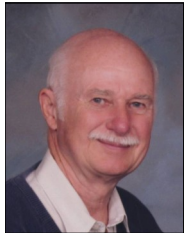


President’s Message

by Barry McNeill, 2013-2014 ASURA President



As I began my year as president, I re-read *A Decade of Success* and the soon to be published *A Second Decade of Success*, which is being prepared by Val Peterson and his committee. It is truly amazing what has been accomplished in a few short years. Before the “founding fathers” (George Morrell, Bob Ellis, Dean Smith, Jim Creasman, Gale Richards) brought the association to life in April, 1991, there was:

- no lobbyist at the legislature specifically looking out for university retirees;
- no group working to make health insurance issues more understandable for university retirees;
- no organized group travel;
- no Adopt-A-Family, Scholarship or Video History;
- no Retirees Day or Seminars; and
- no holiday potluck, luncheons or golf tournaments.

Today, we have all of these and more thanks to the tireless efforts of the “founding fathers” and subsequent members who have volunteered over the years to be committee members, committee chairs, government and health liaisons, office staff, board members and officers. The history of success makes it easier for future presidents, like me, to have a fruitful year at the helm.

For those who do not know me, I come from the faculty side of the house (Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering) where I taught for 30 years. I retired in June 2006 and attended a few ASURA events but did not become actively involved in its operation until the fall of 2010 when I agreed to chair the Retirees Day Committee, which I have done for the past three years. This past year, in addition to being vice president, I have helped Connie McNeill implement our new Member-Event database, **Wild Apricot**, and have worked closely with the various event committee chairs to help them use **Wild Apricot** in advertising and registration for their events.

I suppose most presidents take office with some vision as to what they would like to accomplish in the coming year. Working with the ASURA board (which this year got four recent retirees – Cecelia Fiery, Karen Fry Hammann, Glenn Irvin and Jan Thompson and one “old hand” Hal White) and the various committee chairs and liaisons, I would like to:

- Address the issue of declining membership and event attendance, and,
- Work on increasing the amount and type of health-related information we have for our members.

I hope you all have a nice summer and will take advantage of the programs ASURA has to offer when we start up again in the fall.

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New ASURA Members

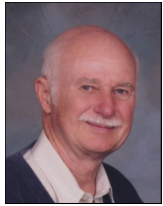
- Martha Byrd
- Lawrence Carlson
- James Christie
- Carol Comito
- Ernest Duskey
- Michael Eleey
- Kevin Freeman
- Melanie Gaines
- Karen Hammann
- Phyllis Heltsley
- Bruce Layton
- Melinda Mullahy
- Helene Ossipov
- Janice Spence
- Mary Stegge
- Carol Taylor-Tassone

Invite a Friend

Do you have friends who retired from ASU but are not members of ASURA? Or perhaps you have friends who retired from another university or worked at ASU in the past but left and have now retired elsewhere? If so **invite them to become members of ASURA** and the best part is that it is free for the first year. Ask them to go to our Web site (<http://asura.asu.edu>) and click on the “Join the ASURA” link in the left column to start the process or alternative call our Office at 480-965-7668 for help.

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Jo Madonna



Past President
William Moor



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Glenn Irvin



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Barry Bruns
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Jeannette Robson
David Schwalm

Terms Expire April 2015

Elmer Gooding
Dick Kelly
Gary Kleemann
Barry McNeill
Bill Stasi

Terms Expire April 2016

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Karen Hammann
Glenn Irvin
Jo Madonna
Jan Thompson
Hal White

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and Abby Polito
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Jim Fordemwalt
University Senate - Helen Ossipov
University Staff Council - Stephen Potter

Committees & Liaisons

Adopt-A-Family:
Joan Leard
Scholarship: Sue Blumer
& Joy Shearman
Video History Project:
Linda Van Scoy
Events: Jo Madonna
**Luncheons & Special
Events:**
Barbara Eschbach
Retirees Day: **Open**
Seminars: Jan Thompson
Travel: Gary Anderson
Finance: Barry Bruns
Book Donations:
Mary Stevens
Golf Tournament:
Dave Schwalm
**State Legislature
Liaison:** Cecelia Fiery
**AZ State Retirement
System:** **Open**

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Art Ashton
Patricia Moore
Phyllis Primas
George Selmach
ASRS (Health Liaison):
Open
Membership:
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Tuesday: Carol Moore - a.m.
Linda Van Scoy - p.m.
Wednesday: Nancy Lesko - a.m.
Bonnie Scheall - p.m.
Thursday: Maxine LaRoux - a.m.
Mary Williams - p.m.
Friday: Anna Marie Shivers - a.m.
Open - p.m.

Subs: Joan Leard Dorothy Meunier
Jack Sarrett Helen Seaton

NEW! ASURA Photo Gallery

by Connie McNeill



ASURA has a photo gallery online at <http://asura.asu.edu/photos> with a set of albums that collect and organize the photos taken of ASURA people and events over much of the life of the organization. There are photos going back as far as the 1993 annual meeting, and photos are being added regularly. You can find a link to it at this address from our home page, <http://asura.asu.edu>

The photos come from Dave Scheatzle's and Elmer Gooding's digital collections; from photos contributed by them, by Val Peterson and by others for use on our web site or in *Prime Times*; and from prints that are kept in the ASURA office. Several people helped with identification of events and people. Hal White, Elmer Gooding, Dave Scheatzle, Linda Van Scoy, Joyce Hartman Diaz and Carol Moore were particularly helpful in that regard.

The Photo Gallery can be viewed online by anyone without login – no User ID or password required! You can browse through the albums or, you can search for a particular name or event.

For purposes of making browsing easy, there are parent albums for things like "Volunteers," "Retirees Day" and "Travel." If you click on one of those album names, you'll usually see individual albums, typically arranged by year, with the most recent event first. If you click on one of those child albums, on the right you'll see thumbnails of the photos. You can click on any thumbnail to see a larger version and information about it, and in most cases there is also a high definition version available.

When you are viewing an individual photo, you can move forward or backward through the album using arrows in the upper right. There is an arrow that points upward that takes you back to the page of thumbnails that you were most recently viewing. You can also view the photos in various sequences using a "sort order" pull-down box in the upper right area.

If you'd like to search for a person or for a word such as "Scholarship," enter the name or term in the "Quick search" box on the left under "Menu." Try it with your own name if you've been to one of our events! Be aware that the search engine will return all photos that have the searched name in the photo title or description or in the album description. There is also a search option that lets you be more specific about what you're looking for, such as for a person in a particular parent or child album.

The Photo Gallery provides ASURA with an enjoy-

able pictorial history. It also is a valuable resource when photos are needed to enhance a story – our own, or sometimes someone else's. We don't copyright our photos but we do like those who use them to provide attribution, particularly if our photo lists the photographer (called "author" in the gallery).

If you have photos of our volunteers at work or of our events, we would be very glad to receive them. We would, of course, like to have your contributions come with information about who is in the photos, and when, where and by whom the photos were taken.

You can contribute by email to connie.mcneill@asu.edu or you can call at 480-945-3565 to arrange another method of contribution. Also, please contact me if you find photos in the album that are incorrectly labeled or that are missing labels. There are several people listed as "unknown"... could one of them be you? Try typing "unknown" (without quotation marks) into the quick search box to see.

ASURA Scholarship Recipient

by Sue Blumer and Barry McNeill



Krissy Jo Bergen, the 2012-2013 recipient of the ASURA undergraduate student scholarship, graduated in May with a bachelor's degree in psychology. She will be pursuing a master's degree in counseling this fall.

A member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, Krissy hopes to develop a nonprofit organization on the Ft. Apache Reservation that will improve the mental health and physical well-being of children and young adults through early childcare facilities and youth development programs.

In her talk at the ASUA annual meeting, Krissy said, "The mission of the nonprofit, and my great goal, is to end child abuse and suicide ideology among young adults. The impact I would like to make is to help create healthy children who grow up to be healthy productive leaders."



Krissy was also a Nina Scholar at ASU, which enabled her to complete her undergraduate career with a study abroad program in China. Krissy and Nicholas Smith, last year's ASURA scholarship recipient and also a White Mountain Apache tribal member, are engaged, a fitting and successful outcome for two wonderful ASURA scholarship students.

Video History Project Expands

by Linda Van Scoy



(Video History Crew Members: Dave Scheatzle, Linda Van Scoy, John McIntosh, & Roger Carter)

As of the end of the 2012-2013 academic year, the ASURA Video History Project has 94 completed interviews and 23 video clips. The production process was greatly improved with the acquisition of a dedicated recording studio in Room 203 next to the ASURA office suite that allows the equipment and furnishings to be set up permanently which saves both time and labor.

Another acquisition is an additional video camera which will provide a more professional product. One camera will be used for a close-up of the person being interviewed while the second camera will be set to show both individuals – the interviewee and the interviewer. It also allows interviews with two people to provide for discussion. Perhaps most important, a second camera provides back-up if, for example, the battery runs down on a camera.

There are now more than 20 short clips (1-3 minutes) ready to view. Go to <http://asura.asu.edu/VideoHistory> to access this clips and scroll down to the list of interviews. Those individuals with the words “video clip” following their information have a short clip you can view; just click on “video clip” and when the video appears, click on the play arrow and enjoy.

Now is the time to nominate someone you think would have an interesting ASU story by sending your nominee’s name, department and a brief description of the person’s position/role at the university to lvs@asu.edu.

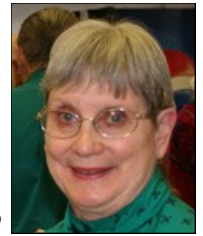
The committee added two members this year: Becky Reiss as scheduler and Ann Patterson as an additional interviewer. Continuing crew members worked hard this past year and recorded 14 interviews. Thanks go to John McIntosh, cameraman; Roger Carter, audio; Dave Scheatzle, director; Elmer Gooding, interviewer; and Linda Van Scoy as project chair.

ASURA Office Update

by Carol Moore

Bonnie Scheall has joined the ASURA office volunteer staff and will work Wednesday afternoons.

Snowbird Ralph Lockwood volunteered on Wednesday afternoons during the month of January, 2013. Our ASURA Business Operations Manager Carolyn Minner then took over during the months of March and April but now works primarily from home. William Wootten, who consistently held down the Friday afternoon slot since 2011 “re-retired” in late April of this year.



We are saddened to report that Betty Norris, an ASURA office volunteer from 2008 to September, 2012, passed away from a sudden illness on February 1, 2013. Betty worked at ASU for 31 years, including positions in Continuing Education/Conference Services, retiring in 2007.

If you’re interested in becoming a part of the ASURA office team, contact Office Coordinator Carol Moore at 965-7668 or email carollinneamoore@cox.net.

Your Books = Needed Scholarship

by Mary Stevens



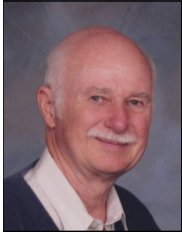
Now that you’re settled (or still getting settled) in your retirement from ASU, you may, like many of us, find that you have more books in your home than you know what to do with. ASURA can help solve that problem and, in the process, help a student complete his or her studies.

ASURA will collect your books and sell them through an established vendor. Proceeds from these sales are put toward the association’s scholarship program which provides a tuition scholarship each year to a returning student (one who has been away from higher education studies for a period of time) or to a community college student, based on financial need and other criteria.

You will be provided with a gift tax receipt by the ASU Foundation, which administers ASURA accounts. For more information, please call Mary Stevens at 602-758-3750 or email her to marystevens0@gmail.com.

ASRS Health Liaisons

by Barry McNeill



The ASURA Bylaws define a number of committees and liaisons but how many of you actually know what these committees and liaisons do? I think it is important and useful that you know more about some of these committees/liaisons to better appreciate the level of effort these volunteers put into the task. For this edition of *Prime Times* I have selected the ASRS Health Insurance Liaisons.

As you are fully aware health insurance is one of your more important recurring expenses. It also often turns out to be one of the more apparently complicated aspects of retirement what with changing Federal and State Policies and an annual open enrollment period. To address these and other health issues the ASURA Bylaws define the Health Insurance Liaisons. Historically there have been two liaisons, one for the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) health insurance and one for the Arizona Department Of Administration (ADOA) health insurance who work together to help ensure that you have the latest health insurance information. The liaison has three major responsibilities: Open Enrollment, Information Dissemination, and Arizona Legislature.

Open Enrollment Responsibilities

- In early fall, in collaboration with the Seminar Committee and any other health insurance liaisons, the liaison helps prepare a seminar(s) to help you manage open enrollment.
- In late September or early October the liaison monitors the ASRS web site looking for the new ASRS Retiree Group Insurance Open Enrollment Guide. Once the guide becomes available the liaison reads the guide to become familiar with current member benefits and restrictions. They further get links to the guide and the schedule of the ASRS Open Enrollment Sessions posted on our website.
- During the open enrollment period the liaison helps you interpret the materials in open enrollment guide and strongly encourages you to attend one of the ASRS Open Enrollment Sessions held during open enrollment.

Information Dissemination

- During the year the liaison keeps you abreast of ASRS benefit implementation and/or changes through *Prime Times* and the ASURA Web.
- Also during the year the liaison will field your ques-

tions via e-mail or phone calls.

- The ADOA and ASRS health insurance liaisons gather various resources pertaining to the Affordable Care Act (aka Obamacare) and Medicare and share this information with you through *Prime Times* and the ASURA Web. Note: This activity is an aside to the liaison's Bylaws defined responsibilities, which are focused on the specific benefits/restrictions of ASRS and ADOA programs.

Arizona Legislature

During the legislature session the liaison views "Bill tracker" on the ASRS web page and brings important health insurance issues to the attention of the Board and the ASURA ASRS Legislature Liaisons. The Board may ask the Health and Legislature liaisons to actively work for or against the proposed health legislation which requires time at the Capital.

Over the years these duties have been admirably handled by Dick Murra and more recently by Doug Johnson, Rose Minetti and Art Ashton. We currently have three ADOA health liaisons (Art Ashton, Phyllis Primas, and Patricia Moore) but no ASRS liaison. And while the three ADOA liaisons can do something for ASRS, it is important to have an ASRS liaison who has a stake in the game, i.e., is on an ASRS health insurance plan. If you are on an ASRS health insurance plan and think it would be challenging, interesting, and fun to be an ASRS liaison please contact me at barry_mcneill@cox.net or call me at 480-945-3565.

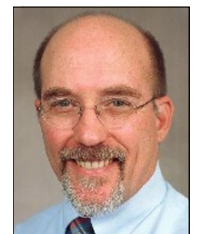
ASURA Seminar: Behavioral Finance for Seniors

by Gary Kleemann

On March 11, 2013 more than 30 ASURA members and guests came to learn more about financial matters for retirees.

Mr. Matt Gerstmayr from TIAA-CREF Trust Company presented a seminar on Behavioral Finance for Retirees. This was not a presentation about TIAA-CREF but about financial issues for seniors in general. Matt serves as a frequent lecturer regarding a variety of financial topics.

The audience appreciated the presentation and had a number of good questions to ask the presenter. We hope to be able to present more financial issue seminars in the coming year as the ASURA members seem quite interested in the topic.



ASURA 20th Retirees Day

by Barry McNeill

Photos by Val Peterson & Elmer Gooding

The days event began with registration, then coffee, cakes, and chat served up in the ASU Memorial Union, Cochise Room. The attendees then dispersed to the various presentation rooms where, new to the program this year, were offered **three** sessions with **three** presentations each. The nine presenters, Aaron Brown, Dr. Lou-ellen Finter, Kimber Lanning, Dr. Neal Lester, Mark Vinson, Dr. Steve Ruff, Dr. Lee McPheters, Dr. Ed Finn, and Dr. Jay Braun gave talks that were well received and enjoyed by their audiences.



Wilma Mathews, Aaron Brown

Luncheon Program:

The lunch program began with a brief review of the past twenty Retirees Day events. Five of the past Retirees Day Chairs were present and recognized for their efforts. The Presentation, "Writing *ASU History: Choices in Building Community and Balance*", was given by Drs. Stephanie R. deLusé and Denise E. Bates, co-authors of *Arizona State University*.

The book is full of pictures and the presentation focused on how they made decisions on what pictures to include and what subjects to focus on. They showed how following a trail of contacts eventually lead to some family's living room where they found important pictures not seen outside the family. The audience was engaged for the entire talk. After their presentations the authors autographed copies of their book, which was being sold by ASURA as a fundraising effort.



Jerry Snyder, Dave Scheatzle



Aleksandra Gruzinska, Etsuko Reiman, Jan Thompson



Chuck Backus, Zeke Prust, Judy Backus

Spring Fashion Show and Brunch

by Barbara Bradford Eschbach

The final ASURA luncheon event of 2012/2013 was the Fashion Show & Brunch held at Dillard's at the Chandler Fashion Center on Thursday, May 9th! What fun for the models and attendees alike!



The theme of the show was "Get Out of Town...Travel the World!" So, the fashions were selected by the models, our very own retirees, with the idea of what you might put into your suitcase for a trip to escape the heat and monsoons of the Valley during the summer.

Also, many thanks to our pianist extraordinaire, Jan Thompson, who kept the models "in tune" with the theme!



Hal White, Joyce Hartman Diaz, Barry McNeill, Sandy Ilsen, Barbara Eschbach, Dave Scheatzle, Suzanne Bias, Judy Heilala, Nancy Lesko.

The Gazelles African Adventure

Photos and Story by Gary Anderson

Thirteen excited ASURA travelers set off from Sky Harbor on March 23rd to fly to Africa. We picked up a 13th Gazelle at Dulles International, a soon-to-retire Wolverine professor from the University of Michigan.



It was a long flight across the Atlantic to Johannesburg, South Africa, with only a brief stopover in Daka, Senegal, to break up the flight. Seventeen hours on board is a long time but, how else to do it? We were setting off on an adventure of a lifetime: to visit four southern Africa countries.

We arrived in Johannesburg in the evening and went

right to our hotel for the night. The next morning, we were back at the Johannesburg airport for a brief two-hour flight to Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. From there we drove by minibus into Botswana to Chobe National Park where we began our animal game drive viewing adventures that spanned four very isolated camps in preserves and national parks in three countries: Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Each of the four camps consisted of about eight tented cabins and a main building that was the dining area and lounge room. The cabins had hard floors, a bathroom and shower, and electricity. It was very common to hear elephants and hippos during the night as they passed by, grunting and woofing and eating.

After breakfast we would board lorries at about 7 a.m. for our early morning game drive which would last 3-4 hours with a midmorning break for tea or coffee. Our guides were excellent in their knowledge of animals, their likely whereabouts and their behavior. Every day was an incredible school day for the Gazelles.

We saw literally thousands of animals over our three-week adventures, many quite up close. The lorries we rode in did not seem to bother the animals but we were cautioned not to speak out loud –



Hal White & his new friend

only in whispers – nor to stand up nor extend our hands or arms out from the lorry. When our driver/guide spotted animals of interest they would drive slowly closer and then stop so we could observe and take a picture or 50.

We were very isolated and generally moved from one camp to the next by riding in our lorries for an hour or so to a dirt landing strip. Two small planes would arrive and we would fly to the next camp, arriving about mid-afternoon in time for a game ride for a few hours. At Lufupa Camp in Zambia we were right on the river where hippos were common; at the camp in Hwange National Park in Zimbabwe we could look up from our breakfast omelet and watch an ostrich or kudu strut across the plain in front of us.

Perhaps the most exciting and intriguing experience was watching a pride of lions devour a giraffe they had brought down the night before. The pride were stretched out resting under some nearby bushes where they would remain for the next three days, eating on, and protecting, their kill from other predators.



Les Hightower expressed his opinion of the trip: “It is said that the joy is in the journey and for 14 people the joy

was the journey AND the people who shared it. The thread that bound us was everyone’s connection to ASU. What united us was how quickly the group jelled and looked out for one another on this fabulous adventure called Ultimate Africa.

“This was my second trip abroad with the ASU Retirees Travel Group. Each is more amazing than the last. I’m looking forward to the next one.”



L-R: Larry Kenteras, Ayn Semmens, Laura Sahlin, Peggy Moroney, Gary Anderson, Carol Berg, Bob Moroney, Uta Murchinson, Joann DeMassa, Barbara Hanigsberg, Earl Werner, Marge Anderson, Leslie Hightower, Hal White.

2013 Annual Meeting

Story by William Moor;

Photos by Elmer Gooding & Dave Scheatzle



The Arizona State University Retirees Association held its 22nd annual meeting on Saturday, April 20, 2013. Reviving a tradition, the munchies for the meeting included a birthday cake celebrating the 22nd birthday of our organization along with fruit, muffins, cookies and assorted other goodies.

Over 35 members attended enjoying the fellowship of their colleagues and the presentations on Association activities. President Bill Moor acted as host and emcee for the meeting. ASURA's 2012-2013 Annual Report was made available to attendees.



Sue Blumer, Chair of the Scholarship committee, introduced this year’s winner of the scholarship, Krissy Jo Bergen. Last year’s winner, Nicholas Smith, was also presented along with the human interest item that he and Krissy Jo are engaged. Both young people are members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe. Nicholas is completing his degree in Business Information Systems and plans on

entering graduate school. Krissy Jo is completing her degree in psychology and will be pursuing a master's degree in counseling. Krissy gave an interesting and informative talk on her program and plans for her future.

Bill Moor presented a brief reprise of the Adopt-A-Family program since Joan Leard, the chair of the program, could not attend the meeting. This program has garnered considerable support because of the value it is able to provide two families each year. At Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter an ASU family and a Tempe School District family with children are provided gifts and support to brighten what could be an otherwise dull holiday.

Dave Scheatzle, a technical director for the our ASU Video History project, presented a reprise of the origination of the project and pointed out that over 80 video interviews have been completed, transcribed and put on disc available



Hal White, Dave Scheatzle,
Bob Beeman

for others to check out and review. Dave also discussed that brief video clips are available through the ASURA Internet pages for review. Dave then presented an enjoyable subset of these video clips.

Dave Scheatzle filled in for Val Peterson to discuss the work being completed on the second 10 years history of ASURA which Val's history committee is preparing. It is expected that the final document will be completed and available by the end of the summer. All that remains are the final editing steps and decisions as to how the copies will be published and made available to interested members.

Bill Moor then introduced the current officers of ASURA, next year's officers, and new members of the Board. Bill also made the point that the volunteers who answer the phone and keep the office running are very valuable to the successful operation of the Association. Also, Bill extended his personal thanks and appreciation to Carolyn Minner, Business Operations Manager and Carol Moore, Office Staff Coordinator. Carol Moore then presented the names of all the office staff. We have the relatively unique situation where office volunteers provide the infrastructure for other volunteers who serve the total.



Betty Ludlow, Joy Shearman,
Cecelia Fiery



Carol Moore

The Loss of a Great Leader

by Elmer Gooding and Barry McNeill



ASURA lost one of its past presidents on April 23, 2013. Madelyn Wright was the seventh ASURA president (1997-98), a member of the first elected ASURA board (1992-94) and the first elected ASURA treasurer (1992-1994).

Aside from her board duties, she served on several committees including Adopt-A-Family. As president of the ASURA, in an effort to strengthen the already strong legislative relations efforts, Madelyn worked closely with Hal White, who headed the legislative relations program.

Madelyn felt strongly that it was important to foster a bond of friendship among the ASURA members and to this end she promoted and attended many ASURA events (trip to Scotland, numerous annual meetings and holiday potluck parties). She oversaw the establishment of a fund which could be used to support the ASURA Scholarship, an endowment that has grown to more than \$40,000.

During her 30 years of employment at ASU, Madelyn held many positions, including assistant registrar and director of the Academic Scheduling Office. Her knowledge of all the classrooms and academic space was terrific. She knew the campus extremely well and scheduled classrooms to accommodate the rapid enrollment growth at ASU during her years of service. She loved her work and the people with whom she worked and showed that love through her captivating smile.



Prime Times is issued three times annually by the Arizona State University Retirees Association with special editions as needed. Articles welcome, subject to Board approval.

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Obituaries: January 25 - May 22, 2013

by Becky Reiss

Please note that all obituary notices and photos, when available, are on our web site:
<http://asura.asu.edu/obituaries>

Name	Date of Death	ASU Affiliation
Basha, Eddie, Jr.	March 26, 2013	Member, Arizona Board of Education and Arizona Board of Regents
Baughman, Anna L.	April 20, 2013	Department Affiliation Unknown
Begay, Fred	April 30, 2013	Advisory Board member to NSF funded programs and the Center for Research on Education in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology
Bell, John Ernest	March 14, 2013	Professor and Dept. Chair, Secondary Education; past ASURA Board Member and Retirement System Liaison
Blakeslee, Mary Joan Bostwick,	April 27, 2013	Part-time, Department Unknown
Bostwick, Robert Ellery "Bob"	April 28, 2013	ROTC Instructor
Branstetter, Ellamae	April 29, 2013	Professor, College of Nursing
Brass, Mary Bernadine Bleeker	February 20, 2013	Administration Department
Britton, Daniel Robert	April 15, 2013	Professor, Printmaking, School of Art
Burge, David	April 1, 2013	Joint residency, Piano
Caughey, Winslow	February 25, 2013	Visiting Staff Scientist at Los Alamos National Laboratory
Clifford, Tyler Robert	February 13, 2013	Channel 8, KAET
Conz, David Bruce	April 12, 2013	Lecturer, Interdisciplinary Studies Degree Program, School of Letters and Sciences; Assistant Research Professor, the Consortium for Science, Policy and Outcomes and The Center for Nanotechnology in Society
Curlett, James Edward	April 18, 2013	Adjunct Professor, College of Education
Dodge, James Warren	April 25, 2013	Department Affiliation Unknown
Durrenberger, Robert	October 20, 2012	Professor of Geography, Laboratory of Climatology
Eichler, Peter Morton	April 2, 2013	Adjunct Professor, Barrett Honors College
Etter, Pat	February 21, 2013	Professor Emeriti, Labriola National American Indian Data Center
Eveland, Charles L.	February 17, 2013	Founding Director and Professor, Center for Health Administration, College of Business

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Name	Date of Death	ASU Affiliation
Fairbanks, Chuck	April 2, 2013	Assistant Football Coach
Felker, Eugene Marvin	March 12, 2013	Executive Director, Sun Angel Foundation and member of coaching staff
Flannery, Fr. John Charles, O.P.	March 24, 2013	Newman Center
Ford, Darlene S.	April 9, 2013	Role and affiliation Unknown
Gracia, "Mickey" Edward Espinoza	February 20, 2013	Ticket Taker
Harries, Daniel Hugh	February 13, 2013	Teacher's Assistant
Jessen, Beth Beaudry	February 6, 2013	Secretary to Coach Frank Kush and assistant coaches
Jimenez, Gilbert "Gil"	February 19, 2013	Member, Alumni Association Board of Directors
Konzal, Norbert J. "Bert"	March 2, 2013	Adjunct Professor
Kozik, Eugene Preston	February 6, 2013	Manager, Delinquent Student Loans
Krikorian, Jean LaVerne (Hopkins)	February 1, 2013	Secretary to Deans of Psychology, Fine Arts and School of Law
Krueger, Albert H.	March 13, 2013	Visiting Professor, Guidance and Counseling
Laughlin, Sharon Lynch	April 19, 2013	Adjunct Professor, College of Nursing
Marino, Justin F.	August 7, 2012	Department affiliation unknown
Michie, Jack	April 12, 2013	Faculty and Consultant, Department unknown
Miller, Joann McCaw	February 23, 2013	Department affiliation unknown
Mott, Carol Husted	March 27, 2013	Reference Librarian
Munkachy, Elmer Richard ("Dick")	May 7, 2013	Saga Foods
Norris, Betty	February 1, 2013	Program Coordinator and Records Clerk
Owens, Mary Louise	March 10, 2013	Tennis Instructor, Arizona Normal School (predecessor of ASU)
Pease, Edward W.	May 11, 2013	Custodian
Pfuhl, Jr., Erdwin Henry "Bud"	March 14, 2013	Emeritus Professor of Sociology
Porter, Patrick A.	March 8, 2013	Chief Engineer, KAET

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Portz, Ethel	March 8, 2013	Mother of Donna Portz, ASURA member and Retirees Day Committee member
Redondo, Mary K.	February 7, 2013	Administrative Assistant, Department of Psychology
Reuter, Clara Emma (Ranalletta)	January 27, 2013	Student Health Center and wife of Vincent Reuter, Emeritus Professor (deceased)
Reznikoff, Sivon (Shirley)	April, 2013	Professor Emeritus, College of Architecture and Environmental Design
Richard, Thelma Jean (Wardrop) Shinn	January 26, 2013	Founding Director, Women's Studies Program Professor of English
Rodgers, William Henry	February 23, 2013	College of Extended Education (formally Sun City Center for Lifelong Learning at ASU)
Rosen, Seymour	March 16, 2013	Dean, Herberger College of Fine Arts; Founder, Institute for Studies in the Arts
Russell, Frank E.	January 26, 2013	Frank E. Russell Chair in Business and Journalism, ASU Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication
Rowland, Robert Paul	January 18, 2013	Husband of MaryAnn Rowland, ASU retiree; Registrar's Office and HR
Schlitz, Mary C.	March 20, 2013	Secretary, Department Unknown
Spradlin, Melvin Richard	February 17, 2013	Computer Engineering Department
Storz, Sallee	March 2, 2013	Taught English Literature
Tweet, Donald Raymond	April 11, 2013	Department affiliation unknown
Watson, Julie Ann	April 21, 2013	Secretary/Assistant, Department unknown
Weber, Suzanne Musette	January 7, 2013	Neuroscience Researcher and Lab Manager, School of Life Sciences
Wright, Madelyn	April 23, 2013	Assistant Registrar and Director, Academic Scheduling Office
Zaslow, Bertram	February 14, 2013	Professor Emeritus

[Volunteer for the ASURA](#)

ASURA is operated entirely by volunteers. If you think you might enjoy working with fellow retirees to support the organization and its activities, please look over the list of volunteer opportunities detailed on Page 2 of our Membership Application Form. If you have an interest, please contact the ASURA office.

Fall Meet & Greet and Pizza Party - September 11, 2013

by Barbara Bradford Eschbach

The first event of the ASURA year, co-hosted by the Luncheon & Special Events and Seminar Committees, is an invitation to a Meet & Greet Party with Free Pizza! Welcome our New Retirees and reconnect with former colleagues and long-time friends. Members of the ASURA Board, Committee Chairs, and Liaisons will be present and will announce events that are already planned during 2013/2014. This is also an opportunity to express your interest and/or volunteer to participate on various committees.

The party program, see below, shows that, as we did last year before the party starts, there will be a panel of recently retired ASURA members discussing "Things I Wish I Had Known When I Retired". While this panel is intended to help the very recently retired all members are invited to attend and share their experiences with the attendees.

Spouses/partners/friends are welcome, too. Although the event is free, we need to know how many pizzas to order. So, please register (see instructions to the left) so you and your guests will be counted.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Barbara Bradford Eschbach (Barbara.Eschbach@asu.edu or 480-209-0733).

Meet and Greet Pizza Party Program

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| 45 Minutes | Panel of ASURA Members discussing: Things I Wish I had Known When I Retired |
| 45 Minutes | Socializing and eating pizza |
| 30 Minutes | Welcome by ASURA President, Barry McNeill, followed by short presentations of events & activities that have been scheduled for the remainder of 2013 |

ASURA Calendar of Events 2013-2014

ASURA committees have already begun planning activities and events for the coming year.

The listing below is a tentative schedule; continue to check the website <http://asura.asu.edu> and your email for locations, details and updates as more information is available:

2013:

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| Sept. | Annual Fall Meet & Greet Pizza Party, details TBA |
| Oct. 17 | Seminar on Health Insurance Open Enrollment, details TBA |
| Oct. 21 | Local Travel Outing, destination TBA, week of October 21 |
| Nov. | Fall Luncheon, details TBA |
| Dec. 2 | Local Travel Outing, destination TBA, week of December 2 |
| Dec. | Holiday Pot Luck Luncheon, details TBA |

2014:

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| Jan. | Seminar with topic; details TBA |
| Feb. 22 | Retirees Day, Memorial Union |
| Mar. | Spring Travel Outing, destination TBA |
| Apr. 12. | ASURA Annual Meeting, Memorial Union |
| May | Spring Fashion Show/Brunch or Luncheon, details TBA |