The Fall 2018 semester is well underway, as are the activities of the Emeriti Association: from luncheon speakers to vocal concerts to committee work on important matters -- such as transitioning to retirement and emeriti interest in teaching abroad -- and discussion of potential involvement with the World Association for Cooperative Education in Cincinnati in August 2019.

Over the past month, I met one-on-one with deans of most of the colleges at UC, and I was pleased with their overall enthusiasm for the mission of the Emeriti Association. I look forward to continuing my dialogue with them.

I was honored to be the first speaker in the Luncheon Speaker Series this academic year. On September 27, I presented my talk *Digital Media and the Emeriti Center* to an audience of both emeriti faculty and undergraduate students. I talked about my vision for expanding the reach of the Emeriti Association and its evolution into a Center, using digital media platforms and technology tools, as well as presented some of my academic research in this area. The roster of upcoming 2018-2019 speakers appears in this newsletter.

In this issue of the newsletter in the About Campus section, you will find a hyperlink to the Emeriti Center’s first YouTube video, Gardens Around Campus. This multimedia feature, created by members of the student media team I have begun to put together for the Emeriti Center, highlights some of the unique flora around UC’s campus. This is an example of the new and different kind of content we will be producing for the newsletter, in an effort to keep our communications more engaging.

As chairperson of the Long-Range Planning Committee, I am looking for members of the Emeriti Association to join me on this important committee. I hope you will consider contributing your voice and expertise, as we all work together to evolve the association into a center. For more information, please see the section below dedicated to this committee.

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As fall begins, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) classes get underway. Bob Brackenbury, our Emeriti Board liaison to OLLI, encourages you to teach or take a class! Mary Heider, who was featured in our Second Act series in issue 3 of this newsletter, will be offering a guided tour of the 150 pieces of art she has installed at the College of Medicine. It will be on Friday, October 12, at 10 am. Please consider this wonderful opportunity.

We welcome two new board members, who will be completing two unexpired terms. Pat Kumpf (CECH) and Tom Wagner (DAAP) will join us and we are delighted to have them on the board.

Many emeriti may be interested in the upcoming international conference of the World Association for Cooperative & Work-Integrated Education (WACE), at UC, August 3-7, 2019. Dr. Todd Foley, Director of Electrical Engineering Technology in the Experience Based Learning and Career Education (previously Professional Practice), noted that the conference will honor UC in its bicentennial year and as the place where cooperative education began in 1906. Todd described ways that emeriti might participate in this conference, such as hosting attendees in their homes, being part of welcoming groups at the airport, and serving as ambassadors at the conference. Emeriti might also be able to participate in the presentations offered. We will keep you updated as the planning evolves.

Our luncheon Speaker Series, chaired by Ken Skau, will began in September. Please see the article on this series in the newsletter and plan to attend- and bring a friend!

Four members of our Emeriti Board, including our Executive Director, Peter DePietro, will be attending the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) conference at Emory University in Atlanta, October 7-9, 2018. Bert Huether, Laura Kretschmer and I will do a concurrent session, along with emeriti from Skidmore College and Winona State University on the creation of Emeriti organizations at their respective institutions.

I welcome your suggestions and questions, and encourage you to become involved in the Emeriti Association!

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Luncheon Speaker Series

Upcoming Speakers
2018-2019 Academic Year

Information about location, time, and how to register for the talks will be sent out in advance of each one.
October 25, 2018

Dr. Eric Gruenstein, Professor
University of Cincinnati

Merging Climate Change with Hands-On Science:
A Project for Our Public Schools

Many students in our public schools today are given far too little opportunity to engage in practical scientific experiments which seem relevant to their lives. Last year with funding from Peoples Liberty, a local non-profit, Dr. Gruenstein started a project in the Cincinnati Public Schools with the goal of teaching students about climate change using a hands-on science approach.

Register for Oct. 25 Speaker

January 24, 2019
EmeriTALKS Special Event

Blake Robison, Artistic Director
Buzz Ward, Managing Director
Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park

Theatre as Art, Business and Community Developer in the Digital Age

With digital technologies providing audiences new entertainment options, theatre professionals are working creatively to engage audiences with contemporary stories, market shows, and fill seats. In this, the first EmeriTALKS presentation, the leadership of Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park discuss artistic considerations and business strategies for producing theatre in the digital age, as well as the challenges of growing an audience and maintaining a foothold in the local community. The Playhouse is one of the nation’s preeminent regional theatres, having won two Tony awards, produced shows that moved to Broadway, and brought first-class talent to their stages for decades.

February 28, 2019
To Be Announced

March 28, 2019
EmeriTALKS Special Event

Adam Gelter, Executive Vice President, Development
3CDC (Cincinnati Center City Development Corp.)

Transforming Cincinnati’s Urban Core: An Economic and Social Metamorphosis

3CDC was formed in July 2003, as part of an overall system to increase the
effectiveness and efficiency of development activities in the City of Cincinnati. At the time, government officials and industry leaders agreed that the economic future of Cincinnati depended on a strong and vibrant downtown. Working collaboratively with the City of Cincinnati, the State of Ohio, and members of the corporate community, 3CDC is a leader in the effort to transform Cincinnati’s urban core. Executive Vice President of Development, Adam Gelter, will discuss the transformation, its impact on the city and its residents, and some of 3CDC’s future projects.

April 25, 2019

Dr. Nancy Zimpher, Former President
University of Cincinnati

Everything I Know, I Learned in Cincinnati:
A Case Study of Collective Impact

In her storied career, Dr. Nancy Zimpher has held the titles of Chancellor of the State University of New York (SUNY), Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee (UWM), President of the University of Cincinnati (UC), and Dean and Professor of Education at Ohio State University. She has the distinction of being the first female to serve as Chancellor of SUNY, UWM's first woman chancellor, and UC’s first female president. In her return to the UC campus for the Emeriti Luncheon Speaker Series, Dr. Zimpher talks about the collective impact her time in Cincinnati has had on her journey as a professional.

Welcome to New Members

New Members of the Emeriti Association Board

Pat Kumpf
CHECH

Tom Wagner
DAAP

Second Act

Dr. Manfred Wolfram
And the Munich Summer Curriculum

Becoming an emeritus does not mean you should slow down. In fact, Dr. Manfred Wolfram, has done the exact opposite since retiring in 2009 from the University of Cincinnati (UC). In his Second Act, Dr. Wolfram founded the Munich Summer Curriculum, which has allowed hundreds of students an intensive experience with media and communications, while learning
about European business and culture.

Dr. Wolfram came to the United States in the 1970's, while serving in the German Navy, and soon after he moved here permanently, making Chicago his first American hometown.

Dr. Wolfram attended the University of Illinois, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in German Studies and a Master of Arts degree in German Baroque Literature. To further his education and in search of warmer winters, he then traveled to California, where he got a Master of Arts degree in Broadcast Communication Arts from San Francisco State University, and then a Doctor of Philosophy degree in German Studies from the University of California, Berkeley.

The move west was pivotal to his career. While in California, he worked at a local PBS television station, then on the national level as a producer/director of notable projects such as *Rienzi*, a television documentary on Richard Wagner's opera of the same name, and the acclaimed television production *She Stoops to Conquer* by Oliver Goldsmith. Because much of his work in broadcasting was educational, it was natural for him to segue into a career in education.

Years later he moved to Cincinnati and became Head of the Electronic Media Division at the University of Cincinnati’s College-Conservatory of Music (CCM). While at CCM, Dr. Wolfram grew the Division, originally called Broadcasting, and in 2004 he created an international study program, Munich Summer Curriculum (MSC), which has become a main focus of his second act.

MSC was created in partnership with Ludwig-Maxmilians Universität, one of Germany's most respected institutions of higher learning. The program is an intense ten-week course, which runs from June to August in Munich, Germany. It provides UC students, who might not have a lot of experience traveling abroad, the opportunity to live, study and work in one of Europe’s centers of culture and business.

The program is unique in that it has a six-week academic period at the beginning and a four-week internship at the end. UC students participate in this immersion program alongside international students, who have worked with prominent companies like Google and Facebook. Dr. Wolfram explained how this mixing of students from different countries is helpful to both American and international students. They learn cultural cues from each another, and, importantly, UC students realize how the world beyond the tri-state area can be competitive.

Dr. Wolfram's biggest piece of advice for students is to challenge themselves and
diversify their workload in school, because a variety of skills and experiences is necessary for success after college. He also said that as you get older, you should never slow down. Instead, find something that you are passionate about and in turn that passion will surprise you.

Photographs courtesy of Dr. Manfred Wolfram and Ludwig-Maximilians Universitat

Do you happen to be in the middle of your own Second (or third) Act? Email us to let us know and you may find your story in a future newsletter.

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**Emeriti Activities**

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**Inaugural House Concert for Emeriti**

Don't miss the inaugural Emeriti Association House Concert on Sunday afternoon, October 28th, at 3:00 PM in the home of George and Rose Vredeveld. The performance will feature Mary and Rodney Henderson-Stucky as they perform music for soprano and guitar/lute. Mary is professor emerita of music, and both Mary and Rodney teach for the CCM Preparatory Department. The afternoon will begin with light refreshments at 3:00 followed by the performance at 3:30.

**Attendance will be limited to the first forty people who respond**, so make your plans early. RSVP by **Sunday, October 21st, at 12:00 noon** to George Vredeveld at george.vredeveld@uc.edu.

Details, including directions to the Vredeveld home, will be sent to those attending.

*This event has been organized by the Social Activities Committee, Terry Milligan and Mary Stucky, Co-Chairs.*

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**Free Hearing Screenings**

The Health and Wellness Committee of the Emeriti Board is pleased to be able to once again offer **free** hearing screenings for any emeritus and his or her spouse to be conducted by graduate students in Audiology in the College of Allied Health Science.

This opportunity can be scheduled through the Department of Communication.
The evaluations will be conducted in the French East building on the Medical School campus. The clinic is open from 9-4 on MWF from now until the end of the semester.

There is some handicap parking available in front of the building. Please let the scheduling secretary know what your parking needs are when you contact her. This was a very successful event last year, and should be improved this year, as the Department will be offering hearing aid use support groups for those who decide to purchase hearing aids, or already have hearing aids and need more help.

This event has been organized by the Health and Wellness Committee, Laura Kretschmer, Chair.

Day Trip to German Village

The Emeriti Association continues to collaborate with OLLI, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, on various events and outings. Here is an event happening in November that may be of interest. Emeriti do not have to be members of OLLI to participate.

Date: Friday, November 9, 2018, Time: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Trip Details: The bus leaves from Adath Israel (3201 E. Galbraith Rd. at the corner of Ridge) promptly at 9:00 AM. Upon arrival in Columbus, we will have an orientation and walking tour with a guide from the German Village Historical Society followed by lunch (Dutch treat) at Schmidt’s Sausage Haus und Restaurant. After lunch, there will be some free time to shop or explore before the return to Cincinnati. Expected time of return is 4:30 PM.

Registration Information: Attendees will need to register with OLLI (name, address, phone, email, year of birth) and pay the $40 for the trip (but not the OLLI membership fee), by calling the OLLI office at 513-556-9186.

Long-Range Planning Committee

Planning for the Future of the Center

The primary objective of the Long-Range Planning Committee is to formulate the long-term goals and strategies of the UC Emeriti Association. This committee’s work is especially important, as...
If you are interested in sitting on this committee, please email Peter DePietro, Executive Director of the Emeriti Center by **November 1, 2018** at peter.depietro@uc.edu.

## Standing Committees

**Emeriti Association Standing Committees**  
*2018-2019 Academic Year*

- **Collaborative Activities with the UC Foundation and College Development Directors**  
  Cora Ogle, Chair

- **Communication Committee**  
  Bob Brackenbury, Chair

- **Emeriti Community Services Corps**  
  Executive Committee

  - **Health and Wellness**  
    Laura Kretschmer, Chair

  - **International**  
    Ralph Katerberg and George Vredeveld, Co-Chairs

- **Living History and Legacy Projects**  
  Carl Huether, Chair

- **Long-Range Planning**  
  Peter DePietro, Chair

- **Luncheon Speaker Series/EmeriTALKS**  
  Ken Skau, Chair

- **Mentoring**  
  Bruce Ault, Chair

- **Nominations to the Emeriti Board**  
  Vice President of Board, Chair

- **Recognition and Appreciation Dinner for New Emeriti**  
  George Suckarieh, Chair

- **Social Activities Committee**  
  Terry Milligan and Mary Stucky, Co-Chairs
Willis Dean Poland

Willis Dean Poland died on June 6, 2018 at the age of 91. He was born on August 24, 1927 in Barnes, Kansas. After serving in the Navy, he attended Kansas State University, where he earned both bachelor's and master's degrees. He went on to Ohio State University and received his PhD. Willis moved to Cincinnati in 1969. During his time at UC, he was a professor in the Psychology Department. He served as the clinical supervisor and director of training at the Psychological Services Center, where he prepared doctoral candidates for clinical therapy. Additionally, he received intensive post-graduate training in Gestalt Therapy and maintained a small private practice. Will is survived by his wife Jill Bentgen and daughters Consuelo Poland and Sara Poland; he is also survived by his daughter Debra Holthus and his son Paul Poland from his first marriage to Mildred Poland.

Marion Alice Brown

Marion Alice Brown died on September 1, 2018 at the age of 84. She was born to William and Hilda Wisti in a log cabin and went on to earn her doctorate in history. Marion was a professor for over 30 years at the University of Cincinnati and was a Fulbright Scholar in Finland, where she was a professor at the University of Tampere. Marion is survived by her children Connie Taylor, Valerie Zummo, Scott Brown, brother Gordon Wisti, sisters-in-law Ruth Wisti and Inez Storey.
Harold “Harry” C. Gotoff died on July 31, 2018 at the age of 82. Harry taught at UC between 1986 and 2010, as the John Miller Burnam Professor of Latin and of Romance Palaeography. A distinguished scholar of Latin literature, he made lasting contributions to our understanding of the transmission of the text of Lucan and of the style of Cicero’s speeches in relation to their rhetorical effects. During his career, he lectured widely in United States and Italy. In Cincinnati, Professor Gotoff taught graduate and undergraduate courses in Latin and Greek literature. He is survived by his wife Margot Jacobson Gotoff and his two children.

About Campus

Health Sciences New Home

The $61 million new Health Sciences Building is set to open August of 2019. This is just one of the many buildings in the $480 million Medical Campus Master Plan Project. The other buildings include a $34 million renovation to Kowalewski Hall and $3 million additions to Kettering North.

The four story 117,000 square-foot facility will have an atrium with a skylight, along with classrooms, labs and offices. The building is located on the southwest corner of the Eden and Panzeca Way.

UC College of Law

Carl H. Lindner Hall is set to be the new home of the UC College of Law. After the Linder College of Business is complete and the business school is fully transitioned out of Linder Hall, the building will under go a total revitalization. The $40 million renovation will give a clean and modern look to the 32 year old building. Construction is projected to be completed in 2021.

Multimedia Feature
Gardens Around Campus

Take a multimedia tour of the gardens around UC’s West Campus, and view highlights of the unique flora, some of which may be familiar to you and some of which may not.

View YouTube Video

University News

Record Breaking Enrollment!

For the Fall 2018 term, the University of Cincinnati welcomed over 45,000 students, including 7,700 freshmen, to its three campuses. UC is in its sixth consecutive year of enrollment growth!

More information

Cyber Security and UC's Impact

Cyber security has become a booming business, and UC is capitalizing by becoming the home to the Ohio Cyber Range, an initiative of the Ohio Adjutant General’s Department and the Ohio Cyber Collaboration Committee, or OC3. The program teaches people how to help prevent cyber attacks. The Ohio Cyber Range is scheduled for official completion as a demonstration site by summer 2019, but it’s already in use. UC’s IT students and representatives from partner community colleges currently have access to it for research and classroom instruction.
Bicentennial Celebration!

This academic year UC turns 200! UC is the 18th oldest university in America, with its origins dating back to 1819 to the Cincinnati College and the Medical College of Ohio. The university is celebrating the bicentennial with a series of events and initiatives. Some of the initiatives include the "Bus Shelter Project" and the "Mini Grants" program.

For more information and a list of events, please click: Information and events

This Month in UC History

This month we take a look at the long standing rivalry with our neighbors in Oxford, Ohio. The football rivalry between the University of Cincinnati and Miami University dates back to 1888, when the two universities competed in their first collegiate match. It is considered to be the longest running non-conference rivalry in college football history.

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Let us know!

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