Greetings! I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are ready for an exciting new year. As the Dallas County Community College District marks another year of service to our students and the communities we serve, we count on your support.

As former employees, I know you understand the importance of partnerships and our higher education network as we find new and exciting ways to help students transition through their education, earn credentials and become part of the workforce.

I would like to share an update with you about some of the highlights of this past year. Based on experience, you already know that our employees are critical to the success of our students, programs and projects which we undertake during each academic year.

Here’s a quick snapshot of some of those achievements in 2018:

- Brookhaven College is the lead school for our new baccalaureate degree in early childhood education. That effort, with the support of our other colleges, will help solve a K-3 teacher shortage and bring more youngsters into the classroom at an earlier age.
• Cedar Valley College established the Early Collegiate Discovery Center and the Office of Student Transfer. The new Comprehensive First-Year Experience program also supports our student-centric network.

• Eastfield College piloted the eight-week semester to help us gather qualitative and quantitative data about its successes and challenges, among other initiatives. Its work with early college and P-Tech high schools has generated opportunities for many area students as well. We also welcomed Dr. Eddie Tealer as Eastfield’s new president.

• The Texas A&M-Chevron Engineering Academy started at El Centro’s campus, and we are excited to see that it has expanded to every college in our district. The eight-week “Spring to Finish” semester is another example of efforts that supports our student-centric network.

• Mountain View’s new Dreaming for Success International Center provides services for an increasingly diverse student population. The college’s Bilingual Education Center will train students who want to become bilingual education teachers.

• North Lake’s ranking as the national waste minimization champion in RecycleMania’s U.S. Sustainability Tournament makes us proud. Serving as host for the 2018 Science Olympiad regional tournament reflects the college’s dedication to STEM programs as well.

• Richland’s leadership through intrusive advising, wrap-around courses and course scheduling all support our student-centric network. And we’re proud of the college’s men’s and women’s soccer teams, who both won national championship titles late last fall.

These accomplishments don’t happen overnight or without the hard work done by our faculty, staff and administrators. During the coming year, we will continue to remove barriers to learning and success for our students; find ways to make the education journey both challenging and accessible; and strengthen our efforts to support the communities and businesses we serve.

We have several exciting new programs that will move forward next year, including a new textbook and learning materials program (you’ll hear us talk about inclusive tuition in relation to this program); Guided Pathways to Success; and Dallas County Promise, just to name a few.

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employees who are distinguished alums for 2018-2019 include: Brenda Welcome (District Office), Suzette Vaquera (Brookhaven), Dr. Stephanie Garrett (Mountain View) and Cynthia Paschall (El Centro). Bernadette Washington (Cedar Valley) was recognized as an emerging distinguished alumna.

Before I close…If you haven’t heard yet, all DCCCD retiree email addresses are changing. For information and updates, visit dcccd.edu/retireeEmail.
I am excited about our future and the progress we are making as we remove barriers and build success. I am proud of the role that all of our employees play – especially our retirees – and look forward to sharing good news throughout the coming year.

As retirees, you are an integral part of the DCCCD network. Your work as former employees and your support now are critical to our success. We make a difference every day, together.

Joe May

From the Association President:

Dottie Clark

any of you spent quality time with family and friends during the holidays. I hope that you had a safe holiday and are now looking forward to a prosperous new year.

WELCOME to the approximately eighty (80) DCCCD employees who retired in 2018! We hope that you make it a priority to join the DCCCD Retirees Association. A membership form is found on page 23 of this newsletter. Stay in touch with your peers by attending planned events. The RET-Express Fall and Spring newsletters are mailed to all DCCCD retirees. The Summer RET-Express newsletter is mailed only to Association members. Be sure that we have your correct mailing address to ensure that you receive your copy of our newsletter. If you have moved, complete the “HELP US STAY IN TOUCH” form located on page 21.

Recently, I accepted the resignation of vice-president, Cindy Risher, due to family health issues. As defined in the Retiree Association By-Laws, the president may appoint a retiree to serve as interim vice president. I am happy to announce that Karen Laljiiani has agreed to accept the appointment and serve as interim vice president for 2019. Please extend a warm welcome to Karen.

In this newsletter, the Retirees Association’s Executive Board is asking members to review and vote to approve the proposed Bylaws revisions as presented. The current bylaws do not address association contributions to the DCCCD Foundation Endowed Scholarship fund. We also note the need for two other revisions. We are recommending approval of:

- Article III - Membership, which will add Section 4 in order to document that 25% of the annual and lifetime membership dues, paid by retirees, be deposited in the DCCCD Foundation’s Retiree Association Endowed Scholarship fund
- Article IV – Officers and Their Duties, to approve minor revisions to Section 3 (vice-president) and Section 5 (treasurer)
- Article V – Election of Officers, Section 2 to be amended to include “first meeting after election to include new and former officers to facilitate an orderly transition.”
DCCCD Email Address for Retirees: When the news about the change of retiree email accounts was being communicated, many of you had concerns about this change. Thank you for your calls and emails expressing your concerns. All @dcccd.edu emails are considered an official record of DCCCD and are regulated by state statutes. The district paid several hundreds of thousands of dollars in insurance deductibles with one quarter of the recent breaches in the district’s email system coming through the retiree accounts. Technology changes made greater security in the management of the district’s email system necessary.

On December 1, 2018, all retiree email accounts were moved to a new domain – from @dcccd.edu to @retiree.dcccd.edu. New email addresses include a seven-digit employee ID number preceded by “r” (for example: r1234567@retiree.dcccd.edu). You will need this information to log into your email account.

If you had a previous alias, it will be included in your new email address, such as: youraliasname@retiree.dcccd.edu.

If you did not have an alias, the email system will assign you an alias, for example: firstname.lastname@retiree.dcccd.edu.

Retirees who continue to work for DCCCD as adjuncts, dual credit or part-time staff positions will continue to have access to their @dcccd.edu email accounts. Once employment ends, access to @dcccd.edu email address will be disabled. Non-working retirees do have access to eConnect, but not to eCampus or MyPortal.

The above information is a summary of the changes related to retiree email accounts. Complete information is available at dcccd.edu/RetireeEmail. For technical assistance, call the Help Desk at 972-669-6477 or send an email to helpdesk@dcccd.edu.

Retirees may elect to use a personal email provider (for example: @gmail, aol, sbcglobal, verizon, outlook, etc.). The Retirees Association is updating the Retiree Directory this year so the collection of your preferred email address is important to us. If your email address has changed, please send an email to Georgia Francis at gsfrancis@aol.com with your updated information. If you are working part time and will continue to use your old dcccd address, please send that to Georgia also.

I wish to express my appreciation to Perla Molina and Gina Daniel (Chancellor’s office) and George Lawson and Traci Morin (Talent Central) for their continuous oversight and assistance, along with Association officers, event coordinators, and volunteers who served on committees, attended events, and helped in many ways. Thank you for your dedication and support!

Dottie Clark

Retirees Association Scholarship

The DCCCD Retiree Association scholarship selection committee, comprised of Olivia Abreu, Georgia Francis, Ed Garcia, and Mary Osentowski, completed the computerized selection of the recipient on December 18. There were 39 applicants; ten of those met all minimum requirements. Those ten were all very deserving of our $500 scholarship for the spring semester. We will find out who the recipient is after certification date, February 4. We will invite the recipient and a guest to our spring luncheon on March 21. Information about the recipient and the recipient’s essay will be in the fall newsletter.

Retirees Association Website

Visit the Retirees Association website to view color copies of the newsletters, links to important information, educational opportunities for retirees, details about planned activities, official association documents and a
calendar of upcoming events. Our web address is https://www.dcccd.edu/retiree or enter “Retiree Association” in the search box at www.dcccd.edu

ID BADGES ON CAMPUS

Make sure you have a DCCCD ID badge. Starting Monday, April 1, 2019, all students, employees, retirees and visitors will be required to wear their ID at all times when visiting a campus.

All district employees and retirees are provided a free employee ID badge. Your location's Human Resources Department has more information on where you can get your badge.

Remember that your ID identifies you as a DCCCD retiree and provides access to DCCCD’s libraries, gyms and other facilities.

Do You Know?

If you elected HealthSelect Medicare Advantage as your health plan, did you know that you can participate in the SilverSneakers Fitness program at NO cost?

SilverSneakers helps millions of people on Medicare defy the odds, shatter stereotypes and answer every challenge with, “I can do this!” Membership includes access to every participating gym and fitness center in the network. That’s a membership at more than 15,000 locations. SilverSneakers also offers fitness classes for all abilities led by trained instructors at gyms and other locations. So what are you waiting for?

For general information about SilverSneakers and the participating fitness facilities near you, visit the website www.silversneakers.com.

Proposed By Law Revisions

The DCCCD Retirees Association Executive Board continues to review the current approved bylaws and clarify procedures and duties. Members, we are requesting your review and recommending approval of the proposed revisions at our Spring 2019 Luncheon and Business meeting on March 21, 2019.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 3. The amount of annual dues or a lifetime membership shall be set by the Executive Board with approval of the membership at any Business meeting by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, provided the proposed amount of annual dues has been presented to the members at least one month prior to the voting date.

Section 4. Twenty-five percent of dues collected each year will be given to the DCCCD Foundation to be deposited in the DCCCD Retirees Association Scholarship fund.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES
Section 3. The vice-president serves as assistant to the President, assumes duties of the President in case he/she is unable to serve; supports the President in the identification of membership needs and serves as Membership Chair; and coordinates the recruiting of new members, sending welcome letters to new retirees, a membership form, the policy and form for requesting business cards and a current RET newsletter; and provides name badges for members and guests attending annual luncheons/business meetings.

Section 5. The treasurer maintains financial records of the Association and reports regularly at meetings called by the President and to the membership at business meetings on the Association’s financial standing; maintains records on all Association members, and provides name badges for members and guests attending annual luncheons/business meetings. assists vice-president in supplying member and guest names for events, collects monies as appropriate, is responsible for the disbursement of all funds, submits records for an annual review by an ad-hoc committee, and informs his/her successor of responsibilities to facilitate an orderly transition of the financial affairs of the Association. The treasurer will negotiate any dates and contracts needed between vendors and the Association and will forward information to the appropriate event coordinator. The treasurer and/or the President shall be authorized to sign Association checks.

ARTICLE V -ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 2. A nominating committee shall be appointed by the President. It shall present a slate of candidates in time for publication in the fall RET newsletter. The candidates should be in good standing and have agreed to serve if elected. The officers shall be elected and installed at the December business meeting and assume office at that time. The first meeting after the election should be attended by both new and former officers to facilitate an orderly transition.
Seventy-seven members and guests attended the annual DCCCD Retirees Association Holiday Luncheon. The Business Meeting was called to order by President Dottie Clark at 1:00 p.m.

DCCCD Talent Central guests George Lawson and Traci Morin were introduced. The 2018 Retiree Hall of Honor awardees present were introduced: Theresa Roffino (Administrator) and Dr. Francis Osentowski (Faculty).
Helen Butler (Professional Support Staff) was unable to attend. The awards honor and recognize district retirees who have made outstanding, distinctive or significant contributions to the colleges/locations during their DCCCD employment and their service to the district or to their communities after retirement.

New retirees and those attending the Holiday Luncheon for the first time were asked to introduce themselves and give their retirement location.

Cindy Risher tendered her resignation as Vice President due to health issues. Dottie Clark introduced Karen Laljiana as the new interim Vice President to be serving out the second year of the officer term.

Delryn Fleming presented the current Membership and Treasurer's reports as of November 30, 2018 which were accepted by a show of hands. Copies were available at each table.

Handouts describing spring 2019 proposed activities were on each table. More information will be published in the 2019 Spring RET Newsletter.

**Spring Luncheon and Horse Races – Rosie Steffen**
- Spring Luncheon – Thursday, March 21, 2019, El Centro College
- Horse Races/Kentucky Derby Day – Saturday, May 4, 2019, Lone Star Park
- Holiday Luncheon and Business Meeting for 2019 - Tuesday, December 10, 2019, Maggiano's Little Italy

**Spring Tour - Don Baynham**
- Tour Hall of State, Fair Park - Friday, March 15, 2019

**Theater Event – Donna Strain**
- Disaster!, Kalita Humphries Theater, Uptown Players - Sunday, March 31, 2019

**Museum Events – Bob Chambers**
- Trip to Fort Worth Kimbell Museum:  - TBD
- One additional museum outing - TBD

Dottie Clark gave updates related to a new retiree email address and answered concerns. During the meeting, an email was received indicating additional changes and access is in process with more information coming soon pending legal approval. If retirees encounter problems signing into eConnect, they are to contact the Help Desk at the LeCroy Center (972 669-6477) or email helpdesk@dcccd.edu.

An updated DCCCD Retiree Directory is to be produced for 2019-2021. Because of the District email address changes, the Retirees Association needs to collect personal email addresses that can be included in the new directory. Georgia Francis distributed a form asking those retirees present at the luncheon to share their email addresses. The hard copy of the Directory will be printed and sent to members of the Retirees Association only.

Currently there is also a password protected Directory on the DCCCD website. When the new Directory is finalized, it will be placed on the web and information about access will be provided.

Dottie Clark reported that the Scholarship Committee was evaluating applications for the Retiree scholarship to be awarded for spring 2019. The winner will be announced in the spring RET newsletter and invited to the spring luncheon and business meeting.

The business meeting ended with a drawing for several door prizes and was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

Bette Plog, Secretary
Nominations for the Retiree Hall of Honor Awards

The DCCCD recognizes outstanding retirees annually. This recognition is the result of peer nomination and selection committee deliberation. Awardees are considered in the three categories: Faculty, Administrator, and Staff. Each awardee receives a $500 cash award and a gift that celebrates this recognition.

Purpose
The DCCCD Hall of Honor awards are to honor and recognize District Retirees who have made outstanding, distinctive or significant contributions to our colleges/locations and the DCCCD during their employment and after retirement.

Eligibility
To be eligible, nominees must have been employed full-time by the DCCCD for a minimum of 10 years and have formally retired from the DCCCD for a minimum of two (2) years. Eligibility for a specific category is determined by the position held by the nominee upon their retirement. For example, if a retiree were an instructor from 1976-1986 and an administrator from 1986 through retirement, he/she would be eligible for nomination in the Administrator category.

Time Line for District Award Process*
Date: Tentative deadline March 31, 2019
(Check the retiree website, www.dcccd.edu/retiree, and click on HOH Awardees for the latest information.)

Hall of Honor Awardees will be announced at Conference Day.

*Note: Locations may adhere to location-specific deadlines.

Nominations
Any District employee or retiree may submit a nomination form (unless they serve as a member of the Selection Committee). Specific guidelines for nominations are:

1. All nominations must be submitted on an Official Nomination Form from website: or on the form located at the end of this newsletter.
2. All nominations preferably typed but handwritten is accepted.
3. All nominations must adhere to the space/words limitations where specified—no attachments, no exceptions.
4. Please complete the form and email to Halanda Little, hkidd@dcccd.edu or mail to Halanda Little, DCCCD Talent Development, 1601 South Lamar, Dallas, TX 75215.

Reminder... nomination forms previously received, but not selected for award, are included for committee consideration and deliberation yearly. Previous award winners may be renominated each year. A new nomination must be completed.
There are no exceptions to the guidelines listed above. Forms that do not meet these specifications will be returned to the sender for revision (*time permitting*) or disqualified.

For more information on the nominating process, contact Dottie Clark, djclark2109@gmail.com.

**Criteria for Award – Faculty**

I. Instructional Value
   - Demonstrated teaching excellence using creativity, innovation and/or adaptation to meet the student’s needs.
   - Demonstrated continuous quality improvement in areas of material development, renewal in the discipline and/or career advancement.
   - Demonstrated contributions to the instructional goals of the college/location and District.

II. Professional Service
   - Demonstrated service to the college/location and/or District as evidenced by special assignments, recognition, and organizational office held at local, state and/or national level.
   - Demonstrated college/location and/or district impacts as a result of community involvement during DCCCD employment.

III. Community Service After Retirement
   - Demonstrated service to the community after retirement through activities such as volunteerism, participation in the retiree association, membership in professional organizations, teaching, service to education, etc.

**Criteria for Award – Administrator**

I. Administrative Impact
   - Demonstrated support of instruction.
   - Demonstrated support of student success through creativity, innovation and/or adaptation.
   - Demonstrated cooperation in activities and student agendas.
   - Demonstrated leadership excellence using creativity, innovation and/or adaptation to meet college/location and/or District needs.
   - Demonstrated coaching/mentoring talents in developing collegial relationships.

II. Professional Service
   - Demonstrated support of the District and/or college mission through assignments within the District.
   - Demonstrated support of the District and/or college mission through elected or appointed office outside the District.
   - Demonstrated college/location and/or District impacts as a result of community involvement during DCCCD employment.

III. Service After Retirement
   - Demonstrated service to the community after retirement through activities such as volunteerism, participation in the retiree association, membership in professional organizations, teaching, service to education, etc.

**Criteria for Award – Staff**

I. Impact
   - Demonstrated excellence using creativity, innovation and/or adaptation.
   - Demonstrated continuous quality improvement.
   - Demonstrated support of location/college and/or District goals through communication, action and team/group activities.

II. Professional Service
• Demonstrated support of the District and/or college mission through assignments within the District. Demonstrated support of the District and/or college mission through community involvement during DCCCD employment.

III. Community Service After Retirement.
• Demonstrated service to the community after retirement through activities such as volunteerism, participation in the retiree association, membership in professional organizations, teaching, service to education, etc.

Past Retiree Hall of Honor Awardees

Administrator

2017: Teresa Roffino
2016: John Williamson
2015: Jim Picquet
2014: Steve Twenge
2013: Dottie Clark
2012: Dr. Victor Rizzo
2011: Cynthia Bowlin
2010: Guy Gooding
2009: Joseph R. Witherspoon
2008: Claudia Robinson
2007: Lou Meyers
2006: Mavis Williams
2005: Dr. Georgia Francis
2004: Dr. Jack Stone
2003: Ted Hughes
2002: Grady Grizzle
2001: Carole Shlipak
2000: Dr. Jan LeCroy
1999: Dr. Bill Priest

Faculty

2017: Dr. Frances Osentowski
2016: Mary Osentowski
2015: Jerry Wallace
2014: Jerry McElveen
2013: Donna Gormly
2012: Eva Anderson
2011: Dr. Claudia Neeley-Plog
2010: Ernest Rager
2009: Dr. Nancy Castilla
2008: Mary Frances Gibbons
2007: Jane Roberts Wood
2006: Shirley Smith
2005: Tom Dodge
2004: Dr. Marilyn Ward
2003: Ann Faulkner
2002: Johnyce Alders
2001: Elaine Sullivan
2000: Reba Blackshear

Professional Support Staff

2017: Helen Butler
2016: Dr. Sharon Loftis
2015: Sally Satterwhite
2014: No Awardee
2013: Barth Loe
2012: Patricia Corbett
2011: Doug Simoneaux
2010: Rita Nall
2009: Babs King
2008: Nancy Roberts
2007: Pat Roberts
2006: Patricia Anne Bacon
2005: Carole Hoffman
2004: Bertha “Betty” Kovac
2003: Carol Jeffus
2002: Jan Vestal
2001: Judith Burgamy
2000: Shirley Woelfle

Recent Retirements

Please welcome the newest DCCCD retirees, September 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. We thank our retiree liaison, Gina Daniel, for providing the information.
"Places in 10 minutes!" announced the stage manager as she paced through the backstage green room. "Thank you ten," I replied as my eye-liner was being deftly applied by a student from the college’s cosmetology program. Not long after, I took the stage in a red waistcoat with tails, a lavender vest and wacked-out gray pinstriped pants. I was Mr. Fezziwig in San Juan College’s production of Charles Dickens’ "A Christmas Carol".

Not just another post-theater outside of the many ways, it DCCCD careers. The practice the dance and collaborate with a team to make the show come together. How many of us DCCCD’ers had parallel experiences within our colleges as we prepared and delivered lessons in our classrooms, conference rooms and the Board Room? Did we not practice the timing, the points of emphasis and the other means by which we engaged our students or colleagues? Were we not supported by, or were we not, craftpersons, technical personnel and/or program or division coordinators and management?

Whether faculty, staff or administrator – we all lived and learned in the DCCCD Theater of Higher Education. What’s my point? Where am I going with this missive? Get ye to a theater. Audition for a college or community theater production. Volunteer as a stagehand. Lend support with your technical skills (lighting/audio/video). Help with wardrobe alterations. Assist in the ticket office.

“All the world’s a stage.” (W. Shakespeare) Places people. Take your places.
News About Us” provides an opportunity for you to let us know how you are enjoying your retirement. For your convenience, we have provided a submission form which can be found near the end of the newsletter. Send photos and your news to Susan Turner, sturner@dcccd.edu or to Susan at 167 Moonlight Drive, Murphy, Texas 75094.

Annual memberships expire on December 31.

If you name does not appear on the list of Lifetime Members or the 2019 Annual Members list, consider joining the Association now. You may also use the membership form to make a donation to the Retiree Association student scholarship.

A membership form can be found on page 23.

DCCCD Retiree Association Membership Roster…

Contact Delryn Fleming at delryn@verizon.net or call Delryn at 972-245-5305 if you have questions about your membership status.

LIFETIME MEMBERS AS OF DECEMBER, 2018

Abreu, Olivia Norelo
Adams, Thomas
Alders, Johnyce
Amerman, Monique
Ames, Lois
Anderson, Loretta
Anderson, Thomas
Archer, Valenda
Arndt, Joy
Arnold, Brenda
Avera, Mary Lou
Baker, Linda
Barber, Ella
Bayham, Don
Beasley Vesecky, Sharman
Bell, Mildred
Bennett, Rodger
Bueke, Vernon
Blakeshear, Reba
Boldt, Chris
Bounds, Glen
Bowlin, Cynthia
Branscome, Darlene
Brock, Dee
Burden, Jacqueline
Byars, Pat

Caffee, Claude
Camacho, Luis
Caswell, Jackie
Chambers, Robert
Cinclar, Carol
Cinclar, Richard
Clark, Dottie
Clayton, Glen
Conine, Randy
Cooper-Wallace, Mary
Cortez, Lionel
Cortina, Joe
Dale, Chuck
Daniel, Merry Ellen
David, Joe
Dennis-Monzingo, Vivian
DesPlas, Edward
Dryden, Irene
Dutschke, Deborah
Eishen, Ines
Ellis, Frank
Elmore, Phyllis
Ewert, Pat
Fleming, Delryn
Funnell, Marcia
Garza, Susan
Gibbons, Mary Frances

Glasscock, Herlinda
Gomez, Angie
Gomez, Linda
Gooch, Steve
Gooding, Guy
Gormly, Donna
Grigsby, Lindie
Haight, Jonathan
Hall, Susan
Hamilton, Ramona
Harrison, Patricia
Henslee, Jimmie
Henson, Jerry
Herridge, Marilyn
Hinojosa, Maria
Hirsch, Margot
Hoffman, Linda
Holland, Ronald
Hughes, Martha
Hughes, Ted
Ice, Pamela
Ironside, Robert
Ivey, Nathan
Jefferson, Claralyn
Jimenez, Hector
Johnson, Carole
Johnson, Rosa
Jones, Jesse
Justice, Mahlon
Katsigris, Gus
Laljiani, Karen
LaLonde, Chris
Landenberger, Anita
Lassiter, Wright
LeCroy, Nancy
Loe, Barth
Martin, Diane
Martinez, Federico
McArthur, Robert
Metcalf, Mary
Millermon, John
Minnett, John
Mittelstet, Stephen
Mouleddous, Pierrette
Mount, George
Myers, Lou
Newton, Sandi
O'Neal, Kay
Olesen, Spencer
Olson, Carole
Osentowski, Mary
Palmer, J. Ursula
Parent, Joan
Pascal, Nanette
Perkins, Dan
Perry, Don
Petterborg, Mary
Picquet, Jim
Pollard, Jennie
Pouncey, Judy
Quinn, Pam
Ray, Marty
Richards, Donna
Richardson, Linda
Riley, Margaret
Risher, Cindy
Roberts, Patricia
Robinson, Claudia
Rojas, Maria
Ruck, Viola
Satterwhite, Sally
Scardina, Jerome
Scardina, Patricia
Shlipak, Carole
Sidhwa, Anahita
Slone, Jane
Slone, Ron
Smith, Bea
Sonniier, Beth
Speck, Debbie
Spence, Patricia
Steffen, Rosie
Stephens, Dava
Stimson, Wanda
Strain, Donna
Strain, Jimmie
Theriot, Lisa
Trotter, Bob
Trout, Bobbie
Tucker, Kathryn
Tully, Bettie
Turner, Susan
Twenge, Stephen
Vance, Bethene
Vines, Carolyn
Wall, Tarrilynn
Williams, Jill
Williamson, John
Willis Jr., John A.
Wilson, Burlene
Wilson, Doris
Young, Robert
2018 ANNUAL MEMBERS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

Adams, Mary  Fuller, Betty  Neeley-Plog, Bette
Anderson, Eva  Garcia, Ed  Osentowski, Francis
Armand, Pilar  Garza, Judy  Parks, Sue
Asselin, John  Goff, Larry  Pendleton, Julienne
Balance, Donnine  Gonnet, Katherine  Pharr, Helen
Bartley, David  Grubbs, Sharon  Pool, Rodger
Bedarte, Delfina  Handy, Jim  Rager, Ernest
Beene, Lou  Haynes, Vera  Reding, Diana
Beene, Walter  Hegar, Kathryn  Rodgers, Peggy
Black, Martha  Henry, Mary Jo  Rogerson, Jan
Blackburn, Jo  Hill, Rayburn  Rouze, Pam
Brown, Betty  Hoffman, Linda  Sidhwa, Anahita
Brown, Johnny  Hueston, Bob  Skaggs, Sharlee
Brown, Linda  Jacquez, Mary  Smith, Rosemary
Butler, Helen  Jeser-Skaggs, Sharlee  Sparks, Linda
Camp, Marguerite  Jones, Jerry  Starling, Susanne
Carpenter, Beverly  Keylon, Dorothy  Stiles, Janet
Carpenter, Robert  Kornegay, Cecilia  Tarpley, Pat
Chapoton, Jean  Kunkle, Linda Jo  Theriot, Lisa
Clark, Dottie  Lambert, Judy  Trout, Bobbie
Cooper, Tammy  Lee, Annie  Tunnell, Charlotte
Davidson, Mildred  Lee, Charlene  Ueoka, Travis
Doss-Harris, Karen  Lichten, Sue  Upton, Thomas
Elder-Jones, Delores  Lineberry, William  Weaver, Clif
Elke, Marvin  Lopez, Frank  Wells, George
Erwin, Robert  Mays, Marilyn  Whitaker, Ellen
Ezell, Vallye  McElveen, Jerry  Wimbish, Jennifer
Field, Barbara  Meals, Madeleine  Youmans, Linda
Francis, Georgia  Mendiola, Marti
Francis, Jerry  Moran, Betty

2019 ANNUAL MEMBERS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

Anderson, Eva  Cook, Kathleen  Graifemberg, Diane
Beene, Lou  Easter, Glenda  Groves, Linda
Beene, Walter  Edwards, Lynda  Grubbs, Sharon
Blackburn, Joanett  Elke, Marvin  Handy, Jim
Brown, Betty  Etheredge, Margaret  Haynes, Vera
Butler, Helen  Ezell, Vallye  Hutchison, Debbie
Carpenter, Beverly  Field, Barbara  Jacquez, Mary
Carpenter, Robert  Francis, Georgia  Jones, Jerry
Chamberlain, Enrique  Francis, Jerry  Keylon, Dorothy
Chapoton, Jean  Garcia, Ed  Korman, Frank
Clapper, Howard  Gauntlett, Claire  Kornegay, Cecilia
Clarke, Curtis  Goff, Larry  Kovac, Betty
We have recently learned of the passing of the following retirees. These individuals, our friends and colleagues, are remembered for their impact on our lives, the lives of our students, and our institution. We express our sympathy to their families and friends.

W.G. Garland, a retiree from the District Office, died on October 9, 2018.

Mike Ross, a retiree from Richland College, died on October 2, 2018.

Shirley Williams, a retiree from the District Service Center, died on December 9, 2018.

Harryette Brown, a retiree from Eastfield College, died on October 22, 2018.

Geraldin Kyser, a retiree from Mountain View College, died on October 23, 2018.

Gladys Wende, a retiree from Brookhaven College, died on October 28, 2018.

James (Jim) Bennett, a retiree from Eastfield, died on October 28, 2018.

Linda Turner, a retiree from LCET, died on November 1, 2018.

Mary Stewart, a retiree from Eastfield College, died on March 16, 2018.

John Nelson, a retiree from Mountain View College, died on September 16, 2017.

Vivian Davis, a retiree from Eastfield College, died on August 11, 2017.

Jim Lambert, a retiree from Richland College, died on December 30, 2018.

Donna Gormly, a retiree from Eastfield College, died on January 11, 2019.

Sympathy is extended to retirees on the passing of family members:

Jerry Grubbs, husband of retiree Sharon Grubbs, died on December 5, 2018.


If you are aware of the passing of a retiree, please contact any member of the Association’s Leadership Team.

Scenes From…

*Holiday Luncheon at Maggiano’s Little Italy*
Scenes From…

Booker T. Washington H.S. performance and dinner at El Fenix

Dallas Museum of Art
Meadows Museum

Theatre 3 and lunch at Dream Café
Reminders…

Please put this information with your important papers

Death Benefits and Death Claim Information

Being familiar with how to request TRS death benefits can greatly ease matters for your beneficiaries at a difficult time in their lives. The following information should assist with this process:

1. When a TRS member dies, a close family member or friend should notify TRS. The member’s employer or funeral home may offer to assist in this process. Prompt notice allows TRS to disburse valuable death and survivor benefits. TRS may be notified by calling toll-free at 1-800-223-8778. TRS will require the name, address, and telephone number of a family member, friend, or other person who can act as a contact for TRS, as well as the TRS participant’s date of death. At that time, TRS will request that a copy of the death certificate be provided when it becomes available.

2. After receiving notification of death, TRS will mail out benefit information and forms to the beneficiary(ies). If the member’s death occurs while employed by a TRS-covered employer, then TRS must receive salary documentation from the employer before information is sent out in order to accurately determine the benefit to be paid.

3. The beneficiary(ies) should complete and file the claim forms and related documents before the first anniversary of the death of the member to avoid adverse tax consequences.

4. When TRS receives all properly completed documents, the claim will be processed and the death benefit will be paid.

NOTE: TRS benefits, including death benefits, are not assignable and may not be assigned to a funeral home to cover burial expenses. TRS death benefits are not life insurance payments; therefore, they are subject to federal income tax.

Death Claim Procedures (UPDATED AUGUST 2016)

Please put this information with your important papers

When a retiree enrolls in medical coverage with ERS, the person is automatically enrolled in Basic Term Life. This plan provides $2,500 of Basic Term Life. (Insurance for retirees does not include Accidental Death and Dismemberment and Loss of Sight (AD&D) coverage.)

The policy is payable to the retiree's named beneficiary upon the retiree’s death. Your beneficiary or other person designated by you, must:

- Contact ERS for a claim form at (toll free) 877-275-4377 or RelayTexas, TTY, 7-1-1 or 800-735-2989 (for hearing impaired or deaf callers only).
- Complete and sign the ERS forms and includes proof of death.
- Submit the ERS form as indicated on form within 24 months of your death.
- Provide any additional information as needed for processing the claim.
Phone George Lawson, the Talent Services Manager—Benefits, in the District Talent Central office at 214-378-1507 with the deceased retiree’s name, social security number, date of death, surviving spouse and/or dependent’s name and phone number.

**Beneficiary Designations**

*(UPDATED JANUARY 2019)*

It is very important to keep beneficiary designations up to date. A beneficiary designation provides benefit vendors with contact information in the event of your death. Without a current beneficiary designation, your family may face a delay in receiving benefits or your funds may be distributed in a manner not in keeping with your wishes. If you need to update your beneficiary, please visit the following links or call the designated contact person and follow the instructions.

**DCCCD**—Any funds due to you from the district, contact George Lawson at 214-378-1507.

**ERS—Life Insurance**

[https://www.ers.texas.gov/Contact-ERS/Additional-Resources/Update-Your-Beneficiaries](https://www.ers.texas.gov/Contact-ERS/Additional-Resources/Update-Your-Beneficiaries)

**TRS—Teacher Retirement**

[https://www.trs.texas.gov/TRS%20Documents/form_15.pdf](https://www.trs.texas.gov/TRS%20Documents/form_15.pdf)

**ORP and 403(b)**—Contact your vendor

**Opportunities…**

Mark Your Calendar!

March 15 .................................................. Hall of State Tour
March 21 ............................................... Spring Luncheon and Meeting
March 29 ............................................. Dallas Museum of Art
March 31 .................................................. Disaster!
May 4 ...................................................... Lone Star Park
June 20 .................................................. Kimbell Art Museum

**Save the Date:**
December 10 ..................................... Holiday Luncheon/Meeting
(Details will be in the Fall issue of the newsletter.)

**Tuition-free DCCCD CREDIT and ONGOING EDUCATION CLASSES**

Dallas County residents and/or property owners, 65 and over who have lived in Texas at least one year, may receive a tuition waiver for up to six college credit hours per semester.
In addition, a DCCCD retiree may participate in any Continuing Education class for personal or professional growth without payment of tuition. For additional information and requirements regarding this opportunity, visit the DCCCD website and search using the key words, “Tuition Waiver.”

Richland College Senior Adult Programs

We invite members of the community who are 50 years and over to join our growing learning community.

To meet demand for lifelong learning, our Senior Adult Programs provide affordable, quality learning activities, instruction and volunteer opportunities to stimulate you intellectually and physically and help you stay socially connected.

Credit and noncredit classes are available during the day, in the evenings and on weekends.

Courses and activities may include:

- Computer instruction (all levels)
- Art and music
- Wellness and physical fitness
- Trips for fun and education
- Money and career matters
- Special events
- Volunteer opportunities
- And more ...

Check the Richland College website at www.richlandcollege.edu/emeritus to view the current class schedule.

Museum Events…

Bob Chambers, Coordinator
bchambers101@verizon.net
972-438-8243

“Women Artists in Europe from the Monarchy to Modernism”
and
“Berthe Morisot, Woman Impressionist”

Dallas Museum of Art
Friday, March 29
Meeting at 11:15 a.m.
Cost: $12.00 for seniors (Member free)
This spring, the Dallas Museum of Art will be hosting a pair of exhibitions which should work very well together. The first of the two is titled “Women Artists in Europe from the Monarchy to Modernism.” This exhibit is drawn primarily from the museum’s permanent collection and focuses on works by female artists painting in Europe between the late 18th and early 20th centuries. It explores the challenges experienced by these artists in the time before women were widely admitted to fine art academies.

At the same time, the museum will be presenting “Berthe Morisot, Woman Impressionist,” an international exhibition dedicated to one of the founding members of the French Impressionist movement. After their first group show in Paris in 1874, the critic Albert Wolff spoke of the Impressionists as “five or six lunatics of which one is a woman.” This ambitious presentation is a collaboration between the Musée national de beaux-arts du Quebec, the Barnes Foundation (Philadelphia), the DMA, and the Musée d’Orsay, Paris. It brings together about 70 paintings from collections around the world to present “a timely reevaluation of Morisot’s legacy.”

Our docent-guided tour is scheduled for Friday, March 29 at 11:30. Let’s plan to meet at the information desk in the atrium near the north entrance about 11:15. The cost for the special exhibition is $12 for seniors (members free). Maybe this time the weather will cooperate and we will be able to have lunch at Savor in Klyde Warren Park.

“Monet: The Late Years”
Kimbell Art Museum
Ft. Worth, TX
Thursday, June 20
Meeting at 8:45 a.m.
Cost: $16 exhibit admission for seniors (free for Members)
Following up on its show of “Monet: The Early Years” back in 2016-17, the Kimbell Museum will be presenting “Monet: The Late Years” starting in June. I’m suggesting that we wait until then for our annual excursion by train to Ft. Worth. According to the Kimbell’s website, this “is the first exhibition in more than 20 years dedicated to the final phase of Monet’s career. Through approximately 60 paintings, the exhibition will trace the evolution of Monet’s practice from 1913, when he embarked on a reinvention of his painting style that led to increasingly bold and abstract works, up to his death in 1926.” The show includes a number of the famous water-lily paintings plus a number of paintings never seen in the US before.

Our tour is scheduled for Thursday, June 20. Trains leave on the hour from Union Station; we will need to be there by about 8:45 in order to get our day passes and be on board ready to go at 9:00. At the Intermodal Transit Station in Ft. Worth we will catch the Camp Bowie bus to take us to the museum district. We will arrive at the Kimbell in time for some browsing before the lunchroom opens at 11:30. I always look forward to lunch at the Kimbell. Our docent-guided tour starts at 1:00. We usually get back to Dallas between 4 and 4:30.

Please feel free to send an e-mail to Bob Chambers at his home email address, bchambers101@verizon.net, if you have any questions or suggestions for our future trips.

Theater Events…
Donna Strain, Coordinator
dstrain50@gmail.com
972-780-1413
Disaster!  
(musical comedy)  
Kalita Humphreys Theater  
(Uptown Players)  
3636 Turtle Creek Blvd, Dallas, TX  
Date: Sunday, March 31  
2:00 p.m.  
Ticket price: $35 or $45  

We plan to have dinner after the performance at La Madeline’s (3072 Mockingbird Lane).

About Disaster!  
It is 1979 and New York’s hottest A-listers are lining up for the opening of a floating casino and discotheque. What begins as a night of boogie fever quickly changes to panic as the ship succumbs to multiple disasters including earthquakes, tidal waves, and infernos. “Knock on Wood”, “Hooked on a Feeling”, “Sky High”, “I am Woman” and “Hot Stuff” are just a few of the hits in this hilarious musical comedy.

Contact Donna at dstrain50@gmail.com if you need additional information or would like to receive email messages about the theater group activities.

Luncheon and Other Events…

Rosie Steffen, Coordinator  
972-699-9649  

Spring Luncheon and Meeting  
Thursday, March 21  
11:00---11:30 a.m. - get name tag and chat  
11:30 a.m. - dining room doors open  
11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. - luncheon and meeting  
El Centro College Food Service Dining Room, C100  

Reservation Deadline: Wednesday, March 13  
(Reservation form is at the end of this newsletter)  

Cost: $17 per person (Includes a $2 “tip” for a scholarship for students in the classes preparing and serving the meal. Students cannot accept tips.)

Enjoy a gourmet lunch of French cuisine prepared and served by the students in the award-winning culinary program at El Centro College. We don’t know the menu yet as that is determined by the students after the
semester starts, but it will be a delicious three course meal! And this is a good opportunity to be on a campus and see students again. Bring a spouse, a friend, another retiree, or a DCCCD friend who is still working.

You can take the red, orange, blue, or green DART line to the West End Station. El Centro College is one block south. (Schedule and fare information: www.dart.org or 214-979-1111.) There is parking for a fee around the college. The college has a security officer stationed at entrance doors; the officers will have a list of those attending the luncheon so you won’t have to sign in and present ID.

If you have a dietary restriction, please write it in the space provided on the registration form.

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**Kentucky Derby Day**

Lone Star Park  
1000 Lone Star Parkway, Grand Prairie  
www.LoneStarPark.com

**Saturday, May 4**

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Gates open at 11:00 a.m.  
Buffet service begins at 12:30 p.m.  
1st race at 1:35 p.m.

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**Reservation Deadline: Tuesday, April 2**  
Reservation form is at the end of this newsletter

Come enjoy the fun—watch the ponies run at Lone Star Park, watch the Kentucky Derby on big screen TVs, and ladies, wear those festive hats if you want!

Location: Lone Star Park, Grand Prairie, East Trackside enclosed patio called Dash for the Cash

Cost: $50 per person, includes parking, entrance, program, lunch, and the races

Guests: Guests are welcome! Get a group together and ride to the park:

The fun begins with a tantalizing buffet:

- Baked brisket
- Memphis barbeque chicken
- Barbeque baked beans
- Potato salad
- Pasta salad
- Mixed green salad
- Corn on the cob
- Fresh-baked rolls & butter
- Lone Star cookies
- Iced tea and water
A cash bar and wagering booths are inside the Dash for the Cash patio area. Transportation is on your own. Your $50 ticket includes entrance to the park and free general parking; valet parking is available for $10. (If you have a handicapped hangtag/license plate, call it to the attention of the attendant.) If you have questions, call Rosie at 972-699-9649. Your ticket(s) will be mailed to you.

### Spring Break

**Hall of State at Fair Park**

**Friday, March 15th**

Tour 11:00 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.
Lunch 12:30 p.m.

Cost: No charge for the tour.
Lunch is at your own expense

- Tour the Texas Hall of State, constructed for the 1936 Texas Centennial Exposition.
- Visit the archives of the Dallas Historical Society, and see such rarities as Santa Ana’s spurs and Fannin’s watch.
- Lunch (on your own) afterwards at the Old Mill Inn (near the Hall).

There is no charge for the tour; ample parking is available in front of the Hall of State.

Tour is limited to 40 people. If you’re interested, contact Don Baynham at:

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donbaynham@outlook.com
214-287-7948
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### ***HELP US STAY IN TOUCH***

If you are a lifetime member of the association or if you are a retiree and not an Association member and you have had a change in your contact information, please fill out the form below. Detach and mail it to Gina Daniel, Retirees’ Liaison, DCCCD Talent Central, 1601 S. Lamar St., Dallas TX 75215-1816 or email changes to GDaniel@dcccd.edu

After your name, fill in only what has changed

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RESERVATION FORM

Spring Luncheon and Meeting

Event Date: Thursday March 21

Reservation Deadline: Wednesday, March 13

NAME: ___________________________________  PHONE # _______________

ADDRESS ____________________________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS ______________________________________________________

GUEST NAME(S): ______________________________________________________

Enclosed Amount: ________ (no. of persons) x $17 (per person) = ____________

Dietary Restrictions: _______________________________________________________________________

Make check payable to:  
DCCCD Retirees Association  
Mail to:  
Delryn Fleming, Treasurer  
DCCCD Retirees Association  
1503 N. Jackson St.  
Carrollton, TX 75006


Please take a moment and help us make the Retirees Association everything you want it to be. We would love to hear from you regarding any ideas, comments, and/or suggestions you may have. Write your comments on this form and submit it to anyone in the Leadership Group. Contact information for the Leadership Group members can be found on page 4 in this newsletter. If you have any information you would like to share in the “Bucket List” or “News About Us” column, you may use this form to submit a brief update. Send these updates to Susan Turner, RA Express editor, 167 Moonlight Drive, Murphy, TX 75094 or email Susan at sturner@dcccc.edu. We welcome your photos too! We look forward to hearing from you.

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Submitted by:_________________________________ email:_________________________________

Phone:___________________________________
RESERVATION FORM

Kentucky Derby Day

Saturday, May 4

Deadline for reservations: Tuesday, April 2

NAME: ___________________________ PHONE # ___________________________

ADDRESS: ________________________________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS __________________________________________________________

Enclosed Amount: ________ (no. of persons) x $50 (per person) = ________

Make check payable to: DCCCD Retirees Association
Mail to: Delryn Fleming, Treasurer
DCCCD Retirees Association
1503 N. Jackson St.
Carrollton, TX 75006

2019 Membership

(January – December)

Annual Membership Dues $10
OR
Lifetime Membership Dues $100

Additional Scholarship Donation ______

TOTAL Enclosed ______

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Questions about membership dues? Contact Delryn Fleming at 972-245-5305 or email delryn@verizon.net
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These forms are online and are ada to fill out online at https://www.dcccd.edu/retiree
DCCCD
Retiree Hall of Honor Award Nomination Form
Faculty

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In 120 words (per category) or less, tell us what outstanding, distinctive or significant contributions were made during employment with the DCCCD in the following areas.

**Instructional Value (Demonstrated):**

Teaching excellence using creativity, innovation and/or adaptation to meet the student’s needs. Continuous quality improvement in areas of material development, renewal in the discipline and/or career advancement. Contributions to the instructional goals of the college/location and District.

**Professional Service (Demonstrated):**

Service to the location and/or District as evidenced by special assignments, recognition, organizational office held at local, state and/or national level. Location and/or District impact as a result of community involvement during DCCCD employment.
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**Party/parties nominating individuals must strictly adhere to the maximum word limit for all categories listed.**

You can send form [hkidd@dcccd.edu](mailto:hkidd@dcccd.edu), interoffice, or US mail to: Lananda Little, 1601 S. Lamar, Dallas, TX 75215. If you have questions you can reach Halanda Little at 214-378-1612.

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**Administrative Impact (Demonstrated):**

- Support of instruction.
- *Support of student success through creativity, innovation and/or adaptation.*
- *Cooperation in activities and student agendas.*
- *Leadership excellence using creativity, innovation and/or adaptation to meet location and/or District needs.*
- *Coaching/mentoring talents in developing collegial relationships.*

**Professional Service (Demonstrated):**
Support of the District and/or location mission through assignments within the District. Support of the District and/or location mission through elected or appointed office outside the District. Location and/or District impacts as a result of community involvement during DCCCD employment

Community Service After Retirement (Demonstrated):

Service to the community after retirement through activities such as volunteerism, participation in the retiree association, membership in professional organizations, teaching and service to education, etc.

Nominated by:

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You can send form by email to hkidd@dcccd.edu, interoffice, or US mail to: Halanda Little, 1601 S. Lamar, Dallas, TX 75215. If you have questions you can reach Halanda Little at 214-378-1612.

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### DCCCD
Retiree Hall of Honor Award Nomination Form
Professional Support Staff

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#### Professional Impact (Demonstrated):
Excellence using creativity, innovation and/or adaptation. Continuous quality improvement. Support of location and/or District goals through communication.

#### Professional Service (Demonstrated):
Support of the District and/or college mission through assignments within the District. Support of the District and/or location mission through community involvement during DCCCD employment.

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Service to the Community after retirement through activities such as volunteerism, participation in the retiree association, membership in professional organizations, teaching and service to education.

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