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TO: UNL retirees

From: Julie Johnson, President

 UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association

We are pleased to invite you become a member of the *UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association*. This association was first established to provide emeriti with a way to connect to the university and have fellowship with their former colleagues. We found, however, that we missed seeing and interacting with all our co-workers from across campus. With that in mind, we recently opened our membership to include emeriti and all official UNL retirees.

We offer a variety of activities, but the centerpiece of our activities is a luncheon meeting offered six times each year on campus. We invite a variety of speakers from campus or the community. The luncheons are held in the East Campus Union. The cost is $20 with reservations made in advance. This academic year our speakers have been:

* Chancellor Ronnie Green, talking future plans for UNL
* Don-Gene Barton, Political Science, analysis of the election and the future implications
* Susan Weller, director of the Nebraska State Museum (Morrill Hall), new initiatives at Morrill Hall
* Shawn Eichorst, director of Athletics, how athletics is supported and what it supports
* Joe Starita, Journalism talking about his new book on the first female Native American doctor.
* Bob Diffendal, School of Natural Resources, discussing his book about Great Plains Geology.

In addition to luncheon meetings, we conduct tours on campus, offer coffee house chats (informal get-togethers designed for conversation), meet for international issues discussions, and have other social gatherings. We also produce a newsletter twice a year. We are associated with the Big 10 Retirees Association and the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE).

The objectives of our association are to:

1. Promote good fellowship among the emeriti and retirees of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.
2. Provide an opportunity for the presentation and discussion of topics concerning the welfare of the University and other topics of interest to members of the association.
3. Maintain a constructive and supportive relationship with the UNL administration.
4. Monitor and report social and economic benefits for members of the Association.
5. Provide opportunities for members to maintain a relationship with and provide service to UNL.

You can find more information about our association on our website (<http://emeriti.unl.edu/>).

Please consider joining the UNL Emeriti and Retirees Association. Your first year as a member is free. If you wish to join us, please complete the form you find on the website and send it to the membership chair.

Here’s hoping you will join your former colleagues soon!