

# The Ohio State University

## Emeritus Academy (EA) Newsletter:

### Summer 2023

This past year has been a welcome return to the availability of in-person monthly lectures. Our monthly meetings at the Longaberger Alumni House have been a success. This new venue offers excellent meeting room space, good hybrid facilities, and easy access, especially parking. I look forward to seeing you in person or on Zoom for our September meeting. The list of speakers and titles of presentations are listed on p. 15 of this Newsletter. Please be sure to make note of the lecture dates and times, as we strive to be aware of religious celebrations days and make adjustments that may affect our previous traditional “first Wednesday” of the month lecture.

With COVID-related travel restrictions behind us, Emeritus Academy members have renewed their travel-related research activities. This is very welcome, but it has resulted in a noticeable increase in small grant applications. Due to budget limitations, an increasing number of worthy proposals cannot be funded. As you prepare small grant proposals for next year, please closely follow the proposal guidelines on the Emeritus Academy website (google “Ohio State University Emeritus Academy”).

Please join me in thanking Carl Leier and Bill Ausich for their much appreciated and devoted work on the steering committee. They both step down from the committee July 1.

Important deadlines for the 2023-2024 AY are listed at the end of this Newsletter.

Have a great summer, and I look forward to seeing you at our September Emeritus Academy Lecture.

Ardine Nelson  
Professor Emerita  
Department of Art  
Chair Ohio State Emeritus Academy

**Allison Snow**, Professor Emerita, Evolution, Ecology, and Evolutionary Biology

Lyme disease is the most common tick-borne disease in the USA, while other tick-borne diseases such as babesiosis and anaplasmosis are increasing in frequency. Also, new tick species and pathogens have begun to spread in New England and elsewhere. During the past few years, I have been studying the ecology of ticks and tick-borne diseases on Nantucket and Tuckernuck islands with colleagues at UMass-Amherst. This research has been supported by small grants from the Emeritus Academy.

Broadly, the goals of this research are to develop a standard protocol for local communities to monitor current and future health risks due to ticks. Also, small coastal islands are attractive sites for testing the efficacy of various types of wildlife interventions to prevent tick-borne diseases, and baseline ecological data are needed to gauge the efficacy of such efforts.

I recorded tick densities on Nantucket and Tuckernuck islands by drag-sampling along hiking trails in 2020–2022. Blacklegged Ticks were most abundant at five shadier sites and least common in grasslands and scrub oak thickets, whereas invading Lone Star Ticks were common on Tuckernuck and rare on Nantucket. Lab analyses at UMass-Amherst showed that in 2020–2021, infection levels for Blacklegged Ticks averaged 10



–19% for *Borrelia burgdorferi* (Lyme), 11–15% for *Babesia microti* (babesiosis), and 17% in both years for *Anaplasma phagocytophilum* (anaplasmosis), and coinfections with two or more pathogens were common. I am currently working on a peer-reviewed paper that summarizes these findings and their implications for public health.

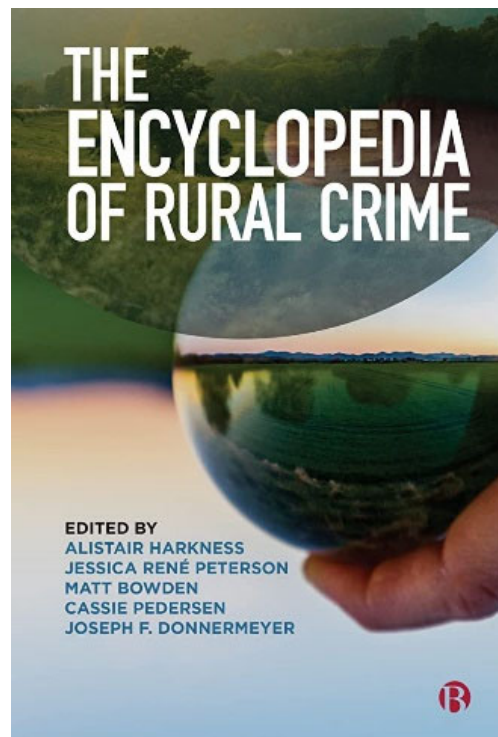
Dr. Snow was the lead author on a recent presentation this work: Snow, A. A., P. Pearson,

G. Xu, D. Allen, R. Santamaria, and S. M. Rich. Tick densities and infection prevalence on Nantucket and Tuckernuck Islands, MA. Burlington, VT, April 22, 2023.

## Joseph F. Donnermeyer, Professor Emeritus, Environmental and Natural Resources

During the Autumn Semester, 2022, Academy Professor Joe Donnermeyer was the Snowden Fellow with the Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. Elizabethtown College is located in Lancaster County that plays host to the oldest and largest Amish community. His Snowden lecture, presented on November 10, focused on how the Amish establish and sustain new communities in response to their rapidly growing population. The lecture was titled: "Keeping Track of Amish Settlement and Population Growth." The previous week, on November 2, Joe presented a keynote address at the *Connecting with Amish and Other Plain Communities* conference, co-sponsored by the Purdue Extension and Penn State Extension Services, in Shipshewana, Indiana. This keynote presentation was titled "Amish Community Organization, Work, and Social Change." It focused on important trends in Amish demographic composition and social organization during the past five decades.

In addition to his Amish research, Joe remains busy with his scholarship on rural crime. At the European Society of Criminology annual meeting (held at Malaga, Spain from September 2–5), he presented a paper on "A Critical Criminological Approach to Farm Crime." At the American Society of Criminology annual meeting (held in Atlanta, Georgia, November 16–19), he presented a research paper on "A Routine Activities Perspective on Victimization of the Amish," and chaired a Roundtable discussion on the "Future of Rural Crime Scholarship." Finally, at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (held at National Harbor, Maryland, March 14–18), he presented a paper on the uneven quality of peer reviews, titled "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: An Irreverent Taxonomic Review of Reviewers and Reviews." Joe will be traveling to Florence, Italy September for the 2023 annual meeting of the European Society of Criminology with a presentation on the status of rural crime scholarship in North America, and then to Ljubljana, Slovenia, for a keynote presentation on a "New Theory of Crime and Place" at the biennial meeting of the Criminal Justice and Security in Central and Eastern Europe, sponsored by the University of Maribor.



Finally, Joe was co-editor (with Alistair Harkness, Jessica René Peterson, Matt Bowden and Cassie Pedersen) of the recently published *Encyclopedia of Rural Crime* and wrote three of the 92 entries. The *Encyclopedia of Rural Crime* was published by Bristol University Press.

**Paul A. Beck and Richard Gunther**, Professor Emeriti, Political Sciences

Academy professors Paul Beck and Richard Gunther are leading a study of voter behavior in the recent Brazilian presidential election. Their study is based principally on an online survey conducted for them after the October 30 runoff by YouGov, a highly respected online pollster, and funded by a grant from the Mershon Center for International Security Studies. 1200 adults of voting age were interviewed in a survey averaging 25 minutes. The survey is the 67<sup>th</sup> survey since 1990 conducted by the Comparative National Election Project (CNEP), which is co-directed by Beck and Gunther and housed at OSU's Merson Center. The Brazilian 2022 presidential election was a two-round contest mainly between incumbent president Jair Bolsonaro and Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva (best known as Lula). Neither leading candidate received a majority of the vote in the October 2 multi-candidate contest; Lula led at 48.4%. Because a majority of valid votes is required to win the presidency, these two candidates faced off in an October 30 run-off; Lula won it with 50.9% of the vote.

The Brazilian presidential election was notable in several ways:

1. Brazil is the most populous country in Latin America, so its electoral politics are especially important across the entire continent.
2. The contrast between Bolsonaro and Lula is pronounced. Bolsonaro often is identified as the "Trump of Latin America" based on his closeness to Trump (who endorsed his re-election), his conservative and often anti-democratic populist policies and practices, and his challenges to the integrity of the electoral process. Lula is a former president, whose post-presidency jailing for corruption was overturned by the courts. He is well remembered for his liberal social and economic policies.
3. By raising the specter of a fraudulent election, echoing the "Trump playbook," Bolsonaro made issues of election integrity and the health of Brazilian democracy central to the election. He has yet to concede to Lula, though his administration has pledged to facilitate the transition to power amidst protests in the streets by his supporters. CNEP's long-standing questions on democratic values/practices and election integrity enable comparisons of Brazil with other democracies, especially including the United States in 2020.
4. The contrasting bases of electoral support for the two Brazilian presidential candidates and its dramatic partisan polarization between them, parallel those for Biden and Trump in the 2020 American contest (also surveyed for CNEP by YouGov), make a comparison between these two contests especially promising. The CNEP surveys focus on voting behavior and contain numerous questions designed to define the electoral bases for party candidates.

**Julia Watson**, Professor Emerita, Comparative Studies in the Humanities

During the pandemic years, I wrote a lot, both singly and with my co-author, and gave a few Zoom presentations. With constraints on conference travel easing up, recently it's been possible to travel to international conferences--a welcome change of scene. Most recently, in March–April 2023, I took a trip of nearly six weeks. It included giving a lecture at the Free University and attending a new production of *Threepenny Opera* in Berlin; going to the spectacular Vermeer exhibition in Amsterdam; participating in a two-week tour of “Antiquities of Egypt” that included a week of cruising down the Nile and Lake Nasser--wonderful!--and a subsequent half-week in Jordan (through a fine trip organized by That School Up North); and winding down gently in London, seeing new theatre productions and visiting friends. Whew--it's good to be retired!

Recently published essays include: Review of *Charlotte Salomon and the Theatre of Memory* by Griselda Pollock (Yale University Press, 2018), in *Biography*, 45: 1 (Summer 2022), pp. 125–132. <https://muse.jhu.edu/article/869261>  
<https://doi.org/10.1353/bio.2022.0029>

“Remembering the American Queen.” *European Journal of Life Writing*, 11 (2022), C65-C69. <https://doi.org/10.21827/ejlw.11.39594>

“Drawing is the Best Medicine: Somatic Dis-ease and Graphic Revenge in Miriam Katin’s *Letting It Go*.” *Biography: An Interdisciplinary Quarterly*, Spring 2021 (vol. 44, nos. 2 & 3), 146–167. <https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/47911> Also published as *Graphic Medicine*, eds. Erin LaCour and Anna Poletti, University of Hawaii Press, July 2022, 147-67.

“Manthia Diawara’s Autoethnographic Forays in Memoir and Film from ‘Counter-’ to ‘Strong’ to ‘Beyond.’” *Life Writing*, Special issue on Autoethnography. 18.3 (Summer 2021), 317–335. [doi.org/10.1080/14484528.2021.1930899](https://doi.org/10.1080/14484528.2021.1930899).

“Alternative, Imaginary, and Affective Archives of the Self in Women’s Life Writing,” co-authored with Sidonie Smith. In *Tulsa Studies in Women’s Literature*, 40:1, Spring 2021, 15–44.

Invited lectures include: “Thing, or Not a Thing? Troubled Concepts, Provocative Texts, and the Work of Narrators.” With Sidonie Smith. Conference on “Autosociobiography: Global Entanglements of a Literary Phenomenon” Free University, Berlin, 23 March 2023.

“Narrated Lives after 2020: Emerging Life Stories in the United States,” (Zoom). Keynote speaker with Sidonie Smith, for the “Narrated Lives, Remembered Selves—Emerging Research in Life Writing Studies” conference. University of Regensburg, Germany, May 13, 2021

“Migrations of Life Writing in the ‘Untied States’—Geographies and Trajectories of 2020” (Zoom). Keynote speaker with Sidonie Smith, for the Workshop on "Migration, Mediality, Liminality," Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies & University of Regensburg, Germany, Jan 28, 2021.



Conference papers include: “This Counter-history”: Teju Cole’s 2020 Visual Diary on the Kitchen as a Domestic and Postcolonial Medi[t]ation” for the conference *Hybridity in Life Writing: How Text and Images Work Together to Tell a Life* at the Université de Paris, Campus des Grands Moulins, July 7, 2022.

“Autobiographical Reckonings in America’s Restless Twenty-first Century,” with Sidonie Smith, for the *Life-Writing: Imagining the Past, Present and Future* International Auto/Biography Association conference in Turku, Finland, June 17, 2022.

“A Reckoning: Prospects for Life Narrative 2020.” Co-authored with Sidonie Smith. In *The Divided States: Unraveling National Identities in the Twenty-First Century*. Ed. Laura J. Beard and Ricia Anne Chansky. Madison: U Wisconsin P, 2023, 296-324.

Lectures given recently: “What’s Involved in *Letting It Go?* The Body’s Dis-ease in Miriam Katin’s Comic.” *Graphic Medicine: Stories Drawn from Illness, Health, and Caregiving* [five contributors]. *Brown Bag Biography: Discussions of Life Writing by & for Town & Gown*. University of Hawaii, Mān’oa. November 3, 2022, Zoom. Presentation on YouTube: [https://youtu.be/xOXX3BA\\_ewY](https://youtu.be/xOXX3BA_ewY)

“The Job and Its Joys: A Conversation on an Academic Memoir”: Valerie Lee, presenter, and Julia Watson, interviewer. Ohio State University Emeritus Academy Lecture, September 7, 2022, in-person and Zoom.

Photo caption: At the 4,700-year-old Step Pyramid near Saqqara (south of Cairo), Egypt's oldest surviving pyramid.

**Charles Klopp**, Professor Emeritus, French and Italian

Over the past several months I have published a translation of two novelle by the Italian writer, Gianni Stuparich. The volume is called *The Island and One Year of School* and was translated with Melinda Nelson, with introduction by me and a forward by Fulvio Senardi; it was published in New York by Agincourt Press. I have also published four recent book reviews in *Il Ponte Rosso*, an on-line monthly of belles lettres and political commentary published in Italian in Trieste. The reviews are of Mary Trump's *Too Much and Never Enough: How My Family*

*Created the World's Most Dangerous Man* ("Due o tre cose che so di lui," PR#63); Ian Caeyers' *Beethoven Ritratto di un Genio* ("Beethoven, genio difficile," PR#69); Frederick Seidel's *Selected Poems* ("Pugnali che cantano," PR#72); and *The 1619 Project* ("1776? Ma no:1619!" PR#79). My review of Salvatore Pappalardo's *Modernism in Trieste: The Habsburg Mediterranean and the Literary Invention of Europe, 1870-1945* will appear shortly in *Italica*. My article, "From the Periphery: the Family Novels of Lilli Gruber and Simonetta Agnello Hornby," is under final consideration for a forthcoming special issue of *Quaderni d'Italianistica* on the family novel in Italy. Also, I am currently at work on a book length study of the Italian poet Clemente Rebora

tentatively titled "The Poet Who Would Be Saint: Clemente Rebora, His Life and Times."

Gianni Stuparich

*One Year of School and The Island*

Translated by Charles Klopp and Melinda Nelson  
with an introduction by Charles Klopp



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**Mark L. DeBard**, Professor Emeritus, Clinical Emergency Medicine

I have continued my activities as a Master Gardener Volunteer in Franklin County and a lilac horticulture specialist, with talks to local, state, and national garden groups and leading tours at Chadwick Arboretum. I collect large amounts of data for publication from my 175 shrub lilac cultivar collection in my backyard, and give tours of it. I frequently publish these data in the journal of the International Lilac Society, *LILACS*. My latest article was published in the Spring 2023 journal, Volume 53 (2): 38-47, summarizing all the data for the known 55 public and 22 private lilac collections in the USA.



DeBard East Lilac Terraces, Columbus, Ohio April 24, 2023

**Harvey J. Graff**, Professor Emeritus, Department of English

Academy Professor Harvey J. Graff was elected to full membership in the American Antiquarian Society. He is also nominated for the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, American Philosophical Society, and National Academy of Education.

He continues to publish regularly in *The Times Higher Education*, *Inside Higher Education*, *Against the Currents*, and his own column *Busting Myths* in the Columbus Free Press. This spring he worked with students at four universities (OSU, Northwestern, Notre Dame, Muhlenburg) on senior honors theses.

“My Life with Literacy: The Continuing Education of a Historian. Intersections of the Personal, the Political, the Academic, and Place” is forthcoming and “Reconstructing the ‘uni-versity’ from the ashes of the ‘mega- and multi-versity’ is in progress.



**Bharat Bhushan**, Professor Emeritus, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

**Video Interview by WOSU.** A recent video interview of my work was completed by WOSU. It was on bioinspired surfaces and was conducted by Dr. Frederic Bertley, President and CEO COSI, Columbus, Ohio. It was broadcast on Jan 3, 2023. The topic of the interview was “Learning from Animals: QED with Dr. B- Nature Teaches us to Make Better Devices.” The video can be accessed at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nzUieU3Sp3Q&ab\\_channel=WOSUPublicMedia](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nzUieU3Sp3Q&ab_channel=WOSUPublicMedia)

I have many international cooperation programs and am often invited for visits to lecture and develop collaborations. In 2022-23 so far, I have taken four Working Sabbaticals, supported by various international prestigious fellowships, including (a) School of Engineering, Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland in June-July 2022. Delivered Bioengineering Seminar Mini-Series, an event sponsored by School of Engineering, School of Life Sciences, Institute of Bioengineering (IBI) and Institute of Chemical Sciences and Engineering.

(b) Division of Mechanical Sciences, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, India in Jan – Feb 2023. Funded by Satish Dhawan fellowship. Delivered an Institute-wide Colloquium and a ME Department seminar. Held an interactive and motivational session for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and young faculty to share his experiences. Met with DST Center for Policy Research.

(c) Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) Pilani at Hyderabad Campus, India in Feb – March 2023. Delivered an Institute-wide Colloquium Lecture. Held an interactive session for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and young faculty to share his experiences.

(d) Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) Pilani, India in March 2023. Had meetings with outgoing Vice Chancellor, Prof. S. Bhattacharyya, incoming Vice Chancellor, Prof. V. Ramgopal Rao, and Pilani Director S. V. Barai. I delivered an Institute-wide Colloquium Lecture. He held an interactive session for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and young faculty.

I presented an invited lecture, titled “Lessons from Nature: Bioinspired Mechanically Durable and Self-healing Superhydrophilic/phobic Surfaces,” at The Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE) Meeting, Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-CEERI), Pilani, India on March 10, 2023.

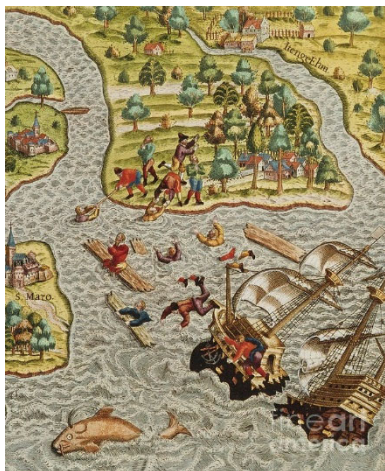
Recent major science policy meetings that I have attended include a meeting with Dr. Ajay Sood, Principal Scientific Advisor to PM Modi on March 20, 2023. The PSA’s office aims to provide pragmatic and objective advice to the PM in matters of Science and Technology. Discussions focused on investment by India in science and Technology R&D, high-impact basic and applied research by academia, and world rankings of Indian universities. I also met with Dr. Akhilesh Gupta, Secretary, Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB)/Department of Science and Technology (DST) on March 13, 2023. The Board was set up for promoting basic research in science and engineering and to provide financial assistance to scientists, academic institutions, R&D laboratories, industrial concerns and other agencies for such research.

I also attended a reunion of Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) Batch 1965-70. Hosted by a classmate, B. Kalyani, Chairman, Bharat Forge, Pune, India. The event held on Feb 24-25, 2023.

An important new publications is B. Bhushan, “Scientist Guide to Research Strategy, Execution of Research, and Publications/Presentations,” *Microsystem Technologies*, 2023 (in press).



### David Cressy, Professor Emeritus, History



David Cressy, Emeritus Professor of History, was Lord Burpleigh Visiting Fellow at St John’s College, Cambridge, in Easter term 2022.

His latest book, *Shipwrecks and the Bounty of the Sea*, was published by Oxford University Press at Oxford and New York in late 2022, and had been reviewed in *The London Review of Books*,

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/shipwrecks-and-the-bounty-of-the-sea-9780192863393?q=David%20Cressy&lang=en&cc=gb>

**Jack Rall**, Professor Emeritus, Department of Physiology and Cell Biology

Since joining the Emeritus Academy in 2014, I have turned from active laboratory research to writing historical articles about physiology and physiologists. This collection of historical perspective articles appears in *Advances in Physiology Education*. The collection is not a coherent group but rather a meandering through the history of the physiological world with an emphasis on muscle contraction: people and ideas.

The articles delve into topics that now are well known to probe the origin and evolution of ideas leading to discovery. Included are the trials and tribulations of discovery; thrill of discovery; luck; and missteps and mistakes. Human factors are considered, both good (humanism, freedom in isolation) and bad (politics, bias, ignored results and stubbornness). A very brief history of the development of experimental physiology along with the early conflicts between physiology and biochemistry is explored. Advances in technology and the wide variation of experimental preparations investigated also played a pivotal role in discovery. The international nature of discovery and comradery of scientists is included.

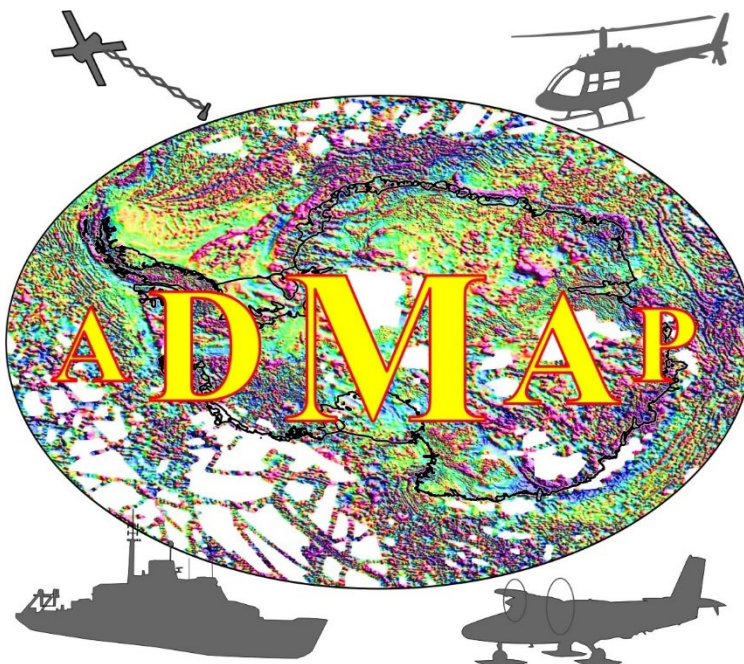
Collectively, the articles have been downloaded more than 49,000 times. These publications include (1) Rall JA. The XIIIth international physiological congress in Boston in 1929: American physiology comes of age. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 40: 5-16, 2016. (2) Rall JA. Nobel laureate A. V. Hill and the refugee scholars, 1933-1945. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 41: 248–259, 2016. (3) Rall JA. Generation of life in a test tube: Albert Szent-Gyorgyi, Bruno Straub, and the discovery of actin. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 42: 277–288, 2018. (4) Rall JA. What makes skeletal muscle striated? Discoveries in the endosarcomeric and exosarcomeric cytoskeleton. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 42: 672–684, 2018. (5) Rall JA. Calcium and muscle contraction: the triumph and tragedy of Lewis Victor Heilbrunn. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 43: 476–485, 2019. (6) Rall JA. A perfect confluence of physiology and morphology: discovery of the transverse tubular system and inward spread of activation in skeletal muscle. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 44: 402–413, 2020. (7) Rall JA. Investigation of the molecular motor of muscle: from generating life in a test tube to myosin structure over beers. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 45: 730–743, 2021. (8) Rall JA. Discovery of the regulatory role of calcium ion in muscle contraction and relaxation: Setsuro Ebashi and the international emergence of Japanese muscle research. *Adv Physiol Educ*. 46: 481–490, 2022.

**Joshua Dressler**, Professor Emeritus, Law

The eighth edition of Academy Professor Dressler's criminal procedure coursebook, *CRIMINAL PROCEDURE: PRINCIPLES, POLICIES AND PERSPECTIVES*, co-authored by George C. Thomas (Rutgers) and Daniel Medwed (Northeastern), was published in April. He also completed a chapter honoring the late Herbert Morris, philosopher and law professor, *Herbert Morris: Seeking a Deeper Understanding of Ourselves and Our Conception of the World*, which will be published in a book honoring Morris, edited by George Fletcher (Columbia).

**Ralph von Frese**, Professor Emeritus, Earth Sciences

New publications co-authored by Academy Professor Ralph von Frese (School of Earth Sciences) with other members of the international Antarctic Digital Magnetic Anomaly Project (ADMMap) include (1) the *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems* paper



(<https://doi.org/10.1029/2020GC009048>) concerning satellite gravity constraints on the Antarctic Moho and its potential isostatic adjustments, (2) the *Journal of Geophysical Research - Solid Earth* paper (<https://doi.org/10.1029/2021JB023329>) on new Antarctic crustal constraints from combined terrestrial, ship, airborne, and satellite magnetometer measurements, and (3) the *Russian Journal of Earth Sciences* paper (<https://doi.org/10.2205/2022ES000801>) on compiling wildly disparate terrestrial, ship, and airborne magnetic survey data for the Antarctic's second generation digital magnetic anomaly database and map (ADMMap-2). The last two papers expand considerably on the ADMMap-2 compilation's brief release note (<https://doi.org/10.1029/2018GL078153>) in *Geophysical Research Letters*.

**Susan Van Pelt Petry**, Professor Emerita, Dance

Since retirement in the summer of 2022, new Emeritus Academy member Susan Van Pelt Petry has had poems selected and published in *Firewords*, *The Academy of Heart and Mind*, and *Ephemeral Elegies*. OhioDance also added her to their Virtual Dance Collection.

<https://vdc.ohiodance.org/exhibits/susan-van-pelt-petry/>

### **Bhagwan Satiani**, Professor Emeritus, Surgery

The Emeritus Academy grant I received focused on the outcomes after leadership training for faculty at Wexner Medical Center will be coming to a conclusion in the next few months. A survey has gone out to the study group and a large control group and responses are being collected. In the meantime, our team is looking at attrition of the faculty who participated in the Faculty Leadership Program and comparing the group to historical controls at the medical center as well as nationally.

Commentaries in our national vascular society newspaper, the Society for Vascular Surgery, were published as follows: (1) Satiani B. Learning culture, errors and Melinda French Gates. December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022. <https://vascularspecialistonline.com/learning-culture-errors-and-melinda-french-gates/> (2) Satiani B. Has the risk in the value-based payment model been sold as another 'shiny new object'? January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. <https://vascularspecialistonline.com/has-the-risk-in-the-value-based-payment-model-been-sold-as-another-shiny-new-object/>

Wellness is a big focus nationally due to the high burnout and attrition in physicians, just as it is in other healthcare workers. The medical center has a large team working on the issue, and I participated in the strategy subcommittee to discuss various options and solutions.

The same society also invited me as a keynote speaker to share my thoughts at their Leadership Program for selected members in Chicago. The keynote lecture was Satiani B. "Of leadership. Laments, musings and pointers." Society for Vascular Surgery. 4<sup>th</sup> cohort Leadership Development Program. Chicago, ILL. March 31<sup>st</sup> 2023. <https://vascular.org/vascular-specialists/careers/leadership-development-program>

### **Doug Sutton-Ramspeck**, Professor Emeritus, Department of English

Academy Professor Doug Sutton-Ramspeck (writing under Doug Ramspeck) has a new book of poems. *Blur*, which was selected for the Tenth Gate Prize, is his ninth collection and was published in March of 2023 by The Word Works. Individual poems first appeared in journals that include *TriQuarterly*, *Boulevard*, *FIELD*, *Gulf Coast*, *Massachusetts Review*, *Missouri Review*, and *North American Review*.

Mark Wagenaar (author of *Southern Tongues Leave Us Shining*) describes the collection this way: "The reader comes of age a hundred times in Doug Ramspeck's poignant new book of poems. Mythic and elegiac, Ramspeck intertwines images from the natural world with familial and fraternal memories, with a haunting lyricism that hallows both past and present. 'What we can't see is everywhere,' he reminds us: always precise, always moving, these poems are 'epistles of moonlight' from one of America's most gifted and prolific poets."

**William I. Ausich**, Professor Emeritus, Earth Sciences



During the past year, Academy Professor Bill Ausich remained busy on a variety of paleontology projects, mostly dealing with crinoids but also other groups of fossil echinoderms. Examples include the paper by Ausich and Zehler (2022) “Recovery of Laurentian cyclocystoids following Late Ordovician extinctions (Brassfield Formation (Llandoverly) southwestern Ohio.” Cyclocystoids are a strange, extinct echinoderm class. This study documents the first cyclocystoid to reappear following the second largest mass extinction on Earth (~445 million years ago). Another example is Webster, Heward, and Ausich (2022) “First crinoid crown from the Permian Khuff Formation of Oman.” This paper is the start of a series of studies that document Permian crinoids leading up to their near extinction at the close of the Permian (the largest mass extinction on Earth; ~251 mya).

During 2020–2022, I was the Interim Editor-in-Chief, *Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology*, Paleontological Institute, University of Kansas. This work resulted in numerous chapters published in the *Treatise Online* series, and two *Treatise* volumes that I edited or co-edited will be published during 2023.

Closer to home, Mark Wilson (College of Wooster) and I have published a paper on a new crinoid fauna in northeastern Ohio from the

Wooster Shale (~350 mya): Ausich and Wilson (2023) “Taphonomy and systematics of crinoids from the Wooster Shale Member of the Cuyahoga Formation, Carboniferous (Mississippian, Tournaisian) of northeastern Ohio”. The image is the new species *Cactocrinus woosterensis* (scale bar = 10 mm). Upcoming projects include study of crinoids from Canada, Germany, Ireland, Oman, Slovenia, and the United States.

At the close of the 2022–2023 Academic Year, I will step down from the EA Steering Committee. I want to thank all of the Steering Committee members with whom I have worked for their commitment to the Emeritus Academy. It has been an honor to be a part of the EA leadership team. I look forward to seeing you at upcoming Emeritus Academy lectures and learn about your continuing academic accomplishments.

# Ohio State University Emeritus Academy 2023-2024 Lecture Series

4:00 – 5:00 pm

Lectures will be in the Sanders Grand Lounge of the Longaberger Alumni House located at 2200 Olentangy River Road.

September 2023: Brian McHale, English, “What is Science Fiction Good For?”

October 2023: Bhagwan Satiani, Surgery, “A Journey of Acculturation, Frustration, Determination and Gratefulness in the United States.”

November 2023: Duane w. Roller, Classics, “Mithridates the Great: Scholar, Author, and Opponent of Rome.”

December 2023: John Bruno, Psychology, “The Neuroscience of Cognitive Control in Health and Psychiatric Disorders.”

February 2024: Ronald Solomon, Mathematics, “Sporadic Simple Groups and the OSU Math Department.”

March 2024: Mark L. DeBard, Clinical Emergency Medicine, “Medical School Admissions: A Look Behind the Curtain.”

April 2024: Joseph Donnermoyer, Environmental and Natural Sciences, “Who are the Amish and Why are they Growing so Fast?”

May 2024: Thomas Wickizer, Health Services Management and Policy, “The American Fentanyl Epidemic: Are We Doing Enough to Reduce the Death Rate?”

## Deadline Reminders 2023-2024

### Draft of due dates for Autumn 2023

**September 15, 2023: Autumn Membership Applications deadline.** Please encourage recent emeritus retirees with continuing research plans to apply.

**November 3, 2023: Autumn Small Grant Applications deadline.** Please refer to the guidelines on the Emeritus Academy website to understand what may and may not be funded, for example research or administrative assistance specific to your research is limited to not more than 50% of the request.

**November 17, 2023: Newsletter submissions due.** Send narrative contributions to T.K. Daniel [daniel.7@osu.edu](mailto:daniel.7@osu.edu), and please include a visual (jpg)

### Draft of due dates for Spring 2024

**March 1, 2024: Spring Membership Applications deadline**

**March 4, 2024: Nominations (including self-nomination) to be a Steering Committee Member**

**April 1, 2024: Five-Year Membership Renewal (2024-2029) deadline**

**April 1, 2024: Nominations for 2024-2025 Emeritus Academy Lecture Proposals**

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**May 3, 2024: Spring Semester Grant Applications deadline** Please refer to the guidelines on the Emeritus Academy website to understand what may and may not be funded, for example research or administrative assistance specific to your research is limited to not more than 50% of the request.

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