

UT Health Science Center - RETIREES ASSOCIATION

POSTSCRIPTS

www.uthsc.edu/retirees

December, 2013

General Membership Meeting

WHEN: Friday, December 6, 2013

TIME: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

WHERE: Room 204, Student Alumni Center

LUNCH:

Reservations Only: Call **Ida Mosby** (901-315-0549, email idamosby@yahoo.com) to **make reservations on or before Monday, December 2.** Family members and guests are welcome.

COST: \$9 (First time attendees receive free meal.)

PARKING: Free parking in the garage next to SAC. UTHSC ID required to enter garage.

PROGRAM: **Holiday Celebration**

DO YOU HAVE NEWS?

Please send any items of interest for Postscripts to Carolyn Gibson, Editor. E Mail to cgibson@uthsc.edu or mail to 2686 Meadow Hill Cove, Germantown, TN 31838.

ID BADGES REQUIRED !!

Retirees must have UT ID Badges to enter the SAC and the Parking Garage. Badges are free and may be procured at the UT Campus Police Office

From the President

We welcome new Executive Board members Andrea Crisler and Roni Engle who were elected to three year terms at our September membership meeting.

We were fortunate to have Dr. Cyril Chang speak at our last meeting about the impact of the Affordable Care Act on retiree health benefits. It is our desire to present programs that will be relevant and meaningful to our members. If you have suggestions for future programs or events for the association, please email to me at: steve_rowland@bellsouth.net.

As noted, our December luncheon meeting on the 6th at 11:30 a.m. will be held in conjunction with the Chancellor's Holiday Celebration that is scheduled from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. that day. Several door prizes will be given out during our meeting. Instructions for making a luncheon reservation are given on the side bar next to this article. I hope you will be able to join us.

For those of you that may not be aware, our association's website – www.uthsc.edu/retirees - has useful information for our members. Included are schedules of membership and board meetings, a listing of officers and board members, the association constitution, and current and past editions of our newsletter, Postscripts.

We are trying to update our association membership records. If you are not receiving email notifications about membership meetings, please send your preferred email address to our Secretary, Ida Mosby, at idamosby@yahoo.com.

Happy Thanksgiving and blessings for the Christmas and holiday seasons,
Steve Rowland

HOW CAN I FIND POSTSCRIPTS ONLINE?

The web address for Postscripts is printed under each masthead of the paper editions. The web address is: www.uthsc.edu/retirees. Typing this into your search engine will take you directly to the retirees web page where you find current and archived copies of PostScripts, a copy of the retirees constitution and bylaws, listing of officers, a schedule of yearly Board and luncheon meetings, and other current notices.

To go to the retirees webpage from the UT Home Page <http://www.uthsc.edu/> look on the left side of the home page and find a listing of various categories. Scroll down to "Faculty and Staff", click on this and another list will appear...Click on "more" at the bottom of the list. This takes you to the Faculty and Staff page. In the column on the right side of this page, find the header "Employee Organizations". The Retirees Association is the last item on this list. Click to go to the Retirees page.

PostScripts is much easier to read online with larger font, and the pictures appear in color. Check the Retirees webpage for current notices and announcements.

RECENT RETIREES
CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!!

Roberta Beene	Medical Admin. Coordinator	Neurology
Annie Delaney	Nursing Supervisor	Jackson Family Practice
Robert Skinner	Professor	Dermatology
Jerry Hall	Director	Human Resources
Pearline Banks	Medical Admin. specialist	Dentistry
Jackson Yium	Professor	UT Chatt COM
Robert Ahokas	Associate Professor	OBGYN
Bobby Thomas	Business Manager	Pharmacy
Rosemary Jackson	Administrative Svcs. Asst	College of Medicine
Teresa Glaser	Financial Specialist	College of Nursing

**2014 Board Meeting
and
Luncheon Schedule**
Mark your calendars!

February 20, 2014 Board Meeting
March 20, 2014 Luncheon Meeting

May 15, 2014 Board Meeting
June 19, 2014 Luncheon Meeting

August 21, 2014, Board Meeting
September 18, 2014 Luncheon Meeting

November 13, 2014 Board Meeting
December TBA (to coincide with Chancellor's Holiday Party)

In Memoriam

John E. Baxter, Ph.D.	June 5, 2013 Professor, Biochemistry Director IT
H. Randolph Hooker	August 23, 2013 Assistant Administrator William F Bowld Hospital
John Eddie Jones	November 7, 2013 Medical Photographer
George Shannon Lovejoy, M.D.	October 21, 2013 Medical Dir. Memphis/Shelby County Health Depart.; Medical Director of Arlington Dev. Center Hospital; Chief of Staff LeBonheur Children's Hospital
Robert A. (Alex) Sanford, M.D.	October 17, 2013 Pediatric Neurosurgery
Robert Edwin Tooms, M.D.	September 10, 2013 Orthopedic Surgery

**UTHSC RETIREES ASSOCIATION
OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS
2013-2014**

<i>Past President and Chairman of the Board</i>	<i>Sherrill Wolf</i>
<i>President</i>	<i>Steve Rowland</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>vacant</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Ida Mosby (2014)</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Morris Robbins (2014)</i>
<i>Administrative Support</i>	<i>Liz Roemer (ex officio)</i>

Note of Condolence

Officers and members of the UTHSC Retirees Association Board express condolences to the family of John Eddie Jones, a long time member of the Retirees Board. Mr. Jones was a gifted photographer and held degrees from Palmer Memorial Institute, University of Memphis, and The Memphis College of Art. He served in the U. S. Marine Corps and was Assistant Professor of Communications, Graphics, and Fine Arts at Southwest. Always friendly with a ready smile and willingness to be of service, "Eddie" will be missed and remembered with fondness.

AT LARGE BOARD MEMBERS

Terms expire in 2014
Barbara McAdams
Herb Zeman
Kathy Stewart Terrell

Terms expire in 2015
Marsha Chorice
Marilyn Minor
Peter Jones

Terms expire in 2016
Roni Engle
Andrea Crisler
Earl Terrell

Newsletter Editor
Carolyn Gibson (appointed)

REMINDERS:

- * UT Retirees may use the UT Recreation and Fitness Center free of charge. For hours of operation and other information, call 448-5612.
- * ID Badges are required to enter the SAC and the UT Parking Garage. Retirees may obtain badges at no charge at the UT Campus Police Office. See Sgt. Avis before any Thursday luncheon meeting to have your free ID Badge made.
- * Visit the UT Retirees webpage for current notices and for past issues of PostScripts. Go to: <http://www.utmem.edu/retirees>

Highlights

Guest speaker for the September luncheon meeting was Cyril F. Chang, Ph.D., Professor of Economics and Director at the University of Memphis Fogelman College and UTHSC Health Care Economics. Dr. Chang's presentation was a detailed overview that gave clarity to the political and controversial aspects of the Affordable Health Care Act and its effect on retirees. Dr. Chang cited that the good news is that inflation has slowed to a 2 % level. The bad news is that businesses are pushing retirees off their insurance plans with help for buying new insurance. Some businesses are giving employees a certain amount to be used to buy their own insurance. Dr. Chang's topics included: Why Reform?, The Iron Triangle of Health Care, What's in the Affordable Health Care Act?, and How is ACA Effecting Retirees?

Seventy five million baby boomers are on the verge of retirement. For these retirees, some services will improve, part D will be phased out and eliminated in 2020, free annual wellness check-ups and preventive services will be available, and there will be new health care models and delivery systems.

In concluding remarks, Dr. Chang mentioned that many states have refused to expand Medicaid. The cost of reform is higher than expected, and small firms are dropping coverage with more employers shifting the costs of insurance to the employees. On the other hand, young adults will have coverage for a longer time, until age 26, and there will be no penalty for preexisting conditions.

