



RSC Retirees' Association

September 2022 Newsletter # 8

RSC Retirees' Association Fall Gathering

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

FNB Community Bank Ballroom C

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Insurance Meeting

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Fall Gathering

This is our LAST NEWSLETTER to non-members. Please Join! The next Newsletter is to members only and will include nominations for 2023 Officers and a ballot.

[Addition to MEMORIAL PAGE](#)

Anita Nethercutt, September 3, 2022

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We want to welcome new employees at Rose State College as well as changes in personnel. As we all know – it is *a great place to work and a great place to retire* –

Business and Information Technology Division (BIT)

Dr. Charles DeSassure steps into the role as Dean of BIT, bringing more than 20 years of experience. Dr. DeSassure joined Rose State in January after serving as the Dean of the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Division at Thomas Nelson Community College in Virginia. Dr. DeSassure has more than 20 years of progressive leadership experience at the community college level with a curriculum development, cybersecurity and information assurance background. He holds a doctorate in computer science with a specialization in cybersecurity.

Margaret Kerr, Professor, Paralegal

Tracy Hire, Supervisor, BIT Computer Lab

Kimberly Hadden, Adm. Support Specialist

Samantha Bell, Professor, CIT

Shelby Horn, Asst. Supervisor, Comp. Lab

Engineering and Science Division

Shantha Sriram, Professor, Chemistry

Sarah Schatz, Professor, Math

Sharnell Edmond, Division Support Asst.

Sutapa Roy, Professor, Chemistry

Keegan Melstrom, Professor, Biology

Health Sciences Division

Esmeralda Ornelas, Professor, Dental

Susan Reid, Professor, Nursing

Tiffany Lowery, Professor, Respiratory Therapy

Shannon Walls, Professor/Clinical Coord., Respiratory Therapy

Candace Haynes, Professor, Nursing

Kimberly Anable, Professor Nursing

Kasie Houland, Professor, Nursing

Linda Tinker, Adm. Asst. II, Health Sciences Division, worked years ago at Rose State until she left to have a long and successful career at Midwest Trophy until Covid shut everything down and changed our lives forever. Welcome back Linda!

Liberal Arts and Sciences Division *(Previously Humanities and Soc Sciences)*

Spencer Tracy, Professor, Art

Tracy Rimer, Division Support Asst.

Danielle Louck, Administrative Assistant III

Other Areas of the College

Dr. Dana Lindon Burgett, Dir., Acad. Tech.

Dr. John Cain, Director, Career Services

Angele Fahey, Testing Center Super.

Kylene Glidewell, Customer Service Asst.,

Kristen Chewey, Adm Asst. to the VP for Aca. Aff.

Workforce Development

Janee Rudolph, Training Support Asst., Workforce Development

Dr. Whitney Alvis will be serving as Senior Director for the Center for Workforce Excellence in Aerospace and Cybersecurity. She previously served as Director of the Small Business Development Center. She has a Juris Doctorate from OU College of Law. **Mike Dubuque** will also be Director, Aerospace and CyberSecurity Initiatives

Mahlon Smith joins Rose State as Business Development Specialist, Small Business Dev Center. Prior to Rose State, Smith worked more than 20 years in the aerospace industry throughout his career and served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Rose State College is thrilled to welcome **Courtney Peyketewa** to the hardworking team of individuals that make up our Diversity Center. She will serve as the Coordinator of Diversity and Outreach to celebrate diversity on campus, host cultural events, create inclusive programming, recruit diverse student populations, and more.

ITEMS OF INTEREST AT ROSE STATE:

Annual RSC Choral Festival – Area High Schools meet that morning to combine their voices to learn a new piece of music. At approximately 12:45 p.m., each school has a one piece presentation before they join together for the combined piece they learned that morning. Weather permitting, this will be held **Friday, Sept 23** in the breezeway between the Wellness Center and Fine Arts Building. Bring a folding chair – seating limited.

Tower Awards – September 22 from 6:00 p.m. to 9pm *(Must purchase tickets)*

Beauties, Books, and Brunch – Sept 24 from 10am to 2pm: Event to bring awareness to issues of trauma that women in Oklahoma have experienced. Focus is on education, healing, and how writing your story can help through the process.

Jazz Band – Monday October 24th, 7:30 p.m., Atkinson Theatre

Wind Band – Tuesday October 25th, 7:30 p.m., Atkinson Theatre

Faculty Voice Recital – Hudiburg Center Lobby, Sat., Oct 29, *time to be announced.*

Vocal Community Collaboration including RSC Chorus, Edmond Community Chorale, Bella Voice, UCO Oklahoma Chorale, and others – **Friday, December 2, 2022, 7:30 p.m. in the Hudiburg Auditorium.** This will include an orchestra and professional soloists. Sounds like something our organization would really love!

Winter Holiday Concert – Wednesday December 21st, 6:00 p.m., Student Union

Items of Interest – Continued

ATKINSON THEATRE:

The Nerd, (For all Audiences) Sept 22-24 at 7:30 p.m., Sept 25th at 2pm,

The Addams Family A New Musical – (All Audiences)

October 27-29th at 7:30 p.m, October 30th at 2:00 p.m.

Company (Rated PG-13) February 23-25, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

and Sun., Feb 26th at 2p.m.

Our Town (for all Audiences) – April 20-22, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday April 23 at 2:00 p.m.

The Journal Record has recognized Rose State as top-ranked in three categories in the 2022 Reader Rankins. Top winner for Best Paralegal Program in the state and was a finalist in the Best Undergraduate Program and Best Tech Center for Workforce Development categories. RSC was up against colleges and universities across Oklahoma and was the only community college to receive a top ranking. The awards were presented to Rose State at the Reader Ranking Awards Reception on Thursday, June 23.

Rose State College has been designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense, a program jointly sponsored by the National Security Agency and Department of Homeland Security. “We are pleased to report the National Security Agency has validated our cyber security courses through 2027.” Rose State Dean of BIT, Dr. Charles DeSassaure said. “The BIT Division’s mission is to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to perform and excel in an ever-changing career field. We hold ourselves and our students to a high standard of ethics because we know these students will be the future of safety for our world.”

SPORTS: To find the Sport Schedules: <https://rscraiders.com>

*****Reminder -You can process your Retiree ID in the Student Center***If you have not joined for 2022, please complete the form below and be included in receiving the next Newsletter.**

Enclosed is my **\$10.00*** membership fee or **\$50.00** lifetime membership and any additional donation you would like to make to

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