RESERVATIONS must be made to attend the luncheon. If you are not on the “ALWAYS” list of regular attendees, you MUST call Ruth Nostrant at 593-5194 by Friday, September 12. You may pay by cash or by check made payable to OU Emeriti.

You can add your name(s) to the Regular Attendees List and not have to call each month unless you cannot attend.

Dr. Roderick J. McDavis became Ohio University's 20th president on July 1, 2004. As the university’s first African American president and only the second alumnus to lead the university in the institution’s 210-year history, he has been a tireless ambassador for Ohio University’s students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Dr. McDavis’ contributions to higher education include assisting the development of Ohio’s technology commercialization implementation plan, the state’s first guaranteed tuition and fee plan, and one of the first of its kind performance-based funding models in the nation.

As president, he developed and implemented Ohio University’s comprehensive strategic plan and has been instrumental in the success of The Promise Lives Campaign, which recently surpassed its $450 million fundraising goal. The Urban Scholar and Appalachian Scholar programs, The Interlink Alliance partnership, and Ohio University’s commitment to climate neutrality are among the many initiatives that have come about as a result of his leadership.

Dr. McDavis holds a bachelor’s degree from Ohio University (1970), a master’s degree from the University of Dayton (1971), and a doctorate in counselor education and higher education administration from the University of Toledo (1974). His commitment to tomorrow’s leaders has greatly advanced Ohio University’s vision to be the nation’s best transformative learning community.

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Awards and photos for 2013-2014 will be in next month’s issue.
Greetings to all as we begin our new academic year. We hope the new emeriti will have a long and happy relationship with the organization.

Speaking of new folks who have not been in our midst before, I would like to encourage all "old" members to be very welcoming and, in fact, to be mentors whenever possible to these incoming members. If some are from your school or department, invite them to sit at your table. The program for this luncheon will list the names and areas of all new inductees, so you can also tell from your program whether a person is new to us. It would be wonderful if this suggested mentoring would continue between meetings. When you see one of our new people on the street, at a performance or game, or anywhere else around town, continue to emit the welcoming vibes. If you head a committee, see if a new member might want to be on it. Be as inclusive as you can so that everyone feels warm and wanted.

Having the new-member induction at our opening meeting of the new academic year is a change for us. Previously we had done this in May of the spring before, so the new members had the opportunity of attending three Emeriti occasions to get into the flow: the June meeting, the summer gathering after one of the CommuniUniversity Band concerts, and (this year for the first time) the Emeriti involvement in the On the Green Weekend sponsored by the Alumni Association over the last weekend of May. By September, these folks were old members. We found that the university's change from quarters to semesters made it difficult for departments and schools to make their recommendations for the awarding of emerita or emeritus status in time to be accomplished before the April Board meeting, at which the final approvals were ordinarily given. So that University Board moved its approval to its June meeting, thus making September the ideal time for induction.

In a way, this new arrangement is somewhat melodious. All of us—old members and new ones—begin the new academic year together. Everyone is aware of the complete year's program at the same time, and we off together from the beginning of the new academic year. This could be inspirational beyond our wildest dreams. Let's give it a good try, with high attendance among old members and hearty welcoming of the new people. The Ohio University Inn catering will continue to serve us in the Ballroom (for all except October, when we will be in the Galbreath Room on the ground floor). The cost of the lunch remains at $15. Those who want to come just for President McDavis' talk need not pay for the luncheon at all. They may just come in and find a seat to listen and respond to his talk. All members are welcome to that, whether joining in on the preceding luncheon or not.

Let's make September 18th the kickoff to a great Emeriti year.

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Notes on Becky & Kip Rondys’ Luncheon Presentation in June
SEASON CREATION—WINTER GARDENING SANS HEAT

The Rondys bought Green Edge Gardens in 2004 after their gardening center in Cincinnati was displaced by a road-widening project. It is a 120-acre organic farm near Amesville. They sell both wholesale and retail with a stand at the Farmers Market and through a program known as Community Supported Agriculture (CSA). They have 10 employees. Their focus is on year-round production. They are able to grow vegetables during the winter in 10 large greenhouses that do not have a heat source other than natural heat from the sun.

Ed Baum

HOW TO RECEIVE YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR

If you completed and mailed in the 2014 Emeriti Information Form in the past couple of weeks, your newsletter preference has been noted.

If you are a lifetime member, you may receive the print version for free. If you are not a lifetime member, you may receive the print version for a $15 fee. Anyone can receive the email version for free but to be on the email list you must have either sent in the Information Form or have notified Ed Baum (baum@ohio.edu).
## IN MEMORIAM

**John W. Furlow, Jr., 74,** passed away May 13, 2014. He retired as dean emeritus from Ohio University-Lancaster where he also was a member of the history faculty. John was active in the Lancaster community. He was recognized by the Ohio Senate and received U.S. Congressional recognition for outstanding service to the community.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Judy, one daughter, two sons, and six grandchildren.

**Tomoyasu Tanaka,** 94, professor emeritus of physics, passed away in May in Japan. Teaching at Ohio University from 1971 to 1989, he returned to Japan to take a position with the Center for International Affairs at Chubu Institute of Technology. Tomo (and colleague Professor Katsunori) initiated an exchange program between Ohio University and Chubu that endures to this day. The magnificent cherry trees along the river are an annual reminder of the relationship with Chubu.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years-Sumiko, three sons, two daughters, and a granddaughter.


He was preceded in death by his wife, but is survived by a daughter.

**Robert “Bob” Winters,** 77, professor emeritus of theatre, passed away suddenly on August 12. His death is a profound loss to the arts communities in Athens and Ohio. Bob was chairman of the Athens Municipal Arts Commission and executive director of the Athens Area Citizens for the Arts at the time of his death. He spearheaded ARTS/West and was a key player in the Ohio Valley Summer Theater. He was inducted into the Ohio Community Theater Hall of Fame in 2000.

He is survived by his wife, Connie, and three sons.
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**BEING ON THE ‘ALWAYS’ LIST**

Each September a new “ALWAYS” attendance list is compiled. There are no carryovers from the preceding year. If you want to be on the 2014-15 list, please call Ruth Nostrant at (740) 593-5194. Every issue of the *Emeriti Newsletter* includes the menu of the next luncheon and the number to call for reservations. Only those not on the ALWAYS list need call. Any person with a reservation, monthly or ALWAYS list, who fails to cancel the reservation, will be expected to provide reimbursement at the next meeting she or he attends so this cost does not fall on the group’s treasury.