Greetings from your co-chairs!

*In this mailing* you will find the latest edition of the UNIA newsletter, the new alumni directory and an invitation to the spring luncheon.

Bill Waack, the newsletter editor, has again put together an interesting and informative newsletter. We wish to thank Bill for his continuing efforts and to thank those of you who sent information on your recent activities.

Virginia Shukling, along with assistance from alumni John Buhu and John Cross, has done a fine job in updating the directory. Since the directory is updated only every other year, it is important for you to forward any needed changes to Virginia (her address is to be found in the leadership column). This directory, along with noted changes, is used to produce the alumni Faculty section of the university telephone directory each year.

Chairman Judy Harrington and Elaine Kahl are moving along with plans for this year's spring luncheon. As you noted, this year we are moving back on campus to the Senior Commons Ballroom after a few years of having the luncheon off campus.

We want to thank all of the above persons for their work for the association. We want to remind you of our monthly luncheons at the Holiday Inn. We always meet for a soup and salad buffet on the first Wednesdays of the month at 11:45 a.m. It is a good chance to visit with former colleagues and to get an update on campus affairs with an occasional short program.

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On the move

By Patricia Geedelmann with Morris Mikkelsen

Over the past few years, several departments and offices have been relocated on the UNI campus. A summary of recent and planned changes is listed below. As we go to press, however, that the Student Services Center, an integrated one-stop shop for services to students, has moved to the center of campus. This includes the offices of the Vice President for Educational and Student Services (from the Old Multicultural House), Career Services (from the Old Multicultural House), and the Registrar's Office (from the Old Multicultural House). The Student Services Center is now located in the Old Multicultural House.

A large portion of Gilbert Hall has been reconfigured to serve as the Old Multicultural House. The new space includes a large lounge area, a conference room, a study area, and an office for the dean of students.

The Old Multicultural House has been vacated and is now used as a temporary office location for several departments.

In the future, the Old Multicultural House will be used as a temporary office location for several departments.

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50 Years Ago From the College Eye

March 4, 1956

*Departments to Move Next Friday*

Beginning at noon March 8, the big move begins as six departments move into new locations. The departments involved are Social Science, Earth Science, Business Education, Education, Music, Languages, Speech and Literature should be in their new locations before March 13.

The first to move will be the Social Science department as it acquires the third and part of the second floor of the partially renovated Old Campus School. The Social Science department will then move into the classrooms in the Old Campus School. The move will be completed by March 13.

Classes that were formerly in the Old Campus School are being moved; music classes into the annex and the art classes into the A & I building.

Later in the spring when the Old Campus School has been completely renovated, the Business Education department will move into the first and basement floors.

Plans are being made for changing the name from Old Campus School to something else. In December the school published in "The Alumni" a survey of possible names for certain buildings on campus. When the survey is complete the Old Campus School will have a new name, but until that time it will remain the Old Campus School.
Feedback...

Murray and Kitty Austin
(Jacksonville, Florida)

It has been several years since Kitty and I left CP and UNI for warmer climates. We first moved to The Villages, a senior’s community south of Orlando and north of Ocala. We found that “Jurassic Park” was not for us, in spite of all the golf courses. Besides, we were planning on spending six months (or more) in Scotland each year, so a condo would be much more practical. We looked around Florida and found Jacksonville met our needs very well (Mayo is here too).

We now split our time between North Berwick, Scotland (16 miles from Edinburgh), and Jacksonville. I play tennis and read. Both of us play golf in Jax, and we also both play a lot of golf in Scotland. We belong to three Scottish clubs (Tantallon [me] and North Berwick [Kitty], Dunbar and Craigielaw [both]). The latter is the home course of Lloyd Salzman, who was the low amateur at the 2008 British Open (and a Walker Cupper). Last year we visited the Alsace region of France (wine tasting), Baden Baden and Heidelberg. This summer we plan to tour the Lune Valley sampling wines as we go.

I still run three Web-based courses through UNI’s Extension Division. We would welcome visits to either of our homes, especially if golf is involved. My e-mail address is: scott@jllen@rccmail.net. We are in Florida from mid-October to early April and in Scotland the rest of the year.

Hugh and Lynn Beykirch
(Green Valley, Arizona)

When last we wrote, I shared my first-year retirement experiences. At the time, we were living in the High Country of Colorado. Our move to Green Valley, Arizona, was intended to be an attempt to retire from “retirement”—we were involved in far too many volunteer obligations. The relocation to the sunny Southwest was good for my creative soul. The brilliance of the sun-drenched landscape has changed my palette and my style of painting. Instead of winter scenes in transparent watercolors, I work in large, acrylic abstractions that have found their way into the Tuscon Center for the Arts and other showings.

These days I am actively involved with five different art groups and take the time to meet with a writing group one evening a week. Between painting and writing, we manage to do a little traveling. Last year we visited China, Scandinavia and Russia among other places.

Life is full, and life is good.

Bruce Chidester
(Branson, Missouri)

Karen and I have been blessed with another year of exciting and rewarding activities in Branson, Missouri. The fishing and boating on beautiful Table Rock Lake are out of this world, as is the back Missouri life style. I have been more active in the shows and enjoyed playing for Bobby Vinton this past December. I also have been involved with the formation of a new brass group called The Rocco Trio. Most of our performances are for local schools as well as the College of the Ozarks in the Branson area.

Branson has also been inspirational to my literary side, for I have written two books and I’m currently working on two short stories as well as a children’s book. Sure beats practicing trumpet!

Our family has expanded to include four grandchildren, and there is no better place to keep your grandkids entertained than in Branson.

Lee Courtoise
(Albuquerque, New Mexico)

Life in retirement has been kind to us here in New Mexico. Constant sunshine keeps the shine shining. My volunteer work is rewarding. I am a volunteer for the Veterans History Project. This involves recording the oral military histories of veterans of WW II. Korea, Vietnam and other conflicts. Teaching Windows XP classes for the senior centers in Albuquerque is another satisfying work project. Cruises and other trips keep the entertainment flowing.

Jo Ann Cummings
(Green Valley, Arizona)

We sold our acreage in Fitchford the first part of August, 2006. We then headed to our new home in Green Valley, Arizona. Selling our Fitchford house and all the furniture in it kept us very busy throughout the spring and summer. Then we continued to be busy once we got here, as we had to buy all new furniture. We’re still working on that, but we’re managing to enjoy doing a lot of other things too! We’ll miss much about the university and Cedar Falls, but we love it here in Green Valley, and we love our new house.

Lee Freyen
(Cedar Falls, Iowa)

I was ordained as a permanent deacon for the Archdiocese of Dubuque in 1988. Previously I had been active in a variety of activities at St. Stephen the Witness-Catholic Student Center, Cedar Falls. Serving as a deacon at the student center expanded my involvement to include presiding at baptisms, witnessing marriages and officiating at wake services and funerals. I also can preach and assist at the altar. I had envisioned this ministry to become a primary purpose during my retirement. I did not foresee how my academic background would extend my involvement beyond the Student Center.

I was appointed to the Diocesan Formation Board and made assistant director for Formation less than a month after I was ordained. In this capacity I have been responsible for designing the curriculum, securing the faculty and supervising the training of men preparing to be deacons in the archdiocese. In 1996, Archbishop Hanson invited me to become the director of the Office of the Permanent Deacon. I served in that position for five years, and I am now back serving as an assistant director with the same responsibilities I accepted in 1990. I will retire when the next class is ordained in the fall of 2007. I will continue to serve as a deacon at the student center.

I have begun to diversify myself with other volunteer activities. I recently resigned as co-director of the College Hill Arts Festival after serving in that capacity for nine years. I have just begun my second and last three-year term on the UNI Alumni Association board of directors. I have learned that volunteering can become an exhilarating way of life and a source of endless and rewarding growth. It is gratifying to work with so many talented, dedicated and fascinating people, many of them retirees. These individuals are helping to make life in the Cedar Valley something to relish and celebrate. I am grateful to be one of them.

Al Gilgen
(Cedar Falls, Iowa)

I continue to work on a book tentatively titled “21st Century American Psychology: Persistent and Recent Issues.” Using many Internet resources and ordering books via Amazon.com facilitate the project and, in fact, results in information overload. Right now, I have been wrestling with the question, “How has postmodernism (however defined) impacted American psychology?” It turns out that this issue involves a jumble of concepts including structuralism, post-structuralism, constructivism, existentialism, postmodernism, post positivism, discourse, discourse, hermeneutics, critical theory, cultural theory, political correctness, language policy, multiculturalism, many varieties of feminism and queer theory. It’s almost too much for my aging brain. I’ve decided that postmodernism has so far had little impact on American psychology, except to remind us that many hidden assumptions are buried in the things we do and the concepts we use. Send the an e-mail if you have ideas.
Robert Gish  
(Albuquerque, New Mexico)

I have a new book just out: "Westbound: Stories of Providence." So I write daily, mostly fiction. However, I also am a contributing editor to Jazz Improv magazine and The Bloomsbury Review and write articles and reviews there about music and literature respectively. I play guitar in a local jazz quintet. I started out in a rockabilly band in college, but in retirement I “matured” to jazz.

Judy is dancing again—tap and jazz—and knows more about computers and digital photography than you could imagine. We have five grandchildren, three grandsons here and two granddaughters in Portland. We travel often to Oregon and to California to see Arundel who is now married. Both of them work in the film industry as we get to see them an occasion.

Our UNI days (27 years) were good ones, and we have many fond memories of friends and times there (especially our neighbors there on Merner and Floral Court). The “educations” we all got there were priceless, and both the Lab and the university first-rate.

All best wishes and good luck!

Virginia Nash 
(Middleburg, Florida)

I continue to be involved with several volunteer activities. I develop and teach all laboratory experiences for grades K-4 for our neighborhood elementary schools. (About 750 kids and 27 teachers are involved.) The school has provided and equipped a laboratory for me, and on a rotating basis, each class and teacher comes to the lab. The teachers take care of all discipline and give the grades. I just teach and have fun. I must be doing something right because the entire school’s faculty has selected me as their “Senior Volunteer of the Year.” I also teach two ESL (English as a Second Language) classes each week.

My community activities include the presidency of the Clay County Heritage Coalition, public relations chair for the Jacksonville Alumni Parnell Club, and recording secretary for a FED chapter.

My husband and I too, we’re not crazy! We have recently purchased an abandoned, but beautiful, 5,000 square foot mansion near Gainesville, which we are having a lot of fun remodeling. Our oldest grandson, a junior at the University of Florida, lives there and enjoys all the space as well as the indoor swimming pool.

Ted and Grace Novet 
(Durham, North Carolina)

We moved last year from Fearrington Village, just south of Chapel Hill, NC, to the Forest at Duke in Durham, just north of Chapel Hill. We continue our research—currently a project on the Pulitzer Prize—novels and have published several articles. We are currently visiting scholars at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

We also travel occasionally to Europe, several to East Coast cities, and the Midwest. We are fortunate that a surprising number of people from the Midwest find their way to the southern part of heaven (as they say here) for visits.

Barbara Kratzenstein 
(San Diego, California)

Deciding to retire in San Diego is one of the best decisions I’ve ever made. I’m thrilled to be living in a city that provides an extraordinary abundance of cultural events and recreational activities, all against the backdrop of San Diego’s famous climate. I’ve joined the Osher Institute for Lifelong Learning at UC San Diego where we have lectures and discussions on all the things I’ve wanted to learn but didn’t have time for before. My involvement in things musical continues through my part-time job as a church musician and through my book on historical Mexican pipe organs (which is finally at the publisher’s desk). A highlight of 2008 was a trip to China and Tibet. As if that wasn’t enough, a wonderful man unexpectedly entered my life this year, so now I have a new partner for all these delightful activities. Who could ask for anything more?

Ray Kusel 
(Mesa, Arizona)

Fran and I continue to enjoy our winter months in Mesa, Arizona. The Valley of the Sun is experiencing one of the driest years on record.

My health has been good except for inflammation of the muscles. The cause has not been isolated. A mild medication gives me some relief. I exercise one hour a day, five days a week. I walk 30 minutes and then spend 20 minutes in the exercise room where I do aerobics and work out on different exercise machines. I also manage to keep busy with my lapidary and jewelry-making hobby.

Arizona problems are similar to those in most states. The major issues: money, taxes and education, along with border patrol (immigration).

Elizabeth Martin 
(Cedar Falls, Iowa)

The last few years of retirement have been enjoyed by catching up on good books on tape from the Iowa Department for the Blind and a couple of trips yearly to visit family in California.

The last six months have been difficult however. One of my 30-year-old artificial hips became infected and had to be removed. I spent four months at Windsor Care Center before the deep infection responded to antibiotics. I have been home since mid-December on a walker and in a wheelchair awaiting a call from the University of Iowa on a date to get a new hip.

I was finally able to use four of my tickets to the Salt Lake/Bluedorn.

Karl Olszewski 
(A-9900 Lenz, Austria)

Retirement can be a productive as a time for research. If you took teaching seriously, there was never enough time for extensive research and publication. (This could be easily verified by periodic student evaluations.)

Since 1990 I’ve been able to make up for it by co-editing two volumes of articles I had published nine books and editions before retirement. I have published 25 articles and read 54 papers during the past 15 years.

I also have taught courses as a guest professor or guest lecturer in Austria and the Czech Republic. Organizing conferences, workshops and seminars, also moderating sessions there, keeps me busy. It allows me, however, to exchange views with others in the field. For once there is enough time to do it. My main areas of research are linguistics with an emphasis on onomastics, foreign language teaching, language proficiency testing and comparative education.

Roy Sandstrom 
(Dunedin, Florida)

My wife, Judy, and I are enjoying retirement in Florida. We have made many new friends through duplicate bridge, the local symphony and ballroom dancing. We love the community, the weather and the lifestyle. Our health is good and our days filled with plenty of activity.

Allan Shickman 
(St. Louis, Missouri)

I have been using a portion of my retirement to write letters to the media on public affairs. On Feb. 13 my letter was read on NPR’s ‘All Things Considered.’ I have also published 11 letters in The New York Times in the last four years, and one in The Wall Street Journal. In addition, I have written a novel for which I
University Health Services (UHS) is comprised of the Student Health Clinic and Pharmacy, Counseling and Disability Services, and Wellness and Recreation Services. The UHS mission is "to lead the university in fostering a healthy personal, academic, and professional environment with programs and services that promote individual and organizational well-being." UHS operates upon a model that addresses the needs and interests of the campus community in a holistic manner (encompassing mind, body and spirit), with a focus on prevention and empowerment. With services that range from healthy fun to fitness to clinical care, UHS programs and services touch the lives of most members of the campus community.

The renovated and expanded Student Health Center brings the health clinic, pharmacy, Counseling Center and Disability Services into one facility for improved access and coordination of complementary services to the campus community. The new spaces and features of the facility now reflect the quality, expertise and dedication of its professional staff who are specialists in college health.

The new facility and its proximity to the Wellness/Recreation Center assists in providing the best in services to its clientele. Health educators, substance abuse and sexual assault specialists, counselors and medical care providers work collaboratively with individuals who struggle with eating disorders, addictions, mental health or physical health problems.

Not only are students better served, but faculty and staff benefit as well. The new pharmacy, located just inside the entrance, includes over-the-counter products that faculty and staff can purchase. International travel and flu immunizations also are available to faculty and staff.

The original Student Health Center was built in 1967 when the student population was 6,000. With a current population of 12,500 students, the renovation and expansion was long overdue and had been a vision of UHS leadership for more than a decade. The $3.5 million project was funded by students through a faculty fee assessed over 26 years and financially structured through a 20-year bond approved in 2005 by the Board of Regents, State of Iowa.

Students were involved in the construction project from start to finish by rallying student support, advocating for UNI administration and Regents support, developing design concepts and features, and planning the grand opening. The outcome is that use of the health clinic and Counseling Center has already significantly increased in the first few months of operation. Students have found the health center to be a welcoming and comfortable facility that is providing for their privacy and confidentiality, offering a wide variety of those services desired and necessary in the 21st century.

(Kathy Green serves as director of University Health Services.)
Bill Maucker, my neighbor and friend

By Bill Drier

My first connection with Bill Maucker came in his first year as president and my second year as a professor at Iowa State Teachers College. I had been asked to direct the 1951 Branch Summer School to be held in Southwest Iowa. After making some plans, I received an order from the Air Force Reserve to report to Montgomery Field, Ala., to change my inactive status to active, take a physical examination and participate in the Korean conflict.

Mary and I were the parents of three children, and I had already finished serving 50 months in World War II. In addition, I was very interested in carrying out my ISTC Branch Summer School assignment. President Maucker called me in and gave me a personally signed letter stating that I was needed at ISTC and requesting that my inactive status in the Air Force Reserve be continued. I went to Montgomery Field where the decision was made that I would remain inactive. The reason was not my bad back or the ISTC letter, but that I had four dependents: a wife and three children. I could be moved to active status only if I chose to do so. I chose to spend the summer of 1951 directing the Branch School at Missouri Valley. One of the highlights of that summer was the visit of President Maucker along with some faculty and community members.

Our family soon outgrew the barracks in Sunset Village with three children and another on the way. We were happy to find a large old house at 3004 College for rent. It was near the southeast entrance to the college. One of the first neighbors to visit us was Helga Maucker. She and Bill and their family lived just a block away. Helga insisted that we accept as a gift the hair clippers that had belonged to Bill's father. She also offered to teach Mary Ellen how to cut our sons' hair.

Needless to say, Mary Ellen learned the skill of cutting the children's hair, but she never was given the opportunity to apply her newly learned skills to her husband.

I recall that President Maucker continued a plan initiated by former President Price: a meeting with the Iowa Farm Bureau Women's Committee. This group evaluated the county nominations to select winners for the state scholarships given to those high school seniors wishing to become elementary teachers in the rural schools. After several years, President Maucker asked me to take this position, and subsequently I met annually with the committee during the next 20 years.

During the 1960s, George Holmes, director of public relations, directed a three-day summer workshop at which about 30 school superintendents were invited. In 1965, I was George's assistant; and I remember a comment made by Maucker. I had asked to be excused for a season, and the next day I returned to announce the birth of the Drier's fifth child. Maucker remarked to me and to all, "Bill, I know you are interested in the future growth of ISTC, but you and Mary Ellen don't have to do it all!"

Following his retirement, he left the Cedar Falls area for a number of years. When he returned, I began to see him more often. We knew his second wife and talked with them about our choice to live on the South Main Street campus of Western Home Communities. We were happy when they moved in, even though it was to the apartments north of us and in another building. We both attended the weekly Bible study, and I often took his place as chaplain when he was busy. We shared rides several times to the monthly emeritus meetings and to other activities, and he also enjoyed meeting with the men for coffee on Monday mornings. For more than 50 years, we were neighbors and friends.

(Drier is a professor emeritus in the Department of Educational Psychology and Foundations, College of Education.)
Yes, UNI, there WAS a Stadium Hall!

By Len Froyen

witnesses, Dick went to clean the floors in the Women’s Gym. His doubts about the time again were aroused when both hands on the Campanile clock pointed to the two. The Commons dining area was dark. The door to the gym was locked. Dick returned to Room 16 in Stadium Hall. He turned on the lights. He had the audacity to accuse his trustworthy family of changing the clock. He vowed to get back at each of us. He did, but there are four more stories.

Stories such as the one just related were the coin of the realm when 104 former residents and 72 wives returned to UNI for a one-time and one-of-a-kind Stadium Hall reunion during Homecoming Weekend, October 13-15, 2009. Several of the men who came were residents when the hall was opened in 1947. Its existence became necessary because residence hall space was not sufficient to accommodate the surge of veterans who were admitted to ISTC following WWII. Members of the freshmen class of 1961 claimed the distinction of being the last group to live Stadium Hall. Today, however, most people do not even realize there was a Stadium Hall, much less be able to imagine the living conditions there.

Imagine more than 100 men living under the bleachers of D.R. Latham Stadium! Each pair of rooms was entered from a raised platform, giving the long, vacant, cement hallway a prison-like appearance. Imagine further that each of the 22 rooms housed five men who slept on army issue bunk beds. Their clothing was distributed across a single wooden rack or deposited into eight dresser drawers. The under black walls provided little privacy. Shower facilities were adjacent to the dirt indoor track below the resident rooms. The football and track teams also used these facilities. Female students claimed Stadium Hall residents could be identified by a distinctive gymnasium-like odor. Nonetheless, the ill effects must not have been long lasting since most residents eventually married these women.

The returning alumni could have spent days telling stories at the 2009 reunion, but they still would not have exhausted the connections to their multifaceted pasts. Like members of a family, each person there could unlock those 22 rooms with a memorable story that originated there. They all came with keys to open a few doors. Members of the Stadium Hall family passed through the doorways to heartfelt happenings they could cherish and celebrate. Yet, UNI, there was a Stadium Hall when you were ISTC.

(Froyen is a professor emeritus in the Department of Educational Psychology and Foundations, College of Education. As a student at ISTC, he was one of the residents of Stadium Hall.)

Home. A word with powerful emotional appeal. The word draws our thoughts back to a familiar place. More importantly, we remember the people who occupied that space. Our hearts have provided the space to preserve the memories of the people who lived there, and we refer to them as our family. We can pay a visit to them by unlocking our hearts and dwelling on the stories that bring them back to life.

Home. Stadium Hall. Words laden with emotional appeal. Once a place, but not one to which we can return. However, it was a space occupied by people whom we can retrieve and put our arms around—people with whom we now can stand back and jointly look at one another as a prelude to asking, “Do you remember when…”

I remember that night in the fall of 1953 when Dick Stahl was sent to work two hours early. He suspiciously surveyed the clock at the end of the hall that hung just above the doorframe at the hallway exit. The clock accurately reported the time as 2 a.m. Dick did not trust it. He returned to check out his doubts. He got a flashlight out of the top drawer of his dresser. He went about the room checking each piece. He even shined the light on Bob Sharp’s wristwatch, which Bob had conveniently made sure was conspicuous exposed. Satisfied his roommates were reliable.
The future of dorm living: Perspectives

By Thomas Ryan

In the winter 2006 issue of UNI Today, C.J. Hines tells us that "The dorms they are a changin' - UNI meets needs for single rooms. She describes the transformation of Shull Hall from 408 double rooms to half that number of singles.

UNI converted Shull in response to the flight of at least 1,000 students from on-campus housing to other residences. The Shull residents that Hines interviewed all cited a desire for privacy as the most important reason they chose the renovated residence hall rather than a structure with double rooms.

Current Shull residents are not alone in their preference for single rooms. A far greater number of UNI students expressed the same desire when they moved into off-campus housing that provided even more privacy than any dormitory, as well as convenience not available at any university housing.

Almost all off-campus housing constructed in the last decade features apartments with four bedrooms, two full baths, a washer and dryer, a fully-equipped kitchen, trash, refrigerator, dishwasher, garbage disposal, cupboards, dining areas, cable TV and off-street parking. Cedar Falls requires all landlords in the College Hill neighborhood area to provide non-street parking. The newest mega structure (50 apartments) has met the requirement by putting its parking lot under the building.

Except for colleges and universities that require students to live on campus, institutions of higher education in every state face the problem confronting UNI: How can they persuade enough students to live in campus housing to generate the revenues needed to maintain the facilities?

Until recently, almost all college and university students accepted traditional campus housing patterns, just as most American children shared a bedroom with at least one sibling and a bath, perhaps two, with parents, brothers and sisters. College and university students of the early 21st century are much like Americans who purchase or build homes. They want at least one bedroom for each resident and as many, or almost as many, baths as bedrooms.

Institutions of higher education are stuck. Their residential facilities were planned for two-in-a-room. The bath/toilet facilities were designed for the residents in a given hallway. When UNI sold Shull, it offered single rooms and renovated restrooms, but the number of the latter did not change, nor did their distance from the rooms of those they are designed to serve.

Should UNI consider requiring at least some students to live in residence halls, perhaps those who have not yet achieved junior standing? How would students respond to such a proposal? Also, what might be the reaction to lower tuition rates for dormitory residents than for others? In examining the problems of dorm housing, there are some questions that may need to be addressed.

(Ryan is professor emeritus of history at UNI.)

COMING EVENTS

48th Annual Recognition Breakfast
Saturday, April 29, 2006
Maucker Union
Old Central Ballroom
8:15 a.m.

17th Annual UNI Emeritus Association Luncheon
Saturday, April 29, 2006
Stife (Commons) Ballroom
11:15 a.m.
Feedback...continued

hope to find a publisher, and I am working on an article about Pietter de Rooch, a Dutch painter of the 17th century.

Muriel Stone
(Surprise, Arizona)

Thanks for your note about the 2006 URREA News and the Feedback column. I guess I am so committed to activities that I don’t have time to write anything. I am working on three boards of directors for very different organizations but am enjoying it very much. Thank goodness, I rotate off one board, the Northwest Valley Illini Alumni Club, but I will remain active on the Sun Cities Chamber Music Society Board and Spirit of Grace Luther Church Congregation Council. Also I am playing in a chamber orchestra and a member of two trios plus a member of a valley-wide Sunday Classics Club where we are able to do solo performances. It’s a great life!

You might be interested, too, that Peggy Ishler and I live within just a few blocks of each other and that I now serve on the church council of which she is president. We are having a wonderful time.

Thomas H. Thompson
(Cedar Falls, Iowa)

Having now been retired for 12 years, I’m finding a life without external structure somewhat more normal, but I still miss job requirements. I’ve returned to a previous life by performing in the California Street Jazz Quartet, having spent undergraduate years as a music major and an occasional professional musician. We practice every Wednesday evening, and it also takes some time to find a decent read. I’ve also written a fair number of op-ed columns for the Waterloo Courier, substituting for veteran columnist Scott Cawelti. Leisure permits spending was too much time at the computer reading The New York Times. Being a member of a book club and of lunch groups is a help in keeping connected with colleagues. And I now find I have ample time to watch tennis on TV.

George Zucker
(Tampa, Florida)

Last winter was fun, having many guests from the frozen north. We regularly had breakfast on the patio, which felt almost sinful in February, but not sinful enough to stop doing it. There was a noticeable lack of visits from colleagues in Modern Languages, which I hope to have remedied this year.

During the summer I was gone from home for a week. Half of that time was spent in Spain with my grandson. (I taught at the UNISSID program in Santiago for three of those weeks.) Once back in the U.S., I took my oldest granddaughter on a trip to Philadelphia as she could see some of the earliest history of this country. Then, after a stop in the Kansas City area to play with my youngest granddaughter, I finally got back to Tampa. The coming summer should be similar. Just replace Spain with Mexico and Philadelphia with Boston.

I have become a courtesy faculty member of the Department of Religious Studies at the University of South Florida and am taking good advantage of their program, which allows seniors to take courses at no cost. It’s a good thing I live close to the campus! Unfortunately, my involvement there and in other places does not leave me much time to get into trouble.

Faculty

Ann Dunbar
(ED/Ed Psych & Foundations)

*Manuel Feakes
(HFA/Modern Languages)

Douglas Hieber
(Library)

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(ED/Teaching)

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(ED/HPELS)

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Alvin R. Sussoci
(SBS/History)

Paul R. Trotta
(NS/Mathematics)

Frank Vilmain
(NS/Physics)

Faculty Spouses

Virginia Marston Douglas (Lloyd)

Lavan Davis Thomson (Lee)

Friederike Tarr (John)

Ethel Winter (Leonard)

*Names inadvertently omitted from previous listings.

New Recorded Emeritus Members, 2005-06

Dr. Carl Bollwinkel (ED/Teaching)

Dr. James S. Chadney (SBS/Anthropology)

Dr. David Duncan (NS/Mathematics)

Dr. Lathon Jermigan (HFA/Music)

Dr. Barbara Lounsberry (HFA/English)

Dr. Jan E. Robbins (HFA/English)

Dr. Nile O. Vernon (2005) (HFA/Modern Languages)