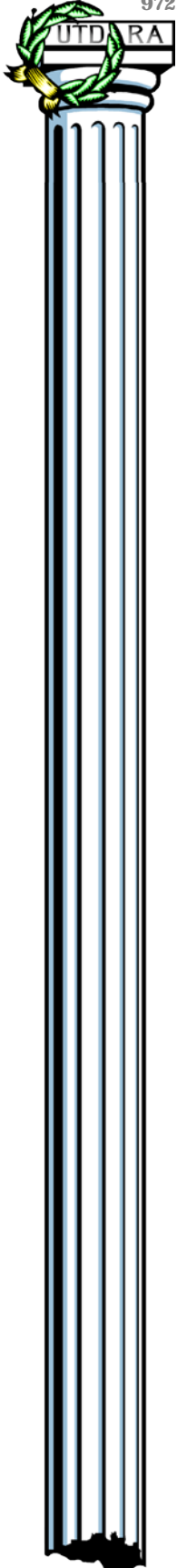


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Letter from the President

May 2017

Dear Fellow UT Dallas Retirees,

Can you believe that we are nearly through one-third of 2017? We have come through a North Texas winter unscathed from any snow or ice and had one of the warmest winters ever recorded. Now we prepare for the spring storms and hope they are as docile as the winter weather. For the UT Dallas students, they are staring end of the school year exams in the face, expecting great results and being ready for a break from the “school grind”. We, as retirees, are just looking forward to another day and another gathering of the UT Dallas Retiree Association. Of course, we all enjoy the monthly meals together on the first Monday of each month, but now we are preparing for the big retiree reception to recognize each of the new UT Dallas Retirees. That event will occur on Friday, May 19, 2017 with Dr. Benson as our planned speaker. For those of you that have not heard him speak, he is a gifted and humorous speaker and we should get a good report on his first year as the UT Dallas President. I want to take this venue to thank our organization members for allowing me the pleasure of being your President for this past year. It has truly been a fun and rewarding experience. This is a great organization and working with everyone on the Executive Committee has been very interesting and pleasurable. Thank you to each of the Executive Committee members for your help and guidance. I plan to stay involved and not just “ride off into the sunset” as my term ends. I look forward to seeing each of you often at our gatherings and meetings and encourage you to attend as many activities and meetings as you can to keep up with all of the UT Dallas happenings and share your own events, grandkid stories, trips or the general news in your life. Thanks to y’all and I look forward to visiting with each of you soon.

Regards,
David L. Routzahn

May General Membership Meeting and New Retirees Reception

The May General membership Meeting will take place on Friday, May 19th in the McDermott Suite in the Library. It will also include the Reception for New Retirees who will be introduced at the meeting.

The guest speaker will be President Benson. This will be the first time he will be attending our meeting, and will bring us up to date on what's happening on campus and his transition to the Presidency. Please plan to attend to meet our new President.

The shuttle will begin its run from 1:15 to 2:15. The refreshments will begin at 1:30 and Dr. Benson will begin speaking at 2:00. After Dr. Benson's talk, the meeting will begin with the introduction of the new retirees that are in attendance. The election of officers will also take place. After the meeting, the shuttle will begin its run times from 3:15 to 4:15. The parking decal and instructions will be sent out a week or so before the meeting.

Please RSVP to Sandee Goertzen by Friday May 12th to goertzen@utdallas.edu or 972 495-7612.

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Upcoming Election of 2017 - 2018 Officers

UT Dallas Retirement Association

Slate of candidates for Academic Year 2017-2018

President:	David Holmes (new)
VP / President Elect:	Rochelle Pena (new)
Treasurer:	Gwen Bowen (continuing)
Secretary:	Sandee Goertzen (continuing)
Newsletter Editor:	Ekkehard Kuner (continuing)
Membership	Jean Stuart (continuing)
Social Committee:	Judy Clothier (continuing)
Program Chair:	Judy Feld (continuing)
Webmaster:	Chris Parr (continuing)
Members at Large:	Lin Maute (continuing)
	Claire Occhipinti (continuing)
	Doug Shedd (continuing)

Membership Report

As of April 9, our Association has 159 members. Of this number, 135 are retirees, twenty-four are spouses, thirty-three are lifetime members and twenty-one are new this fiscal year.

We will be sending renewal notices in early July, so watch for them via email or in your mailbox.

Jean Stuart,

Membership Chair



On behalf of the Association, President Dave Routzahn presented the check to the UTD Staff Council in January. Accepting the check is Naomi Emmett, President of the Staff Council.

From the Social Committee

Good food and good conversations guarantee good times when UT Dallas retirees gather for monthly get-togethers. Mark your calendar now to attend these upcoming luncheons:

First Monday Lunch on May 1st, 11:00 a.m. at The String Bean restaurant, 1310 W. Campbell Rd., Richardson

First Monday Lunch on June 5th, 11:00 a.m. at Café de France, 17370 Preston Rd., #505, Dallas

First Monday Lunch on July 3rd, 11:00 a.m. at Rockfish Seafood Grill, Coit/Campbell, Dallas

These luncheons are informal; you order your own food and pay for it yourself. We try to choose places that are easy to find with adequate parking. Please come join in the fun and please send your favorite restaurant recommendation for a monthly luncheon to judyclothier@gmail.com

Next, all are invited to attend upcoming "museum meet-ups" scheduled this spring and summer. Our first museum meet-up is scheduled on **Tuesday, May 23rd at 11:00am** at the Frontiers of Flight Museum, Dallas Love Field in Dallas. This is a gem of a museum, conveniently located with an admission discount offered to seniors 65+ (\$7) and free parking. A guided tour of approximately one hour will focus on many STEM principles and applications in aviation and space flight. Check out the website for more information:

<http://www.flightmuseum.com/>

And here is an upcoming UT Dallas event that may interest you:

Wednesday, May 31st, 12:00 - 1:00pm, SU 2.602: Brain Health - Mind and Body Wellness (How sleep, nutrition and physical activity influence brain health and cognitive function by Dr. Diana Purvis Jaffin, Center for Brain Health) For more information email: nora.pena@utdallas.edu

Finally, make sure you have joined the UTD RA page on FACEBOOK (note our page is closed to the public). Just click on the "JOIN GROUP" button on the top right of the screen. We use this site to send out reminders and announcements to members. Let's stay connected!

Judy Clothier

Social Committee Chairman

First Monday Lunches

Nov. 7, 2016

Joe's Crab Shack



Holiday Luncheon

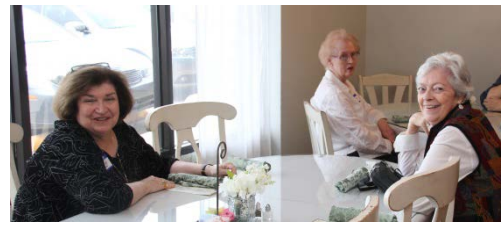
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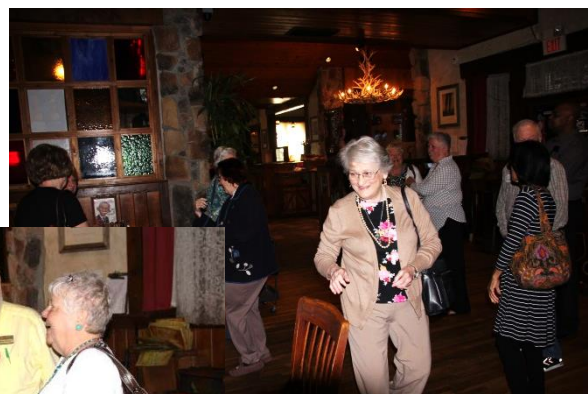
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Chocolate Angel Cafe



Southern Recipes Grill
3-6-2017



4-3-2017
Love and War in Texas



November General Meeting

The guest speaker, Kathleen Kent, author was introduced by Judy Feld, the Program Director.



February Meeting with TI



UNAPPROVED
The University of Texas at Dallas
Retiree Association
General Membership Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2016

GUEST SPEAKER: The guest speaker, Kathleen Kent, author was introduced by Judy Feld, the Program Director.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Dave Routzahn, President

2. **SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER**

Marita Yancy from Human Resources was asked to come to the meeting to speak about the new program that the Retirees will be changing from the regular prescription program to the Medicare Part D. This change will begin January 1st and there should be no notable problem in this change. Beginning December 1st the retirees will receive a welcome kit and a new prescription card from Express Scripts, as they will continue to manage the enrollment for us. She answered question from the members, and urged them to call HR if they have any questions.

3. **MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 25, 2016. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Jean reported that there are 129 retirees and 22 spouses. Eleven of these are new.

B. **NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** Ekkehard did not have a report.

C. **SOCIAL COMMITTEE:** The December Christmas luncheon will be at the Crossroads Café at Preston and Campbell.

D. **PROGRAM DIRECTOR:** Judy Feld did not have a report this month but asked how the group felt about Ms. Kent and her talk. Everybody seemed entertained by her choice of career.

E. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Gwen Bowen reported that there is \$8,545.24 in the checking account.

F. **ACADEMIC SENATE:** No report from the Senate

G. **STAFF COUNCIL:** There was a report about the campus carry plan at UTD. There is also an emergency preparedness plan for faculty that was developed and now they're working on one for the staff. The athletic wellness center in the SPN building is being updated and will be closed for a few months after the New Year. They are also working on getting healthier snacks in the vending machines. The annual Poinsettia and Christmas cactus sale is beginning.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. **Joint meeting with TI Alumni Association:** This joint meeting will be scheduled for some time in February.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

Change in Business meetings: The VP of Development and Alumni Relations has notified us that there will be only three meetings that they will assist us with during the year. There will be two of the usual business meetings and one with the TI Alumni. There was some discussion about what this entails, but nothing was decided except to wait until after a meeting with Dr. Edgington after the first of the year to get a clearer understanding of what is happening.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Sandee Goertzen, Secretary