



UT Health Science Center - RETIREES ASSOCIATION

# POSTSCRIPTS

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March, 2012

## General Membership Meeting

- WHEN:** Thursday, **March 15**, 2012
- TIME:** 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- WHERE:** Room 305, Student Alumni Center
- LUNCH:** Reservations Only: Call Barbara McAdams (901-767-3947, e-mail [bsmvols@gmail.com](mailto:bsmvols@gmail.com)) to make reservations on or before Monday, March 12. Family members and guests are welcome.
- COST:** \$7 (First time attendees receive free meal.)
- PARKING:** Free parking in the garage next to SAC. UTHSC ID required to enter garage.
- PROGRAM:** **Speaker - Mike LaBonte, M.S., Executive Director of the Crisis Center**
- DO YOU HAVE NEWS?**  
Please send any items of interest for Postscripts to Carolyn Gibson, Editor. E Mail to [cgibson@uthsc.edu](mailto:cgibson@uthsc.edu) or mail to 2686 Meadow Hill Cove, Germantown, TN 31838.

## From the President

Spring is in the air! I hope everyone is enjoying the mild weather and that you are making plans to attend the March 15 Luncheon Meeting. Our Vice-President, Sherrill Wolfe, does an excellent job as program chairman. This month our guest speaker is Mike LaBonte, Executive Director of the Crisis Center. This program is a partner with UTHSC; you don't want to miss Mr. LaBonte's presentation. Remember to call in your reservation on or before March 12.

Please make an effort to personally contact a recent retiree (or maybe a not so recent retiree) and invite them to attend the luncheon meetings. These meetings allow us to keep in touch with old friends, make new friends, and at the same time enjoy programs that keep us abreast of current events in our community and on campus. Go to our website, [www.uthsc.edu/retirees](http://www.uthsc.edu/retirees), and check out the "Highlights" column for summaries of past programs. Remember that guests are welcome at our luncheon meetings, so feel free to invite friends. Plans for the June luncheon meeting are underway. Take note of the Executive Board Meeting and Luncheon Meeting dates listed below. For the remainder of the year, two \$25.00 gift certificates will be given as door prizes at the luncheon meetings. The Executive Board voted unanimously to award these gift certificates as an added incentive to attend meetings.

We are pleased that Morris Robbins has agreed to serve as Treasurer for the remainder of the year. The position of Secretary remains open. Please consider nominations for this position; and, if you are interested in serving, speak to me at the March luncheon meeting. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

E.Dianne Greenhill  
President

### 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



Mark Your Calendars

**2012 Luncheon Membership Meetings** (11:30 AM, Room 305 SAC)

March 15

June 21

September 20

December 20 (subject to change to coincide with Chancellor's Holiday Party)

**2012 Executive Board Meetings** (10:00 AM, Room 315, SAC, open to membership)

May 17

August 16

November 15

## RECENT RETIREES CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!!

**Carolyn Ann Mixon**  
**Kathleen A. Pitts**  
**Beverly Williams-Cleaves**  
**Dick Gourley**  
**Linda Jo Shepperd Cox**  
**Janet Elizabeth Mitchell**

Administrative Aide, Facilities  
Nurse Director, CTSI  
Associate Professor, Medicine  
Dean and Professor, Pharmacy  
Graduate Dental Assistant  
Budget Coordinator,  
Biomedical Engineering  
Administrative Assistant, Admissions  
Program Coordinator, Nursing  
Senior Resident Assistant, Pediatrics  
Manager, General Stores  
Senior Laboratory Aide, Anatomy  
and Neurobiology

**Bonnie Vandergriff**  
**Marsha Schafer Chorice**  
**Jeanette Marie Peeples**  
**Ralph L. Scott**  
**Janice Marie Perkins**

## 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.uthsc.edu/retirees>

## DOOR PRIZES

Do you feel lucky? Two \$25 gift certificates will be given as door prizes at the March Luncheon meeting. Come and bring a friend!

## Mark LaBonte Is March Speaker!

Mr. LaBonte holds a Masters Degree in Urban Anthropology from the University of Memphis. Executive Director of the Crisis Center, he is a certified trainer in Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training and QPR Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training, two evidence-based models that provide practical information on how to recognize and respond to a suicidal crisis. Over the past decade, Mr. Labonte has trained police, social workers, counselors, and community volunteers in empathic listening, risk assessment, and crisis and suicide intervention. He served as the 2010 Chair of the Memphis Shelby County Suicide Prevention Network.

The Crisis Center, a partner with the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, is a United Way Agency. The Center serves as an emotional lifeline through compassionate, non-biased, 24-hour live telephone support. Trained volunteers use a combination of empathic listening, collaborative problem solving, risk assessment, and crisis intervention to help callers with immediate problems and to link them with long-term resources. Along with the volunteer-powered Crisis Line, the Crisis Center also administers the Call-4-Kids Hotline, Senior-B-Safe Line, the Ryan White HIV Line, and is the local affiliate of National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. All Crisis Center programs are free, safe, and confidential.

## *In Memoriam*

**Ann Bell**

February 11, 2012  
College of Allied Health Science  
College of Medicine, Internal Medicine  
2007 Recipient of UT Honorary Doctor of  
Science Degree

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

UTHSC ID Badges are required for all retirees to gain entrance to the SAC as well as to the UT Parking Garage. The UT Parking Garage is now secured, and no one may enter without a UTHSC ID Badge. The Garage gate will no longer be left open before retirees luncheon meetings, as it has been in the past. UTHSC ID Badges are free to retirees and may be obtained at the UT Campus Police office.

If you plan to attend the luncheon meeting, you must make reservations by the Monday before each meeting. Reservations for the March meeting should be made on or before Monday, March 12 for the upcoming luncheon on March 15, 2012. To make reservations, phone or email to the Secretary whose contact information is included on page one of each issue of Postscripts. Guests are welcome, and the cost is \$7.00 per person. Retirees attending the luncheon for the first time receive a free meal.



# HIGHLIGHTS

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