

UT Health Science Center - RETIREES ASSOCIATION

# POSTSCRIPTS

December, 2009

## General Membership Meeting

- WHEN:** Friday, **December 11, 2009**
- TIME:** 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- WHERE:** Room 305, Student Alumni Center
- LUNCH:** Reservations Only: Call Barbara McAdams, 901-767-3947 (e-mail bsmvols@gmail.com), to make reservations. Family members and guests are welcome.
- COST:** \$7 (First time attendees receive free meal.)
- PARKING:** Free parking in the garage next to SAC. Garage opens at 11:00.
- PROGRAM:** **Speaker - U. S. Representative Steve Cohen**

### DO YOU HAVE NEWS?

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

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

### 2010 LUNCHEON MEETING DATES

**March 18**  
**June 17**  
**September 16**  
**December 16**

### ID BADGES REQUIRED !!

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

## From the President

Season's Greetings to All!!!

The annual Holiday luncheon meeting will be December 11, and I am pleased to note that Congressman Steve Cohen will be the featured speaker. We expect a big turnout, but a word of caution: Representative Cohen's office has informed us that this time of year the Congress is often called to Washington for a vote on a bill, so Mr. Cohen may have to cancel. Let's hope for the best. We are also looking forward to having Sheryl Stanton with us. Sheryl is an employee on the UTHSC campus and a talented vocalist who will be entertaining us with a medley of Holiday songs.

Welcome to our recently elected new officers: Vice President Raoul Arreola; Secretary Barbara McAdams; and Treasurer; Sherrill Wolf. Newly elected three-year terms at large board members are: Morris Robbins, Dianne Greenhill, and Ruth Rike. Two-year terms at large board members are Diane Wyatt, Ron Sommers. Ray Tanner, and Martha Jo Young. Carolyn Gibson continues as editor of the newsletter. Sincere thanks goes to the previous officers for their service. I would especially like to thank June Medvec who has graciously agreed to stay on until the first of the year as "past secretary" during the transition period for the new officers. The job of Secretary is a particularly difficult one, encompassing keeping the Association business records and minutes as well as managing the basic scheduling and catering aspects of the board and luncheon meetings.

We have learned from the office of UT Alumni Affairs that benefits and privileges currently available to Alumni can also be extended to retirees. Further information about this topic is included in this issue of PostScripts. I am also pleased to report that the Association Board has forwarded a letter to the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees offering the services of the UTHSC Retirees Association as possible advisors. Rationale is that with the vast experience of our membership gained during our years of employment, our knowledge might be useful in helping the Trustees to make administrative decisions. A copy of the letter is posted on our website: <http://www.utm.edu/retirees/>. My thanks to Raoul Arreola for his hard work in putting the letter together.

A reminder: the annual Retirees Association membership fee is due now. Dues are \$5 per year or \$50 for a lifetime membership. Dues may be paid to Treasurer, Sherrill Wolf, at the December meeting. A dues form is also provided in this newsletter. I hope to see you all at the December 11 meeting. Happy Holidays, and may Santa be nice to you!

Harry Mincer

## RECENT RETIREES

### CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!!

**Briggs, Charles J.**, Physical Plant, Custodial Maintenance Helper

**Yoo, Tai June**, Rheumatology, Professor

**Ray, Welton Lewis**, Medical Service Aide

**Miller, Mona Carter**, Bowld Hospital, Nurse Specialist, Surgery

**Cloyd, Jerry S.**, Pediatric Dentistry, Professor

**Chai, Chin-Lian**, Rheumatology, Research Assistant

**Chiang, Thomas M.**, Rheumatology, Consultant

**Bolden, Gwendolyn**, Dentistry, Administrative Aide

**Himel, Van T.**, Dentistry, Professor and Chair, Endodontics

## IN MEMORIAM

**Kenneth Allen Campbell, November 12, 2009, Accounting**

**Mary Ann Harvey Smith, November 3, 2009, Professor, Chief of Nutrition, Associate Director, Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities**

## 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. 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/>

## HIGHLIGHTS

September 17, Luncheon Meeting

In the absence of the Association president, Harry Mincer, Ray Tanner chaired the meeting and welcomed all retirees. Mr. Jim Covington, Vice President of Logistics and Aerotropolis Development at the Chamber of Commerce, gave a presentation titled, "Memphis - America's Aerotropolis". An aerotropolis is defined as an aviation linked urban form or an airport surrounded by tens of thousands of acres of light industrial space. Memphis International Airport and the Federal Express airport make Memphis an aerotropolis. The center force of Memphis is the airport. A map of airport outreach shows impact that goes far beyond Tipton and Fayette counties and eastern Arkansas. Memphis is an American aerotropolis because: it has time critical logistics capabilities; for the past 17 years is the world's busiest cargo airport; is the third busiest trucking corridor in the United States; is the third largest rail center in the United States; and is the fourth largest inland port in the United States.

The annual economic impact of the airport is \$28.6 billion, with \$27.1 billion from cargo air use. The airport generates 220,000 jobs in the metro area. Over half of Memphis business owners say their impact is tied to the airport.

Memphis is the most connected city in the world when considering speed, agility, connectivity and accessibility. The airport is a magnet for time critical distribution. Businesses such as Solution Technologies repair and ship 5000 computers every night. Other time critical businesses that depend on the airport are the National Eye Bank, Advanced Toxicology, and Thomson Technicolor where 1.2 million DVDs are shipped each day. Memphis receives a significant tax revenue from warehouses that serve these and other nearby airport distribution centers.

The city has invested over a billion dollars in the airport over the past 20 years. Projects in the planning stages or recently completed include: capitol investments, historic land swaps, the Air National Guard and Fed Ex expansions, new parking structures, cargo central, ground transportation terminal, new FAA control towers, and runway 9-27 construction. Jim's team works to see that the aerotropolis grows in an organized, economically efficient, and environmentally sustainable manner.

After a question and answer period, the group discussed old business. The proposed revision of the Constitution of the Retirees Association of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center was distributed in the September 2009 edition of PostScripts and was also posted on the retirees UT website, <http://www.utmem.edu/retirees/>. The revised Constitution was unanimously approved.

New business was election of 2010 Retirees Association Officers and Board members. Elected unanimously are:

<b>President:</b> Harry Mincer	<b>Vice-President:</b> Raoul Arreola
<b>Secretary:</b> Barbara McAdams	<b>Treasurer:</b> Sherrill Wolf
<b>At Large Board Members: Three-Year Term</b>	
Morris Robbins, Dianne Greenhill, Ruth Rike	
<b>At Large Board Members: Two-Year Term</b>	
Diane Wyatt, Ray Tanner, Ron Sommers, Martha Jo Young	
<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Carolyn Gibson	



Family and friends: from left Emily Barnes, Ramona Jackson, Beverly Avis, **Sue Scates**, Ashley Barnes, and Dewight Lanham.



Sue on Hawaii vacation.



## RETIREE SPOTLIGHT

Many retirees will remember Sue Scates who more than likely helped guide them through the retirement process. After 22 years of service in Human Resources, Sue retired. In 1986 Sue began her career at UTHSC as a principal secretary. Through the years she worked as an Employment Assistant, Benefits Information Specialist, Senior Administrative Services Assistant, Staff Assistant, Personnel Services Coordinator, Benefits Coordinator, and finally as Senior Staff Assistant.

In December 2006, Sue earned the Bachelor's degree in university studies. The story of her academic journey was featured in the UTHSC "Record". Sue loved her work and was reluctant to leave; she says it took her a year to just get used to being retired.

Now, Sue enjoys not having to keep a schedule, and that is her favorite thing about being retired. Sue's advice to the newly retired is to stay busy and to stay involved with people. Sue practices what she preaches since she is the Coordinator for World Bible School at her church, Missouri Street Church of Christ. Sue has also worked as a shadow or secret shopper since she retired.

Just two weeks ago, Sue moved from her home in Marion, Arkansas, to a high rise complex for Seniors in midtown Memphis. Sue is happy in the new home, loves the activities provided, and already knows many of her new neighbors. In fact, Sue is often asked by the management of her complex to speak to prospective residents who may have some reluctance about giving up their homes and moving to a smaller space. Sue grappled with that issue herself, and now she is as much an ambassador for the Senior's residence as she was for UTHSC.

Sue has three children and four grandchildren who help her to stay busy as she enjoys her retirement'



*Happy Holidays*



## UTAA TOUR PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

The UT Alumni Association chapter meetings, like all UTAA programs are open to all. Retirees are welcome to be part of UTAA tours and events. A description of the UTAA Tour program follows: The UT Alumni Association's Tour Program, Tennessee Travelers, enters its 40th year in 2010 of offering cultural, education travel itineraries for UT alumni and friends. The purpose of the program is:

1. To be a service program for alumni to strengthen or rekindle their ties to the University, and
2. To identify and cultivate potential new contributors, especially major gift prospects, and
3. To provide an opportunity for University alumni to travel to both domestic and international destinations at group rates and with fellow alumni as traveling companions.

During the past few years, the UTAA has primarily used two tour operators who specialize in alumni travel to plan UTAA-sponsored foreign alumni tours – Alumni Holidays, Inc. and Thomas P. Gohagan and Co. In 2008, we added China Advocates as a third tour provider and in 2009, our fourth tour provider, GoNext was added. These agencies have continued to maintain only the finest tradition in group travel for our alumni travel participants. Constant monitoring of world situations assists our Alumni Association in providing tours that are well planned in areas of relative safety as well as convenience for these tour participants. The UTAA will continue to strive to provide only the finest in air service, accommodations, and tour opportunities for both foreign and domestic travel. We will also continue to look for additional tour offerings that will provide unique travel opportunities for our present and prospective tour participants.

If you would like to be notified of UTAA events and tours throughout the year, fill out the form below and mail it to: **Barbara McAdams, 4316 Amber Lane, Memphis, TN 38111.**

I would like to receive via e-mail notification of UTAA tours and events.

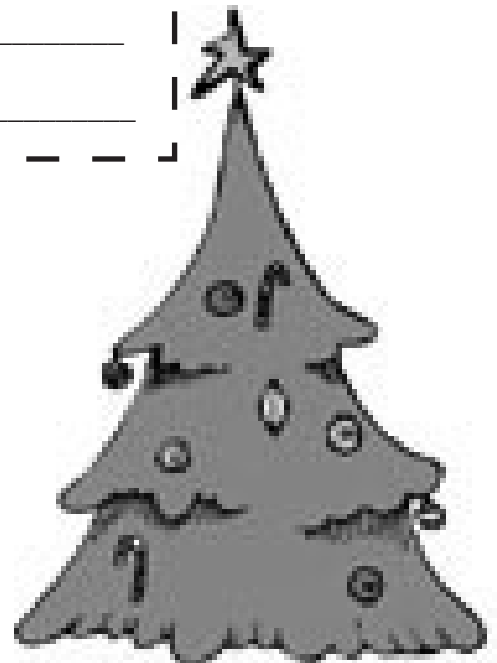
NAME \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

*For further information about Chapter meetings and other UTAA programs contact:*

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web: alumni.tennessee.edu*

*or email Carol Kirkland at cgkirkland@yahoo.com.*



**University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center Retirees Association**

**2010 Dues Bill**

**Fill out completely and print clearly. Include your dues if not already paid.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual dues = \$5.00      Lifetime dues = \$50.00**

**Make checks payable to “UTHSC Retirees Association” or pay in cash.**

**Either pay at the luncheon meeting or mail to:      Sherrill Wolf  
University of Tennessee  
Rm. B41, 8 S. Dunlap  
Memphis, TN 38163**

Personal information is only for use by our association.

Visit us at <http://www.utmem.edu/retirees>