

UMRA U NEWSLETTER

A Communication of the University of Minnesota Retirees Association

MAY 2016

Wrap up the year's activities with UMRA's Annual Gala, election, and special speaker

This year's program for the UMRA annual meeting spotlights one of the University's most delicious and delightful discoveries—"Apples and Grapes for Cold Climates." Our guide will be Peter Moe, from the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. The Arboretum is an internationally recognized treasure of the University of Minnesota and of our region, and is in the forefront of research on the probable effects of climate change.



Peter is currently serving as the interim director of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Since 1991, he had directed the University of Minnesota Horticulture Research

Center, which is managed as part of the Landscape Arboretum within the College of Food, Agricultural, and Natural Resource Sciences. This world-renowned facility is the headquarters for the U of M woody plant and fruit breeding research projects and has introduced many hardy and high-quality plants including the Honeycrisp and SweeTango™ apples; Marquette and Itasca grapes; and the Northern Lights Azalea.

In recent years, as director of Operations and Research at the Arboretum, he has also had a lead role in the design, construction, and operation of most of the new developments at the Arboretum including the

Maze Garden, Prairie Garden, Shrub Walk, Visitor Center, and Bee and Pollinator Discovery Center, which will open in September 2016. He has been a leader of the Arboretum's 20-year plan to protect its boundaries and has worked to raise funds and to purchase adjacent land to add more native forest and wetlands, as well as farm fields that will be used for new plant collections, research plantings, and ecological restorations.

Peter earned both his B.S. in Horticultural Science and Master of Agriculture degrees from the U of M. He lives in Chanhassen with his wife, Susan (B.S. Horticulture, 1979), and two dogs and enjoys gardening, travel, and bird watching. Peter and Susan have three adult children, who all graduated from the U of M.

—Steve Benson, Program Committee

Preview of things to come

The UMRA membership year ends on August 31, so you should expect to receive a communication about renewing your membership by mid-summer. Please send your renewal promptly so you won't miss out on all the excellent upcoming programs and member discounts.

If you joined as a new member after March 1 of this year, your membership is valid until August 2017.

Have a great summer, and when autumn rolls around, plan to join us on September 27 for the first meeting of the 2016–17 term when we visit the University Archives.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MAY
FESTIVE LUNCHEON
AND ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

Social Time: 11:30 a.m.

Luncheon: noon to 12:45 p.m.
Program will follow the Election
and brief Business meeting.

Program Speaker

Peter Moe, interim director,
U of M Landscape Arboretum
"The Science and Business of
Breeding Apples and Grapes for
Cold Climates."

Location

Conference Room ABC,
Campus Club, Fourth Floor,
Coffman Memorial Union

Menu

See entrée selections on page 3.

Please request your choice when
making your reservations.

Reservations ARE Required
Deadline: Monday, May 16

Cost: \$30 per person

(Note: to those who prepaid for a
year's luncheons, be advised that
May was not included.)

To reserve your place(s), send
your check, payable to UMRA,
to UMRA Reservations, c/o Judy
Leahy Grimes, 1937 Palace Ave.,
St. Paul, MN 55105-1728.
Or, contact her before the dead-
line at 651-698-4387; e-mail:
jleahy4654@aol.com.

Please honor the reservation
deadline date; if cancellations are
necessary, please call by May 16.

Parking

All ramps and River Road garage,
with UMRA's discount coupon,
6 for the entire day.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our Quest for Commitment, Connection, and Convenience

As I end my term as president of UMRA this May, I must say that I am continually impressed with the talent, commitment, and breadth of connections that UMRA provides to its members. Likewise, that the members, particularly the board and committee members, commit so much talent and time to the organization.

There is a quest to continue involvement with the University and with each other. There is a reinforcing culture that emanates from our common roots in the U of M and a quest for lifelong learning and connection. UMRA is a convenient way for us to stay committed and connected. It is an enlightened organization, and I thank the membership for the privilege of being your president.

Staying connected is critical to our sense of well-being—at all ages and stages of life. If it were not, there would be no Facebook or LinkedIn, Snapchat, Instagram, Text messages or Twitter. These convenient forms of staying connected and meeting new friends have tapped into a basic human need to reach out and touch someone. Yes, telephones work well and so do fax machines and email and hand-written letters, but increasingly, we seek rapid and succinct communication.

Not only do we want instant response to our inquiries but we also want many people to see what we are thinking, doing, or advocating. It is ever so gratifying to have 37 people “like” our post on Facebook. It is so very convenient to get an instant reply to a text message telling us that our luncheon speaker is “on the way.”

The use of these new communication tools illustrates the human quest for convenience. Even before the invention of the wheel, humankind has created labor-saving innovations that allow us to do more, faster, and better. We have not only adopted these innovations, we have pursued them vigorously. Everything from canned soup, to fast food, to automatic shifting cars, to electronic books, and on-line classes have “convenience” stamped

all over them. Smart phones and electronic tablets have replaced numerous other gadgets because they are so easy to carry around. In one small phone (and tablet) I have a library of books, an alarm clock, camera, NOAA weather radar, at least five news sources, a mapping program, an encyclopedia of up-to-date information about almost everything, not to mention the entire Internet, contacts, email, notes, games, music, a telephone with FaceTime, and more.

For this convenience I have willingly released information about my location at all times and risked my financial and personal data being stolen and misused. Some would argue that I traded privacy for convenience. But the point is that when given a choice, human beings choose convenience. Not because we are lazy, but because we seek personal productivity. We want to do more! We can pile on activities and connections and commitments.

In 1992 I wrote an article called the “Quest for Convenience: A Matter of Time.” * In it I argued that the increased value of time that came with rising household incomes and women working outside the home predicted the trade-off of capital (money) for labor (cooking at home from scratch for example or traveling to a book store to find a book). As an economist, I measured the value of time by the revealed wage rate. Like all other commodities, scarcity increases value, and time is no exception.

As retired people, our revealed wage rate may be lower and time may be more abundant on a daily basis, but it is less abundant on a lifetime basis. We will choose convenient gadgets, venues, and events that make our lives easier and more comfortable and more connected. Hopefully, all this convenience will put more life in our years, more years in our lives, and also make us happier and healthier.

—Jean Kinsey, President, 2015–16

* J. Kinsey in *Cereal Foods World*, 37:4, p 305.

Email and early newsletter recipients – take note:

OPEN HOUSE at 1666 Coffman
Sunday, May 8, from 2 to 5 p.m.
Come by for Tours and Refreshments

Make your May luncheon reservations early

Please note: The May lunch reservations deadline is earlier than usual because of the time needed by the Campus Club to react to the varied menu selection. Please make your reservations by May 16, and don't forget to include your entrée choice with your prepayment.

May meeting includes annual election

During the business portion of the May 24 meeting, members will elect next year's UMRA leadership. The Board of Directors presents the following for your approval:

For Officers:

President: Donna Peterson (will automatically move from her current position as President-elect to President)

President-elect: Chip Peterson

Secretary: Sherilyn Goldsmith May

Treasurer: Carl Adams

For Board of Directors:

Kathleen O'Brien— for second three-year term

Martha Feda

Judy Leahy Grimes

Cherie Hamilton

Gerald Rinehart

Please turn to page 4 for profiles of the candidates.

After their election the above members will join in leading the organization with the following continuing officers:

President, 2016-17 Donna Peterson

Past President Jean Kinsey

and Board members who are continuing to serve terms: Shirley Barber, Steve Benson, Roger Clemence, John Howe, Jeanne Markell, David Naumann, and Gloria Williams.

Board members who are completing their terms in May are: Past President Hal Miller and board members Joanne Eichler, Vern Eidman, and Virgil Larson.

Please join in the festivities of the May Special Luncheon and Annual Meeting to celebrate a successful year and to thank these members for their service and leadership.

— Nominating Committee: Hal Miller, chair; John Anderson, Donna Peterson, Julie Medbery, Earl Nolting.

UMRA Care Guides—

Assisting members in healthcare decisions

The UMRA Care Guides wish to remind you that if you are facing a difficult decision about health care, especially long-term care, they stand ready to assist you.

Trained by the U's Center on Aging, the guides will offer a way to think through the issues involved, to help you clarify goals, ensure that you know about the full range of potential options, and find resources. All the work will be confidential. To speak with an UMRA Care Guide, call the Center on Aging, 612- 624-1185.

May Meeting and Festive Luncheon features your choice among three entrées

(Please be sure to indicate your menu selection when you send in your reservations.)

Social

Come early and mingle with friends and colleagues. Wine and beer cash bar opens at 11:30 a.m.; lunch is served at noon. Our program will follow a brief business meeting and the election of officers and board members for 2016–17.

Menu

All meals are served with fresh baked bread and seasonal vegetables.

Please select one entrée from the following:

- 1. Balsamic Rosemary Chicken:** Boneless, skinless chicken breast marinated with garlic and rosemary. Pan-seared and finished with chicken demi-glace and balsamic reduction. Served over Campus Club pilaf. Gluten-free and dairy-free option.
 - 2. Pan-Seared Canadian Walleye:** The most popular Campus Club menu item, the walleye is lightly seasoned and topped with local herb butter and lemon. Served with herbed potatoes. Gluten-free option.
 - 3. Rainbow Chard and Wild Rice Dolmades:** Minnesota wild rice mixed with roasted vegetables and herbs and rolled in rainbow chard leaves. Served with dried fruit compote. Gluten-free, dairy-free, vegan options.
- Finale for all:** Assorted organic cookies, fresh brewed coffee, and water will be served.

Deadline for Reservations: Monday, May 16

Please rush your reservations with your entrée selections and check for \$30 for each reservation to: UMRA May Reservations, c/o Judy Leahy Grimes, 1937 Palace Ave., St. Paul, MN 55105-1728.

See sidebar on page 1 for more contact information.

Photo Club plans a photo shoot in May

May 21, Minneapolis Farmers' Market. Contact Sheri Goldsmith, gold009@gmail.com, or Craig Swan, swan@umn.edu, for more details.

The Photo Club webpage now includes a number of hints and suggestions for those interested in using digital cameras. The material was developed for the club's April workshop. Check it out at <https://umra.umn.edu/content/photo-club>

Meet the candidates for UMRA's officers and board members to be elected May 24

Candidate for President-elect

Chip Peterson retired from the Learning Abroad Center in 2012 after a 32-year career in study abroad, including such areas as advising, policy development, academic oversight, program budgeting and management, new program development, curriculum integration, and faculty training. His passion for social justice-focused experiential learning found expression through decades of involvement in both HECUA (Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs) and the U of M's Minnesota Studies in International Development.



A geographer and Latin Americanist by training, he lived for seven years in South America. He and his wife, Rosa Marie, have been members of UMRA since his retirement. He served UMRA as Secretary in 2015–16.

Candidate for re-election as Treasurer

Carl Adams retired in 2013 from the faculty of Information and Decision Sciences in the Carlson School of Management (CSOM). His expertise includes strategy and structure of information systems/information technology. His leadership experience includes department chairman for 18 years; special assistant for Planning for Bob Stein and subsequently Nils Hasselmo; and director of the Management Information Systems Research Center in CSOM for six years. He also served the University Senate in many capacities over 40 years. "I see UMRA as a win-win activity for its members and for the University that I want to be active in supporting," he says. Carl has served on the UMRA Board since May 2014 and as UMRA Treasurer in 2015–16.



Candidate for election as Secretary

Sherilyn Goldsmith May retired in 2009 after 17 years as education specialist at the University of Minnesota Child Development Center in the College of Education and Human Development. Sheri served on the advisory boards for the University's Center for Early Education and the Early Childhood programs at North Hennepin Technical College for four years. She was a member of the University's Institutional Review Board for the Study of Human Subjects. She has a Ph.D. in Family Education. Sheri joined UMRA in 2009 and was elected to its board in 2014.



Candidates for the Board of Directors

Martha Feda, formerly in administration in the School of Public Health, works as a health coach. She earned her master's degree from Concordia University and MLS from the University of Minnesota. Honing her coaching skills by working with the U's Center for Spirituality and Healing and Totally Coached Inc., she has been coaching for 10 years in the metro area.



"My passion is assisting people to reach their highest potential," she says. She has served on several boards: Vital Aging, Open Circle, and Elderzest.

Judy Leahy Grimes retired in 2002 from the Humphrey School of Public Affairs after 19 years, nine in the dean's office as Executive Secretary to several associate deans and ten years as assistant to the Roy Wilkins Professor of Human Relations and Social Justice. After retirement she assisted the St. Peter Claver School principal.



Judy is a graduate from the University with a B.A. in English. Prior to working at the Humphrey School she owned a catering service on Grand Avenue in St. Paul. For many years Judy has been the skillful coordinator of UMRA luncheon reservations with the Campus Club Events office.

Cherie Y. Hamilton is active in the University Women's Club and served as its president for two terms. Fluent in Portuguese, she taught in Brazil and later served as an interpreter for negotiating teams in Angola and Belgium.



After graduating from the University, she was employed in Human Resources at General Mills where she was EEO Representative and manager of recruitment. In the 1980s she moved to Vanderbilt University where she became the director of Recruitment and Staffing Services. Since returning to Minnesota, she has been active in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) as course leader, committee member, and board member.

Kathleen O'Brien retired from the University in 2012 after 10 years as vice president for University Services. As a direct report to the President, she was in charge of one of the University's largest and most diverse programs and operating budgets. Among her accomplishments were developing the

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'Journal of Opinions, Ideas, and Essays' welcomes new leader, Bud Clawson

The unique online journal, JOIE, sponsored by UMRA, has a new editor-in-chief. The *Journal of Opinions, Ideas, and Essays* is overseen by an editorial committee appointed by the UMRA Board of Directors.



Last month the UMRA Board named Bud Clawson, professor emeritus of pediatrics, to serve as editor-in-chief of the JOIE project. Bud has published in JOIE and has the breadth of interests and experience essential to the continuing development of the JOIE program.

JOIE is supported by the U as part of the University Libraries' Digital Platform for Scholarly Publishing, which houses an array of electronic publishing ventures. The journal is open to submissions of varied content and format from retired and still-employed University faculty, P&A, and civil service staff, and is searchable via Google and other engines.

Additional information concerning JOIE— including a roster of the JOIE editorial committee, a more detailed project description, a list of the program's publications to date, and instructions for making submissions—is available on the JOIE website at: pubs.lib.umn.edu/joie/.

Members of UMRA are encouraged to visit the JOIE website and consider submitting an article to this new and novel publishing venture.

Candidates for Board of Directors

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University Sustainability Policy and Programs and more than \$2 billion in construction including the Biodiversity District, TC Bank Stadium, Bruininks Hall, and the Northrop renovation. She also led negotiations with the Green Line LRT to protect University research.

Other positions: Minneapolis City Coordinator, Minneapolis City Council member for the University and its neighborhoods, and chief of staff for President Nils Hasselmo.

She has a B.A. from the College of St. Catherine, an M.A. from Marquette University, and all of the coursework for a Ph.D. in history from the U. In her retirement, she has created and is conducting the "Women in Minnesota City Government, 1970 to 2000" oral history project and has been awarded grants from the UMRA grant program.

Gerald Rinehart retired from the University after 35 years in senior administrative roles in the Carlson School of Management (CSOM) and University-wide leadership activities.



As assistant dean for CSOM's Undergraduate Programs, he spearheaded the School's successful conversion from an upper division to a freshman-admitting

college with an undergraduate program recognized for outstanding retention and graduation rates. University-wide, he served as chair of two major administrative groups whose work spurred campuswide changes toward tripling retention and graduation rates over a 10-year period. As vice provost for Student Affairs, he worked to effect adoption of the University Student Development Outcomes as campuswide expectations for students.

Welcome new members to UMRA

Please give a hearty welcome to new members who have recently joined UMRA. Greet them at luncheon meetings, and help introduce them to other members.

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"Food for Thought"

"Aging seems to be the only available way to live a long life." — Composer Daniel Auber

From the Cares Committee Bookshelf—

'The Girl Who Chased the Moon'

Sometimes when going through a crisis, the best solution is to stop thinking about the crisis. Put it in the back of your mind and think about something else entirely. While going through a physical and emotional crisis during my early teen years, this lesson was given to me in the form of a small book presented to me by my father. The book told the story of a famous couple with a severely handicapped child who lived just three years. It was about the love and enjoyment of their limited time together and the positive lessons learned. The book had nothing to do with my experience and situation, but it got me thinking about the hardships and tragedies of others.

While looking for an unusual read a few years ago, I discovered a book with the unusual title, *The Girl Who Chased the Moon*, by Sarah Addison Allen. Sounds like a kid's book, right? It is actually written for adults and tells the story of teenaged Emily who, after her mother's death, goes to live with her grandfather in the southern town where her mother was raised. Upon arrival, she discovers the air to be "all at once delicious and strange," which is a good description of the way the tale is told. Everything is different. Unusual and magical things happen. The weather and landscape as well as the customs are so different that she feels out of her element, as if she is under water with pressure against her eyes and ears. What she finds is not just how she is perceived by the townspeople but how she sees herself within her new world. She finds meaning in the unusual and magical happenings and their role in her life and perspective. The message I received from this delightful and seemingly light story is to keep things in perspective. Find yourself and be that person in all situations. Hope does endure.

This and other Sarah Addison Allen books are readily available at local libraries as well as the University Bookstores, where UMRA members receive a discount.

— Review by Paula Knutzen, UMRA Cares Committee

The future calls for Smart Cities with Smart Grids, says April speaker

Dr. Massoud Amin, professor of electrical and computer engineering and director of the Technological Leadership Institute at the U of M, was both entertaining and enlightening about a very serious topic—the expanding demands on our electric grid and an aging infrastructure that can't be expected to cope. He reminded us that even little devices, like our smart phones, depend on a vast network of electricity-dependent hardware and software. Change calls for the current model—centralized power with a vast delivery network—to give way to decentralized sources and storage monitored and controlled by intelligent sensors that can detect threats, head them off, and "self-heal" the critical delivery of power.

Although an outline of his talk couldn't possibly recreate the delightful humor that went with his explanations, Dr. Amin's excellent slides will help in understanding the seriousness of the paradigm shift that will be necessary. UMRA volunteers have posted Dr. Amin's slides on our website for your review at <https://umra.umn.edu/about-us/archive>.

Volunteer your way to a more balanced life

Did you read Harvey Mackay's article "Volunteer your way to a more balanced life" in the *Star Tribune*, April 18?

I don't usually read the Business Section, but my wife (the financier in the family) pointed it out to me (as the volunteer promoter in the family). Frankly, I did not expect this to be a topic advanced by a CEO and author of *Outswimming the Sharks*. But he has experienced volunteering and its values and makes the same sensible arguments for having a volunteer activity to enhance one's life that I have preached.

Mackay wrote, "People who do volunteer work and help others on a regular basis have a healthier outlook on life. They are inclined to be go-getters, and consistently report being happier and more contented... . And please remember, volunteering is a privilege." Although Mckay's article is too lengthy for inclusion here, we obtained permission and are placing it in the UMRA website: <https://umra.umn.edu/news/2016-apr-mckay> .

You are retired, but you may still be on that escalator to accomplishment, as I am (one more book to crown the career). When approached to volunteer for a worthy project, many retirees offer the justification, "I am still engaged in my research, etc." That's fine—it is important to maintain intellectual curiosity and the disciplinary fruition of a career. Yet, this is also the time in life to make new discoveries, or to serve other's needs with your skills and faculties.

URVC offers a wide range of volunteer opportunities to engage the diverse interests of our UMRA community. Examples for this summer: Fringe Festival ticket office or ushers; Organic Garden planting and harvesting on St. Paul campus; Neighborhood food distribution; Tutoring, and Special Olympics monitor/judge. And, a future project for 2017–19: Peace Corps for Seniors !

We are here to facilitate your volunteer ideas.

— Alan L. Kagan, URVC Project Director
urvc@umn.edu or 612-625-8016



Jan Hogan recognized for her philanthropy and charitable giving strategy

The following is an excerpt from an article that the University Foundation will publish about Jan Hogan, who is best known to UMRA members as the program chair of the association's Professional Development Grants for Retirees. The Foundation is a sponsor for UMRA's Newsletter.



Professor emeritus Jan Hogan, Ph.D., devoted her academic career to studying family economics to promote and support healthy, happy families. Through her fellowship for graduate students, she has inspired another generation of students devoted to similar work at the University of Minnesota.

"My work is in family economics, or personal finance, and I just see fellowships as one of the best investments you can make in the next generation," Hogan says.

Hogan set up the Janice Hogan Fellowship Endowment in 2001 to support graduate students in the Department of Family Social Science, and she'll add to her endowment with an estate gift from her IRA. She chose an IRA contribution after working with her tax advisor, who explained that her gift could be transferred to the University tax free.

Tax-deferred retirement assets are subject to income tax and estate tax when transferred to heirs, but if left to the University, retirement assets are free of those taxes. That makes tax-deferred retirement accounts an excellent choice to use for a charitable estate gift.

Handbook editor seeks authors for chapters on solving global problems

As you may know, UMRA member Ron Anderson received a PDGR retirees grant to finish a handbook titled *Alleviating World Suffering*, to be published by Springer early next year. As editor he has lined up 35 papers from specialists all over the world. Ron is still looking for papers in the following areas: Climate Change; Peace in an era of global terrorism; and Remaining Calm while anger and hatred are on the rise.

This volume will be a companion volume for a book also edited by Ron last year called *World Suffering*. That book, with 439 pages and 40 authors, was published last year by Springer and has had 7,700 chapter downloads.

If you are interested in writing a chapter on one of these topics or any other aspect of relieving global suffering, please send an email to Ron Anderson at rea@umn.edu or call him at 612-963-6660.

A portion of Jan's gift will also support the Professional Development Grants for Retirees, which provide funding for retired University employees to pursue professional development or research projects. [Active with the University of Minnesota Retirees Association, which supports the grants program, Jan has served on its board of directors and is the current chair for the grants program.]

The grants program assists retired faculty and staff, who have an interest in finishing up a research project or pursuing a new interest, to stay connected with the U and academic life.

Hogan's giving to the U has allowed students the opportunity to pursue their interests while also supporting the future of her academic passion. Her commitment to family social science research is carried on through students like Jaime Ballard, a doctoral student who received the fellowship this year. Ballard earned a master's degree in marriage and family therapy and is now working on her Ph.D. in family social science. She's writing her dissertation on parenting in communities of Karen refugees, who come from Burma, in an area near the border of Thailand.

"It wouldn't be possible for me to do this work on my dissertation without the fellowship," she says. "It really is an honor to have this fellowship, particularly to do research in the spirit of Dr. Hogan and her incredible work supporting families."



Your legacy at the U

Naming the U of M as a beneficiary of your retirement account is a simple and tax-efficient way to continue your support for the University beyond your lifetime.

You can designate the University to receive a specific amount, a percentage, or all of the remaining assets in the account. You may direct your gift to a specific campus, college, program, or fund.

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In Remembrance

We report the passing of UMRA members as we learn of losses to our UMRA community. Since the Newsletter was published last month, we have received news of the following. Our condolences to the friends and family of:


- Carl Auerbach, former dean of the Law School, died April 6, 2016. He had been an UMRA member until 2010.
- Maurice Kreevoy, Department of Chemistry, died on March 20, 2016. He was an UMRA member until 2005.
- Philip Miller, spouse of Henrietta Miller, previously deceased, passed away April 15, 2016.
- John E. Rynders, an UMRA member since 2008, died March 29, 2016. His wife, Barbara Brown Rynders, continues as an UMRA member.

UMRA Cares Committee is here for support

For assistance and support in the event of the death or serious illness of an UMRA member or family member, please e-mail us at umracares@umn.edu or call 612-626-4403, and leave a message for UMRA Cares.

If you learn of someone who is facing a difficult life challenge, please contact the UMRA Cares Committee.

The Board of Directors and members of UMRA thank the University Bookstores for sponsoring UMRA's May Newsletter and for providing the following information. Remember to use your UMRA member card for your discount at the U Bookstores.



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