



Senior Scholars at Queens

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May 2017 Newsletter

May 5

Carol Hardison, Chief Executive Officer of the Crisis Assistance Ministry, will speak on **“A Tale of Two Cities.”**

Carol Hardison joined the Crisis Assistance Ministry in 2000, after 18 years with Duke Energy. She earned a bachelor’s degree in mathematics and computer science from Furman University.

She has served on the Homeless Network Steering Committee, Apparo’s Project Ignited Advisory Board and Allied Credit Counseling INC. In recognition of her service to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg community during 2008, she was selected in March 2009 as the Charlotte Woman of the Year by the Charlotte Woman of the Year Committee. The committee has bestowed the award every year since 1955.

May 19

Bryant Goodman, a certified financial planner, and **Rebecca Mc Nerney**, a lawyer, will present **“Financial and Estate Planning for Dementia.”**

Bryant Goodman is a practitioner with WealthPlan Financial Partners in Charlotte. He earned a bachelor’s degree in finance from Calloway School of Business and Accountancy from Wake Forest 2008 and has been a licensed financial planner since that year. He has been a certified financial planner since 2014.

Rebecca Mc Nerney has been a practicing attorney for 10 years and is in a solo practice for estate planning, elderly and family law. She earned a bachelor’s degree from Clemson University in 2004 and a Juris Doctor from the University of South Carolina in 2007. She is a former federal and state prosecutor. After close to a decade of prosecuting, she left government work to open her own law practice.

May 12

Dr. Howard R. Winokuer, founder of the Winokuer Center for Counseling and Healing in Charlotte - where he maintains a full-time clinical practice, will speak on **“Being Assertive in an Aggressive World.”**

He is past president of the Association for Death Education and Counseling. He was the co-editor of Grief and Bereavement in Contemporary Society: Bridging Research and Practice that was published in 2011 by Routledge Press and the co-author of Principles and Practices of Grief Counseling that was published in 2011 by Springer.

He earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in psychology, a master’s in education from UNC-Charlotte in counseling, a master’s from Mississippi State University in Instructional Technology and a Ph.D. from Mississippi State in Counselor Education.

May 26

Dena Diorio, county manager for Mecklenburg County since December 2013, will present **“An Overview of the Mecklenburg County Budget: Including Health, Education and Economic Development.”**

Dena Diorio earned a bachelor’s degree in social services from State University of New York at Plattsburgh and a master’s in public administration from Columbia University. She worked for the former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani and late in Stamford and Danbury, Connecticut, before moving to Mecklenburg County as finance director in 2007.

Thursday, June 1

End of Year **SPRING LUNCHEON**

Carmel Country Club, 4735 Carmel Road. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Lunch served at noon. Tickets are \$22 per person and will be sold in advance at meetings in May. (Note- Luncheon is on a Thursday, not a Friday.)

President's Message



**BG Metzler,
President of
Senior Scholars
at Queens**

Greetings Senior Scholars,

Yahoo, summer is almost here!! Time for warm weather, flowers, lots of birds with days lasting longer and more time and weather for grilling outside. Also more vacation and travel!!

Bob and I have been so blessed to have the opportunity to travel almost around the world. Being travel agents, we have gone with groups, individuals, as well as, by ourselves. I began realizing this year, as we chat with friends and clients who say they have not seen a lot of America, that Bob and I actually have not seen a lot either. So we have put our own country - with our historical and beautiful cities and countryside - on our bucket list for this year.

This summer we are taking Amtrak to see Yellowstone, Glacier and Grand Teton National Parks. I am looking forward to seeing the flatlands of North Dakota and eastern Montana. Three days in Yellowstone National Park with Old Faithful and bubbling hot springs.

At the Grand Tetons I can't wait to see the mountain skyline with no foothills, followed by the train ride back to Chicago with the Moffat Tunnel and going under the Continental Divide. Sounds like great fun! Getting my cameral ready!!

As the summer will whiz by with so much going on with family and our travel business, we hope to make several short trips. One that should be a great learning experience is the new Revolutionary Museum opening in Philadelphia and a quick trip to Niagara Falls.

The older I get, the faster time flies by. I used to go to bed on Monday and wake up and it's Friday. Now I go to bed in spring and wake up and it's summer. Time is a wasting ...

Enjoy your summer. But before I get ahead of myself with the summer, as you all know, we have Senior Scholars through May, then we have our luncheon on Thursday, June 1, at Carmel Country Club. Hope you can join us! Drexel Andrews and her crew have it all planned. We are so lucky to have our volunteer board members. Our entire board works very hard to make everything happen and to make our meetings so successful. With that in mind, I would like to thank those who have left the board this year or will be leaving: Eileen Griggs, membership chair, Patty Kahle, database manager, and Mary Leet, webmaster. We couldn't have done it without your help ladies!!

--BG Metzler, president

End of Year Spring Luncheon on Thursday, June 1

Calling all Senior Scholars to our Spring luncheon held each year before our summer break.

For the third time, we will be at the Carmel Country Club enjoying the beautiful clubhouse, golf course scenery, great service and delicious food.

The date is **Thursday, June 1**, at **Carmel Country Club**, 4735 Carmel Road. **(Please note it is on a Thursday, not a Friday because the Terrace Room at Carmel was not available on a Friday.)**

Doors will open at 11:30. Come early and visit before lunch is served at noon.

The cost, as always, is \$22 and space is limited. Tickets will be sold before and after the meetings at each Friday morning meeting in May, as long as they are available. Please have a check made out to Senior Scholars or the exact change. You may also mail a check for the luncheon to: Drexel Andrews, Hospitality Chair, **Senior Scholars at Queens, 1900 Selwyn Avenue, MSC 1409, Charlotte, NC 28274.**

For more information, contact Drexel Andrews at DrexelAndrews@gmail.com or (704) 900-8040.

Meet & Mingle For New Members On May 5

What: Meet & Mingle for New Members

When: Friday, May 5, before the meeting

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Where: Meeting room, near the coffee tables

Who: All members are welcome to come meet newcomers

---Drexel Andrews, Hospitality Chair

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Friends Of The Library At Queens Annual Meeting May 8

2017 Friends of the Library at Queens University Annual Meeting

Monday, May 8, 6:30 PM - 8 PM Everett Library, Queens University of Charlotte

Registration

To register for this event, please email fol@queens.edu or call 704-688-2708.

Event Details

With Wine and Hors d'oeuvres and featuring **Dr. Robert Whalen**, Professor of History at Queens University of Charlotte

About Dr. Whalen

Robert Weldon Whalen is the Carolyn G. and Sam H. McMahan, Jr. Professor of History at Queens University of Charlotte. Dr. Whalen's teaching honors include the Carnegie Foundation & the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education Award as North Carolina Professor of the Year (1996); the Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award (2003); and the Queens University Noble Fellowship (2012). Among his publications are *Bitter Wounds: German Victims of the Great War, 1918 - 1939* (1984); *Assassinating Hitler: Ethics and Resistance in Nazi Germany* (1993); *Like Fire in Broomstraw: Southern Journalism and the Textile Strikes of 1929-1931* (2001); and *Sacred Spring: God and Modernism in Fin-de-Siècle Vienna* (2007). His most recent book is *Murder, Inc. and the Moral Life: Gangsters and Gangbusters in La Guardia's New York* (2016).

Parking Information

Guests may park in Parking Deck A. From Wellesley, turn right by the Levine Center. Parking Deck A is the second deck on the right. The gate arm will be raised for this event. See [campus map](#) for more information.

Friends of Everett Library Open To The Public

Friends of the Everett Library at Queens University of Charlotte is a vibrant organization dedicated to providing social and literary events to the Queens campus and the Charlotte community at large through Book and Author Events, social and cultural gatherings, book clubs, fundraising, and literary opportunities throughout the academic year. Founded in 1971 by a group of interested citizens who pledged to provide support and resources to Everett Library at Queens University of Charlotte, the FOL organization is an integral part of Everett Library and the entire Queens campus. The Friends' mission is to share this educational institution, its scholarly and literary resources, and book collections with everyone who wishes to join.

Annual dues include: single membership \$35, couple membership \$50, Patron Membership \$100 and benefactor membership \$250.

You may join by visiting the library on campus or sending a check to Friends of the Library

Everett Library, Queens University of Charlotte, 1900 Selwyn Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28274

For more information on the Friends of the Library: Call (704) 688-2708 or e-mail to

fol@queens.edu.

Keep Up With Cultural Events This Summer

Go to www.charlotecultureguide.com and you can connect with cultural events through the Arts and Sciences Council Website. Sign up for the weekly culture picks or get a Connect with Culture card to save money. Senior Scholars does not meet in June, July and August so there is time to explore the area.