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the population is food insecure and 98,000 of our neighbors live in poverty. Each month, Second Harvest serves 43,000 individuals through direct programs like the school backpack program or it's Mobile Food pantry or by partnering with community food banks. Our service days usually have us packing food for school backpacks or boxing donated food for community pantries. Additional hands help this work go faster.

We have continued our Eat and Chat programs at Golden Corral, 3104 Browns Mill Road, Johnson City. On Thursday February 9th, Sunny Sandos from ETSU University Advancement talked to our Eat & Chat group about the benefits of IRA Charitable Rollovers and Charitable bequests as part of estate planning. Our next Eat and Chat will be Wednesday April 5th with guest speaker Ron Roach, PhD, Chair ETSU Appalachian Stud-

President's Report

ETSURA members continue to volunteer at 2nd Harvest Food Bank from 9am-noon on the second Wednesday of each month. Join your fellow retirees on March 8th, April 12th, May 10th and June 14th as we help our neighbors become food sufficient. Second Harvest serves the 8 counties in Upper East Tennessee where 14% of

ies. Join your fellow retirees for lunch at Golden Corral from 11:45 am until 1:45 pm and learn about the scope of ETSU's Appalachian Studies program(s) and it's curricular opportunities for our students.



Last year, ETSURA funded sixteen scholarship awards (\$500 each) to help students offset educational costs at ETSU. Each year, interest earned from the Dr. Mack

Davis ETSURA Scholarship Fund is available to the University Scholarship Committee to assist students in funding their education. You can help grow this ETSURA sponsored endowment by making a contribution to the Dr. Mack Davis ETSURA Scholarship Fund c/o ETSU Human Resources PO Box 70564, Johnson City, TN 37614 with checks made out to ETSU. Growth in this fund will allow us to help provide additional student scholarships.

Plan to attend both our June Picnic which will again be at the new Johnson City Food City (Depot at Franklin Commons , Food City second floor , 920 N Roan) as this venue was well received last year and our annual Fall banquet which will again be at Johnson City Country Club. Dates for both events will follow shortly.

Let your board members know what additional programs you'd like to see developed and how this organization can better serve you.

Dr. David Kalwinsky
President

News and Information

2017 Board of Directors

Ms. Gail Burleson	3 years left in tenure*
Mr. Donald Carter	2 years left in tenure**
Dr. Charles Edwards	3 years left in tenure
Dr. Jerry Gehre	1 year left in tenure
Ms. Georgia Greer	1 year left in tenure
Mr. Tod Jablonski	2 years left in tenure
Dr. David Kalwinsky	1 year left in tenure
Dr. Mike Miyamoto	2 years left in tenure
Dr. Priscilla Ramsey	1 year left in tenure
Dr. Jack Rhoton	3 years left in tenure*
Ms. Judith Story	2 years left in tenure*
Dr. Jeff Wardeska	3 years left in tenure*

*Elected at the Organizational Meeting on October 14, 2016.

**Filling a vacated two year Board appointment.

ETSURA Scholarship Endowment current balance as of :

Investment	\$ 201,942.05
Interest Income	\$ 16,910.18

Scholarship Donations

Individuals are encouraged to express their sympathy to the family of a deceased retiree or spouse by making a contribution to the ETSURA Scholarship Fund. The deceased's family will be notified by card of the memorial. Make checks payable to: East Tennessee State University and mail to:

ETSURA
Office of Human Resources
Campus Box 70564
Johnson City, TN 37614-1707

2017 Officers

Dr. David Kalwinsky	President
Mr. Donald Carter	President-Elect
Dr. Priscilla Ramsey	Secretary
Ms. Georgia Greer	Treasurer
Dr. Mike Miyamoto	Past-President



Above and Below: President Dr. Dave Kalwinsky and current board members.



Announcements

Congratulations To Our Recent Retirees

Mr. Waymond Babb - Public Safety, Police Officer 2

Mr. Robert Baxley - Institutional Research, Associate Director

Mrs. Marianne Brannon - Pediatrics, Laboratory Coordinator

Dr. William Devoe - Pediatrics, Professor

Dr. Catherine Glascock - Educational Leadership/Policy, Professor

Ms. Patricia Hyder - Family Medicine, Information Research Technician

Dr. Barbara Kimbrough - Surgery, Professor

Dr. Steven Lavine - Internal Medicine, Professor/Chair of Cardiology

Mr. Lenus Morrison - TRIO Outreach, Associate Director

Dr. Ardis Nelson - Literature and Language, Professor

Mr. Gary Rose - Online Fee Education, Program Assistant

Ms. Donna Szabo - Sponsored Programs, Associate Director

Mr. George Wagner - Custodial Services, Maintenance Lead Worker

Dr. Marian Young - Engineering Technology, Associate Professor

Our Condolences

Betty Jane Emmert passed away on November 30, 2016. She had retired from the information technology office. She is survived by her son, Michael; and two granddaughters.

Audry Rider passed away on December 22, 2016. She was a member of the ETSURA and the wife of retiree, John Rider. She is survived by her husband, John; her children; and her grandchildren.

Agnes Louise Price passed away on February 7. She retired after many years of service as a custodian. She was preceded in death by her husband, Virgil, and is survived by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Marvin McKinney passed away on February 8. He retired as an offset press operator. He is survived by his wife, Bobbie; one daughter; one grandson, and two great-grandchildren.

Dennis G. Hamm, Jr. passed away on February 21. He retired as an advisor/instructor in arts & sciences. He is survived by his wife, Joyce; and his children and grandchildren.

Service Opportunity for ETSURA Members

The Humane Society of Washington County is looking for volunteers to assist them with grant writing.

They have researched some grants for which they can apply but need some guidance on

how to proceed. There are several grants that would help spay/neuter pit bulls/pit bull mixes, and feral cats. This area has too many of both, and it is not healthy for the human population and terribly hurtful for the animal population. Please contact Linda Bearfield at bearfilw@gmail.com or at

(423) 791-0785.



Annual Picnic
Invitation
Coming SOON!

Announcements



We need your fundraising ideas! If you have a good fundraising idea please contact Dr. Dave Kalwinsky

Don't Forget...

The next Eat and Chat will be held on April 5th at the Golden Corral in Johnson City. Dr. Ron Roach, Chair of Appalachian Studies will be our guest speaker.

ETSU Human Resources Announces a New "PERK"

ETSU has recently joined the Perks Network, which provides a wide range of discounts to ETSU employees, retirees and family members. The Perks Network not only offers discounts at businesses local to ETSU, but nationwide at restaurants, service and retail businesses and many others. Use your membership to buy gift cards and receive discounts and cash at Walmart, Target, restaurants, hotels.... places you already shop.

To sign up, visit www.perksconnect.com and click



'Register Now!'. Enter **ETSU16** as your Group Code to get your ETSU discount

benefits. You are ready to save instantly on online purchases. Click 'Printable Card' from your home page to print your Perks Connect card to show or scan at local businesses. To scan from your smart phone, download the PerksConnect app at the App Store or Google Play.

For more information, visit the ETSURA home page at www.etsu.edu/humanres/etsura and click the PerksConnect image.

Not a member?

- Membership is \$10 per person per calendar year
- \$100 lifetime membership
- \$150 Joint lifetime membership for retirees and spouses

For further information or to check the status of your membership, please call 423-439-5825

Join ETSURA

ETSURA's final membership count for the 2016 calendar year is 368. All retired ETSU employees and their spouses, and spouses of deceased ETSU employees are eligible for membership. In addition, other persons employed by ETSU for five years or more who are retired from other institutions or corporations are also eligible for membership with their spouses.

Did you enjoy this newsletter?

June, September and December newsletters are mailed to ETSURA paid members only. Make sure you receive June's Newsletter by becoming a member! Use the ETSURA Yearly Membership Form or Life Membership Contribution Form to renew your membership or to become a new member.

Events

Eat and ChitChat

Eighteen people braved a light drizzle to dine at the Golden Corral at noon on February 9th, and listen to Sunny Sandos, JD, Director of Planned Giving at ETSU. Her talk was especially relevant to retirees, who are past the hectic demands of a day job and able to focus on their legacy. Her emphasis was to “do it now” rather than at the last minute when time is of the es-



sence. “Doing it now” also allows donors to see the results of their generosity.

Aside from outright monetary gifts, which could be an *Endowment* for a cherished cause, there are *Bequests* (gifts from one’s estate), *Charitable Remainder Trusts* (gifts that produce a tax deduction now and an income stream for life), *Blended Gifts* (part now, part later), and *IRA Charitable Rollovers*, where one can avoid the tax on the required

minimum distribution by contributing that amount to charity. This is attractive for those who do not itemize their taxes, since one cannot also claim a charitable deduction. A *Testamentary Unitrust* is a Charitable Rollover applied more to an overall estate plan.

Sunny emphasized that potential donors must clear everything with their attorneys, accountants, and estate planners beforehand to ensure they won’t be caught short. ETSU accepts liquid (cash, equities) and capital (real estate, collectibles, fine art) assets. A third party appraiser is required in the latter instance. They will not accept time shares, which can be problematic. Consultation with her office is free.

I invited Sunny to stay and mingle with the retirees, unless she had a prior commitment. She said she only had to iron her husband’s white shirt for that night’s basketball game. I said, “so you do have a “pressing” engagement!”

Disclosure: her husband is Jay Sandos, the “Voice of the Bucs.” Since the games are now televised (ESPN3), he is the “Face of the Bucs” and needs a clean, ironed white shirt.

Mike Miyamoto



There is an apparent camaraderie between the ETSURA board members and their goal of making the association work, all the while enjoying the fellowship. This fellowship extends to after hours. Apparently, there are spontaneous get-togethers, like a recent breakfast at Perkins, with new, current, and former board members. Shown here are new member Gail Burluson, current members Priscilla Ramsey, Judy Story, and Mike Miyamoto (behind the viewfinder), and past member Ethel Garrity.



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM ETSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION

NAME: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (MI) _____ (Title) _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (MI) _____ (Title) _____

ADDRESS: (Street) _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

TELEPHONE: (____)____ - _____ EMAIL: _____

FORMER STATUS WITH ETSU: FACULTY STAFF

AMOUNT PAID (\$10 PER PERSON): \$10 \$20

ACCOUNT NO: FUND 821350, ORG 79998, Banner Account: 29300 PROGRAM 999; CHART: E

Make separate check payable to ETSU and mail to:

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ETSURA, Human Resources

Box 70564

Johnson City, TN 37614-1707

(Your check will be your receipt)

LIFE MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION FORM

Enclosed is the applicable life membership fee. It is understood that this is a nonrefundable deferred gift to the ETSURA Endowed Scholarship Fund in the ETSU Foundation. The funds will be invested by the university with the income being used for current expenses of the association until my (our) death at which time it (one half if husband or wife) will be transferred to the Endowed Scholarship Fund. It is understood that any benefit received from ETSURA, the university or its foundation or this contribution will be of nominal value and it is fully deductible for tax purposes in the year paid.

NAME OF MEMBER _____ SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: (Street) _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

TELEPHONE: (____)____ - _____ EMAIL: _____

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER: \$100

HUSBAND & WIFE: \$150

ACCOUNT NO: FUND 821410, ORG 79998, Banner Account: 29300;

PROGRAM 999; CHART: E

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AMOUNT PAID: _____

Memorial To or In Honor Of: _____

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