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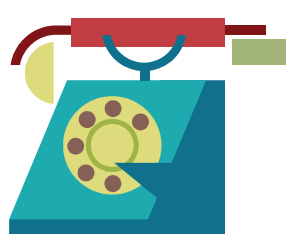


Ward Howe is the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of O'Bleness Health System. Ward began his tenure at O'Bleness in 1997 as Controller, was promoted to Vice President – Finance in 2000, and became the System's first COO in 2005. Ward came to Athens in 1990 after serving eight years on active duty in the U.S. Air Force. He is a graduate of Ohio University, holding bachelors degrees in accounting and business law, and completed his MBA in 1994. Ward has a CPA license, and is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives. When he's not busy with his lovely wife Stephanie taking care of critters at their farm, he spends many hours volunteering and serving his community.

Come find out more about our community hospital and their health system.

Executive Board Discussion December 20, 2007

- STRS Benefits Insert in December newsletter.
- Emeriti Park Lighting
- Athens News Use of Recollections
- Endowment Agreement
- H.B. 315
- Election of Officers
- Emeriti Survey
- Assests—\$45,185.12
- Membership 323



Reservations must be made to attend the January Emeriti Luncheon. **YOU MUST** call Ruth Nostrant at 593.5194 by January 6. You can add your name(s) to the **Regular Attendees List** and not have to call each month unless you can't attend. You may pay cash or by check made payable to OU Emeriti. When the program is over, don't feel like you need to rush out — sit down with a friend you haven't had a chance to visit with and have another cup of coffee.

Luncheon Menu-Thursday, January 17, 2008

Cost = \$12

11:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.

- Garden Salad, Spinach Salad, Mesclum Salad
- Teriyaki Chicken
- Baked Steak
- Fresh Zucchini and Squash Medley
- Cheddar Mashed Potatoes
- Assorted Desserts and Fruit
- Beverages



Ballroom

A Message From the President—Ed Baum



The new year is upon us as I write this, so let me wish you all a most happy and successful new year.

This is the traditional time for new resolutions. There are many favorites: lose weight, spend more time with the family, exercise more, stop smoking. May I suggest another? Volunteer more for worthwhile programs and activities. As retired faculty we do have more flexibility in our daily schedules and there are many opportunities for voluntary service.

Of course, there are two that we, as an association, support: The Dairy Barn and the Kennedy Museum. There are also many others such as O'Bleness Memorial Hospital, the American Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity, Big Brothers and Sisters, your own church, and many others. This is our community and anything you do in a volunteer capacity will help make it better.

So, let's make 2008 the year of emeriti volunteers. — Ed

Looking Over Your Shoulder — Chuck Carlson

From the Emeriti Association Newsletter: November 1993 & January 1994

On November 18th President Charles Ping spoke to the Emeriti at their noon luncheon. His topic: **University Development in Namibia**. He was presented the first Emeriti Distinguished Service Award. President Ping announced that he would resign as president at the end of the academic year. The Emeritus of the Month was John F. Cady, Distinguished Professor of History. Emeriti President Chuck Carlson appointed an Emeriti Advisory Committee to discuss Emeriti issues and bring back recommendations to the membership. The Committee met on November 4 at Baker Center. Members of the Committee were Chuck Carlson, Ray Skinner, Max Evans, Don Knox, Clarence Stephenson, Margaret Deppen and Vice President for University Relations, Adrie Nab.

The speaker at the January 20th meeting was Gifford Doxsee, Professor Emeritus of History. His topic: **Happenings in the Middle East**. President Carlson's Advisory Committee which met in November also met in December and agreed to submit to the membership meeting in January the following recommendations: (1) to create the position of Vice President in charge of programs and the formation of several committees: Emeriti Park, Volunteer Programs, Hospitality and Sunshine, University and Alumni Relations, and Speakers Bureau; (2) to recommend to the Safety Director and Parking committee the adoption of a parking hangtag called "Retired Bobcat" to be used by all OU Retirees, (3) to accept the invitation to use the OU Visitors' Center as the official mailing address for all OU Emeriti mail and as an office for telephone communication; (4) to continue the Emeriti Distinguished Service Award using specially prepared guidelines; (5) to develop a program of relationships with the "Alumni Association; and (6) to begin the development of an Emeriti Volunteer Program. The Emeritus of the Month was Don Knox, Professor Emeritus of Education.

In Memory

Dr. Chalmer Hixon, Founder of OCHER

Dr. Chalmer Hixon, founder of OCHER died on December 16, 2007. He was a Professor Emeritus of Physical Education at Ohio State. He was 93 years old. He and his wife, Margaret, had been married 71 years. He had an intense interest in organizations and organizational relationships. He had a personal interest in athletics, and also music. He was a swimmer and diver, an avid golfer, and also played the violin and saxophone. He was the OSU Stadium and St. John's Area announcer from 1951 – 1970. He was inducted into the OSU Athletic Hall of Fame.

On January 23, 1993 Dr. Hixon, President of the OSU Retirees Association called a meeting to which representatives from all the state-supported universities in Ohio were invited. Emeriti President Chuck Carlson and Secretary Ray Skinner attended. Dr. Hixon was Ray Skinner's college advisor.. The purpose of the meeting was to explore the need for an Ohio Network of University/College Retiree/Emeriti. Everyone in attendance felt that there were enough common concerns to warrant putting together such an effect organization. Today, January 2008, that organization is called, the Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees.



Athens County's Most Beloved

You may have seen copies of *Athens County Annual Manual 2008*—a special publication of *The Athens NEWS* on their newsstands last week. Using unscientific methods, they identified 20 more beloved Athens Countians (page 15) Emeriti Members listed with paragraph descriptions of what make them beloved are: Alvi McWilliams, Marjorie Stone, Ray Wagner, Edgar Whan, Margaret Deppen, Julia Nehls, Bob Sympson, and Al Leep.

Ohio University Founder's Day

Dear Emeriti Faculty Member:

Executive Vice President and Provost Krendl is inviting you to attend the Founders Day Celebration on February 15, 2008. Several years ago we reestablished this special day to honor our history and to recognize the accomplishments of our faculty and students.

The celebration begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Baker University Grand Ballroom. This year we will hear selections from essays written by your colleagues about what Ohio University and Athens, Ohio mean to them. A reception follows the ceremony at 11:00 a.m. in the Baker Mutchler Atrium.

If you are able to attend, please let me know as soon as possible by responding to roche@ohio.edu or call 740-593-2600.

Thank you very much,

Janice Roche, Assistant to the Provost, Cutler Hall 306

(This invitation was sent to Emeriti with e-mail addresses.)



Newsletter Content Deadline for February Issue — January 21,

Future Programs
February 21 – Damon Asbury, State Teachers Retirement System Update
March 20 — Child Advocacy Center
April 17— Mark Weinberg, Voinovich School for Leadership and Public Affairs
May 22 — President Roderick McDavis, “Where is OU and Where is it Going?” and Induction of new members
June 19 — Tanya Conrath, Leadership Athens

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