

Retiree Club Minutes for 11/12/18

The Retiree Club members held their third meeting of the fall semester on November 13, 2018 at the Maverick Stadium in Room 106. Refreshments were provided by UTA President and time was set aside for visiting with other retirees from 10 AM to 10:30.

The Retirees Club president began the business part of the meeting by asking those members in the audience who were veterans to stand and be recognized in honor of Veterans Day. She also suggested that we remember those retirees who were in ill health. We also discussed the importance of inviting other retirees to our meetings each month. A sign-up sheet for each special interest group was placed on the front table for people to not only to sign in for this meeting but to include their telephone number and email address so that those in charge of the interest group to which they wish to belong could contact them.

As a wonderful incentive, President Theriot ask each member to select a number from one to fifty to award a gift card. We repeated this three times and three members received gift cards. This process was carried out in September and will continue throughout the year. Everybody got very excited and enjoyed participating in the activity.

Dr. Theriot, ask for any questions or concerns from the membership. Several questions were addressed concerning activities and possible interest /topics for the future.

Two guest speakers were then introduced. Dr. Rhonda Prisby, PhD, Founder & President, Bone Vascular and Microcirculatory Society spoke on the interaction between blood vessels and bone in states of health and disease. Many questions were asked and she was most knowledgeable about the topic. The second speaker was Dr. Choong-Un Kim, Professor, Department of Materials Science and Engineering. UTA is considered to be on the leading edge in new material development. Discussion included the technology that can enable use of cell phones for a month without charging, meta-materials that can sense bio-activities and numerous other topics. Both speakers were well received and fielded many, many questions.

Members were then reminded to sign up for any Special Interest Group in which they might wish to participate. Times, dates and places for each group to meet will be decided among each group and the group leaders will contact the members. These groups include:

Travel – Dr. Shirley Theriot **Gardening** - Dr. Hancy Hadaway **Tai Chi**- Rita Thompson

Knitting – Midge Holiday **Geneology** – Dr. Shirley Theriot

Healthy Lifestyle Behaviors/Walking Fitness - Drs. Josie O'Quinn and Frank Gault

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