Greetings from the Chair

While the temperature may still be high, other signs of fall are in the air! More traffic, excitement over impending school activities, the drumbeat of UGA marching band practice—and, upcoming UGARA events! Yes, your UGARA Council is busy planning several events for this fall and more information about the specifics of each are included in this newsletter.

I’d like to thank Richard Graham and last year’s Council leadership for a job well done. They provided a wonderful collection of events for UGARA. Some new ideas are forthcoming and will be considered at the September meeting of the Council. If you have any travel or book review suggestions, we would welcome hearing from you.

There are many traditions associated with fall in Athens. We hope that you will make getting together with UGARA colleagues one of them.

Helen Mills
UGARA Council Chair

Upcoming Events

Book review and signing by Phil Williams: September 9th, Athens Regional Library Auditorium (10:00 a.m. – noon). Mr. Williams will discuss his new highly rated book, A Distant Flame.

Discussion of employee benefits: October 11th, Athens Regional Library Auditorium (2:00 p.m.). David Williamson, UGA Human Resources, will discuss health insurance changes that affect UGA retirees.

In Memoriam
UGARA Member, Ruth W. Ormston
August 2005
New Council Member Brief Profiles

Sidney Brown serves as Chairman-elect of UGARA. He is former Associate Vice-President for Academic Affairs. He enjoys retirement, with homes in Bogota, Columbia, and Athens, and became active in UGARA as an avenue for maintaining contact and interactions with his UGA friends.

Sarah Potts will serve on the travel committee this year. Sarah retired from UGA Food Services. She is an avid supporter of UGA sports, and of events at Hodgson Hall, and she looks forward to the trips that are being planned through UGARA.

Nancy Canolty is the new Membership Chair of UGARA. Nancy retired as an Associate Professor in Foods and Nutrition. Nancy is a member of the Emeriti Scholars and an active volunteer at Wray-Nicholson House. She views UGARA has a way to continue to serve and maintain her interests at UGA.

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Travel Plans

The Travel Committee (Marsha Gruner, Chair, Sara Potts, Gene Michael, and Claude McBride) has made plans for the coming fall.

On Tuesday, October 18, 2005, we have arranged a trip to LaGrange, GA to tour the Lamar Dodd Art Center on the campus of LaGrange. After lunch (on your own at one of LaGrange’s restaurants - you choose the restaurant), we will tour Hills & Dales, the estate of Fuller E. Callaway. This estate opened to the public during the past year. We will tour the magnificent house and the beautiful formal gardens. Hills & Dales was featured in the August 7, 2005 Atlanta Journal Constitution. You will be able to participate in the tour for $40.00 per person. A reservation form for the trip appears below.

For our Christmas event, we will go to Marietta’s Theatre in the Square to see the hilarious “A Sanders’ Family Christmas.”

Those of you who attended “Smoke on the Mountain” featuring the Sanders family a few years ago will remember the funny cast of characters. “A Sanders’ Family Christmas” builds on “Smoke on the Mountain.” Make a note on your calendar for the December 14 matinee. A reservation form for this outing will appear in a later newsletter.

Registration Form for LaGrange Trip

Name(s) (1) ____________________________________________________________

(2) ____________________________________________________________

Address(es) to which instructions should be sent:

(1) ____________________________________________________________

(2) ____________________________________________________________

Contact Phone ____________________________ Date ____________________________

Signature ________________________________________________________

Send form and a check for the full amount ($40.00 per person) made payable to the UGA Alumni Association to Wray-Nicholson House, 298 Hull St., Athens, GA 30602-6372 by Monday, October 10, 2005. Please note LaGrange Trip on your check.