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## *Emeriti Meeting - March 2023*

The Emeriti Association has scheduled an in-person luncheon meeting for March.

**Location:** Athens Country Club, 7606 Country Club Rd, Athens, OH 45701

**Date & Time:** Thursday, March 16, 11:30 AM

**Luncheon** will be Buffet style, menu TBA

**Cost:** \$23 per person. Please have exact dollar amount at the door or a check made payable to the *OU Emeriti Association*.

**Luncheon reservations are required:** Reservation deadline is noon on Tuesday, March 14. Early reservations are encouraged. RSVP by sending an email to Tom Franz <[franz@ohio.edu](mailto:franz@ohio.edu)> confirming your reservation(s).

The speaker will be **Rick Perkins**, Board President of the [Arc of Appalachia](#). The Arc of Appalachia's mission is to preserve the beauty, balance & biodiversity of wildlands in Appalachian Ohio. It acquires, stewards and protects wildlands in Ohio having saved over 9000 acres of land in its 27 years of stewardship. Its 24 preserve regions protect over 1100 species of plants, 80 of which are state-listed as rare & endangered, and provide refuge for tens of thousands of native plant and animal species.



In addition to his duties as Board President, Perkins serves as director of Camp Oty'Okwa, a year-round Big Brother Big Sisters of Central Ohio children's camp and education center in Hocking County. He left the National Park Service after a full career, having worked as Chief Ranger for Hopewell Culture National Historical Park in Chillicothe, Ohio, and as Park Ranger at Isle Royale National Park in Michigan and at Glacier Bay National Park in Alaska. He holds degrees in Outdoor Education and Field biology from Ohio University. Hobbies include running a family-sized homestead with chickens, goats, pigs, and rescue horses. His favorite pastimes include bird watching and hiking.

Source: <<https://arcofappalachia.org/board-members/>>

## Notes from the February 16 meeting

Emeriti Association President **Rose Rossiter** announced that a meeting with representatives of STRS and OPERS has been set up for March 28 at 1 PM in Baker Theater. The meeting will also be webcast to allow participation by members by way of computer.

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Emeriti Archivist **Anne Braxton** introduced **Patricia L. H. Black**, the speaker for the meeting. Black read a number of her original poems, describing some as poems from the perspective of an inanimate object and some as take offs on existing poems. The poems often ended with a punch line, to the delight and laughter from the audience. Some examples were; Teamwork Works, Deal Me Out, Sudden Shower, The Bedroom, The Raven, Don't Go There, Harness Racing at the Athens County Fair. An MP3 audio file can be made available upon request for Emeriti who missed the meeting.

Here's another poem from Patricia Black intended for distribution to the audience. She comments, "I've attached a poem multiple copies of which I had printed out to give to people but forgot about. As you will see, it doesn't work to be read out loud but relies on how the reader pronounces things. You might send it out to the emeriti."



### **Maybe We Should Form a Union**

My job moves me around a lot.  
I've spent time in Moscow, Toronto and Ottawa.  
I've seen the sun rise in Bremen and Berlin,  
admired sunsets in Toledo, Athens and Rome.  
I've been to Canton and noted Lima's charms.  
All this moving about gets old, but most  
of what I do is stand in long lines, watching  
travelers go right past me. I suffer  
in the sun's blast but people in their  
air-conditioned cars don't even notice me.  
Rain can be a welcome relief till it comes down  
in buckets and all but washes me away. Snow  
and ice? Tough! I should be thankful I have a job.  
But the uniform we have to wear! This  
garish orange literally glows in the dark!  
Furthermore, management of this outfit  
has a size bias. Everyone in my group is short,  
squat, somewhat on the wide side, but that  
other crew? They're tall, slender but (hee! hee!)  
they, too, have to wear this psychedelic orange.  
I have to contend with trucks, motorcycles, and cars.  
Whether their drivers are careless, drunk or just  
showing off, the results are the same--  
I get all bent out of shape or flung  
into a ditch or done in completely. Alas,  
I've never even gotten out of Ohio. The work  
of an orange traffic barrel is not easy.



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## 100 Years Ago

March 2, 1923; Professor Louis Alan Hazeltine (left front) presented a paper before the Radio Club of America at Columbia University detailing his Neutrodyne patent, supported by his very solid theoretical and mathematical analysis. It was a breakthrough technology greatly improving the sensitivity of the typical radios of the time. A radio incorporating his neutrodyne design had been built for the presentation by Joseph Freed (second from left) of the Freed-Eisemann Corporation. The patent, hotly but unsuccessfully contested by RCA as a patent holding company with nearly all important US radio patents, marked the beginning of the end for RCA's monopoly.

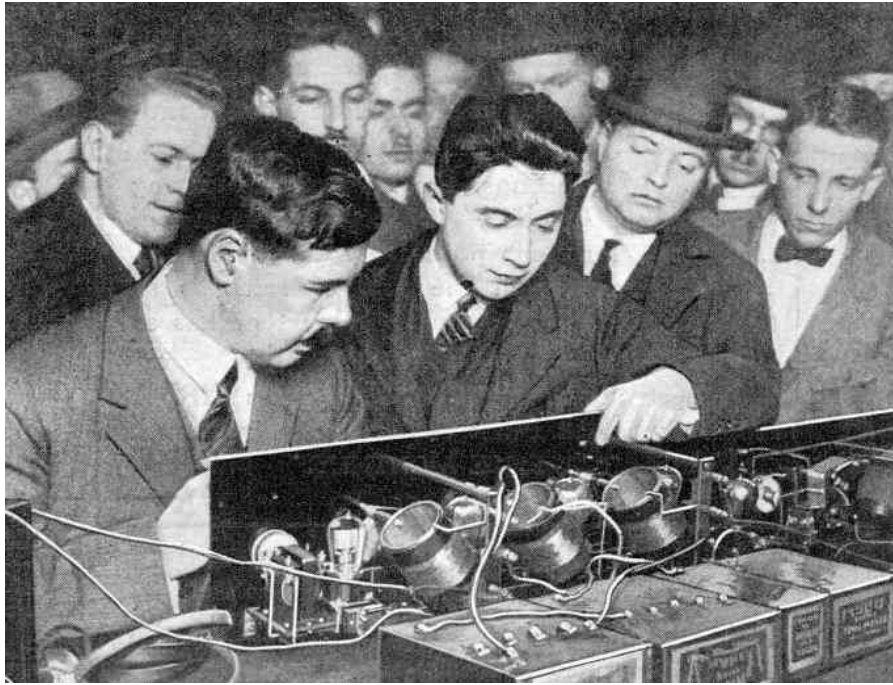


Image courtesy of *Radio-World* magazine March 24, 1923



1923 Freed-Eisemann NR-5 (Neutrodyne with 5 tubes)  
Price - \$150 in 1923 (equal to about \$2650 in today's dollars)  
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