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December Emeriti Luncheon

The Emeriti Association has scheduled a luncheon meeting for December.

Location: Athens Country Club, 7606 Country Club Rd, Athens, OH 45701

Date & Time: Thursday, December 15, 11:30 AM

Luncheon will be Buffet style,

- *Baked Salmon
- *Roasted Asparagus
- *Rice Pilaf
- *Dessert

(Contact Marty Tuck tuck@ohio.edu if you have fish allergy)

Cost: \$23 per person. Please have exact dollar amount at the door or a check made payable to the *OU Emeriti Association*.

Luncheon reservations are required: Reservation deadline is noon on Tuesday, December 13. Early reservations are encouraged. RSVP by sending an email to Tom Franz <franz@ohio.edu> confirming your reservation(s).



Program: Emeriti Secretary Allyn Reilly has arranged for a Holiday musical performance by Associate Professor Sean Parsons. Dr. Parsons leads the Ohio University Contemporary Music and Digital Instrument program, designed for students who seek to learn to use today's tools to develop music literacy and forge new careers in music. In addition to this position Parsons instructs classes in jazz studies, music theory, and piano. He has performed with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, the West Virginia Symphony Orchestra, and the Ohio Valley Symphony and has shared the stage with many of the most notable musicians in jazz. [Ohio University link to Sean Parsons](#).





Highlights from the November 17 meeting



Dr. Carl J. Denbow presented a program of the history and circumstances surrounding the content of four Civil War era and related commemorative markers and a fifth proposed marker. A link to the full set of slides for the program as presented by Denbow including the content for each marker can be found as a PDF on the Ohio University Emeriti website at <https://www.ohio.edu/emeriti/news>

The four current markers are for:

Booker T. Washington - Olivia Davidson wedding site marker – Washington Street, Athens



Milton Holland marker – Athens County Fairgrounds, the site where in 1863 he raised Company C of the 5th United States Colored Infantry

The boyhood home of Albion Tourgée, author, Civil War soldier, lead attorney for Homer Plessy in Plessy v. Ferguson, who coined the expression “color-blind justice,” – Ohio Rt. 193, Kingsville

The “Chauncey Boys” marker honoring three Civil War Patriots – Dover Township Park, Chauncey.

A proposed marker for Charles C. McCabe, Civil War chaplain and Presbyterian minister, said to be the major “popularizer” of the “Battle Hymn of the Republic” for the front of Tupper Hall near where his birthplace and boyhood home once stood.

Famous wedding took place on Washington Street

Booker T. Washington married Olivia Davidson, his second wife, in Athens on 11 Aug 1886 in the home of Dr. Noah Elliott and his wife Mary, the sister of the bride.

The marriage of Mr. Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Normal School, Panama, and Miss Olivia A. Davidson, assistant principal, will be solemnized at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Dr. Noah Elliott, Athens, O., Aug. 11. Miss Davidson is a graduate of Framingham Normal School, Massachusetts.

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Milton Holland raises Company C of the 5th United States Colored Infantry on the Athens County Fairgrounds





Above: Holland mug shot;
Right: Governor's Proclamation of Milton Holland Day; and
Far Right: Holland wearing his Medal of Honor.

Albion Tourgée: Ohio's Forgotten Civil War Hero



- Brash young man
- Christian idealist
- Campus Activist
- Union Solider (NY & Ohio)
- Lawyer
- Civil Rights Crusader
- Novelist
- Ambassador



Albion (left) and army buddies, 105th OV

Excerpts of slides originally used in presentation by Carl J. Denbow
Commander, John S. Townsend Camp 108, Sons of Union Veterans:

- General Charles H. Grosvenor Civil War Round Table – February 11, 2015
- Lt. George Ewing Chapter, SAR, Chester Court House – October 22, 2015

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The Chauncey Boys Indoor Marker Dedication

Because the Dover Township Park was still undergoing construction way past the time it was supposed to be completed, the dedication had to be moved inside to the Chauncey Senior Center. It will be installed in the park as soon as construction is complete.

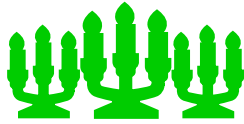


USCT and African American civilian re-enactors attended to honor Lt. Hiram Robinett, who worked for the Freedman's Bureau after the war.

Scott Moody and Cameron Lowery, of SUVCW John S. Townsend Camp 108, unveil marker at the end of the ceremony.

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100 Years Ago
The Dorsey family Christmas Tree



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