

# JMU Emeriti Association



Piazza dei Signori, Verona, Italy

## From the President's Desk...

I am happy to report that we are off and running in this, our sixth year of existence. Our membership totals 120, including 35 life members—a record for us. Much interest has been shown in our interest groups. Most have been formed, with a coordinator identified, and are in full swing. Be sure to read the interest group article for further information. It is not too late to join.

Mario's European adventure in May is still in the offing and our April excursion to Montpellier has been planned.

Violet Allain ([allainvl@jmu.edu](mailto:allainvl@jmu.edu)) and Jerry Minskoff ([minskojg@jmu.edu](mailto:minskojg@jmu.edu)) have agreed to be our Planning Committee and will identify programs and places for future meetings. I know they would appreciate your input.

We have used the results of our member survey to plan both interest groups and activities. We hope you will participate in the many events scheduled for the year.

*Nancy O'Hare*

## Emeriti Archives Established

Members of the executive committee have established archives for the association. These include minutes of all meetings, treasurers' reports and myriad other documents acquired in doing business as an organization. They are housed in our JMU home, Madison Institutes office, across Main Street.

You are invited to stop in and browse. Archives are open to all members.

## Mario's Marvelous Adventure

Pack your bag and renew your passport. Our European excursion, led by Mario Hamlet-Metz, and arranged for emeriti and alumni, is scheduled for May 14 through May 28.

Destination cities are Verona, Nice and Carcassonne, with side trips to include Venice, Monaco and many other hot spots.

For more information contact Mario at [hamletmx@jmu.edu](mailto:hamletmx@jmu.edu).



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## A Final Note.....

Our thanks to Bill Wilson, Director, Madison Institutes and to his administrative assistant, Catherine Holmes, whose assistance with all our projects has been invaluable. Their office is our home away from home.

Bill serves as our liaison to JMU and he is that and more.

## Interest Groups Formed

Thanks to our activities coordinator, Mary Lou Wylie, interest groups have formed with many meeting on a regular basis. They are: **Book Club**---meets once monthly in members' homes. Contact Rex Fuller at [rfuller@northriver.coop](mailto:rfuller@northriver.coop)  
**TGIF Wine Tasting** ---meets monthly in homes and other venues. Contact Mary Lou at [wylieml@jmu.edu](mailto:wylieml@jmu.edu)  
**Travel Group** --- plans our excursions. Contact Martha Caldwell at [caldwemb@jmu.edu](mailto:caldwemb@jmu.edu) or Bob Lembright at [lembright@jmu.edu](mailto:lembright@jmu.edu)  
**Breakfast Club** ---meets monthly in local restaurants. Contact Eileen Nelson at [nelsones@jmu.edu](mailto:nelsones@jmu.edu)

There is still time to join one or more of these groups.

## Passages

We mourn the loss of our colleagues:

*Thomas Stanton*  
*Richard Whitman*

Regrettably, our last listing omitted the names of many deceased faculty members, including **Marilyn Crawford** and **Rosemary Rummel**. The list came from the office of the Provost; that office keeps a somewhat informal listing, based on information received. It would seem appropriate for a complete list to be maintained in the Emeriti archives, housed in the Madison Institutes office. Please email to [holmesmc@jmu.edu](mailto:holmesmc@jmu.edu) those names of deceased faculty, which have been omitted previously.

## Your 2006 – 2008 Officers

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## By-Laws Change Recommended

The Emeriti Executive Committee recommends the following revision to the association by-laws:

Election of Officers: The officers shall be elected bi-annually in April and shall take office in September (rather than immediately upon their election).

Since our membership year actually begins in September, thus coinciding with the academic calendar, it seems prudent for new officers to begin their terms then.

We shall vote on the revision at the April meeting.



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