

Arizona State University Retirees Association Newsletter

FALL 2024

ASURA President's Message

submitted by Maria Hesse, ASURA President, 2024-2025

Hi everyone! This is a year of big change for the ASU Retirees Association so I thought I'd share a few details that might be of interest.

Nearly one year ago, ASU announced its intention to create a national library on the site of the Community Services Building, at the northeast corner of Mill Avenue and Curry Road in Tempe, where the ASU Retirees Association is currently housed. "The McCain National Library will honor the life and legacy of the late John McCain, who represented Arizona first as a U.S. representative and then as a longtime U.S. Senator and a Republican presidential nominee. ... The new 80,000 square foot national library will include archives for McCain's papers and materials from his decades of high-profile work in Arizona, Washington and around the globe while in office. A visitor's center and an Arizona home for the Washington D.C.-based McCain Institute are among other elements planned for the site, envisioned as a solutions center and gathering spot to learn more about leadership, democracy and national security." (ASU to create national library honoring legacy of Sen. John McCain | ASU News)

ASU is helping to relocate the ASU Retirees Association and, while we do not yet know where the office will be located, we have been pleased with the process of preparing for relocation with the Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer (Michael Latsko), as well as representatives from the



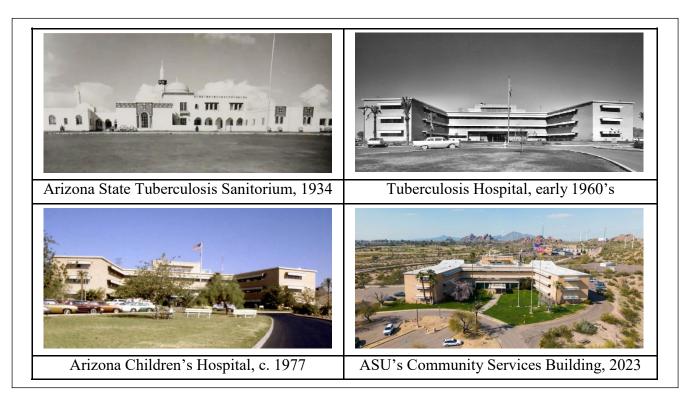
Office of the University Architect and University Space Planning. They have met with us on several occasions to ask questions about our needs and gather information from board members, committee chairpersons, and office staff.

The 22.5-acre site on which the Community Services Building sits has an interesting history with a variety of uses including as a tuberculosis hospital and a children's hospital. ASU purchased the hospital for \$1 in the 1980's. The ASURA offices have been on the second floor of the building since December of 2006. We anticipate moving sometime during the spring or summer of 2025. We will keep you informed about our relocation and will invite you to come visit after we settle into the new office.

Meanwhile, we would love to have you join us as a participant or volunteer in any of our ASURA activities, so please don't hesitate to be in touch!

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Read more about the history of the Community Services Building:

https://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/phoenix-history/2021/07/07/is-former-tuberculosis-hospitaltempe-haunted/7836174002/

https://www.kjzz.org/2015-09-04/content-186747-did-you-know-tempe-was-home-arizona-state-tuberculosissanatorium

https://emuseum.tempe.gov/objects/90610/arizona-childrens-hospital-200-e-curry-rd

ASURA Volunteers Needed

Office Volunteers & Substitutes:

Volunteers needed to work one, 3-hour shift per week or consider becoming a substitute to help out when needed. **Contact:** Linda Van Scoy, lvs@asu.edu

Websites Committee:

Help maintain the content on our websites and the platforms that our websites run on. **Contact**: Connie McNeill, conniemcneill@outlook.com

Video History Project:

Volunteers view collection of interviews, then update with abstracts, table of contents, etc. Lots of interesting work coming up shortly. **Contact**: Don Doerres don@azlaborlaw.com or phone Don at (480) 206-1278.

Committee, Government Liaisons & Lobbyist Contact: Maria Hesse, maria.hesse@asu.edu

<u>Chair, Membership Committee</u> Contact: Maria Hesse, maria.hesse@asu.edu

ASURA Executive Board



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Terms Expire
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exp. April 2027)Paul Skiera

April 2027 Don Doerres Caroline Harrison Richard Knopf Rodney Rogers Jan Meyer Thompson

Terms Expire

Board Ex-Officio Members

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Committees

Community Outreach	Luncheons/Special Events: Kay Faris, Chair	<u>Membership/</u> Communications	Database Committee: Paul Harper
Adopt-A-Family:			i uui iiupei
Ginny Sylvester, Chair	Pre-retirement Seminars: Trudy Perez, Chair	Membership: (open)	<u>Government Liaisons</u>
Scholarship:	Liz Badalamenti,		Legislature: (open)
Jan Shore, Chair	Co-Chair	E-News:	
		Barry McNeill	ASRS: Dick Jacob
Video History Project:	Travel:		
Don Doerres, Chair	John Brock, Chair	Obituaries:	ADOA: Larry Carlson
		Tara Roesler	
Events	<u>Finance/ Fundraising</u>		
		Prime Times Newsletter &	<u>Health Insurance</u>
Trudy Perez, Coordinator	Finance:	ASURA Trifold:	<u>Liaisons</u>
	Barry McNeill	Jeannette Robson	
Seminars:			ASRS: Dick Jacob
Karen Moses, Chair	Book Donations:	Websites Co-Chairs:	
	Mary Stevens	Connie & Barry McNeill	ADOA: Larry Carlson

Office Volunteers

Office Coordinator: Linda Van Scoy **ASURA Office Hours** Business Operations Managers: Caroline Harrison, 10:00am to 1:00pm Terrie Ekin & Connie McNeill (backup) Monday Closed **Phone:** 480-965-7668 Tuesday Linda VanScoy Wednesday Beverly Buddee/Jan Thompson (please call before visiting the office) Thursday Jeannette Robson Friday Closed Subs: Jeri Meeks

ASURA Office Update

submitted by Linda Van Scoy, ASURA Office Coordinator

Webster's dictionary defines Kudos as "praise given for achievement or fame and renown resulting from an act of achievement".

I would like to report the names of our office staff and the Board officers who are very deserving of this praise. These volunteers have taken on the responsibility of processing our membership applications, renewals and events. You may recall an earlier reporting that our Business Manager, Carolyn Minner, had recently re-retired and was the person responsible for this onerous task! Just to give you a perspective of Carolyn's contribution to ASURA ... it has taken 7 of us to tackle what this ONE person has done for many years! Bless your heart, Carolyn!



Dealing with the ASU Foundation as our banker requires many steps to process, record and justify the renewals and donations. So major Kudos to Bev Buddee, Kay Faris, Maria Hesse, Connie McNeill, Carolyn Minner, Jeri Meeks, Jeannette Robson, Jan Thompson and also, me ... Linda Van Scoy.

We more than likely will be adding a few more office volunteers in the near future as we have received 3-4 responses from members expressing an interest in helping, so Kudos to them in advance!

Also, Kudos to our members for writing your checks correctly payable to ASU Foundation/ASURA. It's so helpful!

Last but not least the person who deserves multiple Kudos is our *Prime Times* editor, Jeannette Robson. Our newsletter is so well done it rivals other professional publications. Jeannette spends many, many hours perfecting the document, editing, rearranging copy, adding pictures, proofreading, making sure it's perfect. A big thank you and special Kudos to Jeannette for her dedication and excellent work on this important project!

Wild Apricot Mobile App for Members

Wild Apricot has a mobile app for both Android and iOS mobile devices. There are a number of things you can do with the app, for example:

- See a list of upcoming events and register for them.
- View the details of events you've registered for, and
- Find other members and contact them.

You can download and install the app (Wild Apricot for Members) from the Google Play store or the Mac App store.

Welcome New ASURA Members

Alling, Robert Argoudelis, Nick Baskin McNulty, Robin Boggess, Albert Borgers, Susan Boyd, Jean Broome, Benjamin Brown-Hollin, Michelle Browning, Claudia Calhoun, Cheshire Chang, Yung Cleveland, David Cobb, Joan Cohen, Sarah Colbourn, Charles Crane. Steve Creaser. Wanda Daley, Michele Davis, Olga Farkash, Kraig Feary, David Fender, Thomas Fiacco, Michael Fish Ewan, Rebecca Garverick, Michael

Gillmor. Daniel Haddy, Lana Hartman, Thomas Hechter, Michael Heinz, Joshlin Hollin, Kenneth Humbeck, Eva Huntington, Patricia Hutton, Patricia Inkpen, Andrew Ison. Matthew Jacobsen, Janet Johnson, Lori Johnston, Stephen Kieffer, Ray Kinzig, Ann Kleim. Jeffrev Kleinwort, Janice Kolbeck. Maria Komnenich, Pauline Kuby, Michael Kuo, Trudy Lan. Gerald Landphere, Kenneth Lecroy, Craig

Lehman, Melanie Liu. Oian Luna, Sheila Magenta, Muriel Mandel. Naomi Mason, Marcus McHugh, Kevin McInerney, Sheila McNally, Thomas Monaghan, Tracy Moon, Barry Murphy, Patricia Oleksik, Michael Oliver. Jill Panetta, Patrick Partlan, William Phillips, Charles Puckett, Kathleen Reed, Kaye Rider.Duane Riethmann, Tamera Robinson, Kerri Roen. Maureen Rooney, Timothy Rose, Shirley

Ruedemann, Richard Rukkila, Roy Russomanno, Joseph Schumacher, Carol Shaw-Smith, Lynette Shimomura, Tomoko Smith, Stephen Smith, Mark Spring, Robert Sullivan, Frankie Szkupinski-Quiroga, Seline Takahaski, Timothy Tresz, Zoltan Venable, Veronica Weber, Wanda Wells, Cornelia Welsh, Scott Weston, Karen Wigal-Shafer, Kathy Williams, Carol Winter. Marie Zygas, Kestutis

How to Protect Yourself from Deed Fraud

Submitted by Will Stasi, ASURA Board of Directors

In Arizona many criminal documents require a thumbprint. Many background checks require a fingerprint clearance card, gun ownership for conceal permit require a fingerprint card but property transfer deeds do not. In California they require a thumbprint with signature but Arizona does not.

There are steps homeowners can take to protect themselves from deed fraud. Check if your county offers a deed or title fraud alert service to monitor changes to deeds in your name. Maricopa County offers this fraud alert when requested in writing. While that wouldn't have protected everyone, if your name wasn't on the new deed, it can help prevent other types of deed fraud.

Title insurance, which many homeowners get once they purchase a home, also offers protection from title defects, including fraud. It can come in handy with such common title issues as (1) back taxes, (2) filing errors, (3) liens, (4) title forgeries, (5) easements, and (6) conflicting wills. Title insurance only goes back in time before completion of purchase.

Finally, if you suspect deed fraud on your property, contact authorities immediately and seek legal counsel. Acting quickly is important, because once the deed is filed, in many cases it requires a court order to reverse.

Additional Information: Arizona no longer provides a hard copy of Car Titles and only stores the title in MVD data base system. You can request a hard copy from MVD if you want one.

submitted by Mary Stevens, Book Donations

- Are your bookshelves too full?
- Are you downsizing your office or your home and don't have space for all of your books?

Donate your used books to us, and we will work with our partner, Friends of the Phoenix Public Library, to sell them. The proceeds from the sale of books are used to support the ASURA scholarship that goes to an ASU student and for the Video History Project. When you drop off your books, the office volunteer will give you a Gift in Kind form to complete and sign. The form is sent to the ASU Foundation, a separate nonprofit organization that exists to support ASU. The Foundation will provide you with a gift receipt for tax purposes.



You may drop off your books at the ASURA Office, Community Services Bldg., 200 E. Curry Road, room 201B, Tempe, AZ, 85281. Please call the office at 480-965-7668 before you come to make sure there is a staff volunteer in the office.

- For books that are on campus, Facilities Management will pick up your books at your department office for a service fee and deliver them to our office. Some departments have paid this fee in the past. ASURA does not have funds to cover the service fee. To arrange a pick-up and delivery, your department assistant can complete and submit a *FACMAN service request* on an on-line form. Facilities will schedule a pickup date with the office assistant. Advise the office assistant to provide your name and department to the FACMAN representative who picks up the books.
- **OR** bring your books to *our office*. We have 2 dollies for your use. Parking is readily available by the building with 3 ramps into the building and 2 elevators to the 2nd floor.



If you are unable to deliver your books to our office, please contact Mary Stevens at (602) 758-3750 or marystevens0@gmail.com or <u>contact our office</u>. Provide your **name**, **email address** (if you have one), **phone number** and the **approximate number of books** you would like to donate. Mary or another ASURA volunteer will work with you to get the books transferred. Thank you so much for your donation!

Do you still use an "@asu.edu" email address? Important Changes

submitted by Connie McNeill, Website Co-Chair

Changes made by some of the major email services last April mean that email addressed to *you@asu.edu* and **forwarded from there to an outside (non-ASU) service** may not be successfully delivered. Therefore, if you have not changed settings associated with your ASU email address you may not be getting all the emails that have been sent to you.



If you are currently forwarding your @*asu.edu* email to ASU Outlook or ASU Gmail, the changes should not affect you. However, if you are having problems receiving emails from ASURA, you may need to change the address on file with us as discussed in **Recommendation 1** below.

Note that many emails sent by ASURA to members with @asu.edu addresses are being marked as not delivered, so we know people are missing some email from us.

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Recommendation 1: Stop using your @asu.edu email address

Notify your email contacts of your direct address and ask them to use it from now on. If you are using ASU Outlook, the direct address is <u>ASURITE@exchange.asu.edu</u>. If you are using ASU Gmail, your direct address is <u>ASURITE@email.asu.edu</u>.

If you have given ASURA an @asu.edu address, please give us your direct email address to use. These are the methods for doing that:

- 1) Update yourself online. See our website for directions at <u>https://asura.asu.edu/update-your-profile</u>
- 2) Send us an email at asuretassoc@gmail.com.
- 3) Call the ASURA office at 480-965-7668 during the hours of 10am to 1pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday.
- 4) Mail us corrected information. Our address is:

ASU Retirees Association Arizona State University P.O. Box 873308 Tempe, AZ 85287-3308

Recommendation 2: Manage your @asu.edu address settings

(The following information is from the ASU website at <u>https://tech.asu.edu/briefs/email-forwarding-change-2024</u>.)

For help with this process call the ASU Helpline at 855-278-5080. You will particularly want to call if you don't have or want to use the ASU Outlook or ASU Gmail service,

- 1) Sign in to your <u>My ASU</u> account at <u>https://webapp4.asu.edu/myasu/</u>. You need to know your ASURITE UserID and password to do this.
- 2) Select the "Profile" tab in the top navigation.
- 3) Scroll down to "Contact Details" and click on the dropdown menu option labeled "Email."
- 4) Click on "Manage your ASU email address."
- 5) If you have ASU email accounts, they will be listed. You can select "MS Exchange for ASU" or "Gmail for ASU" to change delivery to that service. Be aware that doing this will result in mail addressed to you @asu.edu going to the selected service so you will need to check it periodically. If you don't want to use either, you should call the ASU Helpline for assistance.
- 6) If you chose to forward to an ASU email service, visit your ASU Gmail or MS Exchange inbox by selecting the "Gmail" or "Outlook" buttons in the top navigation of your <u>My ASU</u>. Open the verification email that was sent to you and click on the link provided to verify your choice and complete the change.

EVENT	DATE	
ASURA Board Meeting (open to members) 10:00-11:30am, CSB 203A	October 8, 2024	
Seminar: 2024-2025 ADOA/ASRS Open Enrollment	October 17, 2024	
AROHE Virtual Workshop: Cyber Fraud /Financial Scams	October 24, 2024	
LOCAL Travel: 2024 Tovrea Castle Tour Lottery	October 24, 2024	
Pre-Retirement Seminar: Office of Human Resources	October 28, 2024	
Seminar: 2024-2025 Medicare Open Enrollment	October 31, 2024	
ASURA Board Meeting (open to members) 10:00-11:30am, CSB 203A	November 12, 2024	
Pre-Retirement Seminar: Medicare	November 18, 2024	
Pre-Retirement Seminar: Social Security	December 9, 2024	
ASURA Board Meeting (open to members) 10:00-11:30am, CSB 203A	December 10, 2024	
Event: Holiday Potluck & Bake Sale	December 10, 2024	
Sicily International Trip: for information, contact Jeff.Bush@asu.edu	March 31 - April 16, 2025	

NOTE: (event dates are subject to change)

Please put these dates on your calendars. When the events get closer, additional information will be available on our website, <u>https://asura.asu.edu</u> and the monthly E-News at which time you can register for the events. Also, as we get more into the Fall and Spring and new events are added, you will be notified by email and updates noted in the monthly E-News.





Fall 2024 ASURA Meet and Greet

submitted by Kay Faris, Past President & Chair, Luncheons and Special Events Committee

A special thanks to all who attended our Fall Meet and Greet event on Wednesday, September 11! We had a wonderful turnout! The event was held in the Community Service Building, and we had a catered lunch of sandwiches, salads, and desserts. Guests enjoyed a "Get to Know You" Bingo game which was a hit and included prizes! It was particularly fun to welcome new members to ASURA. Committee chairs explained their various committees and wooed attendees to join them!



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On December 10, we will hold our annual potluck holiday party. Stay tuned for details. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

In the Spring of 2025, we are planning a special luncheon at an off-site location. Details on this will be forthcoming.

If you would like to join our committee, please reach out to Kay Faris:

Kay.Faris@outlook.com or 480-220-3960.



Maria Hesse surveys the room



Full House



Linda Van Scoy



Jane Conrow and Ginny Sylvester



Sylvia Myers and Jan Shores



Jacki McGrath and Evelyn Cesarotti



Teresita Brewer, Ken Brooks, Linda Sullivan and Mary Yarter



Karen Moses, Su Lin, Connie McNeill and Joy Shearman



Marilyn Wurzburger and Diane Moore



Barnaby Wasson and Roy Rukkila



Shahriar Anwar and John Brock



Robert Backus and Joy White

* NOTE: More 2024 photos are available at <u>https://asura.zenfolio.com/p963777345</u>

2024-2025 ASURA Travel Report

submitted by John H. Brock, ASURA Travel Committee Chair

<u>Committee Members</u>: John Brock, Joyce Hartman Diaz, Jeff Bush, Tara Roesler, Patsy Brock, Joy White, Gary Anderson, and David Schilkert

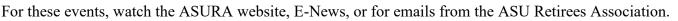
The travel committee has been busy in 2024. Last spring some of our members attended the buffet and music show at the Silver Star in Mesa. Nine ASURA members did a two-week tour in Costa Rica in March 2024, which was a lovely trip. Last spring there was also a trip into Southeastern Arizona which included a mine tour in Bisbee, hit the town of Douglas and had a very good Mexican meal in Benson.

On October 6, about twelve people will leave for a 4-Corners / Santa Fe / Albuquerque trip. The three-day trip includes stops at Chaco Canyon and on the last day we will see the take-off flight of hot air balloons in Albuquerque.

We are going to do a fourth trip to ASU's Sidney Poitier New American Film School on October 11, with a noon arrival time in downtown Mesa. The first three tours of that facility returned rave reviews. Then, on October 24, twelve lucky ASURA members will be on a tour of Tovrea Castle. Tickets for the castle tour are difficult to obtain. Watch the ASURA website for information on how to get the tickets.

In February 2025 we are making arrangements to hear and see the "Elvis" show and have dinner at the Silver Star theater in Mesa. Late March 2025 will be the departure of sixteen travelers to Sicily. This will be a 2-week tour of that famous part of Italy then returning in time for Easter.

To cap off the spring we are arranging a tour of the Lavender Farm which sits on the northern border of Chandler and southwest Tempe. The focal point of that location is not only the lavender plants but also the mansion that fits the property.



Obituary Notifications: May 23, 2024 through September 23, 2024



submitted by Tara E. Roesler

Please note that all obituary notices and photos, when available, are on our website at <u>https://asura.asu.edu/asu-obituaries</u>.

Name	Date of Death	ASU Affiliation
Aguirre, Sr., John Joseph	August 2, 2024	PBS Station KAET/Years Unknown
Alarcon, Dr. Justo S.	August 3, 2024	Affiliation Unknown/Years Unknown
Bensch, Robert "Bob"	May 27, 2024	Business Professor/1962-1964
Daane, Dr. Calvin J	May 28, 2024	Psychology/1963-Retirement Unknown
Doane, Dr. Winifred W	August 23, 2022	Professor of Genetics/1977-1998

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Name	Date of Death	ASU Affiliation
Dykstra, Thomas Melvin	September 2, 2024	Business and MBA Program/Years Unknown
Edwards, Earl	May 2, 2024	Sports Psychologist ASU Football/Years Unknown
Farmer, Walter Robert "Robb"	May 14, 2024	Law Librarian/Years Unknown
Garcia, Dr. Phyllis Mae	April 10, 2024	College of Education/Years Unknown
Glicken, Dr. Morley D.	August 21, 2024	School of Social Work/Years Unknown
Goreham, Fritz L	May 8, 2024	Clerk of the Course for ASU Track Meets/Years Unknown
Herald, Dr. Cherry Lou	July 10, 2024	Cancer Research Institute/1976-2006
Hoddy, Barbara Joan	May 29, 2024	Archives and Special Collections/Years Unknown
Jackson, Valton Elmer	June 9, 2024	Institute Of Religion/Years Unknown
Kusche, Larry David	August 1, 2024	Reference Librarian/Years Unknown
Lesperance, Sarah	July 23, 2024	Secretary College of Nursing/Years Unknown
Mahajan, Dr. Subhash	August 17, 2024	Professor Materials Science/1997-2010
Malone, Dr. Charles	August 14, 2024	Affiliation Unknown/Years Unknown
Mossman, Edward J.	July 25, 2024	Staff Archeologist/Years Unknown
O'Conner, Dennis J.	April 5, 2024	Economics/Years Unknown
Odenkirk, Jim	August 19, 2024	Physical Education/35 Years
Petersen, Dr. Rebecca "Becky"	June 20, 2024	Instructor of Juvenile Justice/Delinquency/Years Unknown
Primas, Phyllis Janet Krause	July 18, 2023	College of Nursing and School of Public Health/1975-1982;1999-2002
Rounds, Dr. Jerald L	February 2, 2024	Affiliation Unknown/Years Unknown
Smith, Michael A	July 9, 2024	Risk Management Department/Years Unknown
Steadman, Suzanne Helene	July 8, 2024	Office of International Student Programs/1971-2001
Trimmer, Barbara R.	July 14, 2024	Lecturer – Reading Specialist/Years Unknown
Wagstaff, Dr. H. Reid	May 2, 2024	Affiliation Unknown/Years Unknown
Wilson, Ed "Babe"	August 21, 2024	Affiliation Unknown/Years Unknown

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