

UT Health Science Center - RETIREES ASSOCIATION

POSTSCRIPTS

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August, 2013

General Membership Meeting

WHEN: Thursday, September 19, 2013

TIME: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

WHERE: Room 305, Student Alumni Center

LUNCH:

Reservations Only: Call **Ida Mosby** (901-315-0549, email idamosby@yahoo.com) to **make reservations on or before Monday, September 16**. Family members and guests are welcome.

COST: \$9 (First time attendees receive free meal.)

PARKING: Free parking in the garage next to SAC. UTHSC ID required to enter garage.

PROGRAM: **Impact of the Affordable Health Care Act on Retirees and Those on Social Security**
Presentation by: Dr. Cyril Chang, Professor of Economics, University of Memphis

DO YOU HAVE NEWS?

Please send any items of interest for Postscripts to Carolyn Gibson, Editor. E Mail to cgibson@uthsc.edu or mail to 2686 Meadow Hill Cove, Germantown, TN 31838.

From the President

Greetings Retirees:

Those of you residing in the Memphis area will not want to miss our September meeting which features Dr. Cyril Chang, Professor of Economics and Director of Methodist Le Bonheur Center for Healthcare Economics at the University of Memphis. Doctor Chang has collaborated on several UTHSC research projects. He will be speaking on what effect the Affordable Health Care Act will have on Medicare. This should prove to be an interesting program, especially in light of the fact that many of our members are on Medicare or if not, will soon join the 65 and above crowd.

September will end my time as your President, and I have truly enjoyed serving in that capacity. Steve Rowland, Vice President, will take over as President. I would like to thank Dr. Diane Greenhill, Steve Rowland, Ida Mosby, Dr. Morris Robbins and our Postscripts Editor, Dr. Carolyn Gibson for working with me this past year as well as the Board Members at large: Kathleen Stewart Terrell, Earl Terrell, Ruth Rike, Eddie Jones, Dr. Herbert Zeman, Dr Peter Jones, Barbara McAdams, Marilyn Minor, and Marcia Chorce. Thanks also to staff liaison, Liz Roemer. I could not have done without the collaborative effort of these members.

We have several positions open on the Board that need to be filled. We are looking for a Vice President as well as At Large positions. We had four new retirees at our last meeting. It would be nice if some of them would step up and agree to go on the Board. We are always looking for fresh ideas.

Be sure and make your reservations to Ida Mosby; her number and email are listed on the side bar next to this article.

Remember to check with Dr. Morris Robbins to see if your dues are up to date.

We will again have some door prizes at the meeting.

Best to you.

Sherrill Wolf

ID BADGES REQUIRED !!

Retirees must have UT ID Badges to enter the SAC and the Parking Garage. Badges are free and may be procured at the UT Campus Police Office

RECENT RETIREES

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!!

John Fain	Professor, Molecular Sciences
Glenn Hart	Professor, Dentistry
Margaret Ayers	Coordinator, Physical Therapy
Brenda Dean	Sr. Admin. Service Asst., Academic Affairs
Betty Eason	Supervisor, Dentistry
Willie Jean Eldridge	Accounting Asst., Boling Center
Debbie Mondie	Graduate Dental Asst., Dentistry
Rebecca Joiner	Coordinator, Facilities
Dorothy Lanier	Accounting Asst., MIB
Avurachan Tharapel	Professor, Pediatrics
Janice Sheir	Asst. Professor, OBGYN
Stephen Miller	Professor, Internal Medicine
Posey Grant Hedges, Jr.	Asst. Professor, Dentistry
Susie Robinson	Receptionist, Dentistry
Charles Brooks	Director, Information Technology
Jere Yates	Asst. Professor, Orthodontics
Jack Wilson	Professor, Anatomy
Patricia Hopkins	Director, Preventive Medicine
David Nutting	Professor, Physiology
Cheng-Xiang Li	Asst. Professor, Anatomy and Neurobiology
Karen Olson	Faculty, Adv. Practice and Doctoral Studies
Bruce Alpert	Professor, Pediatrics
James Langston	Professor, Radiology
Mark Patters	Professor, Associate Dean, Dentistry
Eddie Jones	Custodial Foreman, Physical Plant
Muriel Rice	Director, Clinical Pharmacy
Kathy Smith	LPN, Jackson Family Practice
Rita Myles	Childcare Asst., UT Child Care

In Memoriam

Rosanna Sutton	August 24, 2012 Patient Care Director
Don E. Miles	March 24, 2013 Research Associate, Nephrology
Bob Freeman	June 12, 2013 Professor Emeritus and Department Chair, Microbiology; Dean of Graduate School
William (Taylor) Strickland	July 26, 2013 Chief Information Officer

REMINDERS:

- * UT Retirees may use the UT Recreation and Fitness Center free of charge. For hours of operation and other information, call 448-5612.
- * ID Badges are required to enter the SAC and the UT Parking Garage. Retirees may obtain badges at no charge at the UT Campus Police Office. See Sgt. Avis before any Thursday luncheon meeting to have your free ID Badge made.
- * Visit the UT Retirees webpage for current notices and for past issues of PostScripts. Go to: <http://www.utmem.edu/retirees>

2013 Board Meeting and Luncheon Schedule Mark your calendars!

Luncheon Meeting: September 19, 2013

Board Meeting: November 14, 2013

December Luncheon Meeting: TBA

Volunteer Opportunity with Memphis Habitat

UTHSC Retirees Association recently received correspondence from Amy Paul, Volunteer and Events Manager for Memphis Habitat. Ms Paul is actively seeking those who can serve as core volunteers in their ReStore and on their Construction Committee. Ms. Paul writes that the greatest need is for people that can help lead other volunteers during weekday activities in the store and on the build site. Objectives for these two volunteer areas are:

ReStore Management: Assist the ReStore staff with various aspects of daily operations and create a friendly environment for our donors and customers. Core volunteers also provide leadership and direction to other inexperienced volunteers that may just be out to help for the day.

Construction Site Supervisor: Complete construction of Habitat homes in an efficient manner and in conjunction with habitat staff, while providing leadership and encouragement to the more inexperienced volunteers on the build site.

If you are interested in volunteering for Memphis Habitat, contact Amy Paul by email apaul@memphishabitat.com or by phone 901-322-3517. The street address is: Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis, 7136 Winchester Road, Memphis, TN 38125

Highlights

June 20 Luncheon Meeting

Dr. Peter Jones provided a brief history of Mongolia before the fascinating slide show of his month long journey in Mongolia and the Gobi Desert. We saw such pictures of such exotic places as as: Ulaanbaatar, Sukhbaatar Square, Hoyer Zugal ger camp, Khorsgol Lake, and Tsaatan teepees. We also saw Mongolian families in their traditional garb and some of the younger people who now wear western style clothes. Common sights are fields of yaks, yows, sheep, and cashmere goats. Peter and his wife had a taste of the nomadic life as they slept in a ger, and even learned to assemble one. (A ger, pictured below, is a round movable hut that serves as home to nomads when moving their herds.)

Temperatures in the Gobi Desert can range from 120 degrees to 40 degrees. It was surprising to some of us to learn that the Gobi is mostly gravel and rock—not so much sand. Also of note were slides of the Flaming Cliffs where the first dinosaur eggs were discovered in 1920.

On September 8 in the Old Believers Village, Dr. and Mrs. Jones were chosen to act the parts of a new bride and groom in a traditional marriage ceremony—perfect casting for a couple celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary on that very day. Special thanks to Dr. Jones for sharing another of his travel adventures with us!

In the business session of the meeting, President Sherrill Wolf announced that positions of Vice President and Treasurer are open as well as At Large positions on the Executive Board. Anyone interested in serving in any of these roles is encouraged to contact Sherrill Wolf (swolf@uthsc.edu).

Dr. Robbins gave a brief Treasurer's report and shared letters from two retirees who made donations to the association: one from Dr. James Hunt to honor the memory of Bill Robinson, and another from Dr. Peggy Veeseer to honor the memory of Sue Scates.

A drawing was held for three gift cards. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Focus on Retirees



The spotlight is shining on Andrea and Johnny Crisler, recent retirees and among the newest members of the UTHSC Retirees Association. Andrea was a research coordinator in Endocrinology, and Johnny's career was based in medical technology-also in Endocrinology. Andrea, with 32 years of service, and Johnny with 35 years both retired April 30, 2013.

While still adjusting to life as retirees, Mr. and Mrs. Crisler have enjoyed having free time to work in their yard, to visit the Botanic Gardens, and to simply enjoy the opportunity for having quiet moments. Their favorite memories of their years at UTHSC are of the people they met, their research endeavors, and being in an environment that promoted learning.