Editor’s Note: No attempt has been made to identify individuals in the photos, because someone might be improperly identified.

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Greetings Everyone!

It is hard to believe that our year is drawing to a close. But the end of the year brings two of my favorite ARF activities – the BBQ and our Spring Luncheon and Annual Meeting. You will find those dates elsewhere in the newsletter. Max Carraway has done a terrific job of putting together all of our events this year. For the Spring Luncheon we will hear from the new Dean of the College of Medicine, Dr. John P. Fogarty, for an update on our newest college. The Nominating Committee, headed by Past President Fred Standley has done its work and has a wonderful slate of officers, which you also can read about. Later this month, Past President Fancy Funk will go to a strategic planning meeting of our national organization. Another first, this year -- you - - the membership, has exceeded in your generosity. We have the largest voluntary giving to our two donor groups, Southern Scholarship and Tree House. It has been a fantastic year. I want to thank everyone for the contributions you have made to make ARF such a success. It has been a privilege to serve you as your President.

Marie Cowart

From the President

Calendar of Events
2008-2009

Spring Foundation Seminar
Friday - March 20, 2009
FSU Foundation

Barbecue  Wednesday – April 1, 2009
Lee Vause Park
Noon, Cost $7

Spring Luncheon  Wednesday – May 6, 2009
Ramada Conference Center
11:00 a.m.- Social, Noon – Lunch,
Cost $18

Nominations

Nominating Committee Completes Task

The Nominating Committee for this year is comprised of Max Carraway, Marie Cowart, Sandra Rackley, Bob Spivey and Fred Standley, Chair. For next year's officers of ARF (2009-2010), the Committee recommends the following slate of candidates to be voted on at the annual

Dexter M. Easton
Complementary Gompertz Survival Models: Decreasing Alive vs Increasing Dead
Journal of Gerontology  (in press)

Member News

Dexter M. Easton and Henry R. Hirsch
For prediction of elder survival by Gompertz model, number dead is preferable to number alive
AGE, 2008 30:311-317
business meeting and luncheon of the Association on May 6.

President: Max Carraway  
Vice-President: Sandra Rackley  
Secretary: Beverly Spencer  
Treasurer: Sherrill Ragans  
Member at Large: De Witt Sumners

The Committee extends its gratitude to those members of ARF who suggested names for its consideration as candidates.

Fred Standley, Chair

Membership Information

JOIN ARF TODAY—AND BRING ONE WITH YOU

The membership of our Association of Retired Faculty (ARF) in 2007-08 increased 19% over the prior year of 2006-07. The Board was delighted to see this increase in participation. This year you are encouraged to send in your dues for the 2008-09 year—and invite a colleague or friend to join also.

Remember that membership is available to (1) FSU retired faculty members; (2) FSU retired administrative staff members of the university and its direct support organizations; in addition, spouses of such members and of deceased members (3) A former faculty member retired from another institution of higher learning and now a resident of Tallahassee is eligible for membership, as well as that person’s spouse.

Dues are $5.00 for the year for an individual. For a member and spouse the dues are $7.00 for the year. The dues are payable to ARF and should be mailed to the Treasurer, Charles Nam.

Outreach Committee News

Happy New Year and let's hope it will be a happier New Year than last! Your Outreach Committee would like to remind you that our Outreach efforts need to continue all year, and of course, this year has been particularly rough on not-for-profit organizations. As you send in your reservation form for various club events coming up, won't you please take a moment to fill in the contribution line and send a donation to Charlie Nam for our two special agencies: Tree House for the little kids and Southern Scholarship Foundation for the big kids.

No need to designate unless you wnat to--We split them equally. Thanks!

Johnye Luebkemann, Outreach Chair

National Retired Faculty Organization

AROHE Executive Strategic Planning Committee Meeting: March 23 - March 24, 2009, UCLA campus
ARF National Liaison to the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) and Board Member, "Fancy" Funk, has been invited to join the AROHE Executive Strategic Planning Committee and will attend the first meeting, to be held on the campus of UCLA, March 23-24th. This Executive Committee is composed of nine members. Developing a strategic roadmap for the next 3-5 years will be the focus of the meeting. ARF members are urged to contact 'Fancy' at any time with suggestions and ideas that you would like to have shared with the AROHE governance. AROHE contact information: www.arohe.org; for the Executive Director: arohe@usc.edu.

Fanchon Funk, ARF Representative to AROHE

In addition to retirement pay, retired faculty may make use of the following benefits:

1. University Identification Card (obtain from the Card Center next to the University Book Store on Woodward Avenue – across from Union).

2. Use of the University Library (i.e. public rooms, lending and research service), only requires FSU Retiree I.D. card.

3. Placement on designated university mailing lists, such as State and Florida State Times (487-3170 ext. 313) and Research in Review (644-8634).

4. A university parking decal ($10 annual fee – obtain at University Center, Building C, Suite 5406. Bring your vehicle registration and FSU Retiree I.D. card.).

5. Free use of Leach Student Recreation Center, must present FSU Retiree I.D. card.

6. The right to audit courses without payment of fees (must be 60 or older), on a space available basis, pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 240.235(3) (contact the Registrar’s Office).

7. A mailbox in the department/unit from which the faculty member retired, subject to space availability

8. On a space available basis, a retired faculty member may be granted office or laboratory space.

9. University e-mail address continues indefinitely.
10. Entitled to health insurance subsidy payments in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 112.363.

11. May continue $10,000 life insurance policy for $35.79 monthly fee; or a $2,500 policy for $4.20 monthly fee.

12. Supplemental health plans – contact appropriate company to continue.

13. FSU Bookstore 10% discount with FSU Retiree I.D. card.

14. Preferred/Reduced rate for membership in the University Center Club -- $150 initiation and $35 monthly dues.

15. Free use of University bus transportation system.

For further information concerning retirement benefits, contact the Dean of the Faculties Office (644-6876) or the FSU Human Resources Benefits’ Office (644-4015). For information on the Association of Retired Faculty, see our website – http://retiredfaculty.fsu.edu.

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DUES AND RESERVATION FORM

You may use this form for two purposes: 1) to pay your ARF dues for 2008-2009; 2) to make your reservation(s) for the April 1st Barbeque; 3) May 6th Luncheon at the Ramada Conference Center. Dues continue to be $5.00 per person and $7.00 per couple. The cost of the Barbeque is $7 & the luncheon is $18.00 per person.

Have you moved in the past year? Yes________ No __________

Name_________________________________________ PAYMENT

Address_______________________________________ No. of Persons Amount

_________________________________________ Dues _______ _______

Telephone _______________________________ Barbeque _______ _______

E-mail Address ______________________________ Luncheon _______ _______

Voluntary Contribution to Outreach Projects Fund: _______
(For Tree House and Southern Scholarship Foundation)

Are you a new member of ARF?_______ TOTAL ENCLOSED: $ _______

Make checks payable to “ARF”. Send form and payment to:
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