

► *Emeritus Group and Friends Update*

Summer Gathering – June 11, 2015
College Lodge near Brocton, NY

Mother Nature was in a good mood today and provided the thirty-nine members with plenty of sunshine and just a slight breeze for this meeting.

The first order of business in this writing is to offer a sincere Thank You to the two women who were responsible for putting together the last, and newly formatted, newsletter. Denise Szalkowski, President Horvath's right-hand assistant, and Lori Deemer, a whiz at coordinating all the material, are to be congratulated for producing a fine publication. Thank you, ladies.

Mid-lunch, President Horvath enlightened the group with a brief but informative summary of campus activities and state mandates. Although she had a 1:00 meeting scheduled, she took the time to answer several questions from the group.

After the appetizing buffet provided by FSA, fresh locally grown strawberries heaped over pound cake completed the meal. Kevin Fox then stood front and center with several items of importance. He urged members with e-mail accounts to sign up for electronic receipt of future newsletters. It will save the group time and money.

The group welcomed a new member today, Cathe Kilpatrick, former Associate Director of Sponsored Programs. Kevin then spoke about the early beginnings of the Emeritus Group. Secretary Carolyn brought all papers given to her by previous secretary Ann Carter. Kevin will browse these archives and report his finding to the members. It's very possible that he

will find some very interesting and amusing tidbits about the group's beginnings. We thank Ann for her precise records and for documenting the activities of the group.

Three colleagues have passed since our last meeting: Irene Elizabeth Grasso, (wife of Michael Grasso, Physics), John Malcolm, (Instructional Resources), and David Sheffield, (Campus Courier.) A moment of silent reflection was offered in their memory.

Nine prizes were donated and awarded to the following: Sally Harris, Peter Komada, Barb Mallette, Brien Murphy, John Stinson, Gerda Morrissey, Dick Weist, and Silvia Mannino, along with Vivian Larson who won the tea party offered by President "Ginny" Horvath.

The afternoon ended with hopes of seeing more of our members at the fall meeting at Sandy's White Horse Restaurant in Cassadaga, NY, on October 15th.

Respectfully submitted,



Carolyn Briggs, Secretary

As we try to be as sustainable as possible, the Emeritus Newsletter is also available in electronic form. Please email Denise Szalkowski at denise.szalkowski@fredonia.edu if you are interested in receiving the newsletter through email instead of a paper copy. Thank you!

► *Emeritus Newsbits*

We all enjoy reading about the lives and accomplishments of our former colleagues but we can't do that unless our colleagues submit the information! If you haven't done so recently, please consider sending a brief (no more than 100-200 words) update to: Dan O'Rourke, 8002 Frisbee Road, Cassadaga, NY 14718 or orourke@netsync.net. Don't think of them as letters but as postcards to old friends and colleagues. They are interested in you. We will only edit gently. Thank you.

— Dan O'Rourke, Editor

Etta and I have relocated to the Village at Germantown, an independent living community where we hope to enjoy the good life (when we sell the house and lot which consume so much time and energy). New contact is 7820 Walking Horse Circle, apt. 317, Germantown, TN 38138.

Meanwhile I have continued to dabble in my old research field of Nazi police and security agencies and Holocaust perpetrators. However, I have shifted my more productive energies to local history. After becoming involved with the city's historical commission, and being challenged to research for information for Civil War historical markers, I became entranced by what happened to our community during and after the war. The result has been a book - *Reversal of Fortune: Germantown, Tennessee during the Civil War Era*. Heritage Press released it in March. My usual venue of university presses had no interest, so it took over a year to find a publisher for a serious local history as opposed to the usual, superficial picture books.

— *George & Etta Browder*

Carolyn and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary with an Alaskan cruise aboard the Norwegian Pearl. We were married June 12, 1965 in Lancaster Ohio. Carolyn is a retired regional director at New York State Office of Children and Family Services. We have two children, four grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

— *James & Carolyn Huffman*

Natalie and I are off for our fall Maine sojourn 9/18, back in town Columbus Day Weekend. Lower back pain has rendered me totally useless in a kayak, but I'll be hugging the shore in my canoe while Nat chases seals and dolphins way off shore in her kayak. We'll enjoy the emerging fall colors and of course the lobster. Hope you are all well and looking forward to fall.

— *Bernie & Natalie Gerling*

Shirley and I are getting along in this retirement community. It has a section for assisted living and memory care and even for intensive care. But we're still able to get around, visiting art museums, plays, and musical events.

— *Mort & Shirley Schagrin*

► *It's Dues Time Again!*

Emeritus annual dues are \$10.00 per member and are normally paid each October. Your dues pay for the preparation and mailing of the four issues of Emeritus News that you receive each year. Any funds that accrue in excess of expenses are applied to our scholarship fund. Please mail your check made out to "Emeritus Dues" to Sandy Colvenback - Treasurer, 3748 Bard Road, Cassadaga, NY 14718.

If you have trouble remembering whether your dues are up-to-date, you might consider a Life Membership. More than sixty of us are now Life Members and have the satisfaction each fall of knowing that our dues are paid up. After that single payment you will never have to worry about writing another check for emeritus dues. Simply refer to the chart below and remit the amount corresponding to your age category.

Age	Life Dues	Age	Life Dues
59 & Less	\$250	75-77	\$120
60-62	\$230	78-80	\$100
63-65	\$210	81-83	\$80
66-68	\$180	84-86	\$70
69-71	\$160	87-89	\$50
72-74	\$140	90 & over	FREE



► *From the President*

The fall semester opened smoothly, from the perfect weather for move-in weekend to students getting the classes they need to stay on track for graduation. The incoming students are academically talented, a continuing commitment in recruiting, even though the high school population in Western New York has affected the overall enrollment at Fredonia.

We are undertaking a year-long process to do a Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) plan that will help us chart the future and ensure that we are addressing enrollment issues in thoughtful ways. Your participation in this process is welcome!

Progress continues on the Rockefeller Arts Center addition and renovation, with exciting new spaces for teaching and learning. There will be several dance studios, an acting studio, new spaces for sculpture and ceramics, a foundry, prop design area, and a connector to Mason Hall. There will be a clear, welcoming entrance to the RAC from the parking lots, with a community room, lobby, and access to all performance venues—including those in Mason! The moves into those spaces will be phased in during 2016. Several of these spaces have already been named, but there are many more opportunities to name a variety of spaces.

One of the exciting plans on campus is to build an Admissions Center off of Symphony Circle to provide a clear, welcoming place that can be seen as soon as one enters campus. The current location of Admissions in Fenner House (with a trailer behind it) is challenging for families, and the lack of appropriate restrooms and presentation spaces leaves a poor impression on the visitors we are trying to recruit. Senator Young provided a state allocation of \$2 million that is being used for the design and program phases of the project. Additional funds for the \$6.4 million facility are being sought in the hopes of opening the Center as soon as possible. Again, here is a great naming opportunity!

I hope to see you at campus events this year, including the Hillman Opera, performances of Cabaret, and performances of *The Laramie Project* and *The Laramie Project Ten Years Later*. Fredonia remains a vital place!

With best wishes,

Virginia S. Horvath, President

► *In Memoriam*

Dr. John Philip Malcolm passed away on May 27, 2015. Dr. Malcolm was initially hired as an Instructor in 1963 and was appointed the Director of Instructional Resources in 1977. He subsequently retired as Professor of Communication in 1998.

Donations may be made in his memory to the Fredonia College Foundation.

Dr. Marvin C. Zastrow passed away on June 22, 2015. Dr. Zastrow was hired in 1964 as an Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics and retired in 1998 from the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science.

Those wishing to honor Dr. Zastrow's life are encouraged to participate in the annual Walk to End Alzheimer's (<http://www.alz.org/>).

Dr. Philip L. Kumler passed away on June 28, 2015. Dr. Kumler was appointed Associate Professor of Chemistry in 1976 and retired as Professor in 2006. During his tenure, he served as Chairman of the Chemistry Department and was a recipient of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

A memorial service will be held sometime in the fall in Fredonia.

Michael Grasso passed away on June 30, 2015. Mr. Grasso was appointed Associate Professor of Physics in 1959 and subsequently retired as Professor in 1993. During his tenure, he served as Chairman of the Physics Department and developed the Cooperative Engineering program.

Mrs. Gloria Odegard Garretson passed away on August 9, 2015. Mrs. Garretson served as an Adjunct Piano Instructor in the School of Music between 1958 and 1965.

Dr. Elizabeth Scarborough passed away on August 18, 2015. Dr. Scarborough was appointed Assistant Professor of Psychology in 1977 and subsequently retired as Professor in 1991. During her tenure, she served as Chair of the Psychology Department and Assistant to the President from 1987 to 1989.

Memorials are suggested to the Center for Hospice Care, Heifer International or Potawatomi Zoological Society.

► *Emeritus Group Fall Luncheon*

Thursday, October 15, 2015
Sandy's White Horse Inn
Route 60, Cassadaga, N.Y.

Please reserve Thursday, October 15, 2015, for our next emeritus luncheon. Meet and mingle at 11:15 a.m. Lunch served at noon.

Your luncheon choices will include:



1.
Apple Jack Pork
(apple stuffing with a brandy apple cream sauce)

2.
Chicken Piccata
(Panko coated with lemon caper butter, asparagus & pine nuts)

3.
Pecan Pear Salad
(Toasted pecans, pears, caramelized onions, crasins and crumbled blue cheese) with potato leek soup

All entrees are \$15.00 each and include apple crisp for dessert and choice of beverage.
Tax and gratuity are also included.



Please detach, complete and return this section with your payment.

Print your name(s), make your luncheon choice(s), enclose your check payable to **Kevin Fox** and return by Wednesday, October 7. We look forward to seeing you. Your hosts will be Lyn Taylor & Kevin Fox and Barb Mallette & Doug Lloyd.

Name: _____ Luncheon Number: _____

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Send your check and this slip to:
Kevin Fox, 37 Leverett St., Fredonia, NY 14063.

IF YOU ARE ALSO PAYING YOUR DUES AT THIS TIME, PLEASE SUBMIT SEPARATE CHECKS FOR THE LUNCHEON AND YOUR DUES.

For more information contact: Kevin Fox at 716-672-4284 or kfox@netsync.net



Emeritus members at the meeting on June 11, 2015 at the College Lodge near Brocton, New York.

