# **UT Dallas Retired Faculty/Staff Association**

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Our new President, Sandee Goertzen and five other intrepid retirees lead the charge to investigate the beauty of the Arboretum.

Fellow Retirees:

Hi, I'm Sandee Goertzen, your President for 2009-2010. I look forward to working for you and with each and every one of you to make your experience with the UTD Retired Faculty and Staff Association the best it can be.

It's Spring and that means its time for us to greet our new retirees. The reception is going to be Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the McDermott Suite. See the actual invitation elsewhere in this Newsletter. I hope you can join us to meet and greet the new retirees, as well as enjoy the fellowship of the current retirees.

As you will see by the unapproved minutes, also elsewhere in this Newsletter, and the updated copy of the Bylaws and the Operating Guidelines that were approved at the February meeting, we will be changing the name of the Association to the UTD Retiree Association, effective September 1, 2009. This name change will not only be easier to use in conversations, but will better represent the actual retirees of the University. We're all one association, faculty and staff together, not two different Associations.

It's also time for those of you that are interested, to join one of the Committees that work for the retirees. We have the Social Committee, the Communications Committee, the Audit Committee and the Nominating Committee. We will have sign-up sheets at the reception, but if you want to join before then, please feel free to contact me. We also have seminars that Dr. Chris Parr is arranging, so if you have ideas of something you would like to learn about, contact Dr. Parr.

We welcome suggestions for other committees you might be interested in working with. If you have any ideas to help out the UTD Retiree Association in making the group more productive and interesting, please let us know.

Now that you have retired, you will want to keep your mind active, so one thing you can do to keep your mind engaged, is to get involved with the UTD Retiree Association. There is always room for another member of a committee or another social function suggestion.

I look forward to working with everyone and it is my goal to make this organization one that you would be proud to belong to. Let me know what the Association can do for you.

Sandee

# 9 April 2009

Board Officers

President Sandee Goertzen

Vice President Betty Garrett

Treasurer Cynthia Fawcett

> Secretary Peggy Eckelcamp

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Council of Elders Chris Parr

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Membership Chair Myrna Tureff

Past Presidents Chris Parr Jo Ellen Roach Linda Williamson Jean Stuart

#### The University of Texas at Dallas Retiree Association

You are cordially invited to attend a reception honoring recent retirees of the University of Texas at Dallas:

> Ron Briggs Louise Chester Diana Church Sharon Cole Sherry Connelly Michelle Dunavin Steven Goodman Diane Graham Louis Hunt Linda Jersin David Kakhniashvili Dolores La Maison

Arnold Laurent Aubrey Lewis Robert Lovitt Teresa Lynd Briseida Northrup Claire Occhipinti Dawn Parker William Pervin Patricia Schoch Mary Warren Beverly Wilson Connie Zebreski

Monday, April 27, 2009 One Thirty in the afternoon The McDermott Suite Fourth floor of the McDermott Library The University of Texas at Dallas

President David E. Daniel will join us to greet new retirees and members.

Please RSVP to Jo Ellen Roach by phone, 972.608.0082, or by email, watkins7@aol.com, by April 20th, 2009.

A short business meeting will follow Dr. Daniel's talk.

#### UNAPPROVED MINUTES The University of Texas at Dallas Retired Faculty/Staff Association General Membership Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 3, 2009 HH 2.502

- 1. Following a half hour social, in the absence of President Chris Parr, President-elect Sandee Goertzen called the meeting to order at 11 a.m..
- 2. President-elect Sandee Goertzen introduced guest speaker Chris Dickson, President of the UTD Staff Council and a UTD Police Lieutenant. Lt. Dickson's address included interesting information on the state of campus construction, accomplishments of the Staff Council on behalf of UTD's staff, UTD's growth, and the campus stabbing incident which took place in January and which has resulted in greater emphasis on campus safety and security.
- 3. The minutes of the Nov. 4 general membership meeting were approved as published in the recent newsletter (motion: Diane Reed; second: Robert Rutford).
- 4. President's report (Sandee Goertzen for Chris Parr):
  - a. Re-introduced Christine Moldenhauer, Human Resources Liaison to the RFSA, who then introduced Penelope Blair, new HR Benefits Representative for employees whose last names begin with A through K. Penelope's extension is x2221.
  - b. Reported President Chris Parr is still updating the RFSA website, the calendar of which is currently up-todate.
  - c. Reported that President Chris Parr is working to increase retired faculty participation in the RFSA.
- 5. Membership Report (Myrna Tureff): On January 15, second renewal letters, membership forms, and hang tag forms were sent to all unpaid members for FY 2007-2008 and 2008-2009. As of today, there are 107 paid retirees (includes 12 lifetime members) plus 22 spouse members for a total of **129**. Unpaid members number 31.
- 6. Nominating Committee Report (Sandee Goertzen for Committee Chair Jo Ellen Roach): The slate of candidates for the coming year's board includes: President - Sandee Goertzen Vice President/President-Elect - Betty Garrett Secretary - Peggy Eckelkamp Treasurer - Cynthia Fawcett Membership Chair - Myrna Tureff Newsletter Editor - Jean Stuart Members-at-large - Marlys Damman, Esteban Egea, Carolyn Muskett She also reported that retired faculty member Ed Stone has agreed to nomination to President-elect at the time of next year's elections.
- 7. Seminars (Sandee Goertzen for Chris Parr): Dr. George Gerkin will present a seminar on tinnitus at 11:30 a.m., March 10, in HH 2.502. Chris Parr is hoping to firm up an April seminar on nanotechnology and is finishing up details for the May seminar on the aging brain.
- 8. Social Committee Report:
  - a. Feb. 11: Lunch at Joe's Crab Shack Plano location, 11:15 a.m.
  - b. March 4: Lunch followed by matinee at Theater Three, Quadrangle, Dallas
  - c. March 19: Dallas Blooms at the Dallas Arboretum, 11 a.m.
  - d. April 27: New Retirees' Reception, 2 p.m., McDermott Suite
  - e. May 15: Day trip to Granbury Opera House for a musical matinee

9. Treasurer's Report as of 2/1/2009 (Cynthia Fawcett): Compass Bank account \$2272.29 UTD account 1556.33 \$3828.62

#### NEW BUSINESS

- 10. Election of officers: There being no nominations from the floor, Joyce Lee moved to accept the slate as presented by the Nominating Committee (see item #6). Humberto Perez seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The new officers will assume office immediately following this meeting. Sandee Goertzen thanked the Nominating Committee for their work.
- 11. Bylaws Committee:

Chair Sandee Goertzen thanked her committee (Jo Ellen Roach, Mike Leaf, Peggy Eckelkamp) for their hard work on revision of the association bylaws to reflect what the organization has become during the first few years of its existence. The committee also formulated, for consideration, Operating Guidelines which formalize processes that already exist for the association and set out procedures for continuity as members of the Executive Committee change over time. Sandee emphasized that, if approved, these two documents will take effect September 1, 2009. The membership was given the opportunity via the recent newsletter to examine the two proposed documents.

- a. Name Change: After discussion, Robert Rutford moved to amend the proposal to change the name to The University of Texas at Dallas Retiree Association. Motion was seconded by Marlys Damman and passed.
- b. Bylaws revisions: (See Attachment A for amendments.) Following discussion, Robert Rutford moved to accept the bylaws as amended. Esteban Egea seconded the motion which passed.
- c. Operating Guidelines (See Attachment B for amendments.) Following discussion, Robert Rutford moved to accept the Operating Guidelines as amended. Esteban Egea seconded the motion which passed.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Committee sign-up sheets are available today.

-UTD's homecoming takes place this week with a noon parade on Friday and basketball games Saturday.

- -Parking newsflash: Retirees may not park in metered or purple-bumpered spaces.
- -The Executive Committee is seeking a retired faculty member to attend Academic Senate meetings and report back to the association (Sandee Goertzen attends the Staff Council meetings on behalf of the association.).

Diane Reed moved to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. Mike Leaf seconded the motion which passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Eckelkamp, Secretary

### GRANBURY OPERA HOUSE 133 E. Pearl St. Friday, May 15

We plan to carpool to charming Granbury, Texas to attend the matinee performance at 2:30 of the hilarious musical, "Who Wrote the Book of Love". The music is doo-wop, the 1886 Opera House is historic. We will eat lunch at Hank's On the Square, which serves a wide variety of foods including hamburgers, steaks, sandwiches, and quesadillas. There are many quaint shops to visit on the square, voted the 'Best Town Square in Texas'. Cost of the musical is \$18 for a group of 12-19. If we bring at least 20 people, the tickets will be \$16, and there will be a \$2 refund. Lunch will be at your own expense.

We will meet at 10:30 AM for carpooling at Lot C, east of McDermott Library, at the back rows. The drive should take less than 2 hours, so this allows extra time to arrive in Granbury for lunch at 1 PM at Hank's On the Square, 115 E. Pearl St. Any extra time can be delightfully spent at the various shops in this square on the list of National Register of Historic Places.

Contact Diane Reed for reservations at 972-231-6689 or dianereed1@swbell.net. Guests are welcome.

We will take the George Bush Turnpike west and then south past 635, 114, and Belt Line to Irving; it becomes TX-161 S. Portions require tolls. Bear left on TX-161, go west toward Fort Worth, merging onto 183 W. Go west on 183 for 11 ½ miles. Get in one of the two left lanes of 183 as you approach the 820 merge. Then merge onto I-820 S, past I-30 and 287. Merge onto I-20 W toward Abilene and pass by the I-35W interchange continuing to exit 429A. Keep left at the Y intersection onto 377 South. Exit right onto US 377/Benbrook Blvd/Benbrook Hwy, through the cloverleaf, continuing through Benbrook. Continue to follow US 377 South through Wheatland and Cresson, past Pate Airplane Museum, through Johnson County to Hood County, past the DeCordova Ranch. Stay straight into Granbury a couple of miles on 377 (speed trap), to the Business 377 turn-off on the right, go across Lake Granbury, past the resort conference center construction, to the downtown square. The Opera House and Hank's on the Square are on your left. Parking is available around the Courthouse.

Return 377N to I-20 to 820N to 183E to 161N to George Bush.

## **RFSA TRIP TO THE ARBORETUM**

Approximately twenty retirees and guests made the trip to the Arboretum March 19<sup>th</sup> to view the beautiful plants and flowers, visit with friends and have a delicious lunch.



Beautiful Flowers!



Waiting for lunch.





Food at last!



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Dear Area Business:

The University of Texas at Dallas continues to experience extraordinary success as an institution of higher learning. To build on our many accomplishments, we are seeking to develop partnerships and support to assist in our quest for excellence.

Friday, April 17, 2009 will mark the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament benefiting deserving students attending or wishing to attend UT Dallas. The event will be hosted at Sherrill Park Golf Course in Richardson, Texas with a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start followed by an awards program and dinner.

We are asking for your generous support for sponsorship participation and/or raffle prizes. All proceeds from this event will go to the general scholarship fund of The University of Texas at Dallas. You can mail your donation or an employee of the University will be happy to make arrangements to pick up your donation.

On behalf of The University of Texas at Dallas and the tournament committee for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament, I would like to thank you for your generous support of this very important community effort.

If you have any questions, please call UT Dallas, Office of the Vice President for Business Affairs, at (972) 883-2213.

Sincerely,

Dr. Calvin Ø. Jamison Vice President for Business Affairs

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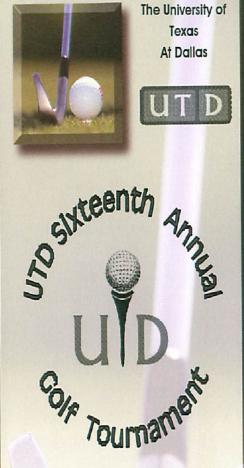
Each member of the team hits a tee shot. The team then picks the best shot, and every member of the team hits the next shot from that spot. Once on the green, every team member putts from the best spot. Once the putt has dropped in the cup, play is over.

Short putts should be marked so others can shoot for the cup unhindered.

One score is kept for the entire team.

Tournament will be FLIGHTED at the conclusion of play.





BENEFITING THE UTD SCHOLARSHIP FUND FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2009

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