

NEWSLETTER

Professors Emeriti Club

University of Utah

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WELCOME ABOARD! Newcomers to the 2015-16 Professors Emeriti Executive Board are *Richard G. Middleton*, President Elect, and *Denise Doebbeling*, Treasurer. They take office July 1, as will incoming president Dennis Alexander. President Julia Kleinschmidt becomes Past President. Members of the current Executive Board are listed on page 3.

Revised Constitution for the Club

At the May Luncheon, Dennis Alexander presented a brief review of the proposed revision to the Professors Emeriti Club's Constitution and Bylaws. The members then voted to support the revisions. The revised Constitution will be posted on the Emeriti Club web page later in the summer. You may visit the website at: <http://academic-senate.utah.edu/professors-emeriti-club/>

The adage "Time flies when you're having fun" must surely be true. Since taking office last July 1, my Professors Emeriti Club term as president has been wonderful...learning and growing from the experience, meeting delightful and interesting people, making new friends, and having **FUN**. But I've blinked an eye, and my term of office is rapidly flying toward its close. Right now, anticipating my ride off into the distance (although not too far since I will next serve a year as past-president...just one chair down the conference table at board meetings), the emotion that brims and spills over within me is gratitude, and I say, "thanks, thanks, and ever thanks."

A heartfelt thank you to the membership of the Professors Emeriti Club for giving me this opportunity. Your support and input have been invaluable as your board planned for and implemented our 2014-2015 luncheon meeting season. Your feedback suggests strongly that you enjoyed and/or learned from our varied topics and ex-

**I can no other answer
make but thanks,
and thanks,
and ever thanks.**

Twelfth Night

William Shakespeare

pert cast of presenters – President Pershing, Joan O'Brien on *Salt Lake Tribune* issues, the University Chamber Choir in December (we're going to try to make this one an annual tradition), Peggy Tomsic on marriage equality, Margaret Brady on the "Your Story Project", Tim Chamberless on the Utah Legislature, Will Bagley, and the Utah Museum of Fine Arts. But all of this quality programming would not have been possible without the commitment and dedicated efforts of your exemplary Emeriti Executive Board. Each and every one has been absolutely dependable and full of energy and ideas, and each has consistently gone above and beyond assigned duties. I am grateful for and express warm thanks to: *Dennis Alexander* (President Elect) for his thoughtfulness and for his understanding of the history, structure, protocols and personnel of the Emeriti Club and the University; *Katherine Carr* (Past President) for her warm encouragement and guidance in

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Please note for future use: The Academic Senate home page has changed and with it the Emeriti Club address has been altered. The new address is <http://academic-senate.utah.edu/professors-emeriti-club/>

Of further note: Wogai Mohmand has replaced Shawee Worsley until June 30 during her maternity leave (she had twin daughters).

If you're texting these days, TMBU to surprise your "grands"

You don't have to know the abbreviations in order to send text messages clearly and efficiently. But you might give your grandson or -daughter a jolt by ending a message with **TTYL**, **ILY**. (*Talk to you later, I love you.*) Imagine the admiration: "Wow, grammy, that's so cool! **ILY2**"

A few other shorties **TMBU** (*this might be useful*) are: **DWAI**, **IDK**, and **IU2U**. Translated, they stand for *don't worry about it, I don't know,*

and *it's up to you.*

Of course, if you want to get **SRS** about **TXTSPK**, you can always Google abbreviations and get enough to fill a small dictionary. **BTO** (*but that's overkill*).

IMHO (*in my humble opinion*), the best idea is to use **TXTSPK** as sparingly as you would add emoticons to your messages. You may have to ask your "grands" about emoticons. Smiley faces (see signature) today are animated

– and even talk and sing!

Although abbreviations and mood faces can help punch up interpersonal communication, it still helps to have a sense of humor. If not, **FAI** (*fuggettaboutit*).

That's it for now. Excuse me, but **G2G** (*got to go*).

Byron
Sims



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carrying out the tasks of the presidency; *Gene Carr* (Treasurer) for his incredible dedication to getting the dollars, numbers, and reservations just exactly right (which he absolutely did!); *Jeff Paoletti* (Secretary) for his right-on minutes, observations, and ideas; *Michele Margetts* (Special Activities Coordinator) for her resolute dedication to ferreting out the best deals and the most fascinating travel and activities destinations, and for her exquisite attention to every detail; *Henry Wolking* (Special Activities Coordinator) for his many efforts and contacts that allowed us to enjoy superb University and community musical events; *Ryck Luthi*, my go-to guy for all things Union/Saltair Room (reservations, lights, mikes, etc., etc.) and for his ever-ready willingness to

make contacts and line up resources; and *Byron Sims* (Newsletter Editor) for his time, skills and creativity that gave us those incredible newsletters full of color, humor, and, of course, valuable information

At our June Board meeting we will start the process of selecting and planning our luncheon topics and speakers for 2015-2016, and our efforts will continue throughout the summer. As always, we welcome input from our membership. On this coming July 1, I will hand over the presidency to the immensely capable hands of *Dennis Alexander*, and what a great year we can anticipate. Again, I say thanks, and thanks, and ever thanks for the experience of this past year.

Now, let's all have a splendid summer!

FOR OUR *Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island* TRAVELERS
Anne of Green Gables: The Musical

Who did not love reading the Anne of Green Gables books by Lucy Maud Montgomery when we were growing up? With that in mind Michele thought our Canadian Maritimes travelers would be interested to learn that there is a **musical stage adaptation of the beloved story playing the Charlottetown Festival** while we are there. It must be good—it's been running seasonally for 51 years! Caravan Tours does not offer optionals, but if you would like to see this production you may purchase tickets yourself through the Charlottetown Festival website. The link is:



<http://www.charlottetownfestival.com/en/2-Anne-of-Green-Gables-The-Musical>

We will be staying at the Brackley Beach North Winds Hotel located about 10 minutes from Charlottetown on June 17-18. The evening of **June 18 there is a performance at 7:30pm** with tickets available.

Ticket prices (in Canadian \$\$) are as follows (\$1CAN = about \$1.20 US):

VIP package: \$79.00 per person
(includes best seats in the house
and \$10 merchandise voucher)

Tier 1 seating: \$60.00 per person
Tier 2 seating: \$50.00 per person
Tier 3 seating: \$25.00 per person

Please be aware there is a \$3.00 per ticket service charge for all phone, mail and internet orders; and a \$2.00 Capital Improvement Fee (CIF) applied to all tickets purchased for performances in the Homburg Mainstage Theatre.

IN MEMORIAM

Eva Smart-Dickman, spouse of
Sherman Dickman, Biochemistry
March 25, 2015

Dorothy Bearnson
Art and Art History
April 13, 2015

Louise Degn
Communication
May 8, 2015

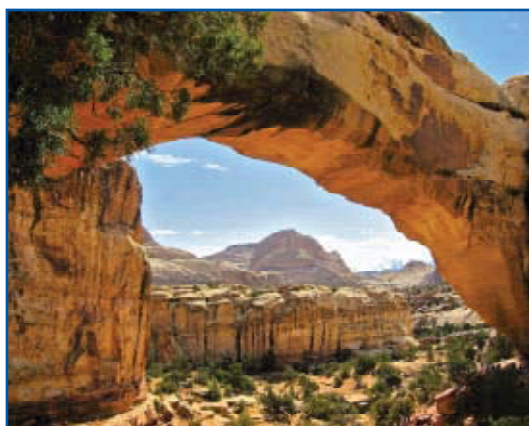
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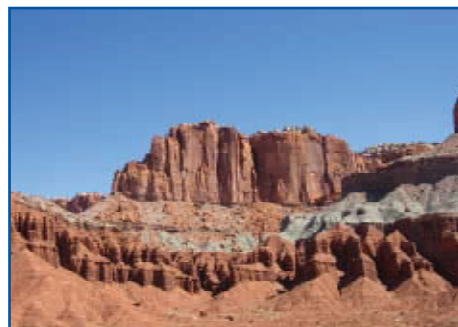
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Capitol Reef Hiking Trip, September 14 -18, 2015

Each year the Emeritus Hiking Group has an out-of-town trip and this year we are going to Torrey. The trip is open to all members, friends and families, so plan now for the fall. Tour groups from around the world have discovered Capitol Reef. The park campground has no reservations and is full every night. Bill Gray and Suzanne Stensaas, your organizers for the outing, suggest the following arrangements.



Hickman Bridge is an easy 1-mile hike
with a 400-foot climb



Along the scenic park drive

Thousand Lakes RV Park and Cabins on the west end of Torrey

www.thousandlakesrvpark.com 1-800-355-8995

There is Internet access, a small swimming pool and a central grassy area. Accommodations include places for RVs/camper vans, 4 cabins with baths, 5 without, and a two-bedroom cabin. There are campsites with full hookup. Most of us could be together at this location if you hurry and reserve now. We suggest reserving sites 1,3,5,7,9,11,13 as they are at the back and spaced wider with a view of the Moenkopi cliffs. Two vans can split the cost of a site. Prices are reasonable and you can ask for a senior discount. Ask about the cancellation policy, which is good.

If you prefer a motel, Austin Chuck Wagon General Store and Lodge (48-hour cancellation policy) is one of the many motels in town. There is a bakery, store and deli where food can be purchased. Box lunches can also be ordered. The motels are already very full. Ask for a discount. Details and views of rooms and menus are online at www.austinchuckwagonmotel.com, call 1-800-863-3288

Our tradition is to offer daily full and half-day hikes in the park (13 miles away) for all levels of enthusiasts and photographers, and to suggest optional drives, both 4WD and over Boulder Mountain. These will be announced later. We also have an organized potluck dinner one night and there are several restaurants in town as well as picnic space at the RV Park and town park.

If you are planning to come, Bill and Suzanne would really like to have a tentative list and would like many of you to volunteer to lead a favorite hike or walk. Contact suzanne.stensaas@hsc.utah.edu; home 801-466-9050, or Bill Gray: cyberflora@xmission.com; home 801-532-3486.