

A newsletter from the Ohio University Emeriti Association

# **November 21, 2013**

### THE CHANGING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT POPULATION

# Krista McCallum Beatty

Director of International Student and Faculty Services

(Introduced by Alan Boyd)

Krista McCallum Beatty first became interested in international education as a freshman at the University of Minnesota when she played pickup volleyball with graduate students from China. Since those days, she has had the opportunity to study, work, and travel in more than 20 countries and has worked in international



programs at five different universities in the U.S. Krista has received two Fulbright awards, including one to conduct her dissertation research in Germany. She has a bachelor's degree in intercultural communication from the University of Minnesota and a master's degree in international education from the School for International Training. Her doctorate in higher education administration is from Ohio University.

Krista joined OHIO in 2003 as the associate director in international Student and Faculty Services; she was promoted to director in 2008. She advises international students, scholars, faculty, and staff on many different immigration and cultural issues; advises the International Student Union; coordinates the annual International Week and International Street Fair; and directs a very busy office. Krista finds Ohio University to be an outstanding place to work in international education. The university's strong academic programs attract outstanding international students, and the community support for the international student population is wonderful, she says. The combination makes Athens a very special place.

Krista and her husband, who is the associate university registrar at OHIO, their 5-year-old son, and 10-year-old dog live in Athens.

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Thursday November 21, 2013 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

### **BALLROOM**

RESERVATIONS must be made to attend the luncheon. If you are not on the list of regular attendees, you MUST call Ruth Nostrant at 593-5194 by Friday, November 15. 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.

### MENU

Potato Salad Butternut Squash Salad with Feta Cheese & Green Onion Vinaigrette

Fresh Garden Salad Sliced Turkey Breast Sausage Stuffing Glazed Ham with Assorted Bread for Sandwiches Mashed Potato Pumpkin Pie & Fresh Fruit Beverages November 2013 Page 2

## A Message From The President - DRU RILEY EVARTS

On Wednesday, October 7, a hearty group gathered behind a van parked at the rear edge of the Walter Hall parking lot and enjoyed hot coffee and donuts before fanning out and getting to work. These were the most constant Emeriti Park volunteers, who were celebrating the end of the park-care season. Since early April they had met on Wednesday mornings for an hour to clean up, trim up, pick up, and do up in any way they could to keep the park beautiful and welcoming.

This work is done in cooperation with Susan Calhoun, landscape coordinator for the university and some of her employees, two of whom joined this special coffee hour with Susan.

She works with the Emeriti Park chair every year in order to have tools and supplies on hand to make more efficient the work of our people, some of whom also bring their own tools along from home.

The Emeriti Park is one of our association's most valued and appreciated contributions to the university and community. This is the third year for the very capable park chairmanship of Dick Dean. Others who worked in the park this year and celebrated at this coffee were Alan and Sue Boyd, Dru Riley Evarts, Sue Foster, Allyn Reilly, Gary and Kathy Schumacher, Don Shamblin, Bob Smith, and Joe and Jan Tucker. Metra Peterson worked most Wednesdays but was not able to be there for the final day.

This was the 13th season for the park, which was formally dedicated on November 20, 2000, after nearly 20 years of planning and constructing it. Margaret Deppen, who worked for the Emeriti Park long before a chair was named, became the first chair (1998-99). Charles and Mary Culp succeeded her (1999-2001), then Chuck Carlson (2001-02), Max Evans (2002-07), Joe Tucker (2007-08), Joe Tucker and Bob Smith (2008-10), and Dick Dean, 2010-present). Each has left his or her own distinctive mark.

Present plans for the park call for better lighting, along with dredging and fountain work to improve flow and minimize algae scum. In the planning process are better identification of the park as a whole and the Robert King Walkway within it, and more naming opportunities through construction of a brick wall on which memorial plaques can be placed.

# Dru

# Notes on "Ammonia and Urea Electrolysis: The Beginning of the GreenBox" October's luncheon presentation by Dr. Gerardine Botte

Gerardine Botte (pronounced  $\underline{bot} - eh$ ), Russ Professor and director of the Center for Electro-Chemical Engineering Research, presented a lively picture of her beginning concept and developing research on a new hydrogen-based portable energy cell. The "GreenBox" her lab has designed takes universally available and abundant polluting substances and transforms them into hydrogen and clean water. Hydrogen is easily turned into energy.

The polluting substances described included ammonia, urea, and dirty water contaminated, for example, by fertilizer or sewage. The GreenBox can replace current methods of energy production and eliminates the kind of excavation damage coal production requires. In addition, it uses far less power to operate than current electrical power manufacturing methods do. The GreenBox system eliminates 80% of the cost of our current biological method to produce energy from ammonia.

The cells that the Center has been designing and building are the size of a shipping container and therefore can be operated on site, thus reducing transportation costs. Municipal waste water treatment plants in the United States, which currently consume as much as 3% of the country's entire energy supply, can be reduced through use of the GreenBox process.

Professor Botte emphasized the connections between basic creative science research and practical, economical applications in our current environment. Grant-funding sources, foreign governments, and prospective commercial manufacturers have shown lively interest in Professor Botte's work and the CEER.

Art Woolley

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### SPECIAL GROUP RATES OFFERED FOR BASKETBALL

Special rates for Emeriti Association members and their guests are being offered during the University's basketball season, according to Matthew Dewire, assistant director of the Athletic Ticket Office.

If we can get an Emeriti group together for a single game (and this can include our guests as well as ourselves), the charge will be \$10 each for 10-24 people, \$8 each for 25-49, or \$6 each for 50+. If we go as a group to one of these games, we will have seating as low as the Ticket Office can manage in order to minimize climbing to higher perches. To achieve the lower seating, the sooner we make the reservations, the better. Naturally, we cannot expect the staff to save seating for us if it might never be used. Those of us who attend a game as a group may also have a hospitality room for \$6 apiece if we want one and catering for \$7 apiece. This seems to be no more than most people spend apiece at the refreshment areas, and they have to stand in line there. But we don't have to take the room or the catering. Both are entirely optional.

Special rates for season tickets also are available for Emeriti Association members. There would be a \$25 saving on a season ticket, and that discount could be even greater if more than 10 bought them. If you already bought your season tickets and did not identify yourself as an emeritus/a at the time of purchase, let the Ticket Office know about it now, and you might get a lower price for yourself and others.

As for making up a group of those who are not season ticket holders to attend a game together, let's start with the Akron game here on Jan. 12. Contact Dru Riley Evarts at 592-1231 if you are interested in an Emeriti outing for that game. Give the number in your party, whether you would change to another game if more preferred it, and whether you would like the use of a hospitality room. Who knows? We might have enough to go to every game as a group.

### BENEFITS REPORT

Open enrollment is November 1-26. You should already have a letter from STRS indicating your health care options. STRS will present a group advisory meeting on November 15 at the OU Inn to explain the STRS health care program. Registration is required. You may schedule for the 10 am, 1 pm or 5 pm presentation by calling 1-888-227-7877.

Spouses might want to check on the availability of a program competitive to their STRS coverage and cost, but it would seem a little dangerous to switch insurers in the current fluid conditions. If a spouse is already on a non-STRS insurance contract, you might want to make sure your company will let you continue for 2014 since news reports indicate many companies have been canceling coverage of current customers for 2014.

People on Medicare: Remember that switching to a different Medicare Advantage program cancels your STRS coverage (not your Medicare coverage). Remember also that if you are going to incur increased costs because a drug that has been covered is no longer covered (not on the Formulary) in 2014, STRS has an appeals process in which your doctor can support your claim that a substitute drug is not suitable in your particular case.

Art Woolley

### **IN MEMORIAM**

PATRICIA A. GOYER, 87, died October 11 following a short illness. A graduate of DePauw University in 1948, she taught high school in Indiana before marrying Robert S. Goyer in 1950. The family moved to Athens in 1966 when he was appointed to the Interpersonal Communication Department at



Ohio University. She earned a Master's degree in Organizational Communication from OU and taught Communication courses at the Zanesville and Lancaster campuses.

Pat was instrumental in the founding of Athens Children's Theater and was on the founding committee for Southside Park. She was a member of the Pallas Club. The Goyers moved to Chandler, AZ, in 1981.

She is survived by her husband Robert, 4 daughters and 4 grand-children.

#### EMERITI BOARD

Luther Haseley, professor emeritus of education, has been approved by the Emeriti Board to fill the position of Nominations chair. He will be attending monthly Board meetings and participating in decisions being made there, as well as working for a slate of Board members for next year. The list of Board positions is run regularly in this newsletter. If you would like to fill any of those slots in the future, let Luther know of your interest.

### **SOME EMERITI HISTORY**

Forty-two years ago, November 18, 1971, Emeriti professors met in Baker Center for the monthly luncheon meeting. Nineteen members were present. Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. The treasurer reported collections of \$12.00; disbursements of \$33.00; total balance \$90.87.

Memorials were read for Miss Vivian Roberts by Miss Sarah Hatcher, and for George Parks by Raymer McQuiston. The Nominating Committee suggested the name of Miss Mable Olson to replace Miss Roberts on the Board. She was elected unanimously. Letters were read from Dr. Richard Uhrbrock, Palo Alto, California, and from the families of Carroll Widdoes, George Parks, and June Southworth in appreciation for the donations to the University Fund in their honor. Also from the University Library and the University Fund.

In the discussion of time and place for meeting it was decided to meet at the Center at 11:45. Those who preferred could "go through the line" and those who preferred could be served. It was further decided to meet on Thursday, December 9, rather than omit a December meeting. J. E. Thackrey, Secretary

Charles Carlson

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# Musculoskeletal research volunteers

The Ohio Musculoskeletal and Neurological Institute (OMNI) needs volunteers, 60 years old or older and in good general health, to participate in a study of mobility as people age. Only five universities (Ohio, Harvard, Tufts, Florida and Washington U in St. Louis) were selected as sites for this study. Principal investigator is Brian Clark, PhD, OMNI's director. He spoke to us about similar studies two years ago. If you would like to assist with this research, contact Dr. Clark at 596-OMNI (6664) or clarkb2@ohio.edu.

### **UPCOMING EMERITI LUNCHEON PROGRAMS**

December 19: Dr. Charles J. Ping

President Emeritus, Ohio University

January 16: Dr. Scott Titsworth

Dean, Scripps College of Communication

February 21: Thomas Carpenter

Chair, Classics and World Religions

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 NOVEMBER	11	12 Emeriti Volunteer Dairy Barn Kennedy Museum	13 Fitz & the Tantrums & Capital Cities - Concert Series	14 Emeriti Volunteer Kennedy Museum Gretchen Wilson Concert Series	15	16
17	18	19 Emeriti Volunteer Dairy Barn Kennedy Museum	20	21 Emeriti Board Meeting EMERITI LUNCH OU Irm	22	23
24	25	26 Emeriti Volunteer Dairy Barn Kennedy Museum Mamma Mia! Perforning Arts	27	28	29	30
1 DECEMBER	2	3 Emeriti Volunteer Dainy Barn Kennedy Museum	4 Project Trio Add-On	5 Emeriti Volunteer Kennedy Museum	6	7

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