

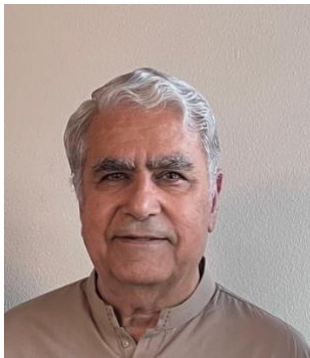


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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Welcome to the Year 2023 and the Spring semester. Hope you had an enjoyable holiday season, spending time with your family and friends and the great freeze did not interrupt your travel plans and celebration.

Rental rates at Harn museum have increased substantially necessitating a change of venue. We will still be meeting at Harn but in a smaller classroom down on the first level, across from the museum restaurant. You will have to walk through the front door into the gallery and take stairs or the elevator down. We will continue with the hybrid format. The restaurant normally opens at 11AM. But on

Wednesdays, it will open for us at 9:30AM. We will have coffee there and then walk over to the lecture. Covid with its many variants is still a threat. I expect that our members are fully vaccinated and boosted and will therefore be able to attend the meetings in person.

Professor Barbara McDade Gordon has again put together an outstanding program with speakers from diverse fields, ranging from government to academia. Members, as usual, will get weekly email announcements with a zoom link. Our first session will be held on Wednesday, January 11th at 10am, preceded by coffee at 9:30am at Camellia Court Cafe. Our speaker will be Dr. Joseph G. Meert, Florida Term Professor of Geological Sciences with an interest in paleogeography. He looks forward to giving his talk that was cancelled due to Hurricane Ian.

We are increasing our relationship with Oak Hammock, in particular the Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR). ILR organizes an annual essay contest for UF graduate students. The top 5

essays are awarded prizes, and the winners make a public presentation. This year those 5 lectures will be given at our April 12 meeting.

Our Spring luncheon will be held on April 19 at Oak Hammock. Details will follow.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the officers and board members. I would also like to thank those members who have attended our sessions through zoom or in person and encourage those who have not been able to join us this past year to come to the meeting. I hope to see more participation in the coming year.

Welcome back. We will have an excellent 2023.

**Saeed R. Khan, President**

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## IN MEMORIAM

**John Bengston**

UF Education  
Education Psychology  
Died 21 Sep 2022.

**Donald Jack Elzinga**

UF Engineering  
Industrial 7 Systems Engineering  
Died 23 Aug 2022

**Lawrence Berman**

UF Medicine  
Pediatric Anesthesiology  
Died 15 Oct 2022.

**W. Dunbar Gram Jr.**

UF CVM  
Veterinary Dermatology  
Died 3 Aug 2022

**Elroy "Roy" J. Bolduc Jr**

UF Education  
Educational Technology  
Died 9 Dec 2022.

**James A. Greene**

University of Michigan  
Internal Medicine Nephrology  
Died 14 June 2022

**Glenn A. Butler**

UF Journalism  
Public Relations  
Died 23 Nov 2022.

**J. Donald Hester**

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Health Education  
Died 22 Aug 2022

**Ronald Carpenter**

UF CLAS  
English / Speechwriting, Persuasion  
Died 12 Nov 2022.

**Claude I. Hood**

UF Medicine  
Pathology  
Died 17 Aug 2022

**Paul E. Ehrlich**

UF CLAS  
Mathematics  
Died 30 Oct 2022.

**Richard N. Pearson**

UF Law  
Died 5 Dec 2022

## USEFUL LINKS

Past RFUF weekly lectures: <http://retiredfaculty.ufl.edu/meetings/>

The organizations listed below offer programs that may be of interest to retired faculty. Check their websites for information on their activities and to get on their mailing lists to receive regular announcements:

Gainesville for All: <http://gnv4all.org/>

Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR), based at Oak Hammock at UF:  
<https://www.oakhammock.org/ilr>

Senior Recreation Center of Gainesville: <https://eldercare.ufhealth.org/senior-recreation-center/>

Sister City Program of Gainesville, Inc.:  
<https://steve4994.wixsite.com/sistercityprogram/>

United Nations Association-USA, Gainesville chapter: <https://www.una-usagainesvillefl.org/>

Welcoming Gainesville: <https://welcominggainesville.org/>

## RFUF SPEAKER SCHEDULE: Spring Semester 2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
January 11	<b>Joseph G. Meert</b> , Professor, Geology Department, UF <i>When the Shields Go Down: The Importance of a Magnetic Field for Life on Earth and Other Planets</i>
January 18	<b>Nicole Nesberg</b> , Professor, American Indian History, Santa Fe College <i>Indigenous Florida</i>
January 25	<b>Hub Brown</b> , Dean, College of Communications, UF <i>Visions for the College and Careers in Communications</i>
February 1	<b>Steve Spurrier</b> , Ambassador for the Florida Gators Athletic Department <i>Career and Coaching Highlights</i>
February 8	<b>Alyssa B. Cole</b> , Assistant Professor, African American Studies, UF <i>Black Women's Defense of Medical Facilities in Kansas City: 1900</i>
February 15	<b>Shaney Livingston</b> , Director, Alachua County Library District <i>It's Your Library</i>
February 22	<b>Harvey Ward</b> , Mayor, City of Gainesville <i>The First 100 Days: Priorities as the New Mayor</i>
March 1	<b>Don Goodman</b> , Founding Director, Kanapaha Botanical Gardens <i>The Establishment of Kanapaha Botanical Gardens</i>
March 8	<b>Stefan Moss</b> , Director, Underground Saltwater Railroad
March 22	<b>Sarah Rockwell</b> , Board Member, Alachua County School Board TBA
March 29	<b>Angela Melidosian</b> , Coordinator & Instructor, Active Learning Program, UF <i>From Students to Early Career Professionals: UF's Active Learning Program</i>
April 5	<b>TBA</b> , The Hippodrome <i>The Hippodrome's First 50 Years and Beyond</i>
April 12	<b>Student Essay Award Winners</b> , College of Nursing, USF <i>Aspects of Aging</i>
April 19	<b>RFUF Officers</b>
<b>Luncheon</b>	<i>Reviewing 2022</i> : Saeed Khan, President <i>Looking Ahead 2023</i> : Barbara McDade Gordon, President-Elect

