

NAU Retirees FLASH

Calendar of Events

| Date/Time | Event | Details |
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| April 10 / 12:00 p.m. | Wall Aquatic and Recreation center tour | Meet at the Wall Aquatic Center See page 2 for more details |
| April 15 / 11:30 a.m. | NAURA Spring Luncheon Regent Fred DuVal who envisioned the <u>Arizona Teachers Academy</u> that offers students covered tuition and fees for their program of study if they agree to teach in Arizona public schools. | Doubletree 1175 W. Route 66 See insert for required RSVP |
| May 19 / 9:00 a.m. | Highway Cleanup | Meet at parking lot just inside Ft. Tuthill |
| Second Wednesday every month 11:30 a.m. | Gals' Lunch Group | For details on location, contact Eudora Larson at 774-0438 or Fay Allen at 774-2449 or rf@npgcable.com |
| | Mens' Lunch Group | Men: Contact Ernie Kurmes 928-526-6262 Ernest.Kurmes@nau.edu |

Highway Cleanup

The NAU Retirees Association has participated in the Arizona Department of Transportation Adopt a Highway program since 1994.

Our I-17 highway pickup is a mile stretch near Flagstaff Pulliam Airport, south of Flagstaff twice a year. **Our next clean-up is scheduled for May 19 at 9:00 a.m.** Meet at Ft. Tuthill.

Please contact Shannan Rice at (928) 523-3152 or Shannan.Rice@nau.edu if you would like to join us.



President's Corner

Greetings to NAU Retirees!

Happy Almost Spring NAU Retirees!

Retirement in Flagstaff is amazing, carving up the powder one day and hiking in the Verde Valley the next, but we are all looking forward to spring and that means the Spring Banquet is coming up on April 15th. Rich Bowen, our president elect, has arranged for a member of the Arizona Board of Regents, Fred DuVal, to speak so you don't want to miss this one. We will welcome Kathi Vahl to the Executive Committee as our new membership records person. We are still looking to fill the ASRS Liaison and Legislative Concerns positions and will be needing a new Activities Chair and a Web Master to help Shannan keep NAURA website current and add some new capabilities.



Our January Executive Meeting had a full agenda with planning and some new initiatives. Financially the NAURA is in good shape as you can see from our financial report, so we continue to subsidize our luncheons to keep costs down for members. It was decided to increase the endowed NAURA Centennial Scholarship from \$1,500 to \$5,000 for this spring. A scholarship contribution can also be made by writing a larger check for the luncheon with the extra going to increase the scholarship. There will be just one annual raffle at the holiday luncheon to support our scholarship. Please contact Jennifer Prior with any ideas for raffle donations. We hope to focus more on advocating for member retirement benefits and pensions and providing more events to foster interaction.

Before I retired, using the pool and rec center helped keep my back functional for many years. NAU retirees can obtain a **Gold Membership** to the Wall Aquatic Center or Campus Recreation Center for as low as \$250! There will be a tour of both facilities at noon on April 10th.

I have truly enjoyed getting to know members and reconnecting with colleagues this past couple of years. It was an honor to serve as your President and I want to thank the Executive Committee for their support. I would encourage all members to get involved in NAURA and the 2020 election!

Wishes for a healthy, fun, and meaningful retirement to all of you!

John Nauman
NAURA President

Looking for a place to exercise? You are in luck!

Jason St. Clair



Northern Arizona University Campus Recreation provides affordable memberships in state-of-the-art facilities! All retirees from NAU are eligible to purchase one of our Gold Memberships. To sign up, complete the Retiree Status Petition form at either the recreation or aquatic center front desks. Your membership will begin immediately after the form is completed and returned to the front desk staff. If you are needing a little extra boost of motivation, Campus Recreation also offers members the opportunity to sponsor a "Plus 1". All "Plus 1" memberships include the same benefits as the sponsor, all at the same great price.

To view the facilities, join us on a tour **Friday, April 10** starting at 12 p.m. in the Wall Aquatic Center and ending at the Recreation Center at about 1:00. Feel free to visit our website at <https://in.nau.edu/campusrecreation/>.

For any additional information or questions, feel free to contact : Jason.St-Clair@nau.edu.



A View of NAU Leadership 100 Years Ago

Northern Arizona Normal School was founded in 1899, so it was quite fitting that Platt Cline wrote Mountain Campus Centennial for publication in 1999. It is human nature for us to look at any major development in 100-year increments. Platt Cline made it possible for all to see the tremendous changes from a very small school in 1899 to a significantly recognized leading university 100 years later. He worked in cooperation with the staff of Cline Library's Special Collections and Archives to provide considerable detail in the development of Northern Arizona University. Now, as we begin the year 2020, it is fascinating to look back upon the person at the helm of this institution in 1920. The following summary of Lynn McMullen's presidency was produced by Cline Library's Special Collections and Archives staff. It is included here with their permission.



Lynn B. McMullen, 1920-1925



Lynn Banks McMullen, born in Indiana in 1875, received his B.S. from DePauw University in 1897 and an A.M. from the Teachers College at Columbia University. McMullen's teaching career included stints in village schools, eleven years with Indianapolis high schools, a lecturer position at Indiana Normal College, and five years as an instructor and 5 years of vice president of the North Dakota State Normal School. In 1920, he left his job as head of the teacher training school at Colorado State Teachers College in Greeley to become the fifth president of Northern Arizona Normal School [NANS].

A craftsman and ranch owner as well as an educator, McMullen liked to work with his hands. He would release scores of students, when weather permitted from their last classes to landscape the NANS grounds. Together, they built flower beds, planted trees (native pines, firs, elms, poplars), and installed curbs and light fixtures. McMullen himself built a rock wall across the northern border of campus and renovated the Herrington House for his own residence, rather than expend the \$10,000 offered by the state for a new home. He designed and supervised the construction of fifty temporary cottages to accommodate the burgeoning summer student population. To provide fresh milk and butter for the dining hall, McMullen purchased a herd of Holstein cows. An energetic president, he encouraged the establishment of a student council, an orchestra, a chorus, and a glee club and revived the track team.

In 1924, the Normal School in Tempe and the University of Arizona initiated a proposal to close NANS and move the students. Convinced that there was no future for the Flagstaff school, McMullen resigned in 1925. He went on to receive his Ph.D. from Columbia in 1927 and served as the founding president of Eastern Montana College. He retired, with his wife, to a Montana cherry farm in 1945, where he lived until his death in 1963.

Condensed from Platt Cline, Mountain Campus: The Story of Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff: Northland Press, 1983), chapter IV.

Dr. McMullen returned to Flagstaff for a visit in 1951. He is quoted as saying, "You know, I left here because I thought everything had been done". He had thought that any future development of what would eventually become Northern Arizona University looked very bleak. It is understandable he would have such thoughts, considering that he was facing the possibility of NANS closing in 1925.

Harlan Johnson, NAURA Archivist

In Memory of our Beloved Members

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

Eugene D. Cruz-Urbe, died unexpectedly on March 12, 2018, in Indianapolis. He was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin in 1952. Dr. Cruz-Urbe earned his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. in Near Eastern Languages and Cultures from the Oriental Institute at the University of Chicago. As an Egyptologist traveling frequently to Egypt, his specialty was the recording of ancient Egyptian graffiti for what they reveal about personal piety, late period religious practices and pilgrimage. During his career, Dr. Cruz-Urbe worked at the Seattle Art Museum, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, as well as serving as a faculty member at Brown University, Northern Arizona University, Monterey Peninsula College and California State University Monterey Bay.

Monte Poen passed away Nov. 24, 2019. Dr. Monte Poen was hired by Northern Arizona University President, J. Lawrence Walkup in 1966 and became part of the group of graduates of the University of Missouri who were recruited by Dr. Walkup to teach at NAU. Dr. Poen became a professor in NAU's history department and a Truman Scholar. As part of NAU's centennial celebration in 1998, Dr. Poen- who by then was retired Regent's Professor of History Emeritus- took on the momentous task of recording the life stories of prominent NAU administrators, faculty and benefactors. The recordings became part of a Centennial project hosted by NAU television services. The oral histories in their entirety were donated to Special Collections and Archives, Cline Library

Michael R. Wunsch passed away on Feb. 12, 2020. He was born in Stratford, Wisconsin in 1937. He earned his doctorate from UCLA and from 1969 until his retirement in 1998, Dr. Wunsch was a business professor at Northern Arizona University. He was a long-time biker and runner and a highpoint was qualifying for the 1985 Boston Marathon. He especially loved running on the beach in Rocky Point.

2020 Arizona Legislature update

By Joanie Brundige-Baker, Legislative Concerns

The 2020 Arizona Legislature has been working on a couple of bills that pertain to retirement or university issues.

SB 1033 Livingston (R) HB 2357 Toma (R) would offer a choice of self-insurance health and accident coverage for retired public employees, elected officials and their dependents.

HB 2238 Kern (R) would put all public policy events, speakers and gatherings on campuses under a new office under the Arizona Board of Regents and not local control. Each campus would have an office that would coordinate and clear events.

NAU Surplus Property - more than you think... Surplus Property Warehouse , 501 E. Pine Knoll Dr.

The primary role of the Surplus Property department is to ensure that the excess property generated by NAU will be handled in a method that both maximizes the return to the University and meets the disposal requirements of the State and Federal governments. Items available for purchase through public sales often include office furniture and equipment, household furniture, computers, filing cabinets, bicycles, vehicles, and much more. Property is added to our warehouse inventory daily. Stop by our warehouse (Building 77) to see our current inventory in stock during our public hours **M-F, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm**.

Please take note the following:

* We cannot hold items.

- All sales are final.
- We accept Cash, Checks, and Credit Cards (Visa/MC only).
- As-is, where is.
- No test drives on vehicles.
- Prices are subject to change without notice.

Auctions

Items of considerable value or with market appeal are generally offered for sale by auction. Please call 928-523-4163 for more information.

Treasurer's Report

TREASURER'S REPORT: Submitted January 2, 2020

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| Starting Chase Bank Balance: October 22, 2019 | \$33,214.31 |
| Revenue: | |
| Dues | \$60.00 (4 memberships) |
| Holiday lunch payments | \$1140.00 (57 paying eaters) |
| Expenditures | |
| Holiday lunch cost | \$1834.49 |
| Carolers | \$300.00 |
| Flowers | \$28.04 |
| Total in Chase Bank Account, January 2, 2020 | \$32,251.78 |

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| Edward Jones Account Balance: October 22, 2019 | \$62,215.72 |
| Revenue: | |
| One Lifetime Membership | \$225.00 |
| Gain in Account Value | \$3912.56 |
| Total in Edward Jones, January 2, 2020 | \$66,353.28 |

Total in both accounts January 2, 2020 **\$98,605.06**

Respectfully Submitted

Greg Larkin

Treasurer

As agreed in the last NAURA Board meeting, for this current spring's scholarship, and from now on going forward, NAURA has increased the amount of our scholarship to \$5,000. This more than doubles any scholarship we have given in the past. In light of the ever increasing costs of tuition and all university expenses in general, the NAURA Board felt that the new and larger scholarship would better support students.

NAU Retiree Centennial Scholarship

In 1997, the NAURA established the Northern Arizona University Retirees Centennial Scholarship. Over the years, NAURA members have impacted and changed the lives of Lumberjacks. For more information on the students you have supported and how you can help, visit our website at nau.edu/naura.



2019—20
Tamara Todd



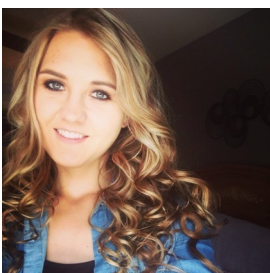
2018—19
Charla Keyaanie



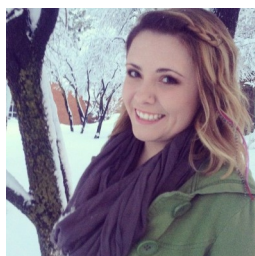
2017—18
Jacy Dagenhart



2017—18
Mikaela Weedman



2016—17
Lauren Connell



2015—16
Jessica Beekman



2014—15
Laura Nelson



2013—14
Kiara Weathersby

Get Involved

Our NAU Retirees Association has some of the most talented and interesting people. We tend to be hard working and responsible with a sense of purpose. This is a call to YOU. The association needs two positions to be filled. These are vitally important to the association and its members. Please contact John Nauman or Shannan Rice with questions and interest.

ASRS Liaison

General:

The primary function of the ASRS Liaison is to represent the Northern Arizona University Retirees Association (NAURA) to the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) for any issues that would require the ASRS to make a decision that would affect ASRS Retirees and their families. Feedback should be given back to the NAURA regarding any decisions made by the ASRS.

Specific:

Serve on the ASRS Health Insurance Advisory Committee, when the committee is in session. This occurs every five years for the renewal of both the health insurance and dental insurance that the ASRS provides for the ASRS retirees;

If asked, assist the agency staff in the evaluation of the retiree medical or dental bids when they are received by the ASRS;

Attend necessary meetings. At least two meetings are required to discuss and compare the proposals. A final meeting might be necessary to finalize the process to decide which medical or dental provider will service the medical or dental needs of the ASRS retirees and their families. This process occurs every five years to decide the provider for medical coverage and every five years to decide the provider for dental coverage, but not on the same year;

If the ASRS Liaison is asked to assist in this process, then feedback should be given back to the Northern Arizona University Retirees Association (NAURA).

Website Coordinator

General:

All copy for the NAURA Web Site are to be routed through the coordinator to the NAU Webmaster. This applies to new or revised/updated content from all members of the Executive committee, including the president.



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The FLASH is published as determined by the Executive Committee. Special editions are published as needed.

The newsletters are mailed ONLY to **paid** NAURA members and **first-year** retirees.

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

Behind the Scenes

Introducing those worker bees “behind the scenes” as appointed/elected members of the NAURA Executive Committee :

Kathi (Kathleen Olivia) Zahl (Jeffers/ Mayes)

NAURA MEMBER RECORDS

Kathi is originally from Tacoma, Washington and has lived in California, Nevada, Indiana and Arizona. She has a daughter and six grandchildren.



She hired on to Northern Arizona University in 1984 and worked in different departments as a secretary, administrative assistant, coordinator, business manager and development officer. Along the way Kathi earned her bachelor’s degree in Public Relations and Speech Communication from NAU.

After retiring early from NAU in 2005, she went to work for Coconino Community College for five years then finally retiring for good in 2012.

Las Vegas, Nevada is where Kathi calls home now. She wanted no more snow shoveling and to be near a reliable airport. She loves living in Las Vegas and enjoys theatre, hiking, social activities and lots of travel by car, air and ship. Fun destinations like Israel, England, Mexico and Alaska have all been part of the adventure.

Kathi is thrilled to be assisting NAURA with member records. She feels NAURA plays a key role in keeping retirees updated on important and fun information.



Tickets

\$15 Adult

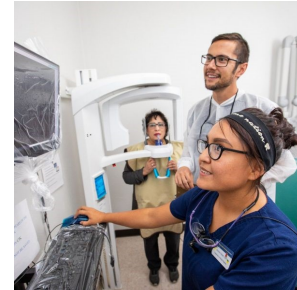
\$10 Seniors and NAU Employees

<https://nau.edu/music/events-listing/>
+ Ordering Fee.

NAU Music Spring Schedule

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| 2 –4 APR | Lyric Theater Puccini’s Suor Angelica & Gianni Schicchi 7:30 PM Ardrey Auditorium |
| 5 APR | Lyric Theater Puccini’s Suor Angelica & Gianni Schicchi 2:30 PM Ardrey Auditorium |
| 8 APR | NAU Collegiate Band Concert Wed. 7:30 Ardrey Auditorium |
| 11 APR | NAU Faculty New Music Ensemble Concert Flageolet Sat. 7:30 PM, Kitt Recital Hall |
| 17 APR | Flagstaff Symphony Orchestra Fri. 7:30 PM Ardrey Auditorium |
| 18 APR | Axcentuals Reunion Concert Sat. 3:00-4:00 PM, Prochnow Auditorium |
| 21 APR | NAU Big Band Jazz Concert with Special Guest, Tony Malaby Tues. 7:30 Kitt Recital Hall |
| 25 APR | NAU Spring Vocal Jazz Concert Sat. 7:30 Kitt Recital Hall |
| 26 APR | NAU Spring Festival of Choirs Sun. 3:00 PM, Ardrey Auditorium |
| 28 APR | Symphonic Band Concert Tues. 7:30 PM Ardrey Auditorium |
| 29 APR | NAU Piano Studio Concert Wed. 7:30 PM, Kitt Recital Hall |
| 30 APR | NAU Percussion Studio Concert Thurs. 7:30—8:30 PM Ardrey Auditorium |

Campus Events



Northern Arizona University Dental Hygiene Program
Did you know, our Dental Hygiene Clinic is open to the public?
Schedule an appointment today, for **AFFORDABLE** preventative dental services!

Health Professions Bldg #66, 208 E. Pine Knoll Dr. Second Floor Room 215

Receive affordable, preventative dental services at Northern Arizona University's Dental Hygiene Clinic. Our focused students and experienced faculty manage the cutting-edge clinic with flexible hours that fit your schedule! **Veterans over 60 can now receive FREE preventative dental care services at our clinic.**

Call **928-523-3500** to Schedule an Appointment or email dentalhygiene.clinic@nau.edu

- Spring Semester appointments NOW AVAILABLE!
- ONLY \$65.00 for an exam, full set of x-rays and cleaning!
- NAU Dental Hygiene clinic runs every **Wednesday and Thursday** through May.
- Appointment times are 1:00pm or 5:00pm.

Services Provided:

- blood pressure screening
 - oral cancer screening
 - dental examination
 - fluoride application
 - periodontal assessment (evaluation for gum disease)
 - conservative periodontal therapy (scaling and root planning and periodontal maintenance)
 - teeth whitening (Please see requirements below)
 - education related to oral health
 - dental hygiene therapy (prophylaxis)
 - radio-graphs (X-rays)
 - sealants
- Must be a patient with the NAU Dental Hygiene Clinic
Must have had a teeth cleaning here within the last 6 months
Whitening only available during second half of NAU spring semester each year

We do not provide restorative dental services such as extractions, fillings, crowns, root canals, etc.

NAURA Executive Committee Directory 2019 - 2020

| POSITION | NAME | E-MAIL |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| <u>ELECTED:</u> | | |
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APPOINTED:

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NAURA PRESIDENT LIST

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| 1985 - Chair | Organizing Comm.-Glenn 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 | 2019-2020 | John Nauman |