ARRUF CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES SPRING 2019

Book Collection Project with Rotary International’s “Books for the World.” Three times each semester. ARRUF collects, transports to Rotary’s drop-off location in Pasadena. Every retiring professor’s dream: What to do with all those books!

A Gathering of Academic Memoir Writers. Held in Fondren 412. January 9 W, 10:30 a.m. to noon, second Friday of each month. The Academic Memoir Writers gather once per month in Fondren 412 and meet via ZOOM with leader and former faculty member June Ferrill (in Santa Fe) to discuss strategies.


Second Friday “Books That Mattered” Discussions. Every second Friday in the month, 3 p.m. Begins January 11 this semester. Feb. 8, Mar. 8, April 12. Members discuss books that have mattered to them, often ones that produced turning points in their careers or research.

Conversations on the Longevity Economy. January 17, 24, 31, Thursdays 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. “The future isn’t what it used to be.” These discussions will be a preparation for the Second ARRUF Conference on the Future Role of Retired Faculty in the University.

Death, Dying, and Dessert. February 6 Th. Fondren 412. 3:00 p.m. Discussion of ARRUF member Susan Lieberman’s book on how to talk about your wishes.

A Conversation on Great Tributes from Literature and Philosophy – February 12, 2019 Tuesday 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. - February 12. Finding the words to honor others has been a challenge echoing through literature and philosophy, from the Greeks on. Thad Logan, Ph.D.

Archives Projects. February 27 W, Fondren 412. Begins February 27, 10 a.m. Ever had fun hunting through old family photos? Wondered where megaphones went after the last game? Rice University Historian Melissa Kean will introduce the archives research project.

Birdwalks with Kulstad. March 9, Sat. 8 and/or 10 a.m. Archbishop Fiorenza Park. Showy waterbirds. It’s only a 20-minute drive to see a fascinating range of both large and small birds. Optional lunch at a local café afterward.

Second Thursday Faculty Club Lunches. Mar. 8, 11:30 a.m. Reserved tables. Pay your own ticket.

Half-Day Conference II on Purposeful Aging in the Longevity Economy. March 21 Th 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 316 McNair Hall. This event will feature an important scholar interested in rethinking the role of retired faculty in universities. Paul Irving is head of the Milken Institute’s Center for the Future of Aging and has actively explored the changes to the economy and society that longevity trends will produce. As universities respond to these changes, they will have new populations to serve, new problems to study, and new roles for faculty who wish to remain at the forefront of university programs.

The Second Policy Forum for ARRUF Civic Scholars and Scientists. April 12 F. Fondren 412 and ZOOM. More on Automation and the U.S. and other topics. These research sessions are intended to be presentations followed by group discussions that bring out the interdisciplinary and intercultural issues that ARRUF members study.


ARRUF Research Reports. Date to be determined. Presentations on the Archives Project conducted with the Rice University Historian Melissa Kean.

Annual General Meeting and Reception for Newly Retired Faculty. May 2 Th – Business meeting and reception welcoming the 2019 retired faculty. Held at Cohen House.

Graduate Loan Closet Donations. Anytime. Small furniture items, cookware, bedding. Contact ARRUF.invites@rice.edu to find out when donations can be accepted.