

THE AWARDS COMMITTEE

The Awards Committee is a standing committee of the Faculty Emeriti Association. In collaboration with the Office of Faculty and Organizational Development, the Faculty Emeriti Association invites deans, directors, chairs, and executive managers to submit nominations for two annual Faculty Emeriti Recognition Awards.

The first award recognizes **Outstanding Contributions by a Unit** that creates opportunities for Faculty Emeriti through “meaningful and substantive academic activities.” The second award recognizes **Outstanding Contributions by an Individual Faculty Emeritus/Emerita to a Unit or Program**. These awards recognize the importance of faculty emeriti whose contributions enhance the development of MSU and the community in “advancing knowledge and transforming lives.”

Nominations are returned in late February for review by the Awards Committee. The Awards Committee, consisting of administrative representatives and faculty emeriti, assess the applications and select potential awardees who are presented to the Steering Committee for their approval. Awardees are honored with recognition plaques at the annual Academic Retirement Luncheon in April.



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MSU FACULTY EMERITI ASSOCIATION

FEA Mission

The mission of the MSU Faculty Emeriti Association is to promote, facilitate and sponsor activities that enable faculty emeriti to be actively engaged with the University and the community and to share their lifetimes of experience and expertise.

Who We Are

The MSU Faculty Emeriti Association (FEA) brings together a group of MSU faculty emeriti to explore ways to promote the engagement of faculty emeriti in the University.

The FEA has an approved set of bylaws that set forth the rules under which it governs. The Steering Committee develops programs designed to carry out the mission of the organization. Annually, four new members are elected to serve on the Steering Committee for a period of three years. These individuals are elected by vote of all MSU faculty emeriti at the annual spring meeting of the FEA. The Steering Committee members annually elect a Chair, Co-chair, and Secretary/Treasurer to govern the activities of the Association.

The MSU FEA is a member of the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE). This enables the FEA to make connections with other similar organizations across the country.

OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The FEA Steering Committee works to find opportunities for faculty emeriti to participate in and contribute to the University's mission, and to share their opportunities via its web site and other means. Opportunities include designing distance-learning courses, helping with English as a second language courses, assisting at the MSU Museum, teaching freshman seminars, reading student essays, and reading research proposals and papers, for early career academics. The Steering Committee welcomes comments from all sources to help identify more roles for faculty emeriti.

The Lecture Series sponsored by the FEA is open to the public and has provided a wide range of topics with a breadth of contributors. We invite you to suggest additional topics and speakers. This interesting and informative series has been well attended. Participants actively interact with the speakers and with each other over refreshments.

Invitation to Participate

The Faculty Emeriti Association Steering Committee wants to hear from you. We need your ideas on how you wish to continue your intellectual life with colleagues and students. Feel free to contact any of us.

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The Website home for the Association is:
<http://facultyemeriti.msu.edu/>
Please refer to website for meeting locations.



LECTURE SERIES

From its beginning, the MSU FEA Steering Committee identified a lecture series as one important way to achieve its mission of "active engagement" and "sharing lifetime experiences". The Committee launched the series with its first lecture in June of 2005 by David Rovner, Professor Emeritus, Medicine, on "Medical Decision-Making".

Presentations are held in the Farm Lane Branch of the Michigan State University Federal Credit Union (MSUFUCU).

Recent presentations have included:

"Evolution of the Human Mind and Brain"

Mark Reimers

"Hearing Loss and *The Miracle Maker*"

Carolynn (Connie) Lawler

"Two Cultures and Scientific Revolutions: A Personal Encounter"

Paul Satoh

"Native Grassland: Our Most Endangered Land Type"

Clifford Welsch

"Rebuilding Northeastern Japan: the Ongoing Tsunami and Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant Crises"

Ethan Segal

"The Great god: Science, Society and Statistics"

Patrick Dillon

"Help Wanted: Help Me When I'm 64"

Hollis Turnham

"Developing Concepts of Sustainability"

Ronald Rosenberg

Lifelong Library Emeriti Program

The FEA, along with the MSU Libraries, co-sponsors this series developed by the MSU Library Instruction Team. Sessions are conducted by caring and skilled librarians on a variety of topics in technology (e.g., web screening, government information, and social networking).

Recent presentations have included:

"Craft Your Own Book with the Espresso Book Machine"

Holly Flynn and Kyle Pressley

"Meeting Students in Their Own Spaces and Guiding Them to Ours: The Changing Landscape of Undergraduate Library Services. How has the influx of technology changed the way librarians provide service to Undergraduates?"

Rachel Minkin and Julia Frankosky

FEA PROJECTS

Beyond the Lecture Series, the Faculty Emeriti Association's projects include:

***Magazine Collection** - This drive was successful with a variety of magazines being distributed to East Lansing Health Care, Haven House, Edgewood Village After-School Tutoring Program, Southside Lansing Coalition, Eastern High School, Boys & Girls Club of Lansing, Small Folks Preschool, Wexford, Averill, Willow, Cavanuagh, & REO Schools, Eastminster Pre-School/Daycare, and the Whitehills Healthcare Facilities. The FEA plans to continue this endeavor.

***Musical Instrument Drive** - The Michigan State University College of Music Outreach and Engagement welcomes well loved musical instruments of all kinds, winds, brass and percussion in good condition. Instruments will be used in outreach efforts in Detroit and Lansing and for programs at the MSU Community Music School. The FEA is proud to be a part of the marketing campaign for this endeavor.

***Oral History** - The Oral History project is designed to record anecdotal interviews of people whose lives have intersected with Michigan State University and who are willing to share their perceptions, reflections, experiences and personal stories. If you wish to hear these interviews go to: <http://fod.msu.edu/FacEmeriti/oralhistory.asp>

***Academic Governance** - The Faculty Emeriti Association has a seat on both the Faculty Senate and the University Council to represent the interests of retired faculty and sends an observer to the public meetings of the MSU Board of Trustees.

***History of the MSU FEA Project** - This project chronicles the planning, establishment and growth of the MSU Faculty Emeriti Association since it was organized in 2004. After nearly 10 years of activity, FEA Steering Committee Member Joseph Chartkoff is archiving how the MSU FEA has extended its reach within the University and the community.