

# UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association

*"Your opportunity to explore new ideas,  
be engaged and stay connected to UNL"*

UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association Newsletter

Spring 2018

## Outstanding programming planned for spring

As we begin this new year, I would like to thank all of you UNL Emeriti and Retiree Association members for your interest and support during 2017.

Julie Johnson did an outstanding job as president, providing direction and leadership as we expanded our membership to include all UNL retirees. The members of the board of directors contributed time, ideas and resolve to work toward goals outlined in the 2017 Plan of Work, which led to a very successful year.

Our events were well attended, and Jeff Keown, our new vice president, has interesting programs planned for this coming year.

Dr. Donde A. Plowman, UNL executive vice chancellor and chief academic officer, talked about UNL and its future on January 18, and Kim Hichiya, retired University Communications, will be our speaker on February 20. She will speak on the Japanese American Internment and UNL.

Coffee Chats continue, thanks to Rita and Don Weeks. We had a successful coffee at the Mill in January and a Valentine's Day party in February. Note the following dates and locations for other social gatherings:

April 11, 9:30 a.m. Coffee, Haymarket Courtyard (808 P Street)

May 9, 9:30 a.m. Coffee, outside deck at Wilderness Ridge

Plan to join Kay Rockwell and Doug Zatechka on Friday, March 23, at 9 a.m. for coffee, followed by a tour at 9:30 a.m. of UNL Cather Dining Complex and upscale student residences. (See page 7 for driving directions and details).

The board joins me in thanking you for your continued support. We are finalizing our 2018 Plan of Work and will share it with you on our website.

Your thoughts and ideas for the organization are important to us. Please don't hesitate to contact me at [rkean1@unl.edu](mailto:rkean1@unl.edu).

Rita Kean, president



**Rita Kean, President**

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## Plowman says 'dreams' identify an institution

That was the theme of Donde Plowman's presentation to the January meeting of the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association. Plowman, executive vice chancellor and chief academic officer, said dreams reveal the passion, emotion and story an institution has and wants to share.

Previously the dean of the UNL College of Business, Plowman said she had asked that college's faculty what they wished for their college. They identified their dream as a "world-class business college" – and Plowman challenged them to "help build it."

The dream came to fruition in a number of ways. Student enrollment increased from 3,710 to 4,500. Faculty grew from 67 to 122. And the college moved from 72<sup>nd</sup> place to 42<sup>nd</sup> place in the U.S. News and World Report rankings of business schools.

Perhaps most obviously, the college moved last fall into a new building constructed with private funds. Plowman said one of the few regrets she had about accepting the job as vice chancellor was that she never got to move into the new building and enjoy the dean's office – which is much nicer than the one she has in the administration building.

Now that she is on a bigger stage and has a bigger bullhorn, Plowman said, she continues to dream for UNL – that it will raise its profile, increase its impact and become the nation's best land-grant university for the student experience.

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Retirees listen intently to Plowman's presentation.

## Boehm praises present, future of IANR

Current achievements and potential for the future of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources were Mike Boehm's topic when he spoke October 17, 2017, to the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association. Boehm stressed that agricultural, food, natural resources, environmental and human sciences play a major role not only in Nebraska but also around the world.

"By focusing on the success of our people," Boehm said, "by being accessible, equitable, diverse and inclusive and by being an engaged university through authentic partnerships, we will make a difference in the world."

Boehm said enrollment in the College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resources, part of IANR, has increased dramatically – from 1,600 students in 2004 to more than 3,000 students in 2017.

He talked about the new Massengale Residential Center that opened in fall 2017 on East Campus. Offering 370 beds in a mix of traditional and apartment-style units, the new residential center is named in honor of Martin Massengale, a former president of the University of Nebraska, former chancellor of UNL and former vice chancellor for IANR, and his wife, Ruth.

Boehm said IANR's research expenditure increased to more than \$150 million in 2016, accounting for almost half of UNL's total research expenditure. He said the addition of the Veterinary Diagnostic Center is a major boost for IANR as is the Nebraska Food and Health Center located on Innovation Campus.

Boehm stressed the importance of outreach and engagement, offering two examples of programs that have made a significant impact:

- The West Central Research and Extension Center Field Day held in partnership with the Nebraska Water Balance Alliance.
- The 4-H National Youth Science Day, which featured Nebraska 4-H working with youth across the continental U.S. and Puerto Rico, designing fitness trackers to increase interest in careers in science, technology, engineering and math.

The vice chancellor spoke of six collaborative communities he said are critical to IANR's mission: Science Literacy, Stress Biology, Healthy Humans, Healthy Systems for Agricultural Production and Natural Resources, Computational Sciences and Drivers of Economic Vitality for Nebraska.

Boehm invited all association members to participate in November's Growing Nebraska Summit, an interactive conference focused on building partnerships to find sustainable and creative solutions to critical issues in Nebraska. Videos of the event are at <https://ianr.unl.edu/ianr-fall-conference#videos>.

*By Rita Kean*



### **Mike Boehm, Vice President and Harlan Vice Chancellor of Agriculture and Natural Resources**

Boehm began his dual appointment in January 2017. Before joining UNL, Boehm was a professor of plant pathology and vice provost for academic and strategic planning at The Ohio State University.

The vice chancellor is an authority on the integrated management of turf grass diseases and focuses on the biology, ecology and management of fungal diseases. He holds five U.S. patents and 15 international patents in the area of Fusarium head blight, a disease that affects wheat. He served as president of the American Phytopathological Society in 2013.

IANR is composed of 16 academic units: three colleges, 12 academic departments, three research and extension centers and 83 county extension offices serving all 93 Nebraska counties. IANR is responsible for more than 40,000 acres of land used for teaching, research and outreach throughout Nebraska and employs 1,700 faculty and staff.



**John Woollam**

### ***'Dreams' continued from page 2***

Following her formal presentation, Plowman addressed audience questions concerning the proposed budget cuts in the governor's budget sent to the Legislature. She said if the Legislature adopts the governor's budget recommendation as is, it would likely result in a smaller student enrollment, a reduction in faculty and deletion of selected program offerings. In addition, an increase in tuition would be likely. She said the university must work with the legislature as budget decisions are reached.

*By John Bernthal*

*Woollam explains his dual career:*

## **How to develop an ellipsometry company while doing full-time faculty work**

John Woollam described the long process he followed to build a successful company while he was still a UNL faculty member when he spoke to the Emeriti and Retirees Association luncheon on Nov. 16.

Woollam, the George Holmes distinguished professor of electrical engineering, founded the J. A. Woollam Company. The firm is now an international leader in the manufacture and sales of ellipsometers, optical devices that permit the characterization of thin films and solid materials important in nearly all of today's modern technologies.

When Woollam joined the UNL faculty, Professor Nickolas Bashara was a leading international figure in the field of ellipsometry. Woollam learned that UNL had a long history of expertise in the field, beginning with Dewitt Bristol Brace, the founder of both the Physics and Electrical Engineering Departments in the late 1800s.

When Bashara retired, Woollam recognized that a continued emphasis in ellipsometry would be a big positive for UNL. He set out to become an expert in the field while also continuing a successful research program in condensed matter physics.

Woollam said he realized that with computers, other modern electronics and new broad-band optical detector arrays, the rate of ellipsometry data accumulation and analysis could be increased remarkably, making it an even more effective tool for research on and the development of new nanoscale materials.

With help from graduate and undergraduate assistants and with grants from the government-sponsored Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer programs, Woollam was able to develop and eventually market some of the best optical instruments in the world. The J. A. Woollam Company now has 60 full-time employees, nearly all of whom are UNL graduates.

The firm, with John Woollam as CEO and president, has its worldwide headquarters in Lincoln's Haymarket. It manufactures and sells ellipsometry instruments that cover the infrared, optical and ultraviolet regions of the spectrum to research and industrial facilities around the globe.

*By Roger Kirby*

## Let's face it. We won't live forever.

That's why estate planning is so important and why retirees are interested in "doing it right." We owe our thanks for the tips listed below to Andrew M. Loudon from the Baylor Evnen law firm. We have copied these tips from his publication with his permission.

### "The Top 10 Mistakes Made in Estate Planning"

#### **Mistake #10: No planning at all**

Only 41 percent of Americans have an estate plan in place. Unfortunately, failing to have an estate plan means that the court system and state statutes will govern where an estate goes when someone dies, leading to unnecessary probate proceedings, fights over who may serve as executor or personal representative and unnecessary taxes and fees.

#### **Mistake #9: Waiting until the last minute to plan**

Unfortunately, we often receive phone calls from folks who have received a bad diagnosis and / or know that they are going to pass away. This is an extremely stressful time and the wrong time to plan your estate. The best time to plan an estate is when you are healthy and can make clear decisions.

#### **Mistake #8: Failure to update your estate plan**

Many clients we meet with have not updated their plan in 10, 20, or even 30 years! Life happens, and circumstances change dramatically. Perhaps one of your children has gone through a divorce, or a loved one of yours has passed. Failure to update the plan could mean that it will not work how you desire it to at the time of your death. Federal and state laws have changed dramatically in the last 15 years, and your estate plan may be unnecessarily complicated or just out of date.

#### **Mistake #7: Forgetting about your "stuff" (i.e., personal property)**

When we work with individuals on estate planning, we plan for disposition of tangible personal property. Where do items such as jewelry, fire arms, art work and family heirlooms go when you die? Sadly, I have learned that the number one reason family members fight after a loved one dies is over belongings. By properly using a laundry list, you can ensure that it is less likely your children will fight over your "stuff" when you pass away.

#### **Mistake #6: Failing to plan for special needs**

If one of the beneficiaries of your estate plan has a special need, such as a mental health problem or a disability that renders them dependent upon the government for their support, leaving money to the special needs individual through your estate may be a mistake because you might disqualify them from receiving those benefits. In these circumstances, you should have a "special needs trust" receive the money for the benefit for the special needs individual, in a manner not disqualifying them from receiving government benefits.

#### **Mistake #5: Failure to avoid probate**

Most of our clients wish to avoid probate, by using revocable living trusts and other probate avoidance measures. However, if the trust is not utilized and funded correctly, an unintentional probate may happen. If you own more than \$50,000 worth of property outside of your trust, your estate will still have to be probated. If you have a trust, it is important to use it. If you are not sure that you have structured assets properly to avoid probate, please seek help from a professional.

#### **Mistake #4: Failure to safely keep original estate planning documents**

It is important for you and your personal representative or trustee know where your original estate planning documents are and that your representative has access to them. Several times a year, we receive a call from clients who have lost their documents and do not have copies of them. As it relates to financial documents, one must be very careful in providing copies to anyone other than the named fiduciaries. On health care documents, it is very important that everyone named in the document has a copy of the healthcare power of attorney, as well as your treating physician and the hospital to which you are most likely to be admitted.

## **Top Ten Mistakes continued**

### **Mistake #3: Failure to plan for long-term care**

The cost of long-term care continues to skyrocket, and many Baby Boomers have not done adequate planning for paying for long-term care. There are several strategies, including gifting and irrevocable trusts, which can be effective in helping ease the burden of spending down most of one's assets to pay for long-term care towards the end of life. The standard look back period is five years, so the sooner that one plans for long-term care costs, including consideration of long-term care insurance, the better.

### **Mistake #2: Naming the wrong people as your decision makers after you die**

Not enough thought is given as to whom will be in charge of your estate after you pass away. It is important that these individuals be trustworthy, not procrastinators and have the time to carry out your wishes. Unfortunately, childhood jealousies and rivalries arise after parents pass away, and naming your child to be your personal representative or trustee may not be the best idea for your estate plan. We often recommend clients remove the family dynamics and the burden of the hundreds of hours that it takes to serve as personal representative or trustee and name an independent trust company or bank trust department to serve as the personal representative or trustee after you die. This is an excellent choice for many of our clients and should be considered.

### **Mistake #1: Failure to review beneficiary designations**

Did you know that your beneficiary designations on life insurance, retirement accounts, annuities, and any banking or investment account that has a beneficiary are more powerful than your will or trust? In other words, it does not matter what your will or trust states if your beneficiary designations do not align. It is necessary to review your beneficiary designations with your financial advisor, accountant, trustee or estate planning attorney to ensure they work in conjunction with your estate plan.

## **Thoughts for today and tomorrow**

*"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." Martin Luther King, Jr.*

*"Peace is not something you wish for; it is something you make, something you are, something you do, and something you give away." Robert Fulghum*

*Worrying won't stop the bad stuff from happening. It just stops you from enjoying the good.*

*Author Unknown*

*For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others." Nelson Mandela*

*Right actions in the future are the best apologies for bad actions in the past. Tyron Edwards*

*Sometimes you will never know the value of something until it becomes a memory. Dr. Seuss*

# Upcoming Events

## Luncheons

*If you have changed your email address in the past few months, please send your new email address to [rkirby1@unl.edu](mailto:rkirby1@unl.edu) so the list can be updated*

**February 20, 2018** — *Japanese American Internment and UNL*— Kim Hachiya, retired University Communications

**March 20, 2018** — *Drones and the First Amendment* —Matt Waite, Journalism and Mass Communications

**April 19, 2018** — *21st Century Technologies for Agricultural Production Systems* —Dr. Joe Luck, associate professor and extension specialist, Biological Engineering

**May 2018** (date to be announced) *President's Luncheon*

**September 2018** (date to be announced) *Foundation Luncheon*

**October 16, 2018** — to be announced

**November 15, 2018** — to be announced



## Coffee House Chats and Tours

*We hope to see you there!*



**Friday, March 23**

9 a.m. You are invited for a complementary coffee, juice and pastry at the Cather Dining Complex (drive north on 17th Street to R Street, right on R, then left on 19th, and then take the second left into the large parking lot).

9:30 a.m. tour of suite style residences

If coming, RSVP by March 21 to Kay Rockwell ([krockwell1@unl.edu](mailto:krockwell1@unl.edu)).

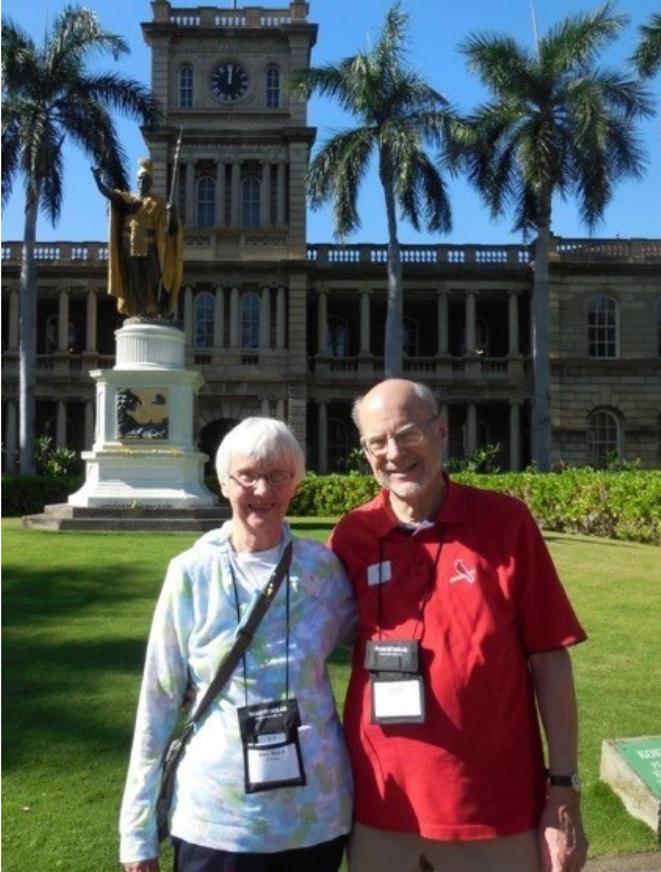
**Wednesday, April 11**

9:30 a.m. Coffee, Haymarket Courtyard (808 P Street); alternative in case of inclement weather will be Crescent Moon Coffee Shop (under Ten Thousand Villages at 8th and P Street)

**Wednesday, May 9**

9:30 a.m. Coffee, outside deck at Wilderness Ridge

## Life After Retirement — What are they doing now?



### **Emeritus Profile — Jerry Petr**

Motivated by the consideration that I valued time more than money, I was an “early retiree” from the Department of Economics in 2001. I haven’t regretted that choice.

My objectives in retirement were to broaden my understanding and experience of the world and to participate in the young lives of our grandchildren. Mary Ann and I have worked toward those goals via OLLI, travel, and many family activities.

OLLI has been a rich retirement experience. I’ve been able to contribute a bit to curriculum development, helping to develop courses as disparate as “Baseball” and “Economic Inequality.” In a few instances, I’ve taught in the program; more frequently, I’ve been an eager learner in courses on history, art, psychology, politics, international affairs, astronomy and more.

I even indulged my musical curiosity by completing a six-week course on playing the violin. It culminated with

presentation of a group recital. That was an experience I’d missed in 35 years in the College of Business Administration.

OLLI is a terrific vehicle to allow retirees to continue to participate in the world of teaching and learning (and to keep us off the street.) And it’s true that “curiosity never retires.”

OLLI has been much more than a platform for varied short courses. OLLI’s RadioActive Players gave me the opportunity to perform on stage at the Playhouse in “Destiny of the Republic.” (Of course, this was a reader’s theater version, permitting script in hand.) And the OLLI travel program has taken us, with friends, to western National Parks, the Pacific Northwest, a Seine River cruise, a Panama Canal exploration and several trips around Nebraska. One of the finest results of the OLLI experience has been the formation of a new social community to replace the workplace community given up at the time of retirement.

For many years, Mary Ann and I had the joy of inviting small groups of our grandchildren to join us for a travel adventure for a couple of summer weeks. Such trips took us to Yellowstone Park, the Black Hills, Mesa Verde, Chicago, Kansas City, presidential libraries and a “Daniel Boone” experience with Road Scholar in Kentucky. Great fun, which we hope the kids enjoyed even half as much as we did. A “cherry on the sundae” of our grandchild travels will be a spring 2018 trip to visit a grandson experiencing a university semester abroad in Prague.

We’ve become fans of Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel) and have completed about a dozen educational trips with other retirees that have taken us to Cuba, Costa Rica, Hawaii, Rhine River, and Iceland, as well as the Chicago Art Institute, San Francisco, San Antonio, northern Florida and hiking in the desert southwest and in Death Valley.

So, all in all, we’ve been able to continue our educational interests, on our own terms, and to become much better acquainted with eight grandchildren. We’ve spoken with people who report that they “flunked retirement.” I like to think that, while our standing is currently “incomplete,” we are passing the course and look forward to future lessons.

## Life After Retirement — What are they doing now?



### Emeritus Profile — Ted Pardy

Though I wasn't planning on retirement, I retired in 2010 in response to the first professor buyout. Though it seemed like a good idea at the time, I've discovered that retirement is a process, not an event, and I am still not quite through it.

The genesis of my present preoccupation with art through watercolor actually began in Germany where Ann and I visited three times for extended stays. I was a visiting scientist and the recipient of the generosity of the Forschungszentrum Borstel, a research institute, which provided us a small apartment and a remarkable collaboration with a talented senior research professor.

The laboratory was located in farming country, and our apartment overlooked a lush, German farmstead. As we know, foreign travel has a way of opening the mind. Over morning coffee I began to doodle and then attempted serious drawing attempts at portraying this nearby farm and its various outbuildings. Colored pencils, oil pastels and a kid's watercolor set soon followed. I was hooked.

Upon returning to Lincoln I took advantage of the staff tuition discount to take two drawing courses in UNL's art department. I actually enrolled for grades. (Based on my teaching experience, I am convinced that auditors and P/NP students never really "get into" a class.) But these classes provided a basic drawing foundation and revealed the problem-solving aspect of figurative and objective art. One of the instructors, who subsequently received a M.F.A. from Nebraska, remains a mentor and very helpful critic of my work.

In addition to attending painting workshops in Nebraska, Ann and I traveled to Maine and Florida to attend watercolor workshops presented by experts in the medium. We'd drive around the surrounding counties searching out interesting buildings and scenes, which I'd photograph. These photos provide the basis for my watercolor paintings.

True to academic form, I have amassed an art library of over 150 volumes devoted to drawing and watercolor in addition to subscriptions to art and watercolor magazines. Work has appeared in local galleries and coffee shops – and I have sold a couple of pieces. More than a retirement hobby, watercolor painting for me is major activity, and I am fortunate that Ann is so very supportive and encouraging.

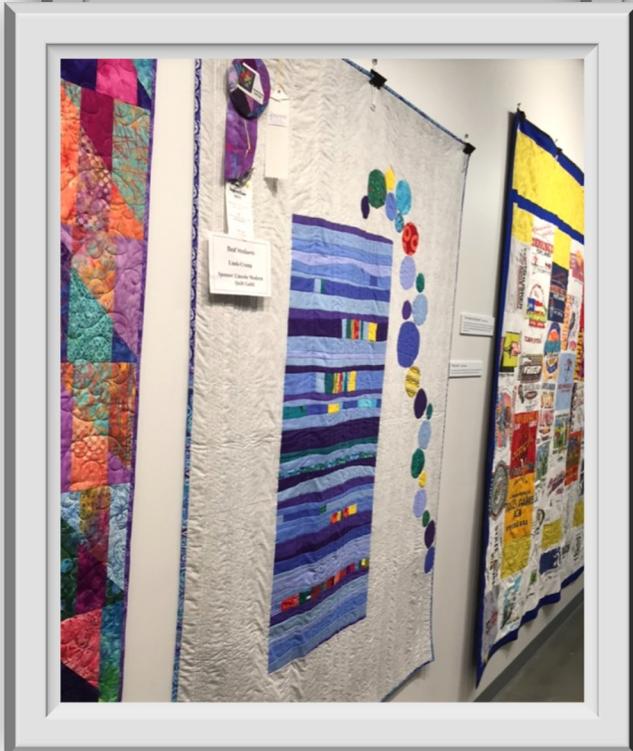
Ann continues to expand her gourmet cooking repertoire and is presently working her way through Lidia Bastianich's Italian cookbook. We both are OLLI members and take classes – sometimes together, sometimes solo, depending upon the subject. We travel to Florida a couple of times a year for extended stays to visit our son and family.

We spent several weeks in France where we rented an apartment in Pigalle. We wanted to experience living in a Paris neighborhood; it was all you could imagine. Our living room had those typical gigantic Paris windows which overlooked Montmartre and Sacre-Coeur. Life is good!

Note: Check out Dr. Ted Pardy's art at: <http://www.tedpardyart.com>



**Tour introduces members to high-tech equipment**



***Enjoying coffee and conversation before the tour.***

A long-arm quilting machine. A 3-D printer. Laser cutters.  
About 30 association members were introduced to these and other innovative devices during a November tour of the UNL makerspace at Nebraska Innovation Studio.

David Martin, director of the studio, said several business start-ups have developed their prototype products at the site, and about 800 people have joined the makerspace for various periods of time since the studio opened in October 2015. About 200 people are active now, using devices like those above as well as a computer-controlled router, pottery wheels, and advanced design software.

A complete list of the equipment and tools available is at the studio's website: <https://innovationstudio.unl.edu/equipment>. The website also includes the fee schedule for the makerspace. Retired UNL faculty and staff can join for \$40 per month.

All the studio's equipment and tools are available to fee-paying members without any additional charges, but members must either bring their materials or purchase them from the studio. Training is required for those wishing to use major equipment like the 3-D printers.

The association members attending the November 7 event met for coffee at The Mill on Innovation Campus before the tour.

If you missed the association's event but would like to like to see the facility, you can register for a tour at the Innovation Studio website.



## Awards and Recognitions

### Two new awards, one grant program available for association members

Two new service awards for members of the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association are open for nominations.

The association board approved an award for Outstanding Community Service and another for Outstanding Service to UNL. The board also reinstated the research, scholarly and creative activity award.

All three awards are funded by the Maude E. Wisherd Fund at the University of Nebraska Foundation.

The award for Outstanding Community Service will consider service by those who share their time and talents with groups that have a positive impact on the community: governmental committees, boards or agencies; educational systems; community improvement associations; community service organizations; charitable organizations; and arts organizations.

The award for Outstanding Service to UNL will consider service to UNL-affiliated organizations that have a positive impact on the university and will include: service to academic departments; mentoring students; serving on advisory boards and search committees; advising student organizations; serving as ushers or docents; serving affiliated support organizations such as the alumni association, UNL friends organizations and others.

The Maude E. Wisherd Fund provides \$400 to the winner of each of these new awards. The association's goals for the awards are to focus attention on retirees' volunteer work, promote the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association, and encourage other retirees to consider ways they might be of service to their community.

In addition, current members of the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association may apply for a Wisherd Award for Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities. The fund will provide a grant up to \$2,000 for award winners. The grant may be used to support: continued work on research projects; creative scholarly work; research and publication costs associated with writing a book; organizing or writing the history of a department or college; creative projects related to the community or the university.

More information about these awards is available on the association's website: <https://emeriti.unl.edu/wisherd-awards>. Applications must be postmarked by March 1 and should be sent to: UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association, Wick Alumni Center, Chair of Awards Selection Committee, 1520 R Street, Lincoln NE 68508.

Questions about the awards can be directed to awards co-chairs Pat Crews ([pcrews1@unl.edu](mailto:pcrews1@unl.edu)) or Al Seagren ([aseagren1@unl.edu](mailto:aseagren1@unl.edu)).

### Invite a former colleague to join our association

Do you know others who have officially retired from UNL (age 55 with at least 10 years of service)?

Invite them to join. Go to: <http://www.emeriti.unl.edu>; then click on *Become a Member* and complete the online application.

**Do it today!**



## Partnership with OLLI opens courses to association members

Even if you are not an OLLI member, you can enroll in two co-sponsored courses or events per year if you belong to the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association.

Thanks to a new partnership with the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute – OLLI at UNL – Emeriti and Retirees Association members will be able to take two designated OLLI courses each year for just the charged fee. Julie Johnson, immediate past president, said the association's leaders are excited about this new opportunity.

Watch for information from the association about the co-sponsored courses and events. Specifics about a course on UNL history, to be offered this spring, will be coming soon via an email from the association. Registration begins March 1.

OLLI is a program for adults age 50 years plus who value lifelong learning and social interactions. OLLI offers non-credit courses, events and travel to its members. OLLI members say they enjoy the opportunities to keep on learning and also appreciate connecting with peers who share common interests – and making new friends.

For more about OLLI membership benefits and costs, see the organization's website ([www.ollu.unl.edu](http://www.ollu.unl.edu)) or contact the office directly: 402-472-6265 or [ollu@unl.edu](mailto:ollu@unl.edu)

## Members invited to be part of First Generation Nebraska

Emeriti and retirees have been invited to participate in First Generation Nebraska activities. The initiative is designed to link first-generation college students with faculty, staff and emeriti who share a similar academic experience with the goal of making the UNL campus more "first generation friendly."

Acknowledging first-generation status as part of one's identity might seem a small thing, but it can be critical to students' success to know other individuals who can relate to the particular challenges they might be facing said Senior Associate Vice Chancellor and Dean of Undergraduate Education Amy Goodburn.

Email Danielle McReil at [danielle.mcreil@unl.edu](mailto:danielle.mcreil@unl.edu) to sign up for the mailing list. You will receive the First Generation Nebraska Button and will be invited to participate in social events with first generation students and workshops focused on how to meet the needs of students in and outside of the classroom.

First Generation retirees are invited to a coffee chat on Thursday, March 1, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. with Dr. Elvira Abrica, assistant professor in the College of Education and Human Sciences, in Cather Dining Hall.

## ***Memory Moments***

The UNL Emeriti and Retiree Association Board mindfully watches obituaries and posts information on the website regarding deceased emeriti and retirees who are honored with a moment of silence at luncheon meetings. In addition, the university provides the association with names of the deceased. The following names were announced or received in 2017.

A. Birk Adams, College of Dentistry

LuAnne Rose Anderson, Modern Languages

John L. Ballard, School of Biological Sciences

Don Benning, Educational Administration

Cal Bentz, Athletics

Michael Boosalis, Plant Pathology

Raymond Lester Borchers, Biochemistry and Nutrition

Mary Bree, Teachers College

Lester L. Burnham, Extension

Catherine Elaine Cave, Food Stores

Glenna Chamberlin

Michael R. Cook, Chemistry

Mari Lynn Crispin, Coordinator of Continuing Legal Education, College of Law

Dorothy Joan Day, Health Center

Leroy "Butch" DeVries, Bob Devaney Sports Center

Daniel L. Dilla, Event Staff

Thomas Wesley Dorn, Extension

Allen Edison, Electrical Engineering

Franklin Eldridge, Animal Science

Bob Elliott, Athletics

Deanna Lea Eversoll, Human Development and the Family, SAGE/OLLI

Loyd Kari Fischer, Agricultural Economics

M. Marie Fischer, Community and Regional Planning

Patience Fisher, Teaching, Learning & Teacher Education

Jay B. Fitzgerald, Horticulture

Albert Dale Flowerday, Northeast Experiment Station, Agronomy

Juan Franco, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Glenn Froning, Food Science and Technology

Gay Gallop, spouse of Gordon, Professor of Chemistry

Joan Gieseke, Library

Charles M. Godwin, Teaching, Learning and Teacher Education

Violetta Haddal, Textiles, Clothing and Design

Robert John Hardy, Physics

John Hawkins, Transportation Services

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## ***Memory Moments continued***

Jacqueline I. Heelan, Arts & Sciences

Ramona L. Heins, Extension

Helen L. Hiatt, Multicultural Affairs

John Alonzo "Papo" Hill, Agriculture

Jean Holtzclaw, spouse of Henry, Chemistry, Dean of Graduate Studies

Clinton A. Hoover, Nebraska Center for Continuing Education, Extension

Bruce Horswill, Athletics

Vonnie L. Ives, Custodial Services

Maxine R. Jennings, Athletic Ticket Office

Ron Joekel, Educational Administration

Janet Kay (Longsine) John, UNMC College of Dentistry

Betty Johnson, International Education Services

Jerre L. Johnson, Vet & Biomedical Sciences

Lawrence S. Kohel, UNL Event Staff

Bruce Edward Kopplin, Geography

Charlotte Mae Kramer, Nebraska Alumni Association

Anita Leininger, Ag Leadership Education and Communications

Karl Kuivinen, Polar Research

Richard Allen Lewis, Campus Bookstore

Peteris Lipins, Institutional Research

Joseph Neal Luther, Architecture

Melvin Earnest Lyon, English

Eugene Larson Martin, Microbiology

Stan Matzke, Agriculture

Hazel Lee Miller, College of Dentistry

Daniela Aileen O'Keefe, Horticulture

Max Poole, Educational Administration,

Nancy Algene Porter, University of Nebraska Press

Melvin "Mel" R. Price, Event Staff

Keith W. Prichard, Teaching, Learning, and Teacher Education

Kenneth Pruess, Entomology, North Platte Experiment Station

Ivan Thomas Rathbone, Engineer

Robert H. Raymond, Accounting

Raymond "Ray" Edwin Records, UNMC

Debra Marie Roadway, College of Dentistry, Agronomy

Leon Rottman, Family Studies

Mary Louise Rule, Animal Science

William (Bill) Saunders, Purchasing Department

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## Halloween Fun



## Members Tour Adele Coryell Hall Learning Commons

The association's fall tour was to the Adele Coryell Hall Learning Commons, a place where students can collaborate 24 hours a day.

It was designed to accommodate and promote intensive study and allow for cross-disciplinary connections between students and faculty in a technology-rich environment.



The space includes a Dunkin' Donuts coffee and baked goods café and 18 private study rooms. It can accommodate 500 people at a time and has an outdoor plaza with additional seating. The space includes movable furniture, computer stations, wireless internet access and charging stations. Oversize windows provide a light and welcoming atmosphere.



The facility was made possible by the family of Donald J. Hall, chairman of Hallmark Cards, Inc. in memory of the late Adele Coryell Hall, a Lincoln native and lifelong Husker who graduated from UNL in 1953. Another gift was made by Kit and Dick Schmoker, both graduates of UNL.

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