

# FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

## EMERITI ASSOCIATION

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### President's Post



### When the World Stops and Everyone Pays Attention

By the time you read this column, the 2020 presidential election will (finally!) be in the recent past, and our attention will be focused elsewhere. But the campaign itself has been so protracted, and so many people have voted, that millions of Americans closely followed the contest down to and beyond election night, until its calling on the Saturday following – four days later. Elections news took all the oxygen out of the room, and we constantly sought updates. Most of us will be able to tell our grandchildren how and when we voted, and where we were when we heard the news that Joe Biden had won.

Even with today's electronic communication resources, it's very rare in America that an event will be so stupendous

that it will have this world - stopping quality. A good indicator of one is how many people remember where they were when it happened.

Additionally, two prerequisites of world - stoppers are rapid communication and a high degree of literacy. So, it is no surprise that the first such event in America was the assassination of Abraham Lincoln on April 14, 1865, five days after Lee's surrender at Appomattox. All over the North, people sought news constantly, and it was provided by the Victorian internet, the telegraph. Church services and public gatherings were organized to mourn the fallen president. And when Lincoln's body, after being viewed in state by over a million people in the Capitol, was transported by rail from Washington to his gravesite in Springfield, Illinois, the route was publicized and seven million mourners gathered along the way to pay their last respects to the fallen president.

From the first half of the twentieth century, I would add to this list only the sinking of the Titanic in 1912, the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, and the death of President Roosevelt

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EMERITI ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

October 14, 2020

President Doug Haneline called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Treasurer's report: We currently have approximately \$3,903.24 in our account. The scholarship fund currently has \$119,167.00 book value and \$129,513.52 market value.

Doug Haneline discussed the state of the Emeriti Association:

We have about 748 members. Most (almost 80%) live, at least part time, in Michigan, about half in Mecosta County and 10% in Kent County. About 7% live in Florida.

We have activities in Big Rapids, Arizona, and Florida in a normal year. However; all events in 2020 are cancelled, and none have yet been scheduled for 2021.

We have a Facebook page and web page and we take care of Helen's Garden.

Our Board members are volunteers elected at this meeting.

Bob Carter reported that we have two scholarship recipients this year - Rebecca Morris, a senior in the graphic design program at KCAD and Jacob Schlaud, a senior in the welding engineering technology program in the College of Engineering Technology. Each will receive \$1,000 this year. Our goal was to increase our endowment total to \$125,000 so that we can give one scholarship to each college each year.

MaryKay MacIver reported for Chair, Alice Bandstra, for the Helen's Garden volunteers. Although we were challenged by COVID-19, we were able to gain access to the garden in June and planted annuals provided by the grounds crew at Ferris. A project to re-vamp the rose bed is delayed until next spring. MaryKay recognized meeting attendees Bob Krueger and Mary Murnik for their volunteer time.

Jerena Keys presented the slate of candidates for election to the Emeriti Association Board:

For a 2-year term ending May 2022

Lori Helmer     John Kane

Jerena Keys     Bob Krueger

Jeff Nagelbush     Randy Vance

For a 1-year term ending May 2021

Paula Hadley

The slate was accepted by a majority vote of meeting attendees, as well as mail-in and emailed votes.

President Doug Haneline asked for a moment of silence in memory of our deceased members.

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m. (motion made by Bob Carter, seconded by John Schmidt).

MaryKay MacIver for Jeffrey Nagelbush, Secretary

*Editor note: Lori Helmer later asked to resign, and her request was accepted at the November 2 Board of Directors meeting.*



**From the Social Media Coordinator**

We are looking to enrich our media sites (Facebook/web page). To do that we would like Ferris emeriti to submit pictures, stories and information about things that Emeriti are doing. People that have them can email them to me or upload them onto our Facebook page. In either case a description of the activity should be included. Thanks,

MaryKay MacIver

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The emeriti web page can be found here

<http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/alumni/Emeriti/>

And the Facebook page can be found here

<https://www.facebook.com/FSUEA>



## Meet our 2020-2021 FSUEA Scholarship Award Winners

Dear Emeriti Association Board of Directors:

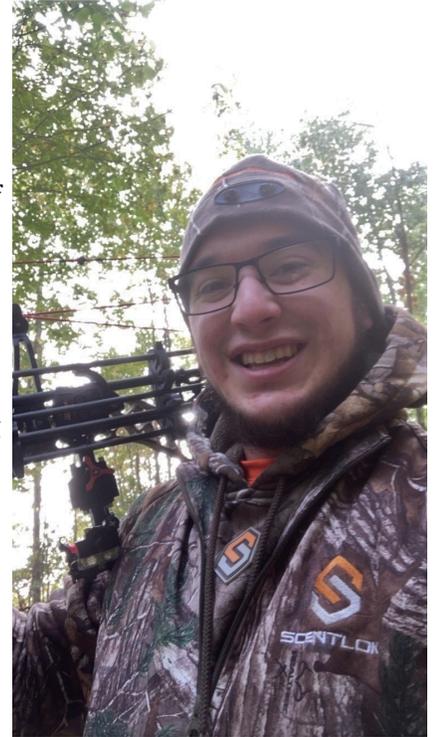
I am a recipient of this year's Ferris Emeriti Association Scholarship and would like to express my thanks to you for your generous support. I am currently enrolled in the Welding Engineering Technology Program at Ferris State University. I have diligently dedicated these past four years to my schooling and will receive a Bachelor of Science Degree in Welding Engineering Technology next May.

When I'm not devoting my time to my studies, you can likely find me on a lake or in the woods. I am an avid outdoorsman and love to hunt, fish, and partake in outdoor powersports activities, such as snowmobiling and dirt biking. These past four years at school have provided me an ample amount of time to think about what I want to do after graduation. It is my goal to establish a career within the welding and joining industry that will adequately provide for a family and allow for me to give back to my community, just as you have. In order to do this though, I must first complete one more year of schooling and acquire a minimum of 275 hours industry experience, which I am currently completing this summer as an intern.

This scholarship will assist me greatly from a financial standpoint and allow for me to finally achieve the goals of which I have so diligently worked to reach. I would once again like to express my thanks.

Sincerely,

Jacob Schlaud



Dear Emeriti Association Board of Directors:

I am writing to sincerely thank you for your generous support in my academic career at Kendall College of Art and Design through the 2020-21 Ferris Emeriti Association scholarship for my upcoming semesters. I am very much looking forward to finishing off my last year of school pursuing my BFA in Graphic Design.

Having financial support through scholarships has helped me in my journey at Kendall tremendously and has allowed me to explore many opportunities that I wouldn't have been able to experience otherwise. I have learned and grown so much over the seemingly short amount of time I've been practicing in my field at KCAD, and I would definitely not be the designer or professional I am today without the wonderful (and difficult!) things I have experienced through higher education.

I am very excited for what the future holds for me, and I am confident that I will find something creatively fulfilling at the end of this chapter. Thank you again for being a part of it.

Sincerely,

Becca Morris





FSU Emeriti are invited to join the United Way campaign, and have your contribution be counted toward the university's goal. Last year, Emeriti-designated contributions totaled \$5,880.00, which constituted 10.7% of the university's goal of \$55,000! By now, you should have received a letter of invitation to participate from FSUEA United Way Chair Jerena Keys. Please mail your check made out to Mecosta Osceola Area United Way to **Jerena Keys, 203 W. Pine Street, Big Rapids, MI 49307**, and she will take it in to be counted as an emeriti donation toward the university goal. The campaign ends November 20, but the university will accept donations to the end of the year.

### **FSUEA Scholarship Endowment Update**

This year, we awarded two scholarships in order to complete our original goal of awarding a scholarship to a student in all of the undergraduate programs at Ferris. We proceeded to award the scholarships to the Colleges in alphabetical order so this year we completed the project by awarding a scholarship to students in the College of Technology and Kendall College of Art and Design.

Jacob Schlaud, a senior in the Welding Technology program, originally from North Branch, Michigan, will be graduating in May. He enjoys outdoor activities such hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, and dirt biking. His goal is to establish a career than will allow him to provide for his family and give back to his community.

Our other winner is Rebecca Morris, a senior originally from Hudsonville, Michigan, who will receive her BFA in Graphic Design in May. She is excited about what the future holds and is looking forward to a satisfying creative career.

Usually, we invite the award winners to our Winter luncheon but this year, we extended an invitation to both of them to attend our Spring luncheon since we cancelled all in-person events for the rest of the year.

For your information, the *Book Value* of our endowment as of September 25, 2020 was \$119,167.00 and the *Market Value* as of June 30, 2020 was \$129,513.52. The amount in our *Spendable Account* as of September 25, 2020 was \$2,700.

We will once again conduct our fundraiser the first two weeks in December. We are very close to achieving our stretch goal of having enough money in our endowment to be able to grant an annual \$1,000 award to a student in each of FSU's five undergraduate Colleges. Thank you all for your continued generosity.

If you have and questions, contact me at 231-796-4738 or cadimstr@aol.com.

Dr. Bob Carter,  
FSUEA Fundraising Committee Chair

## Granting of Emeriti Status by the FSU Board of Trustees

As of 10/31/20

Catherine Arroe – Associate Professor, Music Center, August 23, 2020

Robert Barnum – Professor, Humanities, August 23, 2020

Sharon Bell – Assistant Professor, Management, August 23, 2020

David Borck - Assistant Professor, College of Engineering Technology, August 23, 2020

David Burns – Professor, Mathematics, August 23, 2020

Amy Buse – Professor, College of Business, August 23, 2020

Tyrone Collins – Admissions Counselor, August 23, 2020

Michael Cooper – Professor, Marketing, August 23, 2020

Roger Daugherty – Assistant Professor, College of Allied Health Sciences, August 23, 2020

Charles Drake – Professor, Mechanical Engineering Technology, August 23, 2020

Olukemi Fadayomi – Professor, Biology, August 23, 2020

Michael Feutz – Professor, HVACR, August 23, 2020

Frederick Heck – Professor, Physical Sciences, August 23, 2020

Richard Hewer– Associate Professor, Accountancy, Finance & Information Systems, August 23, 2020

Stephen Jakubowski – Professor, Accountancy Finance & Information Systems, December 21, 2020

John Jameson – Professor, College of Pharmacy, August 23, 2020

Karen Kirk – Assistant to the VP, University Advancement and Marketing VP Office, November 30, 2020

Warren Klope – Professor, College of Engineering Technology, August 23, 2020

Jon McDonald – Professor, Illustration, Kendall College of Art and Design, August 23, 2020

Thomas Mehl – Associate Professor, College of Business, August 23, 2020

Connie Randle-Morcom - Professor, College of Education and Human Services, August 23, 2020

Bruce Morgan – Professor, Michigan College of Optometry, August 23, 2020

Diane Nagelkirk – Professor, Architecture & Facility Management, May 10, 2021

Paula Olson – Administrative Secretary to the Dean, College of Education and Human Services, August 14, 2020

Prabhakara Shetty – Professor, Physical Sciences, August 23, 2020

Khagendra Thapa – Program Coordinator/Professor, Surveying Engineering, August 23, 2020

Gareth Blaine Todd – Program Coordinator/Associate Professor, Electrical & Computer Networks & Systems, August 23, 2020

Gregory Vander Kooi – Professor, Criminal Justice, August 11, 2023

William Wagner – Program Coordinator/Assistant Professor, Automotive Service Technology, August 23, 2020

### **Would you like to mentor an FSU basketball player?**



Coach Andy Bronkema and the men's basketball team are seeking volunteer tutors and mentors for student athletes for the 2020-2021 season. This would involve meeting in-person, one-on-one with a player or talking to a group of players depending on the situation. Meeting via Zoom is an option, if in-person meetings are not something you wish to do at this point.

Please contact Coach Andy Bronkema at [bronkea@ferris.edu](mailto:bronkea@ferris.edu), Coach Raymond McAfee at [mcafeer@ferris.edu](mailto:mcafeer@ferris.edu) or Emeriti Association member Bob Buckingham at [RobertBuckingham@ferris.edu](mailto:RobertBuckingham@ferris.edu) if you have interest in providing guidance to players two times per week or if you would like additional information about the program.

### **FSUEA President's Office Hours Suspended**

In the interest of health and safety, President Doug Haneline is suspending his regular office hours on campus in Prakken 114 until further notice.

## Events Calendar



### Upcoming Events November, 2020 – June, 2021

November 2 — Board Meeting 10:00a.m.-11:30 a.m. via Zoom

December 7 — Board Meeting 10:00a.m.-11:30 a.m. via Zoom

February 1 — Board Meeting 10:00a.m.-11:30 a.m. via Zoom

April 5 — Board Meeting 10:00a.m.-11:30 a.m. via Zoom

June 7 — Board Meeting 10:00a.m.-11:30 a.m. via Zoom

All FSUEA Board meetings are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. and held in Prakken 114 unless otherwise indicated. Note that the meeting interval has changed to every other month through June.

Stay up to date with university events and policy changes regarding COVID-19:

[Click here](https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/coronavirus/homepage.htm) or enter this address in your browser: <https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/news/coronavirus/homepage.htm>

### FSUEA Board

#### 2020-2021

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The Board meets the first or second Monday of the month year round

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## In Memoriam: Current Faculty/Staff and Emeriti Deaths, May — October 2020

### **Emeriti:**

James Anderson, 9/03/2020

Arthur Bennett, 9/25/2020

Phillip Clugston 7/24/2020

Theresa Foust 10/27/2020

George Hewitt 7/23/2020

Melvin Kantor, 09/02/2020

Malcolm Lund, 10/19/2020

Robert Martin, 8/20/2020

Neill Nutter, 10/03/2020

Joseph "Dean" Scheerens, 5/30/2020

Roberta Sonnenberg, 10/18/2020

Julie Tetsworth, 10/22/2020

### **Associate Emeriti:**

Vivian Tanner 7/26/2020

### **Current Faculty & Staff:**

None reported

### **President's Post, continued from Page 1**

in 1945. From my lifetime (b. 1948), in addition to the 2020 election, I would add just a few other world - stopping events: the assassinations in 1963 and 1968 of John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, and Robert Kennedy, the moon landing in 1969, the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger in 1986, and the terrorist hijacking attacks on 9/11 in 2001.

The details of each of these events remain clear in memory. I was in eighth period study hall in high school when JFK was killed. I was visiting my sister in Washington DC when King was killed, and from a hill overlooking the Capitol, I watched rioters burn Washington. I saw the moon landing on television in a bar on my night off in July 1969, and I was teaching MLA documentation to two classes of English 250 students when the towers were hit by hijacked airliners in 2001.

In a world of billions of people and over 200 countries, so much competes for our notice that most of it becomes background noise, but at unpredictable intervals something happens that commands the attention of all. What world - stopping events do you remember, fellow emeriti, and where were you when they happened?

-Doug

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