

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

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President's Post



Greetings from your new President

The current Board was elected at the General Membership meeting on May 12. At our first Board meeting on June 7, the Board elected new officers. Doug Haneline abdicated the office of President and will now serve on the Board as the Immediate Past President. I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge and thank Doug for his six years of leadership to our Association. The FSUEA has grown and prospered under his tenure and I have big shoes to fill now that I am at the helm. All other officers remain the same: Jerena Keys is Vice President; Jeff Nagelbush is Secretary; and Randy Vance is Treasurer. Of course, MaryKay MacIver remains our very capable and indispensable University Liaison.

This past year has been very troublesome for our organization since most of our activities are social in nature. As

all of us have learned, Zoom meetings just aren't as conducive to social camaraderie as face-to-face meetings. The Board meets again August 2nd via Zoom and hopefully this will be the last virtual Board meeting that we conduct. On June 22, the Governor opened Michigan 100% and Ferris will be open for "business as usual" this fall semester.

We will hold our first in-person event in over a year on August 11, 2021 as we gather for our annual summer picnic. We will meet at Hemlock Park in Big Rapids. This will be a bring-your-own brown bag lunch event and bottled water will be provided (see the Events Report on page 2 for details). I don't know about you, but I can't wait to meet up with everyone again. Hopefully, all of you are fully vaccinated and will be safe.

Jane and I took our first post-pandemic airplane trip to Cape Coral, FL to help our son Todd and his family move into a new home. It wasn't exactly a relaxing vacation, but it was the first time we visited with them in over 18 months. We were anxious about flying, but it went very smoothly without any obnoxious passenger events. Masks were required in the airports and on the planes and we didn't witness any non-compliance. We are flying out to Oregon to visit

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with our son Bradley and his family in late August and are hoping it goes as smoothly as this past flying adventure.

Again, I am honored to serve as your president and will attempt to continue where Doug ably left off. I am reminded of a line from *Mutiny on the Bounty*: "God help the helmsman if the wake was not arrow-straight!"

- Bob

FSUEA Scholarship Endowment Update

The "book value" of the scholarship endowment stands at \$140,157.00 as of June 2nd. The "market value" established on 12/31/2020 was \$161,698.62. The 2021-2022 "awardable amount" will be \$6,159.00, meaning we will now meet our goal of awarding a scholarship to a student in all five undergraduate colleges! Congratulations and thank you for your continued generosity. We will once again hold our annual December "Bucket Campaign", and will pool our donations to obtain a match from the Ferris Futures Fund.

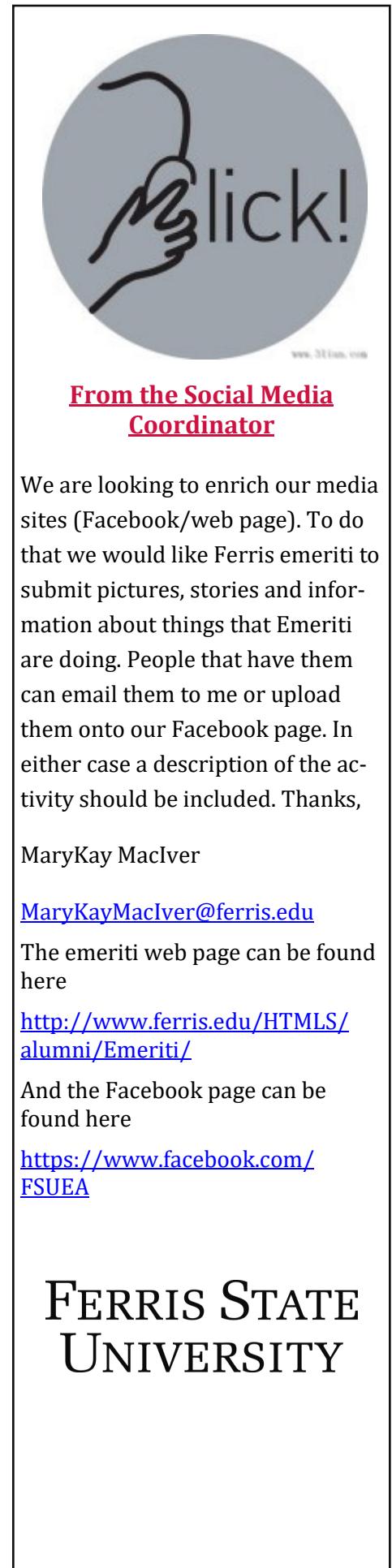
Dr. Bob Carter,
FSUEA Fundraising Committee Chair

Events Report

The City of Big Rapids is not going to do the planned renovation work at Hemlock Park this summer. So we are able to resume plans to hold the picnic at Hemlock Park Pavilion as has been customary. But this year it will be a "bring-your-own" brown bag lunch event, and bottled water will be provided. We'll see you Wednesday, August 11th at 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. No reservations necessary.

Fall Luncheon is Wednesday, October 13th. Pere Marquette is catering. The cost is \$20. It's at ArtWorks' lower level beginning at 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please fill out and send in the Reservation Form on Page 5 and enclose your check payable to FSU Emeriti Association. And as we have done in the past, Jerena Keys will be available to accept donations for the annual United Way campaign at this event.

The Holiday Dinner is tentatively scheduled for December 15. Look for details and reservation form in the November newsletter.



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/](http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/alumni/Emeriti/)

And the Facebook page can be found here

[https://www.facebook.com/
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Granting of Emeriti Status by the FSU Board of Trustees

As of 7/20/2021

Connie Bookshaw, RSS Dean's Office, Secretary Lev I, June 25, 2021

Michael Langan, Dining Services Manager, April 30, 2021

George Nagel, Professor of Humanities, August 16, 2021

Boyd Quinn, Professor, KCAD, May 14, 2021

John Randle, Manager, Student Employment & Career Services, April 30, 2021

Mark Schuelke, Director, University Center, August 6, 2021

In Memoriam: Current Faculty/Staff and Emeriti Deaths, February, 2021 — July, 2021

Emeriti:

6/18/2021 Helen Woodman

6/23/2021 Jim Williams

6/24/2021 Jim Shane

Associate Emeriti:

4/08/2021 Carol Herrick

5/15/2021 Elsia McNeil

Current Faculty & Staff:

None reported

Helen's Garden Report

Helen's Garden is looking great despite the challenges of the pandemic. No in-person commencement ceremonies last May meant no geraniums to plant again this summer. The Ferris grounds staff came to the rescue once more with petunias, marigolds and zinnias to brighten up the flower beds. With the bee balm and black eyed susan in full swing, it's a riot of color. The bees are very appreciative!

We are still waiting for the renovation of the rose bed, but the grounds staff has persuaded us to wait until fall, as we have "the best crop of milk weed on campus" in that bed at the moment. Monarch butterflies are taking advantage, and you can frequently catch site of several if you walk through the garden. No doubt, we'll be seeing caterpillars soon!

Once again, we are putting the call out for assistance with the garden. We have a core group of loyal volunteers, but we need more help! Please contact Alice Bandstra at jbandstr@charter.net if you would be able to help out a little or a lot. Thanks!

Events Calendar



Upcoming Events August, 2021 – December, 2021

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

August 11 — Summer Picnic at Hemlock Park Pavilion 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

October 4 — Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m., location TBA

October 13 — Fall Luncheon, Artworks lower level, 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

December 6 — Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m., location TBA

December 15 — Holiday Dinner (tentative)

All FSUEA Board meetings are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. and held in Prakken 114 unless otherwise indicated.

**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>**

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EMERITI FALL LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021
Reservation Form

The Fall Luncheon will take place on Wednesday, October 13th at Artworks' Lower Gallery (social time 11:30 a.m., lunch at 12:00 p.m.). The cost is \$20.00 per person. Reservations and checks due not later than **October 8th**.

PLEASE complete and return with your check

Name(s):
Address:
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like a ride to the lunch; please contact me at _____ (phone)

	Number participating	Total cost
Lunch fee (\$20.00 per person)		
Total amount enclosed		

Please make checks payable to FSU Emeriti Association. Mail check and reservation form **by October 8, 2021** to:

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