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“The State of Ohio University Athletics”

Jim Schaus, Director of Athletics, Ohio University

As he enters his second academic year as Director of Athletics at Ohio University, Jim Schaus continues to work with his staff to achieve the goals set in the 5-Year Plan for Athletics. He has spent nearly 30 years in athletic administration, at the collegiate and professional levels, and plans to share his vision for the future of Ohio Athletics.

Jim Schaus was named Director of Athletics at Ohio University in April of 2008 after having served in the same capacity at Wichita State University in Missouri for 9 years. In those 9 years WSU became one of the most competitive programs in the Missouri Valley Conference (MVC), a fact highlighted by WSU's four-straight MVC all-sports trophies. The four-straight awards were highlighted by a WSU record seven conference titles in 2005-06, as well as 20 Valley team titles in his last four years. For his leadership and vision, he was named the Division I Central Region AstroTurf AD of the Year at the 2007 NACDA convention.

Schaus came to OU with an impressive background in athletics administration with stints in collegiate athletics at Oregon, Cincinnati, Texas-El Paso and Northern Illinois. Known for his excellent communication skills, attention to detail and team-building skills, he had spent many years in athletics administration, with a substantial emphasis in external relations and internal management. He has been a member of the initial NCAA Division I Committee on Academic Performance, an 11-member committee, which is made up of conference commissioners, athletics directors, NCAA staff and associate ADs, and is charged with administering the new system on academic reform.

In 1982, Schaus worked as an intern for the NFL's New England Patriots, and after graduation worked as a publicity assistant for the LPGA Tour before heading to Washington as a director of marketing for the Redskins. In 1983, he earned his bachelor's degree from Purdue. In 1987, he received his master's degree in athletics administration from West Virginia University.

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Thursday
September 17, 2009

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Luncheon Menu

*Tossed Salad, Caesar Salad, Antipasto
Alfredo Penne Pasta with Assorted Vegetables
Citrus Cod
Roasted Tarragon Potatoes
Green Beans Almondine
Rolls & Butter
Assorted Desserts
Beverages*



BALLROOM

\$14.00

RESERVATIONS must be made to attend the luncheon. You **MUST** call Ruth Nostrant at 593-5194 by **Friday, September 11**. 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. Please note that **each September we start a new Regular Attendees Roster**, so if you want to be on that list, contact Ruth. There is no carryover from the past year's list.

A Message From The President - ED BAUM



Hi Fellow Emeriti,

It is true that for most people the “year” begins in January (complete with parades, fireworks, football games and those ever present but mostly ignored new year’s resolutions). But for those whose life has largely been in academia, the “year” begins with September (I am not sure how this will affect our thinking when we go to semesters and the year begins in August).

So, let me take this opportunity to wish you a happy “new year.” Of course, that also means the beginning of our monthly luncheons together. As you will note on the first page of this newsletter, our speaker will be Jim Schaus, OU athletic director. He was scheduled to be with us in June but could not make it and has agreed to the September date. It should be an excellent presentation. Be sure to come with whatever questions or comments you might have about our athletic program. The program committee (and especially Marg Thomas) has been working hard to line up a very informative and entertaining line up of speakers. If you have any specific suggestions or ideas or comments just let Marg know (thomasm@ohio.edu).

You may recall our little survey on lunch earlier in the summer. We will be staying at the OU Inn but will try out three different menus for the first three months: the regular menu, a pasta menu, and a deli menu. We will then find out from you whether you would want to alternate the menus or stick with just one type.

I hope that your summer has been a good one. The Emeriti Summer Social in July went very well. The weather, for the most part, has been quite cooperative. The gardens are doing well. So, what more could you ask for (outside, of course, winning the lottery, etc., but, as the old joke goes, that would require buying a ticket)?

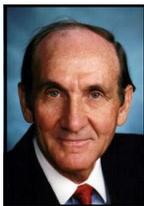
Looking forward to seeing you at the luncheons, if you are in town.

Ed

P.S. You will note that the price of the lunch has been raised to \$14.00. When you consider this includes tax and gratuity, the actual cost of lunch itself is \$11.25 which includes drinks and dessert.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SEPTEMBER		1 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Dairy Barn</i>	2 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Kennedy Museum</i>	3	4	5
6	7 LABOR DAY	8 Emeriti Volunteer - <i>Dairy Barn</i>	9 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Kennedy Museum</i>	10 Kennedy Museum - <i>Inside/Outside Talks</i> AFAN Fall Reception	11	12
13	14	15 Emeriti Volunteer - <i>Dairy Barn</i> OUCU Washboard Trip	16 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Kennedy Museum</i> OUWC Fall Reception	17 EMERITI LUNCH	18	19
20	21	22 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Dairy Barn</i>	23 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Kennedy Museum</i>	24 Kennedy Museum - <i>Mark Dion Reception</i>	25	26
27	28	29 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Dairy Barn</i>	30 Emeriti Volunteer- <i>Kennedy Museum</i>			

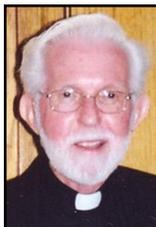
IN MEMORIAM



James Shipman, 90, of Bellington, WV died July 10 at his home, following an extended illness.

He was a veteran of WWII, serving as a radioman and electronics instructor in the US Navy. He received a BS degree in 1951 and MS degree in 1953 from Ohio U, and subsequently joined the OU faculty in physics. He became professor emeritus in 1978. He led the establishment of a scholarship fund to support undergraduates in physics; this fund was named in his honor upon his retirement. In 1978 he was awarded the first Honorary Doctor of Engineering Science degree by the Chubu Institute of Technology in Nagoya, Japan. In 1994 he was named Outstanding Friend of the College of Arts and Sciences at OU.

He is survived by 3 daughters. His wife, Genevieve, preceded him in death.



Francis C. Cronin, 78, professor emeritus of English at Ohio University and a priest of the Catholic diocese of Steubenville, died Aug. 2 after a short illness.

Before coming to Athens where he served as director of the Catholic Student Center and administrator of Christ the King Parish, Father Cronin served as principal at two Catholic high schools and director of the Catholic Youth Organization of Assumption Deanery.

Father Cronin especially loved teaching. He was a tenured English professor at Ohio University in Athens from 1966 until August of 2000, when he returned again to active ministry for the Diocese of Steubenville as pastor of St. Mary Parish in Shadyside and at St. John Vianney Parish in Powhatan Point. He served these two parishes until October 2007 when he retired.

He is survived by a brother and a sister.



Evelyn Fisher, 85, died July 18 in Williamsburg,, VA, of complications from Alzheimer's.

In 1943 she married Stanley P. Fisher. They lived in Oklahoma, North Dakota, New York, Pennsylvania and South America while Stan pursued his profession as a petroleum geologist. In 1960 they moved to Athens. Evelyn worked in the Public Occasions Office at OU and later was assistant to the director of admissions. Stan was a professor of geology and associate dean of the College of Arts & Sciences before his retirement in 1980.

She is survived by 2 daughters. Her husband died in 1992.



Jean Mahn, 91, died peacefully at her home on August 25, following an extended illness.

She was born in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan, Canada. An early graduate of Wheaton College, an associate of the Toronto Conservatory of Music, a student at Briercrest College, University of Delaware, Central Collegiate in Moosejaw, and several other institutes, Jean eventually became a member of the faculty and/or staff of Salem College and Academy, King's College in Delaware and Eastern Baptist College (now Eastern College) before coming to Athens following her marriage to Bob Mahn in 1989. Jean and Bob made significant contributions and commitments to what is now known as the Robert E. and Jean R. Mahn Center for Archives and Special Collections at Ohio University.

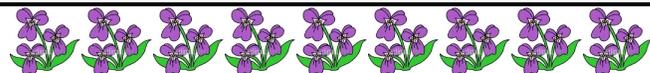
She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Mahn, and by her first husband, Tom Rohde.

Harriet Carlson, 75, of Athens, died July 18 at Kimes Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She had been a resident of Athens since 1966.

A graduate of Rocky River High School, she received her BA from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1955 and did advanced degree work at OU. She was a teacher of home economics at Minerva High School, Stark County from 1950-1960. She started teaching full-time at Tri-County Vocational School, Nelsonville, in 1979.

She was a very active member of many Athens groups, including O'Bleness Hospital Guild, PEO, Social Literary Club, OU Trustees Academy, OU Bobcat Club, OU Emeriti, two book clubs and more.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Charles V. Carlson, two daughters and a son.



EMERITI NAMETAGS

We get Emeriti nametags from Ryder Engraving. They have found it necessary to initiate a minimum charge of \$10 for new orders, plus shipping. This means that for us to continue to buy nametags at \$4.50 each, we will have to place minimum orders of 3 or more. Whenever members sign up now, we will have to wait until we have 3 or more before sending in the order.

Some September Newsletter 1992 Flashbacks

Provost James Bruning was the scheduled speaker at the September meeting at the OU Inn. His topic was *"The Budget and Academic Challenges for the New Year."* The luncheon was held in the Lindley Room 11:30 AM-1 PM. Lunch was served at 11:30 and the program began at 12:15. Price of the luncheon was \$6.50/person. There was no dessert and the price included the gratuity and the use of the room.

Officers for the year were President Charles "Chuck" Carlson, Secretary Ray Skinner and Treasurers Richard and Ruth Nostrant. This was Chuck's 1st year as president, Ray's 8th year as president or secretary and the Nostrants' 2nd year as treasurers. The Emeriti mandate was *"To provide an opportunity for former active members of the Ohio University faculty and staff to continue their acquaintance and to engage in other appropriate activities."*

The 11 new members of the 1992 Class of Emeriti were invited to attend the first meeting as guests. President Chuck Carlson was in-

augurated at the September meeting.

The new president and his wife, Harriet, lived on Frum Road. His hobbies included swimming, tennis and golf. He was one of the original faculty members in the College of Communication, and in the School of Interpersonal Communication. He came to OU in 1966 to become a faculty member in the then School of Dramatic Art and Speech. For a number of years he served the School as grant writer, teacher, and officer in the Speech Communication Association of Ohio. He was awarded speech communication development grants for secondary teachers of speech, for inmates and officers in correctional facilities, and for minorities wishing to enter higher education programs. In 1979 and 1981 he was appointed by Governor James Rhodes to the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Planning Commission. He wrote *The Ayes Have It* and *Basic Meeting Communication*. He served as President, Executive Secretary of the Speech Communication Association of Ohio in the early 1970s and was awarded the **Distinguished Service Award**.

(Chuck Carlson)

**UPCOMING
EMERITI LUNCHEON PROGRAMS**

October 15: Arts at Ohio University -
Lisa Quinn presents the Mark Dion Exhibition

November 19: Views from Ohio University
Provost Pam Benoit

December 17: Christmas Music
In memory of Vera Smith

**Executive Board Discussion
June 18, 2009**

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| ■ OCHER | ■ Summer Social |
| ■ Athens Village | ■ Criteria for Service Award |
| ■ Summer Volunteers | ■ Assets: \$41,265.67 |
| ■ Budget 2009-2010 | ■ Membership: 323 |

RECOLLECTIONS

From the Archives of the
Department of Incidental Intelligence

In 1953 OU opened the new Baker Center Student Union. The main floor contained a dining room often referred to as the faculty dining room. This was OU's entry to the fine dining scene. The room included a carpeted floor, an acoustical tile ceiling, ceiling to floor drapes, white tablecloths and white jackets with students attached for servers. The menu was limited and included 2 soups, 2 desserts and 2 "specials." Serving hours were lunch, 11:30 to 12:30, and dinner, 5:30 to 6:30, with the evening specials appropriate for that hour. The lunch hour was extremely popular, however the evening hour had limited patronage.

Then there was the night when the serenity of the quiet dining experience was shattered by a gong-like sound. Upon turning towards the sound one observed a large metal tray on the floor, a bald-headed man of the cloth rubbing his head and a white jacket with student attached fleeing through the nearest exit. The metal tray and the man of the cloth quickly recovered. The fate of the white jacket with student attached remains a mystery.

(Ed Russ)

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