

NAU Retirees *FLASH*

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Fall 2018

Fall LUNCHEON

Date: Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Place: DoubleTree by Hilton

Program: Water Issues in Flagstaff—Do We Have a Drinking Problem?
John Nauman

Social Time: 11:30 AM

Lunch: Noon

Price: \$20 per person

Menu Choices:

Main Courses: **Beef Lasagna**

Vegetarian Option: Grilled Tofu & Vegetables

BOTH OPTIONS include:

Spinach Salad with Mushrooms and Red Onions

Seasonal Steamed Vegetables

Garlic Bread
Assorted desserts

Tea & water pitchers at the table
Coffee Regular and Decaf at a Station



Make luncheon reservations by MONDAY, September 3, 2018. Enclosed with this newsletter is a reservation form for the Fall Luncheon. Please fill out the form and enclose your check for **\$20 per person**.

Mail your completed reservation form and check to:

Treasurer, NAURA
NAU Box 5601

Flagstaff AZ 86011-5601

A pre-paid reservation is required.

*Contact Kathe.Shinham@nau.edu if you have raffle items to donate for the scholarship fund raiser at the Fall Luncheon



Winner of the NAU Retirees' Scholarship 2018: Charla Renee Keyaanie with Mom who is an NAU Alumni. "Within my family it is like a tradition to graduate from NAU where it becomes a pathway for our futures. I am now a Senior at NAU with a major in Visual Communication with dual emphasis in graphic design and motion design, also a minor in studio art." Outstanding!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Retirees!

I look forward to seeing you this fall!

* The Fall Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday,
September 12, at 11:30 am.

* The Holiday Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday,
December 5, at 11:30 am.

Both luncheons will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, 1175 W Route 66, in Flagstaff. We hope you can join us.

If you have items to contribute to the raffle at the Fall Luncheon, please contact Shannan Rice. Note that we are still seeking someone to head our Scholarship Committee.

Unfortunately, the hotel has increased the price of the luncheons, which are reflected in the prices we ask you to pay. The price varies with the menu selection. Our thanks to Rosemary Gray for her ongoing negotiations with the hotel's catering and conference staff!

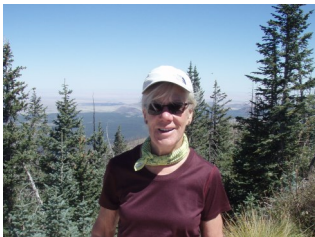
On Tuesday, **September 25, at 1:30 pm**, Jason Hess, Professor of Art and head of the NAU Ceramics Program, will provide members of the Retirees Association a tour of the Tozan Kilns and Japanese Teahouse. Details are provided elsewhere in this newsletter.

On Tuesday, **October 2, at 9:00 am**, we will conduct our semi-annual trash pick-up along I-17. The great news is that we have exchanged our designated stretch of highway for one much closer to Flagstaff! We will be cleaning between mileposts 337 and 338, both north and south-bound. We will meet in the parking lot just inside the main entrance to Fort Tuthill. Please email Shannan at Shannan.rice@nau.edu if you are available to help.

Finally, I reluctantly share with you that Candace Awbrey, our Treasurer, resigned last Spring. Greg Larkin, a retiree from the English Department, has ably stepped into that role. Thanks to Candace for her past service and to Greg for volunteering to take over!

I look forward to seeing you in September!

Kathe Shinham
NAURA President



NAURA INTEREST GROUPS

Membership has its privileges. As NAURA members, you have the opportunity to participate in various interest groups.

GAL'S LUNCH GROUP

Meets the second Wednesday of each month at a variety of restaurants in Flagstaff.

Contacts:

Eudora Larson 928-774-0438

Or

Fay Allen 928-774-2449 or e-mail rf@npgcable.com

Once on the list, you will receive either a phone call or e-mail, your choice, each month identifying the restaurant for 11:30 lunch.



STAG MEN'S LUNCH GROUP

Meets the second Wednesday of each month at a variety of restaurants in Flagstaff.

Contact:

Ernie Kurmes 928-526-6262
or e-mail ernest.kurmes@nau.edu

Once on the list, you will receive either a phone call or e-mail, your choice, each month identifying the restaurant for 11:30 lunch.



HIGHWAY CLEANUP

Shannan Rice

The NAU Retirees Association has participated in the Arizona Department of Transportation Adopt a Highway program since 1994. We clean a two mile section of Interstate I-17.

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Chairperson Needed for Scholarship Committee!

NAURA is looking for a new chairperson for the Scholarship Committee. Members are responsible for:

Ask for gifts from local businesses;

Help sell raffle tickets at the luncheon;

Deposit luncheon proceeds from the raffle;

Write thank you letters to donors;

Contact scholarship recipients for a brief bio, photo and release for the FLASH and NAURA website;

Oversee coordination of scholarship recipient attending and speaking briefly at a NAURA luncheon;

Maintain a list of all scholarship recipients.

We are hoping to be able to award two annual scholarships soon. Kathe Shinham (928-310-8008), or Shannan Rice (523-3152, shannan.rice@nau.edu) with your interest.

NEW MEMBERS OF NAU RETIREES ASSOCIATION

Nicole Bauge
 Karen Carnelius
 Ward Cockrum
 Ernest Duebendorfer
 Gary & Laura Emanuel
 Betty & Jim Flaming
 Pamela & Lori Foti/Gelvin
 Kathryn Fox
 William Grabe
 Wolf Gumerman
 Karla Hackstaff
 Penny Hock-Whitmore
 Steven Jacobs
 Joan Jamieson
 Amy Knox
 Diana & Ronald Melton



Matthew & Cynthia Minister
 Eugene & Margaret Moan
 Lawrence & Lorri Mohrweis
 Lois & Jeff Neff
 Linda Neff
 Nita Paden
 Jennifer Prior
 Susanne & Steve Pyle
 Thomas Rogers
 Leslie Schulz
 Randall & Tina Scott/Ayers
 David & Jeanne Sherry
 Barbara Steen
 Dennis Wall
 Hamie Whelan
 James & Mary Wittke/Douthat

TREASURER'S REPORT: submitted July 24, 2018

Starting Chase Bank Balance: June 29, 2018	\$28,759.82	
Revenue:		
Dues	\$210.00	
	\$195.00	
Expenditures	\$0	
Total in Chase Bank Account		\$29,164.82
Edward Jones Account Balance: May 25, 2018	\$55,723.58	
Revenue:		
Three Lifetime Memberships	\$675.00	
Expenditures	\$0	
Total in Edward Jones Account		\$56,398.58
Total in both accounts July 24, 2018		\$85,563.40

Respectfully Submitted
 Greg Larkin
 Treasurer

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Material for publication is welcome, subject to Executive Committee approval.

Send articles to the editor at the above address or e-mail: sherry.markel@nau.edu

IN MEMORY

Compiled by Sherry Markel

Our condolences to the families of these NAU retirees, spouses, and faculty members who have recently passed away in 2018. (Information is from published obituaries except where noted. If you know of a retiree or spouse who has died, please contact Sherry.Markel@nau.edu)

Mary Jane Sidles, 82, wife of Craig Sidles, died on March 10, 2018 surrounded by her family. Mary was born in 1936 and had many accomplishments including being a talented seamstress and pianist. She earned her R.N. from Iowa Methodist School of Nursing and worked at the student health service at Cornell College. Craig and Mary were married in 1957. The Sidles moved to Flagstaff in 1968. Mary was a wife and mother as well as a nurse for 60 years .

NAU History from: <https://nau.edu/about/history/>

Northern Arizona University—or Arizona Normal College as it was named back then—opened its doors in 1899 with 23 students, two faculty members (one, Almon Nicholas Taylor, was also the school president), and two copies of Webster’s International Dictionary bound in sheepskin. “Recruitment” was a little different then—the first president scoured the countryside in horse and buggy seeking students to fill the classrooms of the single school building (now known as Old Main). In 1901, the first graduating class consisted of four women who received credentials to teach in the Arizona Territory.

The Depression NAU enjoyed growth over the next 20 years, but even the university town of Flagstaff was not immune to the effects of the Great Depression. In fact, the only bank in town closed its doors in June of 1932. The president at the time, Grady Gammage, believed that higher education could overcome the Depression, and that the university offered a critical service that would fare well in hard times. He was right. After doubling down on his education stance and belief in NAU, Gammage presided over a Depression-era enrollment increase from 321 students in 1930 to 535 by 1940. Many significant historical events also occurred during these hard times. In 1937, graduate work at the university became possible with the addition of the Master of Arts in Education, and in 1939, Ida Mae Fredericks became the first Hopi to receive a college degree.

World War II The entry of the United States into World War II precipitated a large drop in enrollment as college-age men entered the armed services. By the 1944–1945 academic year, just 161 students attended class on the Flagstaff campus, yet the university survived by making valuable contributions to the war effort. The college served as a site for the Navy’s V-12 training program, one of 150 schools selected from 1,600 contenders. The Campus Civilian Defense Program maintained an aircraft spotting post, one of only 84 such posts in the United States. The university even banned all gas-powered vehicles and those with rubber tires from the Homecoming Parade in 1942 to demonstrate its dedication to rationing programs.

Becoming a university In the 1950s, the university entered a period of exceptional growth. Students could earn an education specialist degree as well as master’s degrees in the arts and sciences. Much of the expansion can be attributed to Dr. J. Lawrence Walkup, who has the distinction of serving the longest term as President (1957 to 1979). Building on this growth, the road to becoming a university began with the creation of the forestry program in 1958 and increased research activities. Pleased with the array of quality academic programs and ever-growing student body, the Arizona Board of Regents recommended that the then Arizona State College become Northern Arizona University (NAU), effective May 1, 1966.

Northern Arizona University today More than 60 years later, NAU has much to be proud of, including nationally ranked programs, high-research status, and emergence as a leader in sustainability, science, business, green building, and cultural arts. Noted Flagstaff historian Dr. Platt Cline characterized NAU as an institution that has thrived due to strong leadership, the devotion of alumni and faculty, and community support. Empowered by the Arizona Board of Regents to provide educational opportunities statewide, the university now serves students at the Flagstaff campus, multiple statewide locations, and online. NAU offers more than 150 combined undergraduate and graduate degree programs, all distinguished by an ongoing commitment to close student-faculty relationships.

GETTING TO KNOW WHO IS BEHIND THE SCENES

Introducing those worker bees “behind the scenes” members of the NAURA Executive Committee this Flash newsletter is pleased to present:

John Nauman—President-Elect

John was born in Iowa in 1955, moving to Southern California three years later where he grew up in the Upland area. He graduated from Upland High School then attended Chaffey Community College, UCSB, (got married to Susan!) and then completed a BS in Chemistry from Cal Poly Pomona. While finishing his BS John worked as an analyst at Mobil Chemical and then General Dynamics full time. After graduation Susan and John decided it was time to get out of the smog and traffic and went looking for jobs in towns with a university and ski resort and Flagstaff was the first stop. John applied for a lab manager position with the NAU chemistry department and was hired (after all his name was NAUMAN) and started the position in August of 1981 managing the instructional lab program for chemistry until July of 2016. While at NAU he kept below the radar but had a few notables: received a President’s Award in 1984, completed a MS in Chemistry in 1989, and was awarded Outstanding Student Employee Supervisor for NAU in 2007. He also focused on laboratory safety developing and teaching the “Lab Safety and Supervision Course” for over 20 years. He also helped with the design of the Wettaw, Science Lab, and Health Science buildings focusing on instructional lab areas and building lab safety. He stayed at NAU for 35 years saying, “I really enjoyed working with our students and student TAs and stockroom employees and the great faculty and staff in the chemistry department and of course living with skiing, hiking, mountain biking, etc. at our door step and raising two kids here (Travis and Katelin) was kind of nice too!” John is a member of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church and the Flagstaff Water Group advocating for good water policy in Flagstaff. Below are recent pictures of John enjoying retirement.



Raffle Donations needed. Please contact Kathe Shinham at kathe.shinham@nau.edu

NAURA Executive Committee Directory 2017 - 2018

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1985 - Chair Organizing Comm.-Glennnda Lake	2003-2004	Rosemary Gray
1985-1987 Clayton Chance	2004-2005	Don Riggs
1987-1989 Joe Rolle	2005-2006	Harlan Johnson
1989-1990 J. Lawrence Walkup	2006-2007	Ben Zinnecker
1990-1991 Bob Wooldridge	2007-2008	Charles Barnes
1991-1992 Persis Fuller	2008-2009	William Nietmann
1992-1993 Bill Lyon	2009-2010	Zinnecker, Barnes, Nietmann
1993-1994 Ray Hagelberg	2010-2011	Walter "Hoppy" Hopkins
1994-1995 Jim Fredrick	2011-2012	Don McCallum
1995-1996 Chuck Baldwin	2012-2013	David Best
1996-1997 Dan Julien	2013-2014	David Best
1997-1998 Chuck Aurand	2014-2015	David McKell
1998-1999 George Williams	2015-2016	Warren Johnson
1999-2000 Ken Bean	2016-2017	Toni Fox
2000-2001 Ernest Kurmes	2017-2018	Norman Bertram
2001-2002 Richard Neville	2018-2019	Kathe Shinham
2002-2003 Don Gilbert		



Tozan Kilns and Japanese Teahouse

Please join the NAU Retirees Association for a tour of the Tozan Kilns and Japanese Teahouse on **Tuesday, September 25 at 1:30 pm.**

The Tozan (meaning East Mountain) Kilns are wood-fired kilns on south campus. There are only three Tozan Kiln sites in the world. The first is in Himeji City Japan, the second in Flagstaff Arizona, and the third in Nanaimo, British Columbia. They were designed under the supervision of Yukio Yamamoto, the master of the Tozan kilns from Himeji, Japan. They were completed in 1986 with the final addition of steel supports. The entire process took ten months to complete and involved approximately 200 people from the U.S. and Japan. There are a total of seven kilns to explore in the Ceramics Complex. The neighboring Japanese Teahouse was constructed in 2002 and is surrounded by a garden. The tour will be lead by Jason Hess, Professor of Art and head of the NAU Ceramics Program. This tour is on uneven ground so it may not be suitable for all retirees. There is a small parking lot on Lone Tree just south of Pine Knoll or you can walk down from the parking lot at KNAU. Please RSVP to Shannan Rice at 928-523-3152 or shannan.rice@nau.edu.

