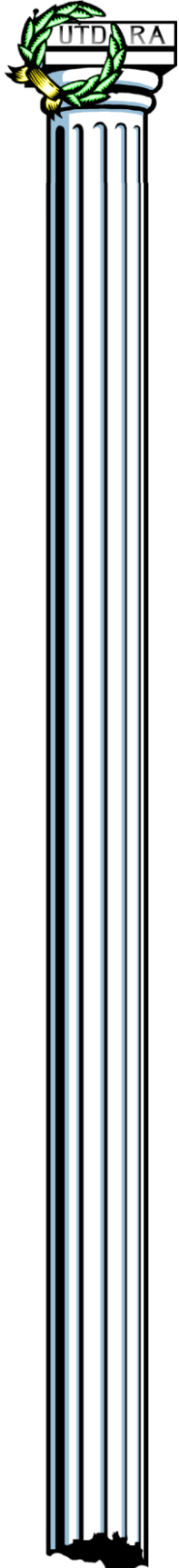


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Letter from the President

February 2019

Dear Fellow UT Dallas Retirees,

With the hustle and bustle of the Holidays behind us, we can be laid back and enjoy the slower pace. Looking back during this period, the Association enjoyed a wonderful Holiday Luncheon organized by Judy Clothier with about 40 attending. It was great to see old friends catching up, laughing and celebrating the moment. The door prizes were especially fun--A big thank you Judy for all your hard work.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the planned trip to the Bush Library; but don't worry Judy is at work on another outing for early spring which I hope you will be able attend. Details to come!

In January we presented the UT Dallas Staff Council with a check for two Scholarships which will be awarded to Staff members in mid-February by the Council. The awardees will be invited to our May General Meeting where they will be introduced. The scholarships were possible because of the donations you made when paying your annual dues. We are grateful for your generosity.

We have also canceled the February General Meeting. Our speaker, Dr. Dennis Kratz, notified us this week he would be unable to attend. On the bright side, we are in the process of finalizing the plans for our join meeting with the TI Retiree Group which we always look forward to. It will be in late March or early April. You should receive an email the later part of February with the date and details. Judy Feld is lining up a great speaker you won't want to miss.

Dr. Edgington, Vice President of Development and Alumni Relations, is our liaison with the University. I met with him last week regarding several pending items the Association needed progress reports on. The two main items were our MOU (which includes our budget request) that he had requested and was given 18 months ago and second was our return to the Development Board meetings. I am pleased to announce there was movement on both as well as other items. A full report will be given at the next General Meeting in May.

I hope you enjoyed the "heat wave" we have had this past month and look forward to seeing you at our joint meeting with TI.

Best Wishes, Rochelle Pena

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The UTD Retiree's Planner

More details on all activities in newsletter

Events

Wednesday, February 13th Quenching Curiosity – What's Love Got to do with It?

7 – 9 p.m. Discussion with Dr. Joanna Gentsch, developmental psychologist

Saturday, February 16th Explore Engineering Day
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science Volunteer opportunity

Friday, April 26th The 26 Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament at Firewheel Golf Park in Garland Volunteer opportunity

First Monday Lunch @ 11:00 a.m.

RSVP to judyclothier@gmail.com for FML

February 4th at Southern Recipe Grill,
621 W. Plano Pkwy., Plano.

March 4th at Apollonia's Italian Kitchen
3610 Shire Blvd. #108, Richardson

April 1st at Eggsquisite Café,
1314 West McDermott Fr. #170, Allen

Membership Report

As of January 25, 2019, our membership numbers are as follows:

Retirees	144
Spouses	<u>24</u>
Total	168

Of the 168, thirty-nine are lifetime members and twelve are new.

On January 24, 2018, there were 136 retirees and twenty-eight spouses, for a total of 164. Thirty-five were lifetime members and ten were new.

Jean Stuart
Membership Chair

From the Social Committee

It's a new year and we have new events for your social calendar.

First, do not miss our First Monday Lunches. Always popular, these informal monthly meet-ups get high marks for food and conversation. Attendees order their own food and pay for it themselves. Good food + good people + good conversation = guaranteed good times! Save these dates:

- **First Monday Lunch on February 4th, 11:00am**, at Southern Recipes Grill, 621 W. Plano Pkwy #229, Plano (RSVP to judyclothier@gmail.com by February 2nd)
- **First Monday Lunch on March 4th, 11:00am** at Apollonia's Italian Kitchen, 3610 Shire Blvd #108, Richardson (RSVP to judyclothier@gmail.com by March 2nd)
- **First Monday Lunch on April 1st, 11:00am** at Eggsquisite Café, 1314 West McDermott Dr. #170, Allen (RSVP to judyclothier@gmail.com by March 30th)

Another way to make and renew friendships while continuing to support UT Dallas is to volunteer to help with University events. Check out these current opportunities:

- The **Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science** is hosting its annual Explore Engineering Day on Saturday, February 16th, as part of **2019 National Engineers Week**. The event will provide a variety of Tech Talks, demonstrations, tours and other interactive sessions from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at **ECSW, ECSN and ECSS**. Volunteers are needed to assist K-12 students, their families, school leaders and other community attendees. Shifts are available in the morning and afternoon. **Sign up** through [iVolunteer](#).
- The **26th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament** will be held on Friday, April 26th, at Firewheel Golf Park in Garland. This tournament supports three University scholarships. If you are a golfer, please consider [registering](#) to participate in this event. If you are not a golfer, please consider volunteering to help with this event. Email judyclothier@gmail.com to receive more information.

- If you want to be more active in the **UTD RA**, volunteer to serve on our **Social Committee**. It requires little work and meetings are virtual. If you are interested, email judyclothier@gmail.com. We need you!

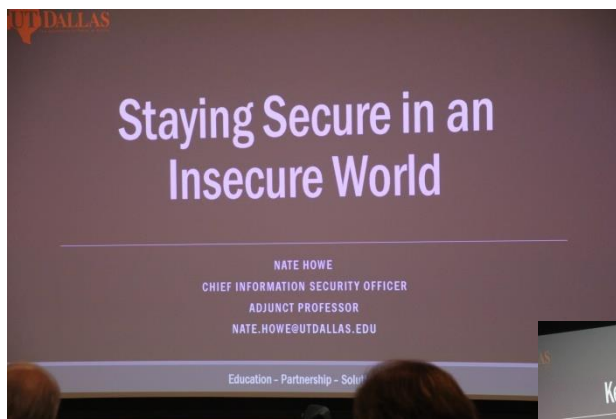
Finally, since February is the month of love, check out this UT Dallas free event that will surely be entertaining and educational:

- **“Quenching Curiosity – What’s Love Got to do with It?”** Join developmental psychologist Dr. Joanna Gentsch on Wednesday, February 13th, 7-9pm, Northside Drafthouse and Eatery (3000 Northside Blvd, Richardson) for a discussion of the mechanisms underlying why people feel what they feel and do what they do when it comes to lust and love. This event is free and open to the public.

Notice to new members: Please join our **UTD RA Facebook group**. Our page is set up as a *closed group*, meaning only approved members can see the posts. Go to our [group’s page](#) and click the **JOIN GROUP** box located under the photo. Allow a day for your request to be approved. If you are not a Facebook user, then mark our newly designed [UT Dallas Retiree Association website](#) as a favorite and regularly check out the calendar for upcoming events.

Let's stay connected!

Last General Meeting: November 16, 2018



Nate Howe’s talk was well attended



First Monday Lunches

November 5, 2018 at Café de' France



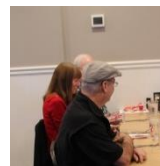
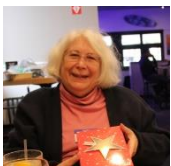
Judy Feld acted as the official candle blower as we celebrated (the missing) Marlys' birthday!

December 6, 2018 Holiday Luncheon at Rock Fish



The missing Marlys joins the seasonal fun

Door Prize Winners



January 7, 2019 at Desperados



Editor's Note: Thanks to Judy Clothier for all the time and effort to make our FML activities a most enjoyable happening!





Barbara Geiger:

Playing with de dolphins

Chris Parr and Pat Stork

Winter European Trip



In their Antarctic jackets, suitable for the cold and wet they'll surely experience in Northern Europe in December. They are to shuttle across the Atlantic today, landing in Paris tomorrow in time to dine with the rioters at Alain Ducasse at Plaza Athénée. Where she so impressed the chef (and me as well, of that he not only plied her with countless amusements bouche but also presented her with a complimentary autographed copy of the restaurant's cookbook! Chris amused the waiter by describing one of his dishes as a



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hummus soufflé Pat received a different dish as she had specifically eschewed foamy food. But she delighted in her root vegetables from Alain Ducasse's own Versailles Gardens. Chris swore his tagliatinni was boiled not in water but in butter! All-in-all, not a bad start to our Paris stay except that jet lag caused Chris to doze at table, but not Pat; she was wired! ??



Parliament of Budapest on the bank of the Danube

Gothic Duomo di Milano cathedral
In Milan Italy

