



# RSC Retirees' Association

Newsletter #2

February 2021

Welcome to our second RSC Retirees' Association Newsletter!

**PLEASE NOTE!** On Thursday, April 29, 2021, we will host for members (and prospective members) a First **Annual Retirees' Association Reunion** in the Rose State College Student Union, Ballroom C, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The Reunion is free and all of you are welcome! The meeting will be mainly “meet and greet” – but we will also conduct an Officer Election for April 29, 2021, through April 2022. It is imperative that you fill out and mail in your **enclosed** nomination form. So we can receive an accurate count, please indicate on the attached Officer Nomination Form that you plan to attend.

Previously, we e-mailed the newsletter to those that had current e-mail addresses on file and the remainder of the retirees' their newsletter by regular mail. After reviewing the possibility that some of the e-mailed newsletters might have gotten caught up in the “Spam” category, we have decided to send this newsletter to all current addresses. We presently have 50 members, 27 of which are lifetime members (2 Honorary) and 23 are annual members. We are excited about the positive responses we have received from our new members and look forward to more new members. Due to limited funds, we will need to limit our future newsletters to just the members of the Association. So, it is imperative that you take the time and join as soon as possible to be included in future events and newsletters.

Ken Roper has assisted us in setting up our own Web Page on the Rose State College Web site. If you did not receive the first newsletter or would like to read more about our Association, just put Rose State College into your internet browser, click on overview, go to A-Z on far right, then R –Retirees Association and—Voila! You are there! We just included a Memorial site for listing of all those Retirees who are now deceased.

We are excited about the very tentative plans for the future of the Association, including the following:

Ice Cream Social on campus in early July  
Food Pantry and Clothing  
Designated Room for Retirees' for card games, etc.  
Great Issues Lecture Series  
Hall of Fame for Retirees

RSC Food Bank Drives  
History Web Page to include photos  
Short Story/Poetry on-line Discussion  
Older Adult Scholarship  
Chess or Dominoes Tournaments

**Get your RSC Retirees' ID Card!** We now have our own ID card that allows us access to the Wellness Center, the Aquatic Center free swim, and to the Learning Resources Center. Go to the Student Center and request your Retiree ID!

## LOOK FOR IT!

### **Latest News from Rose State College!!**

**The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala has been scheduled for Thursday, April 1, 2021!** No details are available at this time. We will include this information in future Newsletters, or check the Rose State College Web Page.

The Rose State campus is a buzz with activity as faculty and staff do all they can to promote a safe education for thousands of newly registered Rose State students for Spring 2021. Classes are being provided in-person with some online offerings and all at a safe social distance.

**Center of Education:** With a statewide focus of training individuals in two high-demand industries, Rose State College and Tulsa Community College received the designation of the first Aerospace and Cybersecurity Center of Workforce Excellence in Oklahoma.

**Professors:** Rose State professors Dr. Chuang Shao and Steven Fowler were selected as one of two top submissions to the OACC Great Ideas for Teaching (GIFT) Program.

**Athletics:** All Raider Athletics were moved to the Spring Semester. We have also added Volley Ball to our sports lineup. Check Web site for all schedules!

**Student Union/TFCU Café:** This is the first full semester our new Student Union is open! We can't wait to take advantage of the space and experience all the memories that will be made in there. Don't forget to stop by the hottest new restaurant in town! The TFCU Café' is open Monday-Thursday from 7:30AM – 2:PM and Friday til 1:30PM with ridiculously inexpensive prices! A link to the menus can be found under at [www.freshideafoods.com/rosetatedining/or](http://www.freshideafoods.com/rosetatedining/or) Rose State Web Page.

### **ROSE STATE COLLEGE – RETIREE SPOTLIGHT**

#### **By Retired Past President, Dr. Larry Nutter**

When they asked me to write something for the Newsletter, my initial unspoken response was “Wouldn't it be better to hear from some of the ‘old guys and ladies’ first.” Then it dawned on me that they did ask one of the really “old” guys, one retired for more than twenty years. Seems a rather short time since I was the youngest faculty member at Howard College in Big Spring, Texas, or a 27 year old Assistant Professor at “Central State College” or a 30 year old Division Chair at “Oscar Rose Junior College”. Their question to me: “What made you want to be a cattle farmer during your retirement?” My answer: First I should note that it could happen only because Jean and I have long shared the lure of ‘country living’. To live on a ranch or farm and be able every day to raise cattle and enjoy the beauty and serenity of nature and wildlife has always been something of a never-expected-to-fulfill dream. Guess I'm something of a “tree-hugger” conservationist!!! Living things fascinate me, whether it be a newborn calf or a wild turkey, or a rattlesnake in its natural setting or freshly-sprouted wheat that was planted a mere three days before.

I grew up in a Western Oklahoma farm family of eight boys and three girls. We lived modestly and worked hard and played hard. We boys had the freedom and open space to do whatever we wanted and were ‘big’ enough to do as long as the chores and any assigned work was done first. Our play included fighting as brothers will do, hunting and fishing (sometimes with Dad and sometimes alone but nearly always unsupervised), horseback riding (sometimes roping a calf

we were not supposed to) and generally enjoying God's natural creations. Work included milking cows twice a day and caring for all the farm animals which included everything from chickens to horses and cattle---as well as wild pets we had at the time and that could have been a crow, rabbit, turtle or skunk. I enjoyed the cattle which consisted primarily of cows and calves and at least one bull. Too many kids for us to have any livestock of our own! I always wanted a mother cow of my own so perhaps that early desire is why Jean and I enjoy a small herd of cattle now, usually thirty-five to forty mother cows and their calves.

If all this sounds idyllic that's because that is how I recall it, and that is how we see life today. Of course we sorely miss all our friends and activities from the College. Now our life tends to center on our children and their families which include 8 grandkids and 8 great grandkids----all of whom enjoy coming to the farm to enjoy Grantee's cooking, watching spring-born baby calves play, perhaps seeing deer or wild turkey and even catching a fish with Grandad.

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## Officer Nomination Form

Using the **member list below**, select your nominations for 2021 – 2022 Retirees' Association **Executive Board** officers\*. This completed form must be received by **April 1, 2021**.

**CHAIR** \_\_\_\_\_

**VICE CHAIR** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_

**TREASURER** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBER-AT-LARGE** \_\_\_\_\_

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Anderson, Sally  
Baumwart, Kathy  
Boldman, Sarah  
Boyster, Sally  
Brooks, Cecil  
Brown, Bill  
Buchman, Wayne  
Burton, Sid  
Caldwell, Jeff  
Caponechi, Waldo  
Carter, Sidney  
Crabaugh, Duane  
Craddock, Carlene  
Cummings, Lloyd  
Dake, Toney  
Dunlap, Baillie

Dunlap, Jean  
Edwards, Betty  
Fisher, Dean  
Fordenbacher, Pam  
Fredericksen, Dale  
Graham, Nancy  
Griffin, Jonnye  
Guinn, Marcia  
Hendrix, Frances  
Hester, Jim  
Holland, Kathy  
Johnson, O.W. (Bill)  
Laws, Lynn  
Laws, Laura  
Leveridge, Robert  
Martin, Janice

Miller, Necia  
Barnaba-Moore, Marie  
Nutter, Larry  
Parkhurst, Norman  
Pierce, Robert  
Points, Dan  
Price, Lisa  
Rainsberry, Sandy  
Robertson, Curt  
Roper, Ken  
Sennhenn, Carl  
Sidders, Peggy  
Tucker, Linda  
Underwood, Dean  
Vermillion, Kristen  
Wilson, Bill

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes, I plan on attending the Retirement Reception on April 29<sup>th</sup>!**

**Thanks for your assistance in the nomination process. Please Mail or take your completed nomination form (just one) to the mail room at the below address:**

**Retirees' Association**

**Rose State College**

**6420 SE 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Midwest City, Oklahoma 73110**

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Enclosed is my **\$5.00 membership fee or \$50.00 lifetime membership** and any **additional donation** you would like to make to

<b>Name: (Mr./Ms./Dr.)</b>		<b>Total Enclosed:</b> <b>\$</b>
<b>Address</b>		
<b>City:</b>	<b>STATE:</b>	<b>ZIP</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Home:(    )</b>	<b>Cell: (    )</b>
<b>Email:</b>	<i>(very important for Newsletters)</i>	
<b>Retired Title/Area and Date:</b>		

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