Important Notice
As you can see in the box at the bottom of this page, we will continue with Zoom in January. Based on the situation with the Coronavirus, we will make month-to-month decisions about our venue, whether Zoom or in-person luncheons, and notify you via the prior month’s newsletter. Please stay safe!

Dr. Tom Miller, Chief Medical Officer at University of Utah Health, on COVID-19 in Utah

In an interview on the July 10 UU Scope Podcast, Dr. Miller was asked if, “this little simple cloth mask I have here, is this really the key to keeping the economy open, getting back to some normalcy and keeping other people safe?” Dr. Miller’s response was, “Yes, it is. In fact, masks are the pill that we now have, right? We don't have a medicine you can take by mouth or a vaccine, but masks work. They help really reduce the rate of transmission. And if we're all wearing masks, it will really cut the contagion. It will cut the rate of infection.”

Dr. Miller’s many responsibilities give him a wide and deep perspective on COVID-19 and its effects on individuals and communities. As the University’s CMO, he oversees a plethora of departments including System Quality, Patient Safety and Accreditation, Strategic Initiatives and Patient Experience, and Value Engineering. He also oversees Medical Information teams, the Medical Staff Office, Graduate Medical Education, and the Solid Organ Transplant service line. He directs over 200 employees, with the assistance of six associate Chief Medical Officers, six Executive Medical Directors, and 26 Chief Value Officers.

Dr. Miller should also take a great deal of credit for the University of Utah Health’s ranking in the top 10 in quality in the nation among academic medical centers based on costs, safety, patient satisfaction scores, and readmission rates. Please join us via Zoom on January 12 at 12:00 noon for Dr. Miller’s talk. To access this program, please see the links, phone number, etc., listed below.

For security reasons, please do not share the following links or phone numbers

Zoom Information for our Tuesday, January 12, 12:00 noon Program

- For full participation on a computer, tablet, or smartphone:
  - Meeting link: Join Zoom Meeting: https://utah.zoom.us/j/98574280966
  - For further information about attending Zoom meetings see: https://bit.ly/35lJe1 or google: “Utah Emeriti Club” and click on the Zoom Instructions link.

- For audio only on any cell phone or landline phone:
  - A few minutes before noon, dial this Zoom phone number: +1 669 900 6833. You will then need the Meeting ID: 985 7428 0966 to continue as directed.

- Please note that the Zoom link and meeting ID will change for each of our programs
REMINDER: A special opportunity for Emeriti Club Members from the Utah Museum of Fine Arts. UMFA is offering a virtual Zoom tour of their upcoming Black Refractions exhibit exclusively for members of the Emeriti Club, to take place February 17 from 1 to 2 pm. To sign up for the tour, please RSVP here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1FQcXwpX1vz-uFi6y2Dy7N3I1ldMa9yr2D9D5-M_8aw/edit?usp=sharing. If you have already downloaded the Google Docs app (or are willing to download it) you can RSVP using your smart phone, tablet or desktop computer. If you don’t have the app, use your desktop to RSVP. If you respond by January 22, 2021, you will be sent the Zoom link for the February 17 event. For Club members who can’t join us on that date, the Zoom tour will be recorded, and the link will be available afterwards. Here’s more detail on the exhibit: https://umfa.utah.edu/black-refractions.

Celebrate the Holidays with Pioneer Theatre Company
PTC’s celebrations begin with specially decorated holiday windows on the west side of the theatre, on view from December 1 to December 31. Online readings of Charles Dickens’ A Christmas Carol, split into five parts, with 15 actors, will premiere on Vimeo and will be up for further viewing afterwards. The initial air times of each show are as follows:

- A Christmas Carol Part 1 – Saturday, Dec. 5 at 7 pm.
- A Christmas Carol Part 2 – Wednesday, Dec. 9 at 7 pm.
- A Christmas Carol Part 3 – Sunday, Dec. 13 at 7 pm.
- A Christmas Carol Part 4 – Saturday, Dec. 19 at 7 pm.
- A Christmas Carol Part 5 – Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 7 pm

Other digital holiday events will include online concerts December 16 and 24 at 7 pm, a Cooking Segment: Friday, Dec. 11 at 7 pm, and a Cooking & Craft Segment: Monday, Dec. 21 at 7 pm. All of PTC’s holiday programming can be viewed here https://vimeo.com/pioneertheatre.

More Book Recommendations!
- Jan Brunvand: Squeeze Me by Carl Hiaasen. It’s high—no, LOW—comedy in the form of political satire.
- Klancy deNevers: The Meaning of Everything by Simon Winchester. The story of the OED.
- Michele Margetts: The Seine: The River That Made Paris by Elaine Sciolino (for those who wish to travel vicariously). Tracing the river from source to the sea.
- Jack Newell: Caste by Isabel Wilkerson. A deeply moving argument, as well documented and finely reasoned as it is graceful in its language.
- Rob Mayer: American Dirt by Jeanine Cummins. The ordeal of a Mexican woman who escapes to the United States as an undocumented immigrant.

Keep sending me your book recommendations!
Currently, there are no plans to hold preview nights (emeriti free ticket nights) for the three 2021 shows in February, March, and May. A final decision should be made in the next few weeks, and we will let you know in the January newsletter. You can also check the Theatre website at https://pioneertheatre.org/ or Google “pioneer theatre and Utah” for the latest information.

In Memoriam

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<td>Scientific Research in Museums: The Academic Road Less Taken</td>
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DUES PAYMENT FORM

Voluntary dues for 2020/21- $12.00 Single, $24.00 Couple
$12.50 Single, $25.00 Couple with credit card payment (includes $.50 per person surcharge)
To pay by credit card, go to: https://academic-senate.utah.edu/professors-emeriti-club/

Name ___________________________________________ @$12.00 Dues $_____
Spouse/Partner ____________________________________ @$12.00 Dues $_____
Total Dues $_____

Make check payable to PROFESSORS EMERITI CLUB.
Send payment to: Carol Stenger, 573 L St., Salt Lake City UT 84103
From the Emeriti Club Board

A recommendation for you from the University of Utah School of Music: An uplifting virtual evening, showcasing the creative works and resilience of our students and faculty.

Available on Friday, December 11th at 7:30 pm and for a few days thereafter at https://music.utah.edu/gala/index.php

Jerilyn McIntyre   Anne Cullimore Decker
Don Strassberg    Jan Harold Brunvand
Ryck Luthi        Linda Keiter
Carol & Frank Stenger