

2018-2019 Annual Report



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Dear Emeritus Faculty:

In place of *The Academy* this quarter, please find the 2018-19 annual report for the Emeritus College. I have completed my first six months as Director of the College and it has been a truly inspiring experience. You, the emeritus faculty, seek opportunities to be intellectually engaged and involved with each other and with the university. I am amazed at the new challenges and areas of interest that you have developed in the emeritus phase of your careers. Clemson emeritus faculty continue to pursue their research and scholarship and explore new disciplines.

My primary goal is to provide the emeritus faculty with a physical environment and a variety of educational and social programming where you can continue to grow and collaborate. If I am to be successful, the college must be a place where faculty meet for seminars, workshops, or open forums. A list of our upcoming events is included. We continue growing the number of faculty who come to the college each week for programs.

We expanded our programming to include musical events and small group informal discussion roundtables. We have taken down panels and redesigned space to accommodate faculty gatherings. The creative displays in the college are expanding as we move to add additional three-dimensionsal forms of creative works.

We are developing new opportunities for faculty to participate within the university as well. I feel like we have a team of interdisciplinary colleagues who have similar goals and are helping daily to energize the Clemson University Emeritus College.

Finally, we need to develop and expand our Foundation activities and develop sustainable endowments to support an Emeritus College Fellows program and an emeritus faculty travel and scholarship fund then we can continue our student scholarships and expand our programs and events.

The annual report has been designed around the college's strategic plan approved under Dr. Eubanks' and Dr. Trapnell's leadership. We are now collecting data so that we can track our progress overtime.

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Emeritus College Director

Emeritus College Vision: Supporting a nationally recognized, transformational and creative academic retirement.

Emeritus College Mission: Facilitate high quality engagement and involvement of Clemson University Emeriti Faculty in service to the University, the Community, and in collegial interactions among Emeriti members.

2018-2019 Executive Summary

- At the end of the 2018-19 fiscal year, the Clemson University Emeritus College (EC) database reflected 855 members with active contacts, an increase of 1.78%.
- In October 2018, the Clemson University Emeritus College was recognized by the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) with one of its Innovation Awards for the Clemson English-Speaking Proficiency (CESP) testing and the Conversations with International Students (CIS) program. These programs focus on enhancing the English proficiency skills of international students, faculty, and staff. Under the leadership of Dr. Adolph Beyerlein, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, 21 departments have benefitted from these programs. Since its inception in 2014, 273 international students have participated in the testing supported by 13 emeriti faculty serving as graders (75% of the students participating in the CIS program have passed the CESP oral exam). Some 32 emeriti faculty have served as CES mentors since 2014.
- The University and College mourned the sudden passing of EC Director, Dr. I. Dwaine Eubanks, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry. Emeritus College member, Dr. Dan Warner, stepped in to serve in an interim role and a new director, Dr. Debra Jackson, was appointed in January 2019, following an internal search.
- Improved EC communications with printed publications and weekly emails on EC activities. Because of the change in leadership, only three newsletters (*The Academy*) were

distributed in the academic year, but 52 weekly emails (*EC Happenings*) were sent to the members. In addition, follow up emails were sent to announce and remind members of upcoming events.

- The College presented the following awards:
 - 1. Kenelly-Voss Distinguished Emeriti Award: **Dr. Jerry Reel**
 - 2. Emeritus Award for Research and Scholarship: **Dr. John Morse**
 - Recipients of the Student Scholarship funded by Emeriti Faculty: Sophia Nance, Health Sciences and Sarah Wetherell, Health Sciences
 - The EC Advisory Board approved a new member recognition program, the

 Dwaine Eubanks Emeritus College
 Fellows program to recognize Emeritus
 College members for their unremunerated
 service to the Emeritus College or
 Clemson University through initiatives
 sponsored or supported by the EC. The
 first fellows will be recognized in the 2019-20 fiscal year.
 - 5. Emeritus Award for Community Service: During the 2019-20 fiscal year, the EC will present its first Community Service Award to a member for outstanding community service.
- Major EC events included, with **1093** total participants
 - 1. 2018 Fall Picnic: 220
 - 2. 2019 Annual Holiday Social: 195
 - 3. Spring 2019 Emeritus Day, 17 new emeriti faculty were recognized and welcomed to the College, with a total attendance of 270.
 - 4. Spring 2019, educational seminars, focusdiscussion luncheons and tours were held on social media, music events, library, technology, academic plans, faculty/ student advocacy: 408
- EC faculty members donated \$11,715 to

support two annual undergraduate student scholarships and EC social events and programming. This is a decrease of 41% from the previous year.

- Redesign of the Emeritus College space to promote collaborative exchange programming.
- Health and Safety in the Emeritus College is a critical concern and this semester we added chairs without rollers to prevent falls. In addition, the Director and others in the building were certified/recertified in basic life support and first aid.
- Interviews about EC activities were provided to reporters from *The Chronicle of Higher Education* and the *Anderson Independent Mail.* As well as written reports submitted to *AROHE Matters.*
- Efforts are underway to improve signage on the outside of the building to designate the Emeritus College at the location. These efforts are in conjunction with Regulatory Services and PSA which also are in the facility.

2018-19

Strategic Goal Achievements

- 1. Increase visibility and recognition of the Emeritus College across the University and beyond:
 - Logo developed and deployed to all EC communications and documents.
 - Website updated and made interactive, moving the calendar of events and improving the directory of emeritus faculty.
 - *EC Happenings*: Weekly emails are transmitted to members regarding EC news and events.
 - *The Academy*: Newsletter designed highlighting EC events, news, etc. Several new designs are being considered for this upcoming year.
 - Due to transition of EC Director, meetings with Academic Deans and Department Chairs to promote the College's activities remains a work in progress. During the spring, the Dean of Libraries, the VP

for Information Technology, and three associate provosts were invited speakers.

- The 41% decrease in annual giving to the Emeritus College is a concern and an effort to promote giving for scholarships and general activities for the College was initiated with the April Giving Day. In addition, a meeting with VP Brian O'Rourke was initiated to address the philanthropic needs of the College. We thank the Provost and his office for his financial support of the Emeritus Day event in April.
- A summary of notable recognitions and accomplishments of emeritus faculty are included in this report.
- Efforts are underway to improve signage on the outside of the building to designate the Emeritus College at the location. These efforts are in conjunction with Regulatory Services and PSA which also are in the facility.
- Interviews with the director conducted by Anderson Independent Mail and The Chronicle for Higher Education. Two articles appeared in AROHE Matters (newsletter for the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education) focusing on the CU Emeritus College's new director and programming initiatives.

2. Increase involvement and engagement of all Emeriti Faculty in activities of the College:

- Communications with Academic Deans and Department Chairs remains a work in progress. All colleges were represented at the Annual Emeritus Day event at the Madren Center.
- Communication efforts to all EC members included updated printed newsletters and weekly emails on EC events.
- Plans for a survey of member interests is scheduled for the next academic year.
- Two Emeritus College committees made recommendations for the redesign of space for emeritus faculty. The computer room was downsized and more flexible space

and setting was developed to promote collaborative exchanges among EC faculty.

- Emeritus College awards were expanded to include a Research and Scholarship Award (presented to John Morse in October 2018) and a Community Service Award to be presented next academic year. These awards alternate rather than occurring annually.
- The I. Dwaine Eubanks Emeritus College Fellows program was approved and will be initiated next academic year.
- The Health and Safety of EC faculty is a primary concern and to reduce the risk of falls, new non-rolling chairs were added to the meeting room.
- Basic life support and first aid training was provided to more than 20 individuals in three departments housed in the building— Regulatory Services, Emeritus College, and Ansell. The building provides AED, respiratory masks, and other first aid components. The EC upgraded its first aid supplies as well.
- New emeritus faculty were invited to the Emeritus College, a first-time event, to encourage participation in the EC activities, meet EC faculty, and engage in a discussion about life after retirement.
- A Mac workstation was added to the computer workstations. These workstations total four (three Windows and one Mac) and are equipped as a computer lab with full access to color and black/white printing capabilities as well as university software.
- The College will now offer free notary services to its faculty.

3. Serve Clemson University:

- President Clements, Provost Jones, and other University leaders attended the annual Emeritus Day recognition of new emeritus faculty and the luncheon following.
- Expansion of EC members' involvement on University Councils/Committees/Task Forces is a work in progress. EC is represented at

the Faculty Senate on a regular basis.

- Dr. Danny Weathers and Mr. Jerry Knighton have approached the College about developing a Faculty Advocacy Program.
- Student Alumni Council has approached the college about developing a student mentoring program. This initial meeting will be followed by coffee/lunch meeting in the Fall of 2019.
- Connecting emeriti faculty to their home departments remains a work in progress.
- EC faculty are actively involved in leading and supporting the CIS/CESP program for international students and faculty. Fall 2018: CESP 32 Students and CIS 2 students; Spring 2019: CESP 21 students and CIS 3 students. Total of 8 faculty participated in both programs for 2018-19. This program was recognized with a national AROHE award in October 2018.
- Two undergraduate student scholarships of \$1,000.00 each were presented this year to: Sophia Nance and Sarah Wetherell.
- Clemson faculty presented programs on the Social Media Listening Center, the Russian influence on the 2016 and 2018 elections, the Big Tent Technology Initiative and the library. We had music events highlighting student performers, as well as emeritus and current faculty musicians.
- EC faculty participated with HR in retirement briefings for Clemson faculty.
- EC faculty (**Thomas Hughes**) periodically provide classroom support as substitute teachers. University service by EC members included assisting in the Academic Success Center, Creative Inquiry classes, Study Abroad programs, and dissertation/thesis service.
- Vic Shelbourne served as co-chair and Provost Fellow of the Clemson University Commission on Sustainability.

4. Serve the broader community:

• EC faculty continued to support numerous non-profit groups across the Clemson

community, including, but not limited to OLLI, Sertoma, the Free Clinic, the Clemson Community Foundation, and others.

5. Facilitate substantive, quality social and educational program of events for Emeriti Faculty:

- Major EC social events in 2018-19 included: Fall Picnic and Annual Meeting (220), Emeritus Day (270), and Holiday Social (195).
- During the spring of 2019, 29 educational events were held by the College with opportunities for emeritus faculty to have a no-host lunch with the presenters following (or during) the presentation; 408 faculty participated. A list of programs is included.

Donations 2018-2019

Your donations to the College are extremely important! While Donations were down 41% for 2018-19, we encourage you to donate through the following method: The easiest way to make a donation is online with a credit card by visiting the Emeritus College homepage (https://www. clemson.edu/emerituscollege/) and clicking on the "Give to the Emeritus College" tab on the right-hand side of the page. You will be directed to the donations page, where you are given three choices for your donation by clicking on the downward arrow on the *Designation* tab. The default designation is labeled Emeritus College General Fund. This selection deposits your donation to a fund which is immediately available for those Emeritus College expenses not allowed from university accounts. The second designation, labeled Kenelly-Voss Endowed Emeriti Fund deposits your donation to an endowment fund begun with a very large donation from John Kenelly, Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences. The final designation is the Emeritus College Scholarship Fund for **Excellence**. Donations to this fund will be used to sponsor two undergraduate scholarships annually.

If you prefer to make your donation with a personal check, you can mail or hand-deliver a check

made out to Clemson University Foundation (with "Emeritus College" and your specific designation written in the memo line) to the following address:

Clemson University Emeritus College 511 Westinghouse Road Pendleton, SC 29670

The Clemson emeritus faculty are an amazing group and we are honored to be able to serve them and appreciate your kind donations.

The Emeritus College would like to thank the following individuals for their generous monetary donations for 2018-2019.

John Acorn, James Acton, Joe Allen, Myra Armistead, Ed Arnold, Adolph Beyerlein, Carl Bishop, Dave Bodde, Savannah Bowman, Farrell Brown, Harold Cheatham, Don Collins, Garnet Craddock, Michael Crino, Chip Egan, Ralph Elliott, Lucy Eubanks, James Fanning, Lew Fitch, Carolyn Foster, Larry and Linda Gahan, Robert Green, Joel Greenstein, Ed Hamilton, Hal Harris, Hoke Hill, Bonnie Holaday, Mike Hood, Gordon Howard, Debbie Jackson, Joni Jordan, Del Kimbler, Richard Klein, Larry LaForge, Jerry Lambert, Harry Law, Barbara Lewis, Rose Lowe, Bonnie Martin, Rhiannon McDevitt, Robert McElreath, Jr., Rob Roy McGregor, Don McKale, John Meriwether, Rameth and Walt Owens, Jim Palmer, Virgil Quisenberry, Greg Reighard, Elaine Richardson, Brad and Russell, David Senn, Herman Senter, Ben Skardon, Tom Skelton, Ronald Thurston, Joe Turner, Jerry Waddle, John Wagner, Donna Winchell, Marian Withington, Art Young, Paul Zielinski

The Emeritus College extends their gratitude to the following emeriti for their generous loans of bound publications or creative works for display. These displays make the Emeritus College suite a truly special place!

John Acorn (Gallery) Harold Cheatham (Bound Publication) Lynn Craig (Bound Publication) John Diehl (Gallery) Tom Dimond (Gallery) M. David Egan (Bound Publication) Wm. Michael Hood (Bound Publication)

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Donations to the Emeritus College have been made in memory of the following faculty members:

Dr. I. Dwaine Eubanks, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry and EC Director

Dr. Ernest Kozma, Professor Emeritis of Education and Chair

Professor Peter Lee, Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Architecture

Faculty Recognitions

- 2018 College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities Hall of Fame inductees: Clifton S.M. (Chip) Egan, John Acorn, Roger Liska, Art Young, Jerry Reel, Mickey Harder
- 2018 School of Nursing Hall of Fame inductees: Opal Hipps, Geraldine Labecki, Barbara Logan, Rosanne Pruitt
- 2019 College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities Hall of Fame inductees: John Butler, Elizabeth Carney, Steven Grosby, Peter Lee, Barry Nocks, Robert Waller

- 2019 University Research, Scholarship and Artistic Achievement Award recipients: Richard Figliola, John Morse, Michael Pursley
- CIS/CESP Programs: Under the leadership of Adolph Beyerlein, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, EC faculty are actively involved in leading and supporting the CIS/CESP program for international students and faculty. Fall 2018: CESP 32 Students and CIS 2 students; Spring 2019 CESP 21 students and CIS 3 students. Total of 8 faculty participated in both programs for 2018-19 (Stuart Silvers, Barbara Ramirez, Adolph Beyerlein, Dennis Stevenson, Bonnie Holladay, Don VanDerveer, Harold Cheatham, Skip Eisiminger). This program was recognized with a national AROHE award in October 2018.
- EC faculty (Thomas Hughes) periodically provide classroom support as substitute teachers. University service by EC members included assisting in the Academic Success Center, Creative Inquiry classes, Study Abroad programs (Hoke Hill, Barbara Zaczek), active research projects and proposals (David Bodde) and dissertation/ thesis service (Harold Cheatham).
- **Robert Bixler, Associate Professor Emeritus of Parks Recreation and Tourism Management, Publications:** Shipley, N. J. & Bixler, R. D. (2019). An unconventional approach to fostering entomological literacy, American Entomologist, 65(1), 19-23. Conference Presentations: The BUGket List: Exploring for Tiny Creatures Provides Gargantuan Benefits, Presentation at the 2019 Play Conference, Clemson, SC; The False Promises of Best Practices. Presentation given at the Southeastern Recreation Research Conference. Athens GA; Generating Great Questions: Better Thesis and Dissertation Ideas. Academy of Leisure Sciences' Conference on Research and Teaching, Greenville SC; Local and Regional Interpretive Sites: What's the Big Deal? Presented at National Association Interpretation Southeast for Region

Conference, Montgomery Bell State Park, Burns, TN **Awards:** Bixler, R. D. (2019). Outstanding Service to the Sunny Southeast Region, Presented at National Association for Interpretation Southeast Region Conference, Montgomery Bell State Park, Burns; Outstanding Interpreter, Presented at National Association for Interpretation Southeast Region Conference, Montgomery Bell State Park, Burns, TN.

- Christopher Cox, Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences and Chair, became the head of the Math Department at University of Tennessee-Chattanooga.
- Clifton (Chip) Egan, Professor Emeritus of Performing Arts and Dean, inducted into the Southeastern Theatre Conference Hall of Fame in March 2019.
- Skip Eisiminger, Professor Emeritus of English, published Anecdotes and Antidotes: People I've Known or Known of Including Myself through Serving House Books earlier this year. Skip has taught a dozen classes at OLLI since his retirement in 2010 and continues to write a monthly column for Weekly Hubris, an on-line magazine.
- Robert Geist, Alumni Distinguished Professor of Computer Science, worked in New Zealand in the fall of 2018 at Weta Digital LTD. on special effects for the Avatar movie sequence.
- John Hains, Associate Professor of Biological Science, will be assisting the Plant Problem Clinic (Plant Industry/ Regulatory Services) with the indentification of Aquatic Plant samples.
- William Havice, Professor Emeritus of Educational and Organizational Leadership, received the 2019 International Technology and Engineering Educators Association (ITEEA) Special Recognition Award at its 81st Annual Conference in March 2019.
- Hoke Hill, Professor Emeritus of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences, was elected to the national board of

Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education.

- Gordon Howard, Senior Professor Emeritus, Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management (PRTM), completed his tenth year as director of the Crown Point Banding Station in New York; the 44th consecutive year of migrant bird banding at this location. In addition to overseeing an all volunteer staff of 5 licensed banders and 11 assistants, who banded nearly 1100 migrant birds in 16 days, he provided relevant educational presentations to Station visitors and local school classes, and apprenticeship training for 5 future banders. Some visitors (n=149) released banded birds back into the wild. In the following weeks, each releaser received a certificate from PRTM containing information about the life history of the species he/she released along with the band number and date of release. Seven releasers from previous vears received notices from PRTM that "their" bird had returned to the Station this year. Dr. Howard has volunteered at the Station each year since 1984.
- Bonnie Martin, Senior Lecturer of Applied Economics and Statistics, coordinated outreach effort for Emeritus College participation with Little Free Library in Pendleton, SC.
- Samuel Bruce Martin, Professor Emeritus of Plant Pathology, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the SC Golf Course Ratings Panel.
- Fran McGuire, Professor Emeritus of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management and Chair, was elected to the Clemson City Council.
- John Morse, Professor Emeritus of Entomology, taught several classes for the university including: Summer 2018: ENT 8910 Master's Thesis Research (1 student) Fall 2018: PES 4910/4911 Senior Honors Research (1 student) Spring 2019: PES 4920/4921 Senior Honors Research (2 students) Spring 2019: BIOL/ENT/PES 4960/4961/6690/6691 Aquatic Insects

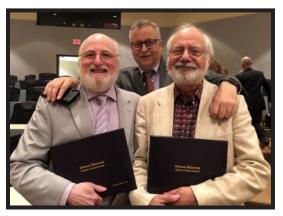
(9 students) and taught a guest lecture in HON 2060 (Clemson Experimental Forest). He taught courses in North Carolina (two 2-week sessions, 4 credits each), China (2-day workshop), and The Philippines (2day workshop), with additional lectures in Mongolia, China, and the Philippines.

- James Navratil, Professor Emeritus of Environmental Engineering and Earth Sciences, published his latest novel, *The Final Bear Hug*. The book is a continuation of the story in, *The Bear Hug* by Sylvia Tascher. Dr. Navratil wrote *The Final Bear Hug* with his late wife, Sylvia Tascher.
- Gary Powell, Professor Emeritus of Genetics and Biochemistry, serves as the Faculty Advisor for the Biochemistry and Genetics Club. The Club was recently accredited by the University as a DSO organization. For several years, Gary has directed the Oconee District Cub Scouts Day Camp serving 46 Scouts (1st – 5th grades).
- Jerry Trapnell, Professor Emeritus of Accountancy and Dean, Class of 1968 Golden Anniversary Chair, Presented gift of over \$1,000,000 to Clemson's Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program and other scholarships.
- Vic Shelbourne, Professor Emeritus of Forestry and Natural Resources, served as co-chair and Provost Fellow of the Clemson University Commission on Sustainability.
- Elaine Richardson, Professor Emerita of Animal and Veterinary Sciences and Director, named chair of the Pledge the Pink Foundation Board, named to the City of Clemson Planning Commission and appointed by Governor McMaster to the Palmetto Unified School District Board.
- Diane Smathers, Professor and Director Emerita, chairs the Board of Trustees for The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi Foundation.

- Webb Smathers, Professor Emeritus of Agricultural Economics, continues to teach a Creative Inquiry class each semester as he has done since retirement.
- Joe Turner, Professor Emeritus of Computer Science, chaired accreditation teams for computing programs at two universities in the Middle East, consulted for five computing programs trying to bring their programs up to US accreditation standards in three different countries (Georgia, South Korea, Vietnam), chaired the selection committee for ABET's highest award (the Grinter Award), served as Lead Facilitator for a two-day training session for new ABET evaluation team members and served as president of the local (Keowee) chapter of Les Marmitons International, a men's cooking club.
- Dolores A. Stegelin, Professor Emerita, College of Education, Department of Teaching and Learning, received the Jay Smink Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Dropout Prevention Center, February 18, 2019 at the At-Risk National Forum in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.
- Holley Ulbrich, Alumni Distinguished Professor Emerita of Economics, speaker at the National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees meeting.
- Ted Whitwell, Professor Emeritus of Plant and Environmental Sceinces and Associate Dean, will be assisting the Plant Problem Clinic (Plant Industry/Regulatory Services) with the indentification weed samples.
- Bruce Yandle, Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Economics and Dean; Distinguished Professor of Economics at George Mason University's Mercatus Center, was interviewed by Mike Switzer of the radio program South Carolina Business Review on NPR regarding Economic Uncertainty Abounds. Podcast available at https://www.npr.org/podcasts/406772375/ the-south-carolina-business-review

Barbara Zaczek, Professor Emerita of Languages (Italian), Barbara continues to teach the intensive Italian language and culture, course (focus on basic language skills as well as important cultural elements, concepts of private and public space and practical suggestions regarding travel, health problems, safety concerns, and Italian food) for the Clemson University Architecture Program in Genoa, Italy that she began in 1995. She taught that course in January of 2019 for the spring semester and will be in Genoa for the fall semester, the last week of August, 2019.

2018-2019 New Emeriti



Welcome to the new emeriti for 2018-2019! These new members to the College were honored during a ceremony at Emeriuts Day (April 30, 2019).

- **David E. Barrett**, Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Education and Human Development
- Eric P. Benson, Professor Emeritus of Entomology
- Robert D. Bixler, Associate Professor Emeritus of PRTM
- Alan C. Burns, Associate Librarian Emeritus and Archvist
- Robert L. Campbell, Professor Emeritus of Psychology
- **Byeng Rae Cho**, Professor Emeritus of Industrial Engineering
- Janice G. Comfort, Librarian Emerita

- Lee A. Crandall, Professor Emeritus of Health Sciences
- Lawrence R. Gering, Associate Professor Emeritus of Forestry and Environmental Conservation
- Steven E. Grosby, Professor Emeritus of Religion
- **Pamela A. Havice**, Professor Emerita of Educational and Organizational Leadership
- **Samuel T. Ingram**, Professor Emeritus of Graphic Communications and Chair
- **Steven B. Katz**, Pearce Professor Emeritus of Professional Communication; Professor Emeritus of English
- Arkady L. Kholodenko, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry
- **Patricia A. Knowles**, Associate Professor Emerita of Marketing
- Brain A. Malloy, Associate Professor Emeritus of Computer Science
- Peggy J. Taylor, Librarian Emerita
- Victor J. Vitanza, Professor Emeritus of English and Rhetorics

New and Noteworthy at Clemson University Emeritus College

As submitted by Lucy Eubanks, Lecturer Emerita of Chemistry, for July 2019, AROHE Matters

A new year and new leadership provided an opportunity to both celebrate our tradition of excellence and to introduce new ideas that help us reach goals expressed in our Strategic Plan. Our Director, Dr. Debra Jackson, led the way in developing thematic programming. By providing a series of different events that are linked with the same broad topic of general interest, emeritus faculty can choose how they best would like to explore, learn from, and contribute to that topic. This type of coordinated programming also provides a way to spotlight some unique programs, talents, and interests of both the University and the Emeritus College. The first theme chosen was Social Media. A seminar given by the Director of Clemson's Social Media Listening Center was the kick-off event. We learned that the Center is a state-of-the art interdisciplinary research and teaching facility. It monitors, measures, and engages in social media conversations across the web. A second seminar later in the semester was given by two faculty researchers, one from Communications and one from Economics. Most of us had little idea that this collaborative research facility even existed, much less its importance to such diverse contexts as the 2016 U.S. presidential election and cyberbullying. An Orange-Bag Lunch, now called a Focus-Discussion lunch, gave us a chance to participate in a special project on Civil Dialogue that included the influence of social media on racial understanding. Several workshops on cyber security, including hands-on experiences in our well-equipped computer lab, helped bring individualized practical advice to our faculty.



Dr. Eric Lapin and students after a performance at the EC. Photo: Barry G. Richards

The second theme chosen was Music. This theme was introduced with a lecture-recital in the auditorium of the Emeritus College. The Director of Artistic Initiatives for Clemson's Brooks Center for the Performing Arts, Dr. Eric Lapin, came and brought three students who performed, discussed historical background of their music, and gave demonstrations of their instruments. We enjoyed and learned about the trumpet and two different types of clarinets.

In conjunction with the Greater Clemson Music Festival, we were treated to an acoustic performance by the Carl Neil Trio, a combination of guitar, violin, and mandolin. There was opportunity to lunch together after this event, giving members more chance to talk with the performers. The next live performance at the College featured "Old Time" string tunes played by a fantastic trio (lead guitar, rhythm guitar, banjo) of current and emeritus faculty. The group played and answered questions from the engaged audience, with the discussion continuing over lunch. Later this summer we are looking forward to more musical events, including a private behind-the-scenes tour of the Brooks Center for the Performing Arts and a lecture-recital provocativelytitled the "Life, Death and Resurrection of a Musical Instrument." This presentation will be given by an Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Electrical Engineering Lew Fitch.

The third change was to repurpose existing space to enable a salon-type atmosphere

to develop. This suggestion came from a member of the College who had been contemplating that the College was missing was а space with comfortable а setting in which to have informal collaborative exchanges. These activities



are developed by the emeritus faculty and are as varied as forums for active interest groups to shared interest gatherings in arts, literature or science. The Director and Advisory Board agreed, the costs were manageable, and such a space quickly became a reality by redesigning our large computer lab. By keeping an adequate number of upgraded computer stations, this generously-sized room now serves both its original purposes and encourages new types of interactions. The salon atmosphere is enhanced by the ever-changing original art, all created by Emeritus College members. With a cofee nook, this truly is a space that belongs to the members and we are eagerly looking forward to seeing how our new salon is utilized.



Computer Workstations



Collaborative spaces

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Committees

Much of the work of the College is done through committees, and we are in constant need of volunteers to chair or serve as members of active college committees. More detail is provided on the EC website: https://clemson.edu/emerituscollege/.

Awards

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Faculty Senate Liaison Dan Warner (warner@clemson.edu)

Upcoming Fall 2019 Emeritus College Events

- August 13, Music Event: The Life, Death and Resurection of a Musical Instrument (Dr. Lew Fitch)
- August 20, Seminar: The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb Part 1 (Dr. Steve Wainscott)
- August 27, Seminar: The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb Part 2 (Dr. Steve Wainscott)
- September 4, Book Signing: The Final Bear Hug (Dr. James Navratil)
- September 5, Dean of the College of Education Meet and Greet (George Petersen)
- September 10, Focus-Discussion Lunch: Sustainability Assessment (Dr. VIc Shelburne and Dr. CayeDrapcho)
- September 19, Seminar: Genealogy (Syliva Thomas)
- September 26, Seminar: South Carolina Tea (Dr. Ron Thomas and Steve Lorch)
- October 1, Fall Picnic and Annual Meeting at Palmetto's Event Center
- October 9, Seminar: Adobe Spark (Dr. Jan Holmevik and Christopher Stuart)
- October 16, Seminar: Adobe Lightroom (Dr. Jan Holmevik and Christopher Stuart)
- October 23, Music Event: New Tricks Trio (David Scherrep, John Mims, Vince Jackson)
- November 4, Seminar: World War I Part 1 (Dr. Steve Wainscott)
- November 11, Seminar: World War I Part 2 (Dr. Steve Wainscott)
- November 20, Music Event: Original material, Celtic and old time songs (Professor Emeritus David Scherrep)
- December 3, Emeritus College Holiday Social at the small show arena at T. Ed Garrison Arena



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