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WSU EMERITUS SOCIETY
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Let Us Know!
Send responses to emeritussociety@wsu.edu

• What have you been up to? Do you have any announcements you’d like to share?
• What activities would you like to see the Emeritus Society Sponsor?
• Who would you like to nominate for the Legacy of Excellence Award?

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Thank you to those who attended the business meeting on Thursday September 19, 2013.
This business meeting was especially important, as the future of the Emeritus Society was a key topic of the hour-long meeting.
At the meeting, those in attendance took time to discuss what the Emeritus Society must look like in order to succeed in the future. We have decided to proceed with a new model of governance for the Society going forward, as Tom Brigham and his wife Sue have decided to become snow birds this winter.

This model includes an executive committee made up of Charlie Gaskins, Sandra Ristow, Norm Whittlesey, Don Orlich, and Tom Brigham (ex officio) effective almost immediately.
Although we plan to keep the core programs in place, the main focus of the Emeritus Society will be the undergraduate awards for excellence in research and scholarship and the Emeritus Legacy of Excellence Award and public reception.
There will also be another change, as Arielle Aguado, the graduate assistant for the Emeritus Society for the past year, will be graduating in December. We will begin out search for a new graduate assistant shortly to start in January.

Thank you Tom for your continued support, and we wish you luck on your first winter in Arizona!

Thank you Charlie, Sandra, Norm, and Don for stepping up into these roles!
Upcoming Events

BIWEEKLY COFFEES:
The Emeritus Society customarily holds biweekly coffees throughout the semester which are scheduled and promoted every few weeks. These coffees are always held in the Emeritus Society Lounge (OWEN 339) at approximately 10:00am to 11:30am – unless specified otherwise.

Please feel free to stop by anytime during the scheduled coffee to enjoy the presence of other emeriti. We always love seeing you!

SPECIAL EVENTS:
Every so often we try to plan special events, such as lunches or other gatherings. For example, last spring we had a wine social, in addition to other events.

If you have any ideas for events, please let Arielle or Tom know!

Please Donate to a Good Cause!

As most of you know, each spring semester we present several awards to deserving individuals. Due to your continued support, we were able to grant four $500 scholarships to talented and deserving students last semester. If you would like to know more about these awards, please see our website.

Thank you to those who made this possible!

We would like to continue giving these scholarships to deserving individuals, as we have for years. We acquire the money for these scholarships strictly through your donations, so please donate to this cause, if you are able.

Donating is easy! You can either donate online or download a Donor Form to mail in your donation at emeritussociety.wsu.edu.

If you have any questions about donating, please feel free to contact Arielle.

Rent-A-Rower: October and November dates

Rent-A-Rower is an annual fundraising event that the WSU Men’s Crew Team puts on. You may literally rent a rower from the WSU Men’s Crew team to help you compete a project or help you around the house.

Although the dates for September have passed, there may be some openings available on October 19 and 20, and November 9.

It costs $13/hr per rower. If you are interested in requesting a rower, please click here to fill out a Rent-A-Rower Request Form.

There will also be another Rent-A-Rower event in the spring. Dates are TBA.

If you would like more information about the Rent-A-Rower program, please contact Max Vaughn, Rent-A-Rower coordinator and Vice Commodore. You may use the Rent-A-Rower Request Form to contact Mr. Vaughn.

Thank you for your continued support of these programs! Without you these scholarships would not be possible.

If you have any questions about donating, please feel free to contact Arielle.
Get to Know Your Fellow Emeriti

“What Have You Been Up To?”

David Youmans is proud to announce his newest book “Morning Mists”, which is the third book of a trilogy he has been working on. In this book, David describes episodes in the rural West, educational plateaus, years of involvement overseas, dynamics of university life, work for social justice, spiritual quest and challenges of aging. If you would like to know more information about Morning Mists, please click here. The first two books in his trilogy are called “Wherever Home Is: Recollections of an Itinerant Academic” and “Beyond the Forested Ridge.”

Larry K. Hiller is happy to report that his wife Jan H. Hiller will be inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, MD on Friday October 11th. Jan is one of only 16 being honored in the 2013 class, and is only the 2nd recipient from the state of Washington.

Marian Sheafor’s most recently published work is a Spokesman-Review letter to the Editor after attending Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers’ “rather disorderly” Town Hall is Spokane. If this topic is something that you are interested, Marian’s letter can be found here.

Sally Horton and Joe spent 7 weeks in the UK in April, May and June. They spent three weeks in the Cotswolds, Cornwall and Stonehenge with friends from Pullman and were able to meet up with a WSU colleague in London for dinner and a “cruise” on their narrow boat. Then they spent a week in Orkney and Shetland, islands off the north coast of Scotland, where there are very interesting Neolithic, Pictish, and Norse remains ... and a lot of sheep! The last couple of weeks were spent visiting friends and family and celebrating 70th birthdays with her brother and cousins. Check out some of her pictures from her trip (right).

NEW EMERITI:

Every new semester brings new emeriti!
So far this semester, we have had several new members join the Emeritus Society:

MERRY ARMSTRONG
Nursing

ARNO BERGSTROM
Kitsap County Community Forester

CAROL JOHNS
Nursing
It is that time of the year again! Please nominate a colleague for the Emeritus Society's Legacy of Excellence Award.

This award is for continued outstanding contributions to the nominee’s discipline or community. Please note that the neither the nominees nor the recipient need to be living and working around Pullman. So if you know of one of our members that has really impressed you, nominate them!

Also, last year we added a reception during Showcase week for the recipient where the awardee gives a talk about his/her work.

Last year’s recipient, Jim Short gave a well received and attended presentation and we plan on replicating that success this year. If you would like to see the previous recipients, please click here.

Thank you for your nominations!

To nominate someone:

1. Please either visit the emeritus society website and find the link that says “Excellence award nomination form” at the bottom of the home page, or just click here to download now.

2. Please fill out the nomination and send it to the address at the bottom on the form by February 1, 2014.