



# February 19, 2015 THE MEDICAL COLLEGE AND ITS PROGRAMS Kenneth Johnson Executive Dean Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine

Introduction by Mary Anne Flournoy

**Kenneth H. Johnson, D.O.**, has extensive experience as a physician, teacher, and leader in national osteopathic medical education. He currently serves as chair of the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA), the vice chair of the American Osteopathic Association Bureau of Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education Development, past president of the American Academy of Osteopathy, and member of the Blue Ribbon Commission for the Advancement of Osteopathic Medical Education.

A 1992 graduate of the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM) in Maine, he is certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians and the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine. Johnson has held faculty positions at the University of Wyoming and Tufts University in Massachusetts and served as associate dean for educational programs, vice dean, and associate professor of family medicine at UNECOM. He is the previous chief medical officer of Health Access Network in Lincoln, Maine, and a former faculty member and director of Osteopathic Medical Education at the Eastern Maine Medical Center/UNECOM Family Practice Residency.

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - Dru Riley Evarts

We have several activities and dates that should be noted on your 2015 calendar:

**Dinner With 12 Strangers:** This is a relatively new program Ohio University has in order to enable students to get acquainted with students in other fields and other living circumstances, as well as with the faculty member(s), alum(s), or Emeriti Association member(s) hosting the dinner. When someone volunteers to host one, the word goes out through the university systems and 10 or 11 students are chosen from those who sign up online. One or two persons can host the affair, which can be at any number of restau-



rants with appropriate seating, at the host's home, or any other reasonable place. Baker Center will take care of the food preparation and deliver it to the place chosen. The theme of the dinner can be set by the host(s) – as simple as a pizza party or picnic or as formal as the host chooses. If you are interested in doing this, contact our liaison, Casey Arnold at 593-0398.

**Remembering Bob Winters:** The Singing Men of Ohio and Ohio Valley Summer Theater will present a program of love and romance songs, 6-9 p.m. on Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 14, at Margaret Walter Hall. Much of the program will be a revue of songs that were favorites of Bob Winters as he sang, danced, directed, and produced for Ohio Valley Summer Theater for nearly four decades. You can arrange for single tickets or even buy a table to include your friends. Contact Karen Vedder at <a href="mailto:karen.vedder@gmail.com">karen.vedder@gmail.com</a> or 591-7915. Tickets are available at Little Professor or online at <a href="mailto:affair2remember.bpt.me">affair2remember.bpt.me</a>.

Glass Art Public Occasion: This is the fifth year for which we are having an open occasion to which members, students, faculty, staff, and general public are invited at no cost to them. For our first such event at the Kennedy Museum, Jenine Cunningham, the Huntington Museum of Art senior curator who is an expert in this type of art, will be with us to talk at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24. There will be time to see the Kennedy's glass art, as well as its other displays. Let your friends know about this opportunity. George Weckman is chairing it, and he would like to hear from those who plan to attend so he will have a count for ordering chairs and other things. Contact him at <a href="weckman@ohio.edu">weckman@ohio.edu</a>.

On the Green Weekend: The second annual On the Green Weekend will be the last weekend of May, with the brunch at which we can meet alumni, old colleagues and students, and anyone else who comes to our tables in the tent at Tailgreat Park. The brunch will be 10:30 a.m. until noon, or possibly a little after, depending on the flow of traffic. Questions can go to our liaison, Casey Arnold, at <a href="mailto:arnoldc2@ohio.edu">arnoldc2@ohio.edu</a> or 593-0398.

**Other Meetings:** Of course, we will have our monthly luncheon meetings through June and our reception at Konneker House after a summer band concert. More about both of these in future newsletters.

Dru

# Notes on January's Luncheon Presentation by Lorna Jean Edmonds "GLOBALIZATION OF OHIO UNIVERSITY: THE NEXT 50 YEARS"

Ohio University's vision notes that we "will be the nation's best transformative learning community where students realize their promise, faculty advance knowledge, staff achieve excellence, and

alumni become global leaders." To achieve this, we need to create a framework for the future in which our graduates know about the world and can speak internationally. An example of the creation of this framework was the renaming of the Office of Education Abroad to the Office of Global Opportunities. International Education Week (April 14-

19) will focus on the growth of the global reach of the university.

Ed Baum

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### BITS AND PIECES OF NOTE

### UPDATE ON THE MOVE TO CATMAIL!

On February 18, Ohio University will be switching emeriti to a new email system. For those of you who may need help in navigating the new system, Lisa Rudy from IT will be at our February luncheon. She will stay after the meeting to provide individual help. It will be a hands-on experience, so bring your mobile device(s) with you if you need assistance.

Luther Haseley

## **SAVE THE DATE**

On Tuesday, March 24, at 1:30 p.m., the Emeriti Association and the Friends of the Kennedy Museum will gather at Lin Hall on The Ridges to celebrate the exhibition of American Art Glass. Jenine Culligan, from the Huntington Museum of Art, will speak on "American Studio Glass with a West Virginia Focus." Everyone is welcome to this event. Details will be in the March newsletter.

George Weckman

### DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Each year, members of the Emeriti Association who have distinguished themselves in service to the association or in pursuit of activities that further the goals of the association are recognized by the Distinguished Service Award. If you wish to nominate someone, please submit your nomination in writing to Ed Baum (baum@ohio.edu), chair of the Distinguished Service Award Committee, no later than April 5. It should contain a description of the reasons for the nomination.

# OHIO'S PUBLIC RETIREMENT FUNDS ARE SAFE

Public employees' state pension plans do well when they are properly funded and professionally managed, as well as over -seen by boards of trustees under the jurisdiction of state and national governments, according to Hank Kim, executive director of the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems.

Kim added that the vast majority of public pensions are well-rounded and are growing stronger as the economy continues to recover. The biggest challenge public pensions currently face is "receiving timely and full payments of annual required contributions by state and local governments," said Kim, pointing out that the public pension plans in trouble today are those whose state legislatures fail to fund them in a timely manner. For example, Illinois has more than \$111 billion of unfunded liability for government workers' pensions according to *Statista*, *Inc.*. We are fortunate to be in Ohio where the public employees' pension funds have been well managed.

Dru Riley Evarts, with the help of Ohio State's Dick Hill

### IN MEMORIAM

Ronald A. Black passed away Wednesday, January 29, 2015, at home. Black, professor emeritus of osteopathic medicine, was a graduate of Alma College and the University of Michigan. He worked at the University of Detroit, Delta College, Michigan State University, and the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Black was a member of First Presbyterian Church, where he was an elder, choir member, and worked on the College Lunch Crew. He also was a member of the Red Cross, Senior Beat, OU Emeriti Association, Council on Aging, Senior Club, Couples Bridge and the Visiting Nurses.

Ron is survived by his wife of 59 years, Mary Jane; his five children; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Susan Kay Bullard, professor emerita in the College of Health Sciences and Professions' School of Applied Health Sciences and Wellness, passed away in Kalamazoo, Mich. on Friday, January 2, after a lengthy illness.



Bullard had both a bachelor's and master's degree in physical education and a Ph.D. in biomechanics. She joined the faculty of the School of Recreation and Sport Sciences as an assistant professor in 1990 and served as an OHIO faculty member for more than 20 years.

Sue was preceded in death by her father. Surviving are her mother and three sisters and their families.

Donald A. Lambert, professor emeritus of journalism, passed away on Saturday, January 3. A graduate of Pennsylvania State University, where he earned both a bachelor's degree and master's degree in journal-



ism, Lambert served 18 months in the Army before joining the newsroom at the *Erie (Pa.) Morning News* in 1958. He spent nearly 10 years at the newspaper filling a variety of roles including the editorial page editor, a position that allowed him to frequently pen weekly and daily columns often focusing on government and/or humor.

Lambert brought his passion for news and editorial writing as well as his sense of humor to Ohio University's E.W. Scripps School of Journalism, joining the faculty in 1967. Over the course of the next 30-plus years, Lambert taught hundreds of aspiring journalists in courses that included news writing, editorial writing, column writing, and journalism ethics. He retired in 2000 but continued to teach part-time for the next few years.

Don is survived by his wife of 48 years, Joyce, two daughters, Kathryn and Sarah, two grandsons, as well as other extended family.

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Additional photos from Lorna Jean Edmonds' presentation at our January luncheon.





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