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Emeriti Meeting - October 2022

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

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

Date & Time: Thursday, October 20, 11:30 AM

Luncheon will be Buffet style, menu to be announced

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, October 18. Early reservations are encouraged. RSVP by sending an email to Tom Franz <franz@ohio.edu> confirming your reservation(s).



Emeriti Vice-President Scott Moody announced that the Speaker for October 20 will be **Dr. Theresa Moran** speaking on Food Studies and her projects in Sicily and Great Britain this past summer. Moran is adjunct associate professor of instruction in Environmental and Plant Biology in the College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio University. She is also co-director of the **Italy: Food in Sicily** study away program. To learn about volunteer and social activities, all with a connection to food, the students this summer went aboard a ship called the RESQ, from People Saving People, toured a farm that provides integration pathways for prisoners, and volunteered preparing meals at a local church kitchen on the largest island in the Mediterranean.

Volunteer opportunities

At the September 15th meeting, Volunteer Services Chair Marty Tuck reminded members of the opportunities to serve at the Kennedy Museum, the Dairy Barn, and the Emeriti Park. He noted that volunteer services were not limited to those areas, mentioning such organizations as Habitat for Humanity. He urged members to contact him by email at <tuck@ohio.edu> regarding their desire to serve in any volunteer capacities.

Highlights from the September 15 meeting

Emeriti Vice President Scott Moody introduced each of the 30 new 2022 Ohio University Emeriti by way of a Power-point slide presentation. A copy of Moody's presentation will be made available on the Emeriti website. The new Emeriti who were present were then introduced to the audience and congratulated by Ohio University President Hugh Sherman.

President Sherman followed up by providing an overview of current trends at Ohio University and higher education. He noted that in higher education generally, there has been a 7.2 % decline in overall enrollment in the country. Ohio University this Fall has its largest Freshman class with an enrollment



of 4400 students. He mentioned the objective was not to grow but to have a sustainable Freshman class of about 4000 while focusing on retention and graduation. For facilities, he mentioned a focus on rehabilitating residence halls, a reduction in office space needs due to continued work from home in those areas where that is appropriate, and improving technology in classrooms. In answering questions, Sherman mentioned that the reports on the impact of Covid on high school student learning are "scary as hell" with a "real deterioration in math, quantitative learning and English skills" across the country, and "the studies coming out about mental health are really frightening" requiring a greater need for counseling. Sherman also described a greater emphasis on student research, service and other experiential learning activities similar to the

Honors Tutorial model. In relation to regional campuses, he mentioned that one-third of our students are involved in health care to the surprise of others in the State, and we are promoting excellence in that area.



New Emeriti present at the September 15th Luncheon



From left; Lenard Presutti, William Shambora, Eileen Theodore-Shusta, Jacqueline Wolf, Drew McDaniel, Renée Middleton, Thom Luce, Robert Colvin

100 Years Ago

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Milburn, maker of an electric car (in Toledo, Ohio) offered a sedan that looked somewhat like its gasoline-burning competition, had a top speed of 30 MPH and a range of 100 miles on a charge. At the time, it proved a favorite especially among lady drivers since there was no need for the hand cranking necessary to start a gasoline engine.

Milburn put the batteries in wheeled boxes to allow rapid exchange of spent batteries for charged ones at centrally located power exchanges. You don't suppose???

