

PURA News

Purdue University Retirees Association

October 2016

Sullivan Addresses Kickoff Luncheon



William “Bill” Sullivan, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, provided the key note address at the PURA Kickoff Luncheon on September 12, 2016.

Sullivan highlighted many aspects in which Purdue continues to excel. These include world changing research on the Zika virus, STEM leadership, being ranked 15th worldwide in patents received, 2nd in the Big Ten in research dollars leading to intellectual properties, 3rd in the U.S. in start-ups, one

of only six public U.S. institutions with a AAA rating by Standard & Poor and Moody.

The opening of the Honors Residential and Academic complex in August as well as initiatives under construction, such as the Indiana Corn and Soybean Research Center, an Innovation Design Center, and the Active Learning Center, all seek to continue Purdue’s mission.

Challenges being worked on include the SAP system, changing the business process from paper to digital, and creating a Human Capital Management system to address career paths for Purdue employees with assistance for individual career ladders.

Purdue retirees were recognized for their past work in setting standards and for their continuing support of the University.



Let’s Raise \$50,000 for Student Scholarships and Get a \$50,000 Match

Matching money is available from the University to support scholarships for Indiana students with financial need. This month, PURA is contacting over 4,000 retirees, initiating a scholarship campaign drive to secure funding for generations of Indiana students.

We have an incredible opportunity with a one for one match; for every dollar we give, an anonymous donor will give a dollar. Every contribution counts and no contribution is too small. As part of Purdue’s Day of Giving campaign, the PURA Student Scholarship Endowment had a soft introduction in April and has raised almost \$18,000 toward a pledge goal of \$50,000, which will be matched with another \$50,000. We are over 25% of the way there. Let’s make that 100% as soon as possible so we can begin helping more students realize the dream of a Purdue education.

When your letter arrives, please consider making a gift to the PURA Student Scholarship Endowment that will be invested by the University, and the earnings used to fund scholarships in perpetuity.

Your tax-deductible contribution can be made by check or credit card. Mail a check payable to the Purdue Foundation, with the PURA Student Scholarship noted in the memo line, to: Purdue Foundation, Dauch Alumni Center, 403 W. Wood Street, West Lafayette, IN 47907-2007. You also may contribute on-line at <http://Giving.Purdue.edu/PURA>.

If you are 70½ or older, you can make a gift directly from your IRA account utilizing the now permanent “IRA Rollover.” Gifts made from your IRA are not taxable income and also qualify for your required minimum distribution (RMD). To learn more about IRA Rollover opportunities, or to make an IRA Rollover charitable contribution, please contact the Office of Planned Giving (765) 494-6821.

This is your chance to continue to be actively involved in the lives of a new generation of Boilermakers. We know from our own experiences that a Purdue education changes lives and through this scholarship we can open the doors of opportunity.

PURA Student Scholarship Endowment Committee:
Melinda Bain, Dan Collins, Fred Ford, Joyce Koelzer,
Betty Nelson, John Norberg

November 7 PURA Monthly Meeting Change of Venue and Change of Time

Back in 2000, the book *Who Moved My Cheese* was almost required reading in preparation for the arrival of the then new president, Martin Jischke. The phrase “see the writing on the wall” became part of the everyday discourse.

Well, PURA is preparing in case the cheese is moved. The writing on the wall is the news that the MCL property has been sold. This is not to say anything will change tomorrow, but we should be prepared.

To that end, PURA officers are reviewing other meeting venues and how the monthly meeting can continue to be an activity held in high esteem by the membership.

So, on November 7 we will try a new venue and change the time to a morning meeting. The thinking behind the morning time is to keep the lunchtime comradery going, but after the meeting instead of before.

Meet with your Purdue friends, enjoy the business meeting and presentation and then go to lunch at your choice of restaurants.

PURA Benefits Committee Approves a Preventive Dental Plan for 2017

The PURA Benefits Committee has approved a new optional dental plan for 2017-18. PURA members over age 65 (Medicare eligible) who are current members of one of the PURA retiree group health plans will have the opportunity to enroll in a preventive dental plan beginning with the 2017 calendar year. **THIS IS AN OPTIONAL PLAN!** A member may choose to enroll in the dental plan without impacting their membership in one of the health insurance plans.

Anthem was selected for the carrier of this new product offered to PURA members. The plan will be a preventive-only dental plan covering oral exams and teeth cleaning twice per calendar year; bitewing X-rays once per calendar year; a full mouth X-ray once every five years; and once a year brush biopsy to detect oral cancer. A third cleaning will be covered for members with diabetes, certain heart conditions, and transplant and oncology patients.

Anthem’s plan covers members in all states of the US. The plan

Jeris Eikenberry Receives the Betty Nelson Award

The Betty Nelson Award was presented to Jeris Eikenberry at the September Kickoff luncheon on September 12, 2016. The award is given to persons or entities that have greatly improved the lives of Purdue retirees or made outstanding contributions to PURA.

Jeris is well known as PURA’s “piano man” providing music at PURA’s monthly meeting as well as other PURA activities. He grew up on a farm in Carroll County, graduated from Flora High School, and received a degree in Agriculture and later a Master’s from Purdue. He has served PURA in many capacities including six years on the Benefits Committee and then an additional six years as Chair of the Hospitality Committee. Currently he serves on the Purposeful Living in Retirement Committee.

The new venue is Daniel Turf Center, 1340 Cherry Lane, W.L., just west of the driving range.

The time for the PURA business meeting starting at 10:30AM, followed by a presentation by Scott Ksander on “Tech Toys: Great stuff for gifts, or gifts to yourself !!”

Scott has had a career in the IT world beginning at Control Data Systems in 1974, then spending almost 25 years at Purdue and about 3 years at Purdue Federal Credit Union. Retiring in 2014, Scott continues to share his knowledge and try to take the mystery out of our everyday encounters with computers or technology.

The room will be set up with tables and chairs. There is sufficient parking, and excellent AV equipment.

Feel free to bring your morning beverage with you to the meeting.

****RSVP:** Please contact the meeting facilitator, Sandy Komasiniski, to alert her you will be attending. Send email to sandyk@purdue.edu or call/text 765-426-0704.

is a contract for two years with monthly premiums of \$14.51 for an individual or \$29.02 for two members in a household. An additional monthly administrative fee will be billed per household/contract of \$2.25 when paying by automatic electronic bank payment from your checking or savings account or a \$2.75 per for those paying by check. Credit cards will not be accepted for premium payment. The AmWins Company will handle the billing and premium collections for this plan.

Covered claims will be paid at 100% for in-network services at a pre-negotiated rate and 100% for out-of-network at a customary rate. Members using out-of-network dentists may be billed by their provider for amounts over the customary reimbursement rate.

Enrollment materials will be mailed to members later this fall and the information will be placed on the Purdue Retirees Association web page soon. In-Network Dentist listings will also be available from Anthem with the enrollment information.

This is an optional program developed to meet the needs of some of our PURA members.

Jeris Eikenberry with Betty Nelson at the September PURA Kickoff Luncheon



Jeris has been involved in many other community activities, including serving as an officer in the U.S. Army Reserve for 28 years, as an Elder of the Presbyterian Church and as a long-time member of Kiwanis.

His many activities in PURA truly exemplify the criteria of an individual who provides outstanding service to retirees.

PURA to Visit the Purdue Envision Center

Have you ever wanted to experience virtual reality and Purdue's research in this mysterious technological area? This is your chance!

PURA members and their guests will meet October 27, 4:00 p.m. in the Envision Center, what many members will remember as the old "pool hall" in the tunnel between Stewart Center and the Memorial Union, where we will experience and hear about Purdue research in virtual reality and 3-D in a 40-seat theater.

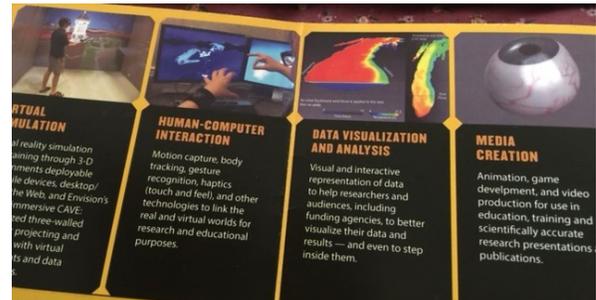
The Envision Center is ITaP's visualization and multimedia production services center where technology and art blend in a display of graphics that communicate complex ideas more effectively, simplify understanding, and create a springboard for new insights, whether in research or the classroom.

The Center helps with faculty research and teaching designs by graphically representing data and information through techniques such as scientific visualization, animation, motion

capture, and immersive 3-D virtual environments.

Come on October 27 to experience virtual simulation, human-computer interaction, data visualization and media creation -- ways to spring into tech know!

Please RSVP to Michele Salla by Monday, October 24 to reserve your spot. Send email to masalla@purdue.edu or call (765) 494-1779. You can park in the Grant Street Garage or use "A" or "B" parking in the Wood Street Garage and walk to the program.



United Way Update

As of September 21, retirees have contributed \$73,710.00 to the PURA United Way Campaign. Thanks to your generosity; we are at 61% percent of the \$120,000 goal.

If you haven't done so, please contribute. New or increased contributions of \$100 or more will be matched dollar for dollar from a Lilly Endowment.

You may send a check payable to United Way of Greater Lafayette, with PURA Contribution in the memo line. Please mail your contribution to 1114 East State Street, Lafayette, IN 47905.

COMPUTER OPERATING SYSTEMS QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

How long will Windows 7 continue to be supported? What about Windows 8.1? When should I switch to Windows 10? How long will Windows 10 be free of charge to me? What are the advantages and disadvantages of switching to Windows 10 sooner vs. later?

If you are wrestling with these and other questions, including questions about El Capitan for MAC users, tune in to a video from the University of Wisconsin (UW) for some answers. The pros, cons, and process is presented in an easy to understand format with visuals.

Go to <http://uwra.wisc.edu> On the top bar click on Resources, then click on Presentations. The presentation will come as UWRA Computer Updates.

Make Yourself a Flu Fighter!

Getting an annual influenza vaccine is the No. 1 way to fight the flu. Purdue University is once again providing free seasonal flu shots on the West Lafayette campus for its official retirees and their spouses / same-sex domestic partners.* You don't need an appointment. Just bring your PUID and get your flu shot during any of the available times.

October 10 Flu Shots, Daniel Turf Center, 1340 Cherry Lane, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

October 14 Flu Shots, Daniel Turf Center, 1340 Cherry Lane, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

October 25 Flu Shots, Kurz Purdue Technology Center, Conference Room A & B, Purdue Research Park, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM.

Questions? Call Human Resources at 494-2222

*Vaccine offered is Novartis Fluvirin, trivalent, pre-filled syringe injectable (trace preservative - thimerosal). See your provider if you need an alternative vaccine.

October 19 Hoosier State Train Round Trip to Chicago

CORRECTION: Since the Kickoff luncheon, it has been learned that there IS still room on the Hoosier State train trip to and from Chicago.

There are a total of 52 Business Class seats in the domed car (which include breakfast and dinner on the train, \$96.20 each) and a similar number of Coach Class seats (without included meals, \$50.40 each).

Departure is 7:36 AM Lafayette time on Wednesday, October 19; return trip departs at 5:45 PM Chicago time (6:45 PM Lafayette time).

Space is limited so if interested, please inquire about availability soon. See the PURA web pages for contact and instructions: www.purdue.edu/retirees All reservations must be confirmed no later than October 12.

Schedule Announced for Bicentennial Torch Relay in Lafayette Area

Handoff Point/ Intersection	Handoff time	Torchbearer	Handoff Point/ Intersection	Handoff time	Torchbearer	Handoff Point/ Intersection	Handoff time	Torchbearer	Handoff Point/ Intersection	Handoff time	Torchbearer
Columbian Park	8:30	Richard Boehning	West bank of Wabash	9:40	Mark Dolfini	3rd and University	10:49	Dustin Weisner	Newman and State Road 26	11:55	Aaron Madid
22nd and Kossuth	8:35	Gail Gripe	Howard and Brown	9:45	Beau Scott	6th and University	10:55	David Wolfe	26 and 2300	11:58	Tenecia Waddell
16th and Kossuth	8:44	Melinda Gilbert	Columbia and River Road	9:49	Scott Greeson	Stadium and University	11:01	Nancy Cross	26 and Sharon Chapel	12:02	Emily Recchia
State and 11th	8:48	Bob and Ellie Haan	Robinson and Rose	9:53	Sarah King	Wooden at Mackey Arena	11:05	Sharon Versyp	26 and Drury	12:07	Britany Blankenship
9th and State St	8:58	Dushaun Goings	Rose and Sunset	9:58	Terri Smith Wright	Wooden at Purdue Pete Statue	11:08	Cathy Wright-Eger	26 and Klondike	12:12	Sadie Harper Scott
9th and South	9:02	Pam Hawk Mow	East side Happy Hollow	10:03	Bob Foerster	Tiller and Beering	11:11	Mark Herrman	Klondike and Georton	12:17	Matt Bowman
8th and Main	9:06	Norbert Fisher	Kingston and Salisbury	10:10	Patti O'Callaghan	North End Ross Ade	11:14	Bart Burrell	Klondike and Lindberg	12:22	Noe Madrano
5th and Main	9:11	Doug Mansfield	Sunset and Leslie	10:14	Steve Florence	South End Ross Ade	11:17	Leroy Keyes	Klondike and RR	12:27	David Fagan
3rd and main	9:15	Jen Dykel	Grant and Meridian	10:18	Thomas Howell	Stadium and Jischke	11:21	Joshua Hembrough	Klondike and Cumberland	12:32	John Keller
3rd and Columbia	9:17	Caroline Petrie	Grant and Stadium	10:23	Linda Eales	Jischke and 3rd	11:24	Sherrif Almakki	Klondike and Pemberly	12:35	Jim Van Schepen
4th and Columbia	9:21	Kaelyn Staggs	Grant and Northwestern	10:30	Betty Nelson	State and Jischke	11:28	Brianne Read	Klondike Middle School south entrance	12:39	Pauline Shen
4th and Main	9:24	Tetia Lee	Grant and State	10:35	Geri Denger	State and McCutcheon	11:32	Julie Haskell	Klondike Elementary	12:44	Kathy Nimmer
2nd and Main	9:29	Smokey Anderson	East Oval and State	10:39	Mitch Daniels	State and Dexter	11:39	Rachel Brown	Klondike to Warren County	12:57	Tom Brandt
River Crossing	9:35	Kathy Atwell	State and West Oval	10:44	Andrew Zeller	State and State Road 231	11:45		arrive Warren County	1:10	

Darrow Named VP for Human Resources

Denny Darrow has been named Purdue's Vice President for Human Resources, effective October 17.

He is a 1992 Purdue graduate, has been director of the Indiana State Personnel Department (SPD) since 2014, and joined SPD in 2010, serving previously as the agency's deputy director and chief of staff. He replaces Trent Klingerman, who is taking on the role of chief deputy counsel in the University's Office of Legal Counsel.

Administratively, PURA is under HR at Purdue.

Fall Wellness Screenings

Fall dates for Wellness Screenings are as follows. All exams are free. Only one wellness screening per calendar year is allowed for retirees and spouses.

Screenings offered are Total Cholesterol/HDL/ Glucose, ear checks, hearing assessment and diabetic foot checks. Fasting is not necessary unless you want a fasting glucose level. Walk-ins are welcome, but you may have a short wait time.

10/7/2016- Lyles-Porter Hall 9am-1pm

11/7/2016-University Place 9am-1pm

Contact Chris Rearick, at 496-0308 or email to crearick@purdue.edu to schedule.

Mark Your Calendars!

October 3 PURA Monthly Meeting, MCL Cafeteria, 11:00 AM

October 10 Flu Shots, Daniel Turf Center, 1340 Cherry Lane, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Free. No appointment needed. Bring Purdue ID.

October 12 Torch Relay through Tippecanoe County. Begins with a celebration at Columbian Park and then torchbearers will go through downtown Lafayette, West Lafayette, and Purdue. *See PURA web pages for list of locations, times, torchbearers.*

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October 27 Envision Center Tour, 4:00 PM. Located in the tunnel connecting Purdue Memorial Union and Stewart Center.

November 7 PURA Monthly Meeting, SPECIAL TIME & LOCATION

Topic: Tech Toys—great stuff for gifts or gifts for yourself! This meeting will start promptly at 10:30 with the PURA business meeting, followed by the presentation.

Speaker: Scott Ksander

Time: 10:30 AM

Location: Daniel Turf Center, 1340 Cherry Lane, West Lafayette (old dairy barn location)

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