



# COMMUNICATOR

RETIREES ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

March 2006

## March Luncheon Meeting

The next meeting for the EKU Retirees Association will be on Monday, March 27. It will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the Regents Dining Room at the Powell Building. Member, Dr. Bill Ellis, will speak at the meeting about his recent book, "A History of Eastern Kentucky University: The School of Opportunity". Books will be available for purchase.

Come join us for an all-you-can-eat buffet meal and more information on upcoming events.

Please note that the Regents Dining Room is accessible by elevator at the entrance to the Powell Building closest to the EKU Bookstore.



## Charleston, SC Bus Tour May 15-19, 2006

EKU retirees and friends are invited to join a five-day bus tour to Charleston, S.C. on May 15-19. The tour will be hosted by Martin Tours and will visit a variety of historical landmarks including: Magnolia Gardens and Plantation, the Citadel, the Historic District, the Daniel Russell House, Fort Sumter, and the aircraft carrier Yorktown. Those on the tour will also participate in a Charleston Harbor Dinner Cruise on the Star of Carolina. There will also be free time to shop and visit other destinations of your choice. The bus will also travel to Columbia, S.C. for the last night of the tour.

Cost for the trip per person varies by occupancy. Single occupancy is \$612; double occupancy is \$479 each; triple occupancy is \$472 each; and four to a room



Plantation at Magnolia Gardens

is \$465 each. Cost includes transportation, lodging, luggage handling, and tour and dinner cruise fees. A \$50 deposit made to Martin Tours will reserve your seat for the trip and the remaining balance must be paid by April 1.

The tour will be leaving from Richmond and a group from Shelbyville, Ky. will also be joining us on the trip.

We encourage you to come join us for a week of fun in Charleston!

For more information on the trip, or to mail in your deposit, contact Dot Kirkpatrick at:

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## Nominations for Officers Needed

The EKU Retirees Association Executive Board is in need of nominations to fill several officer positions. A man or woman is needed to fill the treasurer position, as Mary Kay Kasitz will be rotating off the position. Also, according to rotation, a woman is needed to fill the position of vice president (president-elect), since Glen Kleine will be assuming presidency this term.

If you are interested in nominating or serving in either of these positions, please contact Kasitz, Nominating Committee Chair, at:

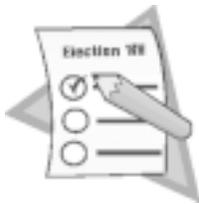
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### Your Help Is Requested. . .

Dr. Glen Kleine, president-elect of the EKU Retirees Association, would like to update contact information on all retirees. Please help him in this effort by sending your name, address, phone number and e-mail address to him at: Kleine@chpl.net. A response as soon as possible would be greatly appreciated.

This updated information will allow the EKU Retirees Association to send periodic e-mail reminders about meetings and events of interest, especially during EKU's centennial celebration.

## Final Retirees Meeting for 2005-06 School Year



The EKU Retirees Association will host its final meeting of the 2005-06 school year on Friday, May 5. The meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. in the Regents Dining Room of the Powell Building.

One of the main orders of business for this meeting will be the election for the executive board officers. The nominating committee, which consists of Chair Mary Kay Kasitz, Dr. Roberta Hendricks and Dr. Charles Lash, will present candidate nominations for the positions of vice president (president-elect) and treasurer.

If you are interested in serving or nominating former faculty or staff for either of these positions, please contact Kasitz at (859) 624-1383 or [marykay.kasitz@eku.edu](mailto:marykay.kasitz@eku.edu).

## EKU Retirees Association Scholarship To Be Awarded

Through the endowed fund created in the Memorandum of Agreement, the EKU Retirees Association is now offering a scholarship to an EKU student.

In cooperation with the EKU Scholarship Committee, a student who meets the following criteria will be chosen to receive the scholarship:

- Enrolled as a full-time student at EKU
- Overall GPA of 3.0
- In good academic standing at the time award is given
- Pursuing an academic degree in any field of study recognized by the University.

The student must maintain good academic standing while receiving the award.

The scholarship will be the first of many to be awarded annually by the Retirees Association. We hope to introduce the scholarship recipient at our May meeting.

## EKU Retirees Leadership

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## KY Retirement System to Hold One-On-One Conferences

A One-on-One Conference sponsored by the Kentucky Retirement System (KRS), will be held on June 19-23 at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School in Lexington.

The purpose of the conference will be to give retired staff members the opportunity to discuss retirement estimates, service purchases, and individual retirement accounts.

To make an appointment for the One-on-One Conference, call 1-888-696-8820 after May 23.

Members are encouraged to consider retirement dates, purchases and questions they may have before making an appointment. Spouses are invited to attend the conference as well. Photo identification is required at the conference.

## AARP Offers Driver Safety Classes

AARP will be offering several driver safety classes in Richmond this year. The focus of the classes will include learning to compensate for physical changes that occur as age advances, as well as reviewing both old and new driving safety tips.

According to Kentucky law, completion of the class guarantees a reduction of automobile insurance rates for three years, no matter the location of your insurance company.

AARP membership is not required for those interested in taking the class.

Four classes are scheduled at Pattie A. Clay Regional Medical Center and include:

Monday and Tuesday, March 27 and 28; Tuesday and Wednesday, May 9 and 10; Thursday and Friday, July 13 and 14; and Tuesday and Wednesday, October 10 and 11.

One class is scheduled at the Richmond Branch of the Madison County Library on Monday and Tuesday, April 17 and 18.

All classes will last from 7:30 a.m. until noon and completion of the class requires attendance both days. The class does not require written or driving tests.

Registration for the class costs \$10. If you would like to register for a class at Pattie A. Clay, contact Jo Helen Cloys at (859) 625-

3446. To register for the class at the Madison County Library, contact the library at (859) 623-6704.

Also, if two people are covered by an insurance policy, please note that both individuals must take the class in order to receive the insurance reduction. If your insurance premium has already been paid for the three-year time frame by the time you take the class, you should get a refund for a portion of your premium upon presenting your certificate of class completion.

EKU Retirees Association president and AARP volunteer Dot Kirkpatrick will be the instructor for these classes.