**MU Retirees Association** 

OCTOBER 2017





## Dear MURA Members:

reetings, and welcome back for the 2017-2018 year! I am honored to serve as your president this year and I want to thank our past-president, Marty Townsend for stepping up to serve as our president a year early when then-president Kitty Dickerson became ill. Marty did an outstanding job and I truly appreciate her hard work under these unfortunate circumstances. I also

want to give a special warm welcome to the new MU retirees who have joined MURA. I hope that your retirement will be fulfilling and that you will enjoy the many educational and social activities that we sponsor. It is a well-known fact that retirees are busier than ever and we look forward to seeing you at our events. Retirees have also been generous donors to Mizzou and to the community. We have the greatest percent participation in the United Way, and MU retirees collectively donated \$2,037,310 to the My Mizzou Annual Campaign in 2016. Thanks for all that you do for Mizzou.

The University System and Mizzou campus are entering a new era of leadership. Last spring, we welcomed President Mun Choi, who graciously hosted our Spring Social at Providence Point. We had a very engaging discussion with him at our first breakfast meeting in September. This summer we welcomed our new Chancellor Alex Cartwright, and we look forward to having him speak to us at our breakfast on February 6. In reviewing the MURA constitution, I was reminded that MURA's purpose is "to represent, promote and protect the interests of the retirees and to promote the welfare of the University of Missouri." MURA members collectively hold the institutional memory of Mizzou, and we want our new leaders to know that we are here to support their efforts and to work with them to promote the welfare of the university.

#### **MURA and You**

MURA offers an extraordinary platform from which to: (1) support worthwhile causes like our Kitty Dickerson Scholarship Endowment fund, which supports dependents of current benefit-eligible MU and UM staff members, (2) learn about updates to the retiree medical insurance program, (3) hear informative talks by local experts on political, cultural, and educational topics at our monthly breakfasts, and (4) participate in lively social events like our annual holiday luncheon. I look forward to greeting all of you at these events. Details about all these opportunities are in this issue.

The Kitty Dickerson MURA Scholarship, named last year for MURA President Kitty Dickerson, who died in January, 2017, is now endowed with over \$30,000 in the fund. Kitty's goal was to grow the endowment to \$100,000, so that we can give more scholarships and larger amounts to the recipients. As noted above, the scholarships go to Mizzou students who are dependents of

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There are many upcoming MURA events. See the back cover for a full list and mark your calendars!

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# Benefits Update

The Annual Enrollment period for retirees is coming up soon. From October 30 through November 10, 2017, you will have the opportunity to make changes to your current plan enrollment. Information on premiums and other plan details for the 2018 calendar year will be mailed to you in early October.

If you are satisfied with your current enrollments and would like to continue the same coverage in 2018, no action is required on your part. However, if you decide to make any changes, you will be required to complete a change form. If you would like to change plan options for yourself and your dependents, or terminate coverage, you will need to complete a 2018 Annual Enrollment Retiree Medical Benefits Change Form and return it to the HR Service Center, by November 10, 2017. The form is available at http://umurl.us/enrollment or by calling the HR Service Center at 573-882-2146. Completed forms may faxed to 573-882-9603, mailed to the HR Service Center, 1000 W. Nifong, Bldg. 7, Suite 210, Columbia, MO 65211-8220, or scanned and emailed to hrservicecenter@umsystem.edu. Again, if you are satisfied with your current coverage, no action is required on your part. Coverage for you, and your eligible dependent(s), will continue in 2018.

The University of Missouri System Office of Human Resources will be conducting an active annual enrollment for faculty and staff this year, as we have for the past several years. That means all benefit-eligible, active faculty and staff must re-enroll to receive the insurance coverage of their choice. Annual Enrollment for faculty and staff will be held October 16 – October 27, 2017.

Starting on January 1, 2018, a new carrier will administer all UM System vision insurance. After an extensive RFP process, the University has chosen to transition from VSP to EyeMed Vision Care. If you elect vision coverage for 2018, you will receive plan information and an ID card from EyeMed in December.

To ensure you receive timely updates and notifications from the UM System, please be sure your information is up to date in our system. You can easily review and update your information by visiting myHR, the University's self-service application for personal information. Visit http://myhr.umsystem.edu. If you relocate seasonally or are planning a move, provide your new address and the effective date(s) prior to the change. For assistance in accessing myHR, please view the myHR tutorial at http://www.umsystem.edu/ ums/hr/ myhr, or contact the IT Help Desk at (573) 882-5000. I look forward to seeing many of you at the fall meeting.

## Melinda Adams

Interim Assistant Vice President University of Missouri System HR

## Carol Wilson

Associate Director Benefits University of Missouri System

# Possible Retiree University Email Changes Coming

MU and UM retirees in recent years have had the option to keep their University email address after they retired but thanks to the negotiating efforts of Past President Tom Henderson a couple of years ago, we no longer have to pay an annual fee to keep our email address and that policy still remains in place. However not all retirees choose to use that id and many have opted to use other platforms (such as gmail, centurylink, yahoo, hotmail) as their primary email address which is fine. However, the Division of Information Technology (DoIT) is in the process of reviewing usage looking for dormant accounts that have not been used in over a year for possible deletion. NO DE-CISIONS have been made yet related to if or when a dormant account might be deleted. This is just 'heads up' information in case you are one who doesn't often login to your University email address. Notifications will be sent by DoIT before any account is deleted. For the latest developments and most current information, please go to https://doit.missouri.edu/services/retiree-access-it/.

# Calling all Early Birds—Register Now for the December 16 MURA Holiday Luncheon

Mark your calendar and register now for the MURA Holiday Luncheon Saturday, December 16, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., at the Reynolds Alumni Center. This annual event invites MURA members and guests to enjoy good fellowship, good food, and good cheer. Plan to come early for the social hour, featuring a 'sing-along' time with Michael Porter on the piano. Following a delicious, plated lunch, Nan Erickson will again play Santa's helper, continuing the tradition of Santa's Gifts. Members can join the fun by donating a variety of gifts that are awarded in a prize drawing at the conclusion of the event. Some examples of gifts shared in the past include wines, MU

memorabilia, gift certificates, artworks, crafts, books, Buck's ice cream, scarves, and floral arrangements. If you would like to participate in the Santa's Gifts tradition, contact Nan with a description of your gift at 573-999-4363 or email her at ericksonrcnb@mchsi.com. Please contact Nan before December 13, 2017. Any and all gifts, large or small, are appreciated.

We hope you'll join MURA friends at this special event! See below for registration information.

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Send by December 7 with check for \$30/p	person payable to "MU Retirees Association" to:
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Columbia, MO 65203	
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Attendee #1 entree choice: Baked Norwegian Salmon	Attendee #2 entree choice: Baked Norwegian Salmon
	Baked Norwegian Salmon Chicken Parmesan



### 2018 Chancellor's Retiree of the Year Awards **Nomination Form**



# 2017 Chancellor's Luncheon: Retiree Donations and Award Winners

The annual Chancellor's luncheon was held on Friday, May 19th at the Reynolds Alumni Center. Marty Townsend presented a check to Tom Hiles, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement on behalf of MU Retirees. The check total of \$2,037,310 represents donations all MU retirees made to MU between July 1, 2016 and April 30, 2017.

During the luncheon the Faculty and Staff Retiree of the Year awards were also presented to Marie Sloan and Richard Hessler.

**Marie C. Sloan** retired from the Department of History in 2001 and received the Staff Award. As a member of the Assistance League of Mid-Missouri Sloan

has served as first Vice President of Operations/Finance, Vice President of Membership, Chair of Upscale Resale Expansion, Historian, Chair of the Parent Packs Program, and delivered cookies for the Cookie Connection fundraiser.

Sloan was a Deacon at the First Presbyterian Church and continues her active involvement there with more volunteer roles. As a member of King's Daughters and Sons Clark-Harrison Circle, Sloan has served as President and Treasurer and is presently Co-President. She also drives for their Dental Aid Program.

Sloan helped organize the History Committee of the Missouri Theater and co-authored a 30-page book "Missouri Theatre: Visions of the Past and the Future" which was used as a fundraiser during the renovation of the Missouri Theatre. Sloan has been a member of the Missouri Alumni Association since

her graduation and has worked at the Retiree's Desk in the Reynolds Alumni Center. Marie is an excellent role model for others who want to do volunteer work during their retirement years.

**Richard M. Hessler** retired from the Department of Sociology in 2005 and received the Faculty Award. Since his "retire-



Richard Hessler



ment" Hessler has secured a grant researching longevity in people with Alzheimer's disease, collaborated with Boone Hospital Foundation as the Intergenerational Daycare Project Leader, and actively participated in raising more than \$4.5 million from the community toward the construction of this intergeneration daycare center. In collaboration with colleagues in Sweden he also has studied epigenetics of Alz-

heimer's disease. That work has produced several research papers in the sociology of medicine as well as in political science. Hessler organized and still manages the Columbia Track Club's Summer Youth Track and Field Program. He has served on the City of Columbia's Community Services Advisory



Marie Sloan (right)

Commission, the Mayor's Council for Physical Fitness and Health and participates in the local Kiwanis Club where he reads to 4-year old kids in daycare. There are people out there who retire. Then there are individuals like Hessler who consider retirement an opportunity to stay involved in their community and who continue to make a difference.

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## Ways you can give to our MURA Scholarship Endowment

#### **Important Note:**

Whatever method you use in giving, if you want your donation to go to the MURA Scholarship Endowment for dependents of our staff, it is important to designate it to "MURA Scholarship Fund."

#### FAST AND SIMPLE WAYS TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE MURA SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

#### Mizzou Give Direct online donation link:

(This page also gives a current total in the fund)

https://mizzougivedirect.missouri.edu/Item.aspx?item\_id=368 (Shortcut: http://tinyurl.com/mura-fund)

#### **Through payroll deduction:**

https://mymizzou.missouri.edu/PayrollDeduction.aspx You may give through Payroll deduction, but can't do it through the GiveDirect website, as it takes only credit cards. Sending checks: Make payable to "University of Missouri"

Please note on memo line: "MURA Scholarship Fund" MAIL TO: MU Office of Advancement Gift Processing 407 Reynolds Alumni Center Columbia, Missouri 65211

#### Other Tax-Saving Options for Retiree Giving to the MURA Scholarship Fund

For any of the following options, you may want to work with the MU Office of Gift Planning and Endowments at 573-882-0272 or 800-970-9977 or giftplanning@missouri.edu. The following information on giving has been provided by that office.

#### The Permanent Charitable IRA Rollover

In December 2015, the President signed into law the charitable Individual Retirement Account (IRA) rollover. After years not knowing from one year to the next if it would be approved, now donors can confidently incorporate the charitable rollover in their financial and philanthropic plans. Congress left the provisions of the charitable IRA rollover in place. This article reviews those provisions and suggests planning opportunities for those eligible to take advantage of the charitable IRA rollover.

Donors must be 70 ½ years of age or older to take advantage of the charitable IRA rollover. In the first year an IRA holder must make Required Minimum Distributions (RMD), donors can make a rollover directly to their favorite charities like the University of Missouri.

- Donors can give up to \$100,000 annually. Donors can do as many rollovers to as many qualified charities as there are ways to divide \$100,000 in a given year.
- Charitable IRA rollovers can only be done from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). Many people have other kinds of retirement accounts, typically a 401k or 403b account. For example, if a donor with a 401k wants to take advantage of this law, the donor must first roll the 401k into an IRA. Then, the donor can make a charitable rollover from his or her IRA as long as all other requirements are met.
- No "quid-pro-quo" allowed. Contributions do not qualify if the donor receives anything in return for the gift. This includes gifts toward parking and seating for athletic events.
- · Nor can donors use the charitable IRA rollover to create gift annuities.
- Not all charities can receive charitable IRA rollovers. The University of Missouri is a qualified charity.

#### Incorporating the charitable IRA rollover into your financial and philanthropic plans

At age 70 ½, IRA owners must begin making Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) from their retirement accounts. This creates problems for some donors who don't need the income and who are concerned RMD may increase taxes.

If you are a donor with a pledge to the University of Missouri, consider using some or all of your RMD to make annual pledge payments. Making charitable IRA rollover distributions can fulfill part or all of your RMD. For the donor with RMD that will create significantly higher taxes, one planning method is to reduce the size of the retirement account. The RMD is calculated annually on the size of the account. Use the charitable IRA rollover to reduce assets in your IRA accounts. Your charitable rollover will help make future taxes on RMD more manageable, and even eliminate taxes on the RMD in the years you make rollovers in excess of the RMD amount. Remember, rules allow up to a total of \$100,000 each year through a charitable IRA rollover to one or more qualifying nonprofit organizations.

Your charitable IRA rollover gifts to the University of Missouri count toward Jefferson Club membership as well as other University, School and College recognition societies.

#### **Risk-reducing planned gifts**

Donors wanting to reduce risk may find respite through a charitable gift annuity. A Mizzou charitable gift annuity offers a fixed payment guaranteed to last for life. The older the annuitant, the higher the rate, topping out at 9% for the oldest annuitants.

These fixed payments are not tied to the investment performance
of the donated assets, according to a recent article by financial
advisors Jeff Lydenberg and Jeffrey Frye.* They said, "The charity
is contractually obligated to make the payments so the annuity payments are insulated from volatility. The older the annuitant, the
higher the payment, but once payments begin there is no adjustment.
In a high inflation economy, the value of a fixed payment would be
eroded over time as the cost of goods and services increase. In an
economy such as we are experiencing now, due to low inflation, the
purchasing power of the fixed annuity payments is much less affected
by increasing prices of goods and services."

Shifting assets such as stock to a charitable gift annuity offers donors a low-risk alternative with better income. For the same reason, donors may want to fund charitable gift annuities with assets that produce little or no income. At the University of Missouri, a charitable gift annuity can be funded with cash or with securities such as publicly held stock. The charitable remainder unitrust offers an alternative gift vehicle for the MU donor wanting to convert real estate into a stream of income.

Especially for this option, you will need to work with the MU Office of Gift Planning and Endowments at 573-882-0272 or 800-970-9977 and giftplanning@missouri.edu

\*Executives at PG Calc, a leading provider of planned giving software, marketing, and consulting solutions.

# 2017 Scholarship Recipients

**N**icole Perkins is a junior from Fulton, Mo and is a prenursing major. After graduation Perkins plans to work as a nurse in a hospital and eventually go back to school to obtain her DNP to become a nurse practitioner. In her free time, Perkins volunteers at University Hospital in the SICU. Perkins says "I would also like to thank the MU Retirees Association for granting me this scholarship for a second year. This



scholarship is helping me reach my goals by allowing me to worry less about money. Thank you so much!" Her father, Robert Perkins, Jr., is a 10 year University employee and is employed as a custodian with the Athletic Department.



**InHan Kim** is an MU sophomore studying Mechanical Engineering. He was born in Daegu, South Korea and moved to the United States at the age of seven with his family. Kim is involved in

Engineering Ambassadors, where he gives campus tours to perspective students and their families. His future plans at

Mizzou are to join more organizations and clubs as well as participate in a study abroad program through the College of Engineering. After graduation, Kim hopes to work as an engineer in a large international firm. His father, JaeWoo Kim, is a 12 year Mizzou employee who works in Animal

Science as a Research Assistant Professor.

Jeremiah Vick moved to Columbia when he was 12 years old. At the age of 14 Vick found a love for architecture and design through an internship opportunity provided by the Columbia Public Schools. Vick is now a senior in the Architectural Studies Department in the MU College of Human Environmental Sciences. At the completion of his bachelor's degree he plans



to attend a graduate school program for his masters in Architecture with a minor in Construction Management. After graduate school and an internship Vick plans is to open his own firm. Work there will focus on homes for lower income and middle-class families, as well as working on large scale pro-bono designs for structures for the homeless community. Vick is a National Honor Society member, an Eagle Scout, and plans to apply this year to participate in the MU Deaton Scholar's program to further his knowledge in the specialty he plans to pursue in architecture. His mother, Angie Vick, has been with the University for 22 years and currently works in the Department of Undergraduate Studies as an Administrative Assistant.

## The Mizzou Store Donates to MURA Scholarship Fund

Thanks to the volunteer efforts of 21 MURA retirees during the opening week of school August 21-25, The Mizzou Store donated \$15 per volunteer hour worked to the Kitty Dickerson MURA Scholarship Fund.

Bunny Grice, Administrative Assistant at The Mizzou Store reports the "volunteers were a huge help." The total number of hours volunteered were 93.75 netting a donation of \$1,406.25. Bunny also sends her thanks for all the assistance and says it would have been much more difficult each day without our help. A similar opportunity will be available in January.

Instructions are also included in this newsletter on how you can donate directly to the fund. Volunteers included

Connie Caffrey Elizabeth Cogswell Dave Dunkin Judy Elliott Wendy Evans Betsy Garrett Kee Groshong Ken & Sue Hammann Barb Harris Joyce Harter Susan Heinsz Kay Henderson Mary Jo Herte Pam Humphreys Lori Johnson Nancy Johnson Janet Krause Matt Levsen John Meyer Jack and Darlene Miles Leslie Palmer Mike Porter Gary Smith Al Tacker Jo Turner Rex & Patricia Waid Maggie Walter

# John Parker:

## The Wizard Behind the Curtain

By Marty Townsend, MURA Past President

John Parker has been pulling the strings of MURA's Breakfast Series curtain since 2006 when he founded the event. Having just handed over the OSHER directorship to Lucille Salerno, John was casting about for something to do. He believed that MURA members might appreciate a social opportunity enhanced by educational speakers-and the MURA Breakfast Series was born.

For eleven years now, MURA members have been gathering monthly from September through May for 8:00 a.m. breakfasts and fellowship followed by educational speakers from many backgrounds. That would be close to 100 different presentations on 100 different topics, with just a few repeat speakers.

One of those go-to speakers is MU Cultural Geographer Dr. Larry Brown, whose topics ranged from "A History of Afghanistan" and "The Palestine-Israel Conflict" to "Circumstances and Pomp" and "White Nationalism in America." Another is Columbia College professor of Philosophy and Religion Dr. Tony Alioto. Among other topics, he spoke on Einstein, Ghandi, Buddhism, and the Gnostic Gospel of Thomas. Columbia judge Frank Conley offered presentations titled "Murderers I Have Known," "A View from the Bench," and "Order in the Court." The list of topics that John facilitated behind the sceneslargely because even though he had personally recruited the speakers, he insisted that someone else introduce them—no doubt explains why the Breakfast Series is still going strong. Perhaps you heard some of these: The Future of Classical Music, How to Prevent Identity Theft, The Future of the Media, Why People Dislike Lawyers, Nano Medicine at MU, Journalism and the Law, The Law of War After 9-11, My Years as MU Chancellor, The Politics of Solar Power, and Missouri in the Civil War.

After eleven years of serving as MURA's breakfast wizard, John has turned his project over to newer members. Richard Hessler, retired professor of Sociology and 2017 MURA Faculty of the Year awardee, and his wife Anne Hessler have graciously assumed the breakfast leadership role. Having seen a sneak peek at what they are orchestrating, we think you'll want to keep coming! In the meantime, John is using his new "retirement" to continue organizing programs for the Committee on Global Analysis and Osher lectures.

We salute John for eleven years of dedicated service to MURA's educational mission through the Breakfast Series and thank him for his considerable efforts on our behalf.

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for 2018, or perhaps	SPOUSE LAST [if also joining]	FIRST Name	MIDDLE Initial		
consider a lifetime	MAILING Address				
membership!	Street & number or P.O. Box My E-mail	City Spouse E-Mail	State	Zip+4	
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	Check <u>all</u> that apply for membership(s).	Total enclosed = \$ for membership[s].	Make your check payable to <b>MURA</b> , and send it, with this form, to:		
	Image: NEW Retiree \$7.50   Retirees Annual Renewal.   Association Life membership			MU Retirees Association P.O. Box 1831 Columbia, MO 65205-1831	

# MURA members enjoy fun and fellowship! Ray Schroeder Picnic

Susan Hazelwood, Barb Montgomery, Leigh Huesgen





Barb Harris and Janet Meyer



Carol Nierling, Rich Anderson, Barbara Schneider

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Jo and Wayne Behymer





Marilyn and Curtis Braschler



#### MU Retirees Association Statement of Cash Flows

	Actual Year Ended June 30, 2017		Actual Year Ended June 30, 2016	
Operating Activities Supported by Member Dues				10
and Investment Income:				
Receipts				
Dues-annual	\$ 747.95		\$ 1,177.50	
Dues-lifetime	3,067.50		3,900.00	
Investment income	2,575.23		2,512.99	
Total Operating Receipts	the second secon	S 6,390.68	2,512.55	7,590.49
Disbursements		0,000.00	5	1,550.49
Newsletter-printing & postage	1,589.81		1.866.17	
UM and MU Newsletter Reimbursement	(1,589.81)		(1,866.17)	
Business meeting	844.54		770.54	
Fall information meeting	1,196.74		1,235.89	
MURA Internet Office	59.40		93.40	
Attend Biennial AROHE Conference	1,731.54			
AROHE dues	120.00		120.00	
Flagship Council			100.00	
Filing fee State of Missouri	30.00		15.00	
Organizational Materials	34.09		235.00	
MURA Plaques	234.00		200.00	
Post office box rent, postage, copies	105.22		67.60	
Miscellaneous	415.26		615.47	
Total Operating Disbursements		4,770.79	010.41	3,252.90
Excess of Operating Receipts over	-	1,619.89		4.337.59
Disbursements				4,007.00
Self-Supporting Social Activities: Holiday Luncheon				
Receipts	2,950.00		3,000.00	
Disbursements	4,459.57		4,392.90	
Net Receipts (Disbursements)		(1,509.57)	4,002.00	(1 202 00)
Spring Picnic		(1,505.57)		(1.392.90)
Receipts	1,119.00		1 100 00	
Disbursements	925.98		1,106.00	
Net Receipts (Disbursements)	923.90	193.02	900.85	
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25th Anniversary Activities:			a start	
Museum event registration fees			\$1,026.00	
Contributions			300.00	
Disbursements			(1.413.45)	
MURA Scholarship Fund:				-\$87.45
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Receipts	2,402.50			
Disbursements	2,402.50			
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Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash During Period Cash Balance, Beginning of Period		303.34		3,062.39
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Cash Balance, End of Period	\$	9,457.69	S	9,154.35
Investment Assets (See note 1)	Ju	un. 30, 2017	Jur	1. 30, 2016
Lifetime Members Reserve Investment Account	S	87,045.12	S	85,391.39

Notes:

(1) This asset pool was established from lifetime membership dues. The income from these investments provides continuing services for lifetime members as they no longer pay membership dues. Currently, these assets are invested in the Vanguard Wellesley Income Fund.

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Mizzou staff members. MURA awarded the first two scholarships in 2016-2017 and information about this year's recipients is in this issue. This scholarship is one of the ways that MURA gives back to Mizzou, and we hope that you will consider donating to this important mission.

Last year at our Fall Information Meeting we learned about the new retiree health plan. This year we will have an update at our meeting on October 14. One of the benefits of the new retiree enhanced health care plan is the free membership in Silver Sneakers. For those of you who have taken advantage of this membership, I hope that you are enjoying it as much as I am.

#### **Honoring MU Retirees**

We honored two retirees of the year (Richard Hessler, faculty, and Marie Sloan, staff) at the Chancellor's annual luncheon and resource fair. These awards are given to a faculty and staff retiree who have demonstrated exemplary service in their retirement. We are pleased that both of them are taking an active role in MURA this year. Dick and his wife, Anne, are co-chairing the Education and Entertainment Committee, and Marie is serving on the Awards Committee. Please consider nominating someone for the 2018 awards. Details and a nomination form are in this newsletter.

We welcome your involvement in MURA. If you are interested in serving on a committee, please let us know. One way that you can help MURA is to increase our membership. We know that there were a lot of retirements this past year, but we have no sure-fire way of accessing their names. If you know people who have retired, please encourage them to join MURA. A membership application is on our website and on page 8 of this newsletter.

I welcome your questions, comments, suggestions, or thoughts. Please contact me at SableM@missouri.edu.

Warm regards,

## Margie Sable

# MURA now has a Facebook page!



MURA now has a Facebook page! You can access it by going to Facebook and typing in "MU Retirees Association" or by going directly to

the url at www.facebook.com/UMretirees/

#### We will be posting

announcements and pictures from events. Please "like" our Facebook page and let us know if you have an announcement that you would like posted.



Michael Porter



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## Upcoming Events

**MURA members and guests are invited** to participate in all of the following. Watch for e-mail announcements with more information.

## MURA BREAKFAST MEETINGS 8:00-9:30 a.m.

Country Club of Missouri. The cost is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. RSVP to MilesJW@missouri.edu.

- November 7 Speaker: Marshall Stewart, Vice Chancellor for Extension and Engagement
- December 5 Speaker: Jerry Nelson, Agronomist who has worked in North Korea
- January no meeting
- February 6 Speaker: Chancellor Alexander Cartwright
- Mar. 6, Apr. 3, May 1 TBA
- June 5 Peter Hessler

#### **OTHER EVENTS**

- October 14 Fall Information Meeting 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Reynolds Alumni Center
- December 16 Holiday Luncheon 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Reynolds Alumni Center
- March 17 Annual Business Meeting, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Reynolds Alumni Center
- TBA Spring Social
- May 9 Ray Schroeder Picnic, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Twin Lakes Shelter

## Sign up to receive e-newsletters for quick access to MURA news!

Just provide your email address to MURA Communications Committee Chair Barb Harris at **harrisb@umsystem.edu.** And if you wish to forego your printed and mailed copy of the newsletter (to save MURA expense), please indicate that as well when you contact Barb. MURA thanks you!