

10-Year Celebration of the USI Retiree Organization

November 18, 2021

- 2007 INITIAL PLANNING TO FORM A RETIREE ORGANIZATION
- USI FOUNDATION PRESIDENT DAVID BOWER ASKED SHERRIANNE STANDLEY TO SPEARHEAD THE GROUP
 - WITH THE HELP OF SHERRY DARRELL, THE FIRST STEPS WERE TAKEN
- JANUARY 28, 2008, FIRST RETIREE LUNCHEON HELD AT KENNEL CLUB OF EVANSVILLE
- RETIREE LUNCHEONS HELD IN 2009 AND 2010
- AUGUST 24, 2010, FIRST SUMMER RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE FOUNDATION HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY HOME

- MARCH 11, 2011, INAUGURAL MEETING OF ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
 - DATE OF OFFICIAL AND FORMAL USI RETIREE ASSOCIATION
 - DEVELOPMENT OF BY-LAWS
 - NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF FIRST COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND OFFICERS
- In 2011 PRESIDENT LINDA L. M. BENNETT APPROVED THE ASSOCIATION AS AN OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY SANCTIONED GROUP
- CO-ORGANIZERS:
 - SHERRIANNE STANDLEY AND SHERRY DARRELL OCTOBER 2007 MARCH 2011
- FIRST PRESIDENT:
 - M. EDWARD JONES 2011

FIRST ANNUAL MEETING NOVEMBER 11, 2011

USI RETIREES
CHOSEN AS NAME OF ORGANIZATION

- BY-LAWS APPROVED
- EIGHT-MEMBER COORDINATING COUNCIL REPRESENTING ACTIVE MEMBERS ELECTED
- ANNUAL DUES SET AT \$20 PER YEAR
- COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO DETERMINE NAME FOR RETIREE NEWSLETTER:
 - HELEN SANDS
 - MARLENE SHAW
 - SHARON MARROW

PRESIDENTS OF USI RETIREE COORDINATING COUNCIL

M. EDWARD JONES	2011
SHERRY B. DARRELL	2012
ROBERT L. REID	2013
JOHN L. DEEM	2014
JOHN L. DEEM	2015
MICHAEL W. WHIPPLE	2016
JAMES H. BANDOLI	2017
PHILIP C. FISHER	2018
NILS I. JOHANSEN	2019
NANCY F. BIZAL	2020
MARLENE V. SHAW	2021

CHARTER MEMBERS OF USI RETIREE ORGANIZATION

LARRY ARP*

JOYCE BABILLIS

JEANNE BARNETT

MARY ALICE BERTRAM

BARBARA BLEVINS*

JIM & ANITA BROWN

NADINE COUDRET

JAN COUTS*

SHERRY B. DARRELL

JOHN & PAM DEEM

THOMAS DIETER*

HOWARD & BARBARA DUNN

ROLLA DYER*

PHIL FISHER

JUDY FLECK

YVONNE FLOYD

JAY FREDRICH*

JANET FREEMAN

LARRY* & RENA GOSS

JANET & RICHARD* GREER

CHERYL GRISWOLD

BARRY HART

SANDY HATFIELD

JENNIE HEAD

CAROL HERMES*

WANDA HIBBITTS

ED JONES

LLOYD* & JOAN JOST

DAVE & GLENNA KINSEY

COURTNEY KLINGELHOEFER

BARBARA MARR

ELNA MATTINGLY

MARY MCGREW

JENNY MEDCRAFT

EULA MEGLI

MARGIE MELVIN

SHARON MORROW

RICHARD & MARY LEE* MUSSARD

OSCAR & ANITA OZETE

JOE & MARIE PALLADINO

DON & CONNIE PITZER

BOB REID

RONALD ROAT*

MARY LUE RUSSLER

JIM SANDERS*

HELEN SANDS*

MARY SCHROEDER

ROBERTA SCHWEIZER

MARLENE SHAW

MARGARET SKOGLUND*

SHERRIANNE STANDLEY

LOIS & DAVID STEVENS

RUTH WALLER*

JIM WERNER

MIKE & ZADIE WHIPPLE

JO-ANN WILSON

BYRON WRIGHT*

RETIREE NEWSLETTER

VINTAGE TIMES PUBLISHED TWICE A YEAR

FIRST NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2011

SHERRY DARRELL – EDITOR – 2011 – 2021 LINDA CLEEK – EDITOR – 2022

SHERRIANNE STANDLEY – CO-EDITOR

RETIREE NEWSLETTER

THERE WAS ANOTHER "FIRST NEWSLETTER" **PUBLISHED IN JANUARY 1998**



USI Retirees Newsletter

Volume 1 Issue 1

January 1998

Greetings! Welcome to the first issue of the USI Retirees Newsletter.

As will become obvious, this is my first attempt to edit a newsletter. In fact, I've never contributed to a newsletter or even written a letter to the editor; however, at the last meeting of the USI Retirees Committee while I was dozing contently, I recall hearing Joan Jost say " and Mike, if you will put together a newsletter and have it ready to send out in January." I must have said something like "ok" because during the brunch at the Wrights' I was reminded that I indeed had agreed to edit a newsletter. I had hoped it was only a dream.

What I'm trying to say is that I need help to publish future newsletters. If anyone has experience publishing one, would like to proofread and correct grammar, or would like to write a column for future issues, I would appreciate your help. If you have any newsworthy information that can be part of the newsletter, give me a call. Likewise, if you have any comments, helpful hints, or criticisms of this newsletter, please call me at 425-5654.

What kind of information should be in this newsletter? I have a few ideas. I'm sure most retirees would enjoy reading little known historical facts about ISUE/USI, general health information, news of retirees who have been ill or hospitalized, brief updating of events on the USI campus and in this organization. How about other ideas?

By the way as I write the words "this organization." I am reminded that we still do not have an official name. I've heard of a few possible names such as The Gray Fagles Silver Fagles Rald Fagles and USI Retirees. If you have an idea for a name of this organization, give me a call and I will present it for consideration.

Melvin Denner, Ret

A Message from the Chair

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday The delicious brunch at Joanne and Byron Wright's home was a great way to begin celebrating the season. It was gratifying to see friends visiting and "catching up."

One goal of our retirees' organization is to have activities that could enrich our retirement years and help us stay in touch with university friends. Please help with ideas for social and educational activities. We need your input!

My prayer is that we all have a healthy happy new year and that our group will share many good times together.



MELVIN DENNER – EDITOR OF NEWSLETTER

JOAN JOST, CHAIR OF THE RETIREES

ANNUAL RETIREE EVENTS

START OF SEMESTER PIZZA PARTY

JANUARY AND AUGUST

LUNCHEON SPONSORED BY USI FOUNDATION

FEBRUARY

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

MID-SUMMER

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

NOVEMBER

ANNUAL MEETING PRESENTATIONS

- SNEAK PEEK OF THE PERFORMANCE THEATER
- PRESENTATIONS BY LENNY DOWHIE, ROBERT REID, JON MARK HALL
- ARTS COLLABORATION BY JOHN MCNAUGHTON AND JOAN DEJONG
- PERFORMANCE BY USI JAZZ ENSEMBLE
- USI 50TH ANNIVERSARY VIDEO
- HUMAN RESOURCES PRESENTATION ON HEALTH CARE BENEFITS
- PRESENTATION BY UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT
- USI CHAMBER CHOIR

SPECIAL EVENTS SINCE 2011

- RED SKELTON MUSEUM
- WELLNESS FAIR
- WORKSHOP ON HEALTH ISSUES
- HUBER WINERIES
- CANOE TRIP ON HOVEY LAKE
- FALLS OF THE OHIO
- NEW HARMONY THEATER
- CANOE TRIP IN LYNNVILLE

- USI PERFORMANCE CENTER: AN EVENING WITH REBECCA FISHER
- IGLEHEART GARDENS
- RAINTREE BREWING COMPANY
- TRIP TO SHAKERTOWN
- WNIN VIEWING OF TWO ELEPHANTS

EDUCATION GRANTS

FIRST EDUCATIONAL GRANTS AWARDED IN SPRING 2016

GRANTS AWARDED TO USI EMPLOYEES
PURSUING A DEGREE

5 - \$100 GRANTS AWARDED EACH FALL AND SPRING SEMESTER

GRANTS FUNDED THROUGH DUES PAID BY MEMBERS OF THE USI RETIREES

SPECIAL PROJECTS

PARTICIPATED IN PLANNING USI'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

PHONATHON TO CONTACT RETIREES IN 2017

SURVEY OF RETIREES TO DETERMINE SPECIAL EVENTS FOR RETIREE GROUP

PARTICIPATED IN FOCUS GROUP FOR NEW LOGO AND MARKETING INITIATIVES

ASSISTED ALUMNI RELATIONS IN CONNECTING WITH ALUMNI

VOLUNTEERED WITH SWIRCA FOR SENIOR GAMES

RETIREE DIRECTORY

FIRST DIRECTORY DISTRIBUTED IN 2014

INCLUDES CONTACT INFORMATION FOR RETIREES AND SPOUSES OF DECEASED RETIREES

UPDATED ANNUALLY

RETIREE WEB SITE

WEB SITE INITIATED IN 2013

MISSION STATEMENT

BY-LAWS

HISTORY

GOVERNANCE

BECOME A MEMBER

RETIREE BENEFITS

EVENTS

NEWSLETTERS

MEETING MINUTES

OTHER RESOURCES

OTHER UNIVERSITY LINKS

ACTIVE RETIREES

187 ACTIVE RETIREES IN 2011

380 ACTIVE USI RETIREES IN 2021

65.23 - AVERAGE AT RETIREMENT

22.07 YEARS - AVERAGE LENGTH OF SERVICE AT RETIREMENT

STATES WHERE USI RETIREES LIVE

USI RETIREES LIVE IN 22 STATES AND THE TOP STATES ARE:

- INDIANA
- KENTUCKY
- ILLINOIS
- FLORIDA
- MISSOURI
- CALIFORNIA AND TENNESSEE
- OREGON, MICHIGAN, OHIO, KANSAS, COLORADO AND NORTH CAROLINA

ACTIVE RETIREES WHO RETIRED WITH MOST YEARS OF SERVICE

•	Martha	Niemeier
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John Deem

Tom Rivers

Jane Davis-Brezette

John McPherson

• Linda Cleek

Larry Feldhaus

Richard Mussard

Donna Laymon

Don Pitzer

47.61 years

43.86 years

43.86 years

42.53 years

42.31 years

41.84 years

41.29 years

40.86 years

40.75 years

40.36 years

PERSON WHO HAS BEEN RETIRED THE LONGEST

DR. WANDA HIBBITTS

RETIRED IN MAY 1987 AFTER 17 YEARS OF SERVICE
SHE HAS BEEN RETIRED FOR 34 YEARS

CELEBRATED HER 100TH BIRTHDAY IN 2021

IN 2021 ROMAIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ANNUAL APPEAL ASKS FOR SUPPORT OF WANDA'S 100 YEARS WITH A GIFT TO THE WANDA HIBBITTS SCHOLARSHIP

HISTORY OF GIVING BY RETIREES TO USI

TOTAL LIFETIME GIVING FROM 380 ACTIVE RETIREES AND SPOUSES \$4,720,129

LIFETIME GIVING OF 15 DECEASED RETIREES \$4,020,762

WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$1,941,315 FROM THEIR ESTATES

HISTORY OF GIVING BY RETIREES TO USI

FISCAL YEAR GIVING BY RETIREES

TOTAL GIFTS

FY 2019 - \$223,666

FY 2020 - \$273,562

FY 2021 - \$257,832

HISTORY OF GIVING BY RETIREES TO USI

GRAND TOTAL OF RETIREE GIVING \$10,682,206

FROM 85% OF RETIREES

THANK YOU TO THE USI FOUNDATION

- ASSISTS WITH NEWSLETTER DEVELOPMENT AND MAILINGS
- SUBSIDIZES THE EXPENSE OF PRINTING AND MAILINGS TO RETIREES
- SPONSORS RETIREE EVENTS
 - ANNUAL LUNCHEON AND PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

THANK YOU TO THE USI FOUNDATION AND THE STAFF FOR THEIR SUPPORT!



STAY INFORMED, INVOLVED AND STAY CONNECTED WITH USI



IT IS NOW TIME TO CELEBRATE!