website for Emeriti** is at https://www.ohio.edu/emeriti Updates and news can be found under the News rubric at https://www.ohio.edu/emeriti/news

New Emeriti are especially directed to the following item under the News rubric which details the University's continuing commitment to provide access to **Office 365 for Emeriti**. <u>Updated IT Service Desk email to Ohio Emeriti - Office 365 Continuation [PDF]</u> 3-28-19

Other Emeriti privileges are listed on the following webpage from the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost:

https://www.ohio.edu/provost/apfap/emeriti

The latest **Emeriti Directory** can be found at this link: https://www.ohio.edu/emeriti/directory
The directory is maintained as a database by the University Advancement office. Additions and corrections may be sent to Membership Chair Paul Scott Malcom at malcom@ohio.edu for forwarding to Advancement. The directory is normally updated twice each year.

Kennedy Museum of Art reopens

with exhibit honoring two Graphic Design emeriti faculty

Congratulations to Emeriti Don Adleta and Karen Nulf on their **60 years of graphic design** exhibit. Details at this link.

https://www.ohio.edu/news/2021/01/kennedy-museum-art-reopens-exhibit-honoring-two-graphic-design-emeriti-faculty

Volunteers needed

From: John Howell, Chair - Emeriti Association Nominations Committee

The Nominating Committee of the Emeriti Association is inviting new Emeriti members, and others, to participate in the leadership of the Association. In particular, we are seeking a **Newsletter Editor.**

The responsibility of the Newsletter editor is to produce two newsletter issues each year. The newsletter will include the list of new emeriti, an in-memorian section once a year, and human interest articles from emeriti, sharing how they are using their retirement opportunities. Newsletters will be distributed primarily electronically.

For the other Board positions, current Board members have indicated their willingness to continue to serve, and, in the case of the currently vacant Benefits Chair position, we have a volunteer. A slate of nominees will be presented at the March meeting and the election of officers for the next year will occur at the April meeting. Any Association member may offer names in nominations prior to the April meeting.

People are also welcome to join the various committees of the Association, including Nominations, Program, Finance, Membership, Volunteer Services, Emeriti Park, Benefits, Communications, Web Site, and Archivist/Historian. Contact John Howell (jhowell45701@gmail.com) to get involved in any of these, to offer nominations, or to volunteer to serve as Newsletter Editor.

Screen clips from the February Zoom meeting









