Welcome Back

They say that every generation faces a test of its ability to survive and to come back strong. My father's generation was World War II, and ours is the Covid crisis. So, on behalf of the Board of Directors we are all very pleased to welcome you back into active membership in the University of Central Florida Retirement Association.

UCFRA Luncheon Meetings

Because it is very expensive to have our luncheon meetings at hotels (due to room cost, service fees, taxes, and the cost of the lunch itself), the Board selected a different venue. We reserved a large private dining room at the Townhouse Restaurant in Oviedo.

Our spring luncheon was held at the Townhouse Restaurant in Oviedo and our guest speaker Dr. Michael D. Johnson, UCF Provost, who delivered an interesting and educational presentations on where our school is today. (Here's an example, current enrollment is 70,000 students!).

The next meeting of the Retirement Association Fall Luncheon will be held at the Townhouse Restaurant in Oviedo on October 20, 2022 from 11:00AM till 1:00PM. The guest speaker is a surprise for everyone! Be sure to put it on your calendar ASAP.

Jean Kijek, Pres. UCFRA

Dues

Just a gentle reminder that annual Association dues become payable on January 1st of each year. If you have not remitted your $20 payment for 2022, simply send a check payable to the UCF Retirement Association to: John Salter, Treas. 1954 Westbourne Dr. Oviedo FL. 32765

The UCFRA Star is published quarterly by the UCF Retirement Association to provide news about activities, membership,
A wonderful time was had by all at the Fall Luncheon. Here are just a few of the participants!

Our guest presenter
Dr. Linda Mills Hennig

Bill Branch
and Joan

Adele Hummel

Pres. Jean Kijek and
Treas. John Salter
The spring luncheon, April 28, 2022 was held at the Townhouse Restaurant in downtown Oviedo. A great meal and a great time was had by all!

Mary McKinney

Judy Gallo

Don Fuller (white shirt) & Ron Rubin (blue shirt) & many other members enjoying our get together

Bruce Whisler (on the phone) & John Salter (white shirt) & Prof. Marilyn Salter (next to John)

Kathy Holland & guest Zeba Lada

Past Pres. Helen Hill and husband Ed & Marilyn and John Salter
Cathy Baust presents the Carrie Lehmann scholarship award to Enrique Bazaldua Garza

Jean Kijek, Pres. with Dr. Michael Johnson, Provost, and Scholarship recipient Enrique Bazaldua Garza

Jay Jurie & Joe Adams (Senior Communications Director)
Remember When?

“Nationally known journalist Hunter Thompson will be presented by the Village Center speakers committee in the UCF gymnasium on April 11, 1979. Thompson is a controversial figure in journalism and proponent of the "Gonzo Journalism," style of writing. He's recognized coast-to-coast as either the finest political writer in this country or as a depraved misfit to be denied press credentials at all costs.” As reported by the UCF Future, March 30, 1979. No reports on the outcome of the presentation.

"Who Dat?"

“He was indeed one of the major cornerstones of FTU/UCF,” she said. “He was as solid and fair a person as one can find to help build a university.” “He was an early contributor to the development of UCF and he worked diligently to organize the UCF Retirement Association. He felt that the memory of founding faculty and staff should be preserved,” the founding chairman of the University of Central Florida’s biology department who served as Provost as well as acting university president after Charles Millican retired in 1978.

PARKING HANGTAGS FOR RETIREES

Recently had a pleasant chat with Ina Carpenter who informs me that retirees can pick up a hangtag at the University information Center or (even better) go online to UCF Police Department and fill out an application. A hangtag will be mailed to your address. You may access Parking Services at: parking.ucf.edu

Care and Concern

On behalf of the UCF retirees Association we would like to express our condolences to the friends and family members. It would be helpful to hear from our members reporting the illness or loss of folks who have contributed so much to our university. Please contact Jean Kijek (temporary) Care and Concern coordinator.

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Welcome New Members and Congrats to Recent Retirees!

NEW MEMBERS:

Lawrence Chmura, Facilities Operations; Gerald Deveau, Academic Affairs; Denise Devlin, UCF CONNECT; Angela Edwards-Johnson, UCF Connect; Maribeth Ehasz, Student Development and Enrollment Services; Linda Futch, Center for Distributed Learning; Suzanne M. Martin, College of Education; Joanne McCully, Recreation & Wellness Center; David J. Mealer, College of Community Innovation & Education; Evelyn Morales, College of Graduate Studies; Barbara O'Hara, College of Medicine; Benjamin W. Rockmore, Management; Robert Snow, First Year Advising; JoEllen Stock, Rosen College of Hospitality Management; Prudencio L. Torres, Facilities Operations; Dawn Trouard, English. Gerald Deveau, Academic Affairs; Angela Edwards-Johnson, UCF Connect; Prudencio L. Torres, Facilities Operations; Benjamin W. Rockmore, Management;

NEW RETIREES

First Quarter 2021
Carlos Baez Santos, College of Sciences; William Christine Bond, College of Education; Gladys Carrasquillo, Undergraduate Admissions; Mi-Foon Cheng, Business Services; Christina Dantes, Office of Research Operations; Lisa Fulford, Business Services; Mark Gardner, Landscape & Natural Resources; Jane Gentilini, Office of Research Operations; Ted Greenberg, SDES Budget & Personnel; Kathleen Hass, Marketing; Ada Heller, Social Work; Patricia Higgins, Mathematics; Bernard J. Jensen, Psychology; Marcia Fay Katz, College of Medicine; Patricia A. Lanier, College of Education; Frederick Larson, Facilities Operations; Betty Ann Last, AA Business Center; Keith L. Lee, Sport Business Management; John B. Parker, School of Performing Arts; Maria Mercedes Riccardi, School Psychology; Clara Salamanca, Housing & Residence Life Frank G. Toney, Resource Management; Joseph Trubacz, Finance; James E. Wilson, Student Union.

Second Quarter 2021
Rachel Agerton-Franzetta, CREOL; George M. Bagley, Nicholson School of Communications & Media; Ernest M. Brunet, Resource Management; Amanda Colee, College of Medicine; Marcella Farina, Modern Languages; Aristotle F.G. Fernandez, Resource Management; Deborah George, SLAS; Robert L. Hoekstra, Industrial Engr. & Mgmt. Systems; Foard J. Jones, Management; Ana M. Leon, Social Work; Thomas Lindenmuth, Financial Affairs; Veronica Maxwell, College of Medicine Julia M. Needham, Human Resources; Richard D. Peppler, College of Medicine; Debra R. Reinhart, Research Operations; Valerie Schultz, Health Sciences; Meredith Semones, University Libraries; David B. Slaughter, Legal Studies; Elvis J. Wanamaker, Jr., SDES Operations; Cynthia L. White, School of Performing Arts.

Third Quarter 2021
Scott Berg, Business Services; Mary Bermudez, Graduate Studies; Suryanarayana Challapalli, Mechanical, Materials, & Aerospace Engineering; Frank C. Coupland, Hospitality Management, Anna Dvorecky, University Libraries; Joellen Edwards, Nursing Systems; Kathy Ogburn Fedi, Financial Aid;; Mark Gerstein, Nicholson School of Communications & Media; Lindell Jones, Creative School; Gene R. Krueckmeyer, Communications & Marketing; Norma Ledesma, Modern Languages; Terry T. Lorincz, Financial Affairs; Martha Lue Stewart, College of Education; Parveen F. Wahid, Electrical Engineering; Laura Wilkins, Student Health Services.

Fourth Quarter 2021
Olga Arce, Business Center; Harriet Elam-Thomas, UCF Global; Dena Michelle Ford, College of Sciences; Debra Anne Hargrove, Student Health Services; Jeanette Holder, Florida Solar Energy Center; Bernadette Jackson, UCF IT; Susan Held Kelly, School Teacher Education; Jerome Khadaroo, Landscaping & Natural Resources; Gayle Mattone, Student Health Services; William C. Morton, English; Teresa Ramirez, Undergraduate Admissions; John Schell, Writing & Rhetoric; James Edward Sullivan, Recreation & Wellness Center; Melanie Warren, Graduate Studies; Paul W. Yocom, University Compliance & Ethics.