The Faculty Club

By Nancy Wardwell

The beautiful little building on South Oval has been, and continues to be, the site of many of OSURA’s finest meetings. Until recently our Annual Meetings were held there and currently the Dinner Series is held there. Five OSURA Presidents have also served as Faculty Club Presidents – and Isabell Miller, College of Education, was the first woman president of BOTH organizations!

“The Club” has been changing its name and “rebranding” itself to assure that ALL of the university community feels welcome and included – but indeed, it began as a Faculty Club. The first mention in the Board of Trustees minutes was in 1915. In 1922 meeting space was set aside in The Administration Building (now Bricker Hall).

In 1938 the Board of Trustees approved the request for funding. No university funds were used. The members of the faculty club raised 55% of the cost – and a grant from the WPA provided the other 45% of the funding. The University did provide the actual space on The Oval, next to Orton Hall and next to the Mirror Lake glen. It would replace Botanical Hall,” home to the OSU Herbarium. The latter is now housed on Kinnear Road at the Museum of Biological Diversity.

Evidence points to Howard Dwight Smith as the architect for the building. He is best known on campus as the architect for Ohio Stadium, but at the time of construction of the Faculty Club he was the University Architect, attended planning meetings of the Faculty Club Board of Control, and committee members also met with students in his architecture classes!

April 24, 1939 The Faculty Club took up residence at 181 South Oval Drive. In the almost 80 years since it opened it has been the site for many good meetings and excellent cuisine. With redecoration inside, and a new patio overlooking the new Mirror Lake soon to open, The Club will add even more gracious opportunities to the university community.
FROM: The President

Spring Opportunities

It is that time of the year when daylight is clearly winning over nighttime hours, and the days are finally warming up to ward off the temptation to move to Florida, Arizona or other southern territories.

But it’s way too early for spring cleaning, mowing your lawn, trimming hedge, or performing similar domestic duties. It is during this lull between winter and such duties that I’d like to offer two interesting and exciting opportunities with OSURA. You can thank me later.

The first is an opening in the position as the OSURA representative on the FCBC (Faculty Compensation and Benefits Committee). This is an extremely important committee that deals with wages, health care, retirement-pension plans, and related topics of employed faculty; but these issues often extend into the retirement years. FCBC is a major advisory committee for the University President and OSU governance. This position has been dutifully occupied for the last three years by Dr. Raimund Goerler and it is time now for Rai to step down from this position (effective July 1, 2018), so he can devote full-time to chairing the Cultural Arts Committee for OSURA. The FCBC meetings are held monthly on campus with a time commitment of two hours each. The position is for a retired OSURA faculty member. I can’t think of a better way to stay connected to the inner workings of OSU faculty and OSU governance.

The second opening, also occurring on July 1, 2018, is the OSURA Chair of the Travel Committee, available to both retired Staff and Faculty. This committee meets once every 2 months for < 2 hours. Alabelle Zghoul RN has done a great job over the last 6 years as the Chair of this Committee, but other forces in her life (some health related) currently occupy a competitive edge over chairing the Travel Committee. I’m sure that many of you have enjoyed the OSURA trips, averaging 8-12/year, arranged by Alabelle and her committee. My wife and I have traveled with OSURA on a number of occasions, including a tour of Great Lakes Museum (with lunch at Klinger’s Tony Packo’s restaurant); a ride on the canal boat near Coshocton; an enlightening visit at Berea, KY; a daylong excursion at the Air Force Museum in Dayton; and several others. We have yet to join the OSURA groups that have traveled internationally (e.g. Scandinavia, Italy, Canada by Rail), but we’ll eventually get there as well.

So you see, the FCBC position and the Travel Committee provide great services for OSURA members and are two of the many benefits that make the annual donation of $25 (formerly “dues”) one of the best bargains on earth. For more information about these two positions or any interest in them (or any other OSURA committee), please contact Raimund Goerler at goerler.1@osu.edu, Alabelle Zghoul at alabelle.zghoul@osumc.edu or Carl Leier at carl.leier@osumc.edu.

And so, go ahead, look over those windows, sharpen the mower blade and oil your trimmer, but before you take on the actual tasks of cleaning, mowing or trimming, please consider these two opportunities as a great way to assist fellow OSURA members. And it is certainly more interesting and exciting than filling out those #%$@# tax forms.

I remain, optimistically yours,

Carl V. Leier
President, Executive Board
## Welcome New Retirees

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**Save the Date | September 26, 2018**

Plans are already being made for another excellent conference.

The 2018 OSURA Fall Conference

Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at the Fawcett Center, Olentangy River Road

See you there!
Calendar of Events

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

March 6 (Tuesday)
Benefits Committee
Time/Place: 9:15 a.m., Longaberger

March 13 (Tuesday)
Board Meeting
Time/Place: 9 a.m., Longaberger

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

March 8 (Thursday)
Photo Society
Program: “Light the Corners of Your Mind, Optimally Adjust Faded Family Photographs” presented by Lewis Claman.
Member Theme: Artistic Family Portraits
Time/Place: 5:15 p.m., cocktails; 6 p.m., dinner; 7 p.m., program; OSU Faculty Club.
Cost: On your own
Arranger: Jack Nasar (Photographic Society SIG)

March 15 (Thursday)
Lunch Bunch
REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED
Don’t miss this opportunity to learn how much humanity affects global warming when Dr. Lawrence Krissak, Professor Emeritus of the School of Earth Sciences, talks about “Antarctica and Climate Change.”
Time/Place: 11:15 a.m., MCL Cafeteria, Kingsdale
Cost: On your own, order through cafeteria line starting at 11:15 a.m., program at noon.
Arrangers: Steven D’Ambrosio and Alenore Zeller (Social Committee)

March 17 (Saturday)
Walking/Hiking Group
Challenge Level 2-4
Everyone welcome. Join us on the trails at Highbanks Metro Park.

March 21 (Wednesday)
Book Club
Homegoing: by Yaa Gyasi. It traces the lives of two half-sisters, born in different villages in 18th century Ghana. One is sold into slavery and went to a U.S. plantation; the other marries a British slaver. See the differences to them and their descendants.
Time/Place: 1:30 p.m., Carriage Hill of Arlington Party House, Lafayette Drive. Call Lee Hill (614-459-4743) for directions.
Arranger: Lee Hill (Book Club SIG)

March 22 (Thursday)
Dinner Series:
Agents of Change or Guardians of the Establishment?
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
William Shkurti will present an evening of reflection on some of the 60’s memorable and challenging events at OSU. Tonight, the focus will be on the often overlooked, but highly significant, role played by the faculty as the University faced those difficult times.
Time/Place: 5 p.m., social hour, dinner at 6 p.m., and program at 7:00 p.m.; OSU Faculty Club.
Cost: $23 (service charge included)
Registration Deadline: Register at osura.alumni.osu.edu or call 614-292-2281 by March 19
Arranger: Howard Gauthier (Dinner Series SIG)

March 27 (Tuesday)
Tertulia Breakfast
Time/Place: 8 a.m., OSU Faculty Club
Cost: On your own
Arranger: Jerry Dare (Tertulia Breakfast SIG)

March 28 (Wednesday)
Bridge Group
Come enjoy the fellowship, and have fun playing a good game of bridge at the same time.

SPECIAL EVENTS

March 8 (Thursday)
Tour of Pontifical College Josephinum
Worthington, OH
Challenge Level 2
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Join us for a private tour of the Pontifical College Josephinum.
Meet by: 12:45 p.m. at Josephinum Parking Lot, 7625 N. High Street, Worthington
Cost: No cost
Registration Deadline: Register at OSURA. CulturalArts.Travel@gmail.com PREFERRED, or call 614-292-2281 by March 2
Arranger: Susan Berentson
(Cultural Arts Committee)

March 8 (Thursday)
Spain’s Costa del Sol & The Portuguese Riviera Information Session
Challenge Level 1
REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED
Come find out more about our 13-day trip to Spain and Portugal planned for November 1-13.
Time/Place: 4 – 6 p.m., Whetstone Library, 3909 N. High St.
Arranger: Alabelle Zghoul
(Travel Committee)

March 16 (Friday)
BalletMet – Tour de Force: A Collection of Short Ballets
Senior Dress Rehearsal
Challenge Level 1
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
See three commanding choreographers and their avant-garde works. Register at osura.alumni.osu.edu or call 614-292-2281. Credit card preferred. If by check, it must arrive by March 9. Tickets will be held at Will Call.

CHALLENGE LEVELS

1 Light – may include a few stairs.
2 Moderate – may include a few sets of stairs.
3 Moderate + – may include climbing many stairs and/or uneven terrain.
4 High – may include lots of walking, climbing stairs, hilly walkways and/or extended weather exposure.
Registration Instructions

1. Registrations requiring payment: Registrations can be made by going on-line to osura.osu.edu or by calling 614-292-2281 or 1-800-762-5646. You can pay by credit card (preferred), or if you mail in a check make it payable to OSUAA. Put the name of the trip in the Note/Memo section of the check and send or drop off to:
   Customer Service
   c/o OSURA
   Longaberger Alumni House
   2200 Olentangy River Road
   Columbus, OH 43210
   The reservation is not made until payment is received.

2. Registrations NOT requiring payment: Registrations will be made through the Arranger’s email provided in the description of the event, or if you do not have computer access call 614-292-2281.

April 15 (Sunday)
An Afternoon at the Theater
Challenge Level 1

At a discounted price, see “The Real Thing,” a play by the award-winning Tom Stoppard. First performed in 1982, the play focuses on the relationship between Henry and Annie, an actress and member of a group fighting to free Brodie, a Scottish soldier imprisoned for burning a memorial wreath during a protest.

Meet by: 1:45 p.m. at Columbus Civic Theater, 3837 Indianola Ave. in Clintonville
Cost: $15 at the door, after registering at OSURA.CulturalArts.Travel@gmail.com PREFERRED, or call 614-292-2281
Registration Deadline: April 4
Arranger: Marilyn Blackwell
(Cultural Arts Committee)

April 16 (Monday)
Litter Picking Team
Challenge Level 3

Please join us in our efforts to keep campus litter free from the Longaberger Alumni House through the Bloch Cancer Survivors Plaza to the Lane Avenue Gardens of the Chadwick Arboretum. Wear your walking shoes, sunblock and hat. We will have gloves, tongs, trash bags and buckets.

Meet by: 8:30 a.m. in the lobby of the Longaberger Alumni House, 2200 Olentangy River Road. Parking is free. (In the event of inclement weather, this group will not meet.)
Arranger: Mary Cull (Litter Pickers SIG)

April 25-26
(Wednesday, Thursday)
Frank Lloyd Wright and American Art: Fallingwater and More

Greensburg and Farmington, PA
REGISTRATION CLOSED

Meet by: 8:15 a.m., Wednesday, April 25th at Kohl’s, 3360 Olentangy River Road
Return: approximately 10 p.m. Thursday, April 26
Arranger: Odette Blum
(Cultural Arts Committee)
The Top 10 Mistakes Made in Estate Planning

The Spring Issue of the University of Nebraska Retirees Association-Lincoln carried a timely discussion about Estate Planning. We will carry the article in three parts. Here is Part I.

Mistake #10: No planning at all

Only 41 percent of Americans have an estate plan in place. Unfortunately, failing to have an estate plan means that the court system and state statutes will govern where an estate goes when someone dies, leading to unnecessary probate proceedings, fights over who may serve as executor or personal representative and unnecessary taxes and fees.

Mistake #9: Waiting until the last minute to plan

Unfortunately, we often receive phone calls from folks who have received a bad diagnosis and/or know that they are going to pass away. This is an extremely stressful time and the wrong time to plan your estate. The best time to plan an estate is when you are healthy and can make clear decisions.

Mistake #8: Failure to update your estate plan

Many clients we meet with have not updated their plan in 10, 20, or even 30 years! Life happens, and circumstances change dramatically. Perhaps one of your children has gone through a divorce, or a loved one of yours has passed. Failure to update the plan could mean that it will not work how you desire it to at the time of your death. Federal and state laws have changed dramatically in the last 15 years, and your estate plan may be unnecessarily complicated or just out of date.

Mistake #7: Forgetting about your “stuff” – (i.e., personal property)

When we work with individuals on estate planning, we plan for disposition of tangible personal property. Where do items such as jewelry, fire arms, art work and family heirlooms go when you die? Sadly, I have learned that the number one reason family members fight after a loved one dies is over belongings. By properly using a laundry list, you can ensure that it is less likely your children will fight over your “stuff” when you pass away.

Andrew M. Loudon from the Baylor Evnen law firm. In the UNL Retirees Newsletter, Spring 2018

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Our intrepid Walker/Hiking group was at Blendon Woods in January and got to sit down in February at Sharon Wood Metro Parks.
Elder Financial Fraud Scams

By Meg Teaford

There is increased attention on elder financial fraud and scams (known as EFFS) as 5.6% of older adults are estimated to be victims. These are acts performed by a stranger (rather than family or friends) and defined in a recent article in the American Journal of Public Health as “an intentional distortion of truth initiated to convince another to part with something of value or to surrender a legal right.” This could include sweepstake scams, false investment scams, and the popular grandparent scam (in which an individual claims to be a grandchild and calls and asks for money to be sent quickly because of a legal problem). Identity theft is also included in this definition.

While these scams can occur to anyone regardless of age, older adults are often targeted disproportionately because they are more likely to have financial resources, may have poorer decision-making skills, and are less likely to report the scams. Those suffering from social isolation and from depression are more likely to become involved in the scams.

Public health professionals have become concerned because EFFS is associated with serious physical and mental health problems. Among the difficulties faced by victims are major depression, anxiety, increased hospitalization, and even premature death. Health professionals report that victims are more likely not to comply with medication regimes or follow up with required tests. Many victims experience anger, stress, embarrassment, and shame because their competence is called into question and because it is more difficult to recover from financial losses later in life.

Suspected cases of scams should be reported to law enforcement and to adult protective services. Among those suggestions to prevent involvement in scams are using bill paying services, bank account fraud alerts, and fraud protection services that monitor credit histories.

How Do I Pay My Dues?

Our new home Alumni Association now refers to OSURA “dues” as DONATIONS. That way they are tax-deductible!

Here’s how it works:

- You can go online at osura.edu and pay with credit card (the donation tab of $25 are your dues).
- Or call 614-292-2281 or 1-800-762-5646 and let the customer service person know you’re paying your OSURA membership.
- Or send a check (write on the memo line the OSURA account #315499) to:
  OSURA
  c/o customer service AA,
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What will your story be?