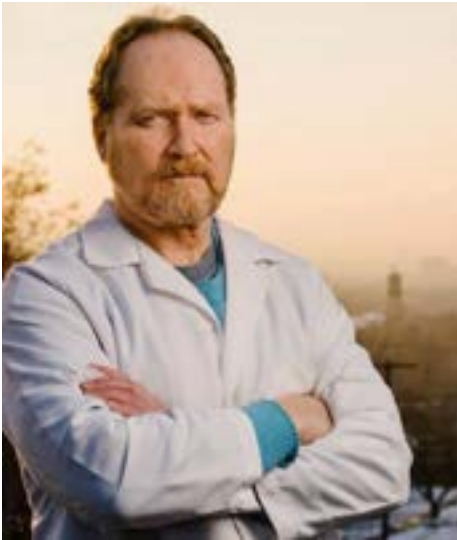




THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH
Professors Emeriti Club

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**Dr. Brian Moench,
Noted Physician-Activist,
To Speak at **November 8th Luncheon****

Topic Title:

*The Great Brain Robbery —
Why Women Have Become
Smarter Than Men:
“It’s the environment, stupid.”*

Dr. Brian Moench is president and co-founder of **Utah Physicians for a Healthy Environment**. A 1977 graduate of the UofU School of Medicine, he was a resident in anesthesia at Massachusetts General Hospital and spent one year on the faculty at Harvard Medical School. He has practiced clinical medicine for over 40 years as an anesthesiologist and most recently as a research consultant. He was nominated by President Obama for the *Champion of Change* award for his work on the public health consequences of the climate crisis.

Dr. Moench has authored two books: *Death by Corporation — The Killing of Humankind in the Age of Monster Corporations* and *The Great Brain Robbery — Why Women Have Become Smarter Than Men. Science With an Attitude.*

He has had about 130 Op Eds printed in newspapers throughout the country, especially the *Salt Lake Tribune*, dealing with the public health consequences of environmental degradation.

**Lunch served at 12:00. (Arrive earlier if you’d like to converse with friends.)
Dr. Moench’s talk will begin at 12:30.**

ZOOM INFORMATION:

For full participation on a computer, tablet or smartphone:

Join Zoom Meeting at <https://utah.zoom.us/j/93628811247> Passcode: 553032

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 number: + 669 900 6833. You will then need the Meeting ID: 936 2881 1247

From the President

KEN JAMESON

We are off and seem to be running. Let us know about anything that the Board can do for you or that you would like to get involved in. We appreciated the opportunity to hear about the future of UHealth from Dr. Good, the Senior Vice-president for Health Sciences. Thanks to all those who attended in-person and on Zoom, and for the questions.

So, *who are the members of the Professors Emeriti Club?* We have a database that can help us understand that, and I'd like to pull out some of what it tells us. We have 1046 "active members" across all categories. They are members who receive the monthly newsletter (703 Newsletters are e-mailed, 277 are mailed through USPS at a cost of \$5,000 per year), and 67 are in a household that already receives it. Unfortunately, we don't know how many of the newsletters are actually read. Last year we did send an e-mail to 971 addresses, including some who receive it by USPS and who have e-mail addresses. 418 of those were opened, 421 were not opened, including most of those who ordinarily receive the Newsletter by USPS, and 100 of them bounced, i.e. were incorrect e-mail addresses.

You can help us! If you know of a member not receiving the newsletter, get their contact information to us. And if you get a USPS copy, please ask to shift it to e-mail to save us on expenses. We also have entries for 152 "inactive members" who do not get the Newsletter, and for 393 deceased members. The number of active members grew by 82 last year and we expect continued growth.

We provided a more detailed breakdown of active member characteristics in the November, 2021 Newsletter <https://emeriti.utah.edu/emeriti-newsletters/> Some of the highlights: There are 29 member categories, the largest being Professor(619), followed by Spouse/Domestic Partner(150). Most lived in Utah (827) followed by California (16). Our members came from 21 campus entities, with the greatest number from the Medical School (290) followed by Humanities (96).

What else do we know about our members? The number of dues-paying members in 2021-22 was 147, down from 204 in 2020-2021, and from 290 in 1991-1992. The number of responses to the Annual Survey was 70. There have been 234 emeritus parking passes issued for 2022-2023 and 100 UTA passes issued for the same period. The amount and number of committed donations to the U by

emeriti: \$2,899,205 by 391 emeriti in FY 2021; \$8,179,763 by 366 emeriti in FY, 2022; and \$57,728,837 by 1230 emeriti since 1954. (Adding the 1046 active, 152 inactive, and 393 deceased gives a total of 1591. That suggests that 77% of emeriti have donated to the U — pretty impressive).

In sum, I think I can speak for the Club members that we appreciate the benefits Emeritus status confers on us. At the same time, the other side of the coin is that we individually and as a group contribute to the mission of the University. We were able to add several benefits this last year and we are exploring added ways in which we can give back to the U. Any suggestions you have would be welcome.

Emeriti contributed over \$8.1 million to the University in FY 2022, up from \$2.8 million in FY 2021. "Pretty impressive."

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Television Suggestions

DON STRASSBERG

This month's suggestions include some older movies.

Netflix

The Hurt Locker (2009). Oscar winner for best picture. A war drama (Iraq) concerning a team of specialists trained in on-the-ground bomb defusing.

Da 5 Bloods (2020). Spike Lee's genre-hopping combination of war movie, protest film, political thriller, character drama and graduate-level history course.

Hulu

Abbott Elementary (2021). Winner of many awards detailing true-to-life, day-to-day woes of Philadelphia public school teachers, featuring a delightfully quirky cast and well-earned laughs.

Any Given Sunday (1999). Al Pacino as a passionate and increasingly desperate coach trying to hold his team together when his longtime star quarterback (Dennis Quaid), out on injury, is replaced by a hotshot up-and-comer (Jamie Foxx).

Amazon Prime

Licorice Pizza (2021). Richly textured, quietly bittersweet and frequently funny story of growing up in the San Fernando Valley in the 1970s.

Fences (2016). Pulitzer Prize-winning play about an African American family's struggles in 1950s starring Danzel Washington.

HBO Max

The Grand Budapest Hotel (2014). Packed with wry jokes, this delightful movie features Ralph Fiennes as the legendary concierge of a hotel in a fictional European country that once thrived between the two world wars but has since fallen into disrepair, leaving only stories behind.

A Mighty Wind (2003). Director Christopher Guest and his first-rate troupe return with a folk music parody that is notable for its disarming sweetness, despite the many digs at granola culture.

Disney +

Queen of Katwe (2016). The wonderful story of a Ugandan girl whose prodigious gifts as a chess player allow her to see the world beyond a Kampala slum.

Hamilton (2020). If you never got to see it on Broadway, here is the ground-breaking show on film, featuring the writer, Lin-Manuel Miranda, as Alexander Hamilton in this hip-hop history lesson.

Soul (2020). A beautiful, animated story of a middle-school music teacher willing to defy the laws of heaven to realize his dream.

PBS Masterpiece

Van Der Valk (2001). Contemporary crime drama taking place in Amsterdam with engaging main characters.

Emeriti / Osher Institute

HERTA TEITELBAUM

Interested in Giving a Lecture or Teaching a Class in the Osher Program? Osher members love courses taught by faculty from the University. We would like to entice more emeriti to share their expertise and passion for teaching with the large group of life-long learners who make up the Osher community. The Emeriti Club and Osher are inviting emeriti to attend an information session to hear emeriti talk about their experiences teaching Osher classes and to learn more from Osher staff about submitting a course proposal, deadlines, remuneration, etc.

- The in-person session will be held on Tuesday, October 25, from 3:30-5:00 p.m., in the Continuing Education Building, room#232, 540 Arapen Drive.
- The Zoom session is scheduled for Thursday, November 10, from 10-11:30 a.m. and is hosted by Osher.

Please RSVP on this Osher website to attend either the in-person or the Zoom session:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1XD7n9hBkMfKVMOI-gJQDQGLc-O2KuYiM8OoGvzHviFuE/edit>

For questions, please contact Herta Teitelbaum at herta_teitelbaum@yahoo.com.

Osher Special Events: Osher offers free, high quality special events for its members each term. An upcoming example on Wednesday, November 9, at 11 a.m. is *This Is Sinatra! - Celebrating The Man, His Music, And Cultural Impact*. You can sign up for this virtual multimedia talk and get more information at: <https://continue.utah.edu/osher/special-event/1501>. If you are not an Osher member and would like to attend, please contact the Osher office at 801-585-5442.

Hiking Group

From savoring autumn leaves to a picnic in the park, the Hiking Group spent a splendid autumn.

September gave us summer weather and glorious hikes, and now we enter the peak period of fall colors.

Our hike around Silver Lake, for those wanting it flat and easy, was so effortless that everyone continued on to Lake Solitude, where we were thrilled to find a moose by the lake. We hiked from Lambs Canyon to the saddle and looked down Millcreek Canyon, and we hiked to Dog Lake and returned via the connector trail. The maples were part of the beauty of the trail in East Canyon above and below Affleck Park.

The aspen gold delighted us on our semicircular trail beginning near Solitude and arriving at Willow Heights via Boyd's Bench. One of the great advantages of this group of hikers is the knowledge they contribute.

In addition to our hikes, we gathered for a Sunday evening picnic in Fairmont Park, where we debuted our new U of U flag provided by the Emeritus Club. We are hoping the fall colors last and that you will join us on our weekly Monday morning hikes. We usually have about 10 people, and we carpool to reduce pollution. We welcome you to join our email list, if you are not already on it (suzanne.stensaas@hsc.utah.edu).

We have already reserved the group campsite in Snow Canyon State Park by St. George for a spring camping/motel trip the first week of April. We calculate this will be a good time for wild flowers. Do mark your calendars so you can join us. Since everyone discovered during the pandemic how beautiful our state is, we now have to plan far in advance.

Affleck Park looking west to Big Mountain



Picnic in Fairmont Park



Moose watch at Lake Solitude



Red Butte Garden

In October, plants from around the world gather at Red Butte Garden. But before the unveiling of the exhibit, the Golden Pollinators go missing. But no need to fear. Sherlock Chauncey, the world's most famous gnome detective, takes on the case. Join Chauncey in investigating the crime scene. Look for clues that will reveal which plant is the thief. Can you solve the mystery of the Garden whodunit?

The BOOtanical Fall Festival runs **October 20 - 30**; days 9 - 5, nights 6 - 9. Get timed entry tickets beforehand at Red Butte Garden.

Pioneer Memorial Theatre



PMT's third performance of the 2022-2023 season is ***A Christmas Story, The Musical.***

What will it take to get the model air rifle of your dreams for Christmas? The classic holiday tale is as warm and appealing as it was the first time you saw it. Free tickets for emeriti become available on **November 21**. Performances run December 9 - 24.

News Notes

In Memoriam

Haomei (Jessica) Kuo, April 9, 1945 – September 26, 2022, wife of Wen Kuo, Sociology

If you learn of the death of an emeritus member or emeritus spouse, please contact ryckluthi@msn.com so that we can honor their passing. The date of death and college department would be helpful. The passing of other University friends and colleagues is noted on the Alumni Association web page at <https://bit.ly/35H63oF>

Looking for the parking map?

You can find it on the Emeritus Club web site, <https://emeriti.utah.edu> under "Emeriti Benefits".

Worth attending

Linda Keiter draws attention to the talk given by Jon Jarvis, former NPS Director, on **October 20**. Check the SJ Quinney College of Law web site for more details.

Natural History Museum of Utah

The vast metropolis of Angkor, now shrouded by jungle, was once the center of one of the world's greatest empires. Enormous monuments to the gods, such as the temple of Angkor Wat, once towered over sprawling cities made of wood, which over the centuries, have vanished.

The reasons for the precipitous decline of Angkor and the Khmer people have challenged scientists. Thanks to new advances in science and technology — including ground excavations, aerial mapping, and modern remote sensing — we are finally coming to terms with the vast scope and accomplishments of this once-mighty empire.

Exhibit opens **October 22**.

Hallelujah!

The **University Chorus** is next up. Be sure to attend the December luncheon in order to hear and see the award-winning choral group perform its holiday concert. (Note the change in day: **Wednesday, December 7th.**)

CAMPUS SCENES

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November 8th Luncheon Menu

ENTREES

Options

Glazed ham with brown sugar pineapple glaze

or

Stuffed portobello

or

Fruit plate with cottage cheese

Apple cranberry salad

ACCOMPANIMENTS

Roasted yams

Brussels sprouts

Rolls and fruit bread with butter

Pumpkin pie

Ice water with lemon

Coffee and tea service

LUNCHEON RESERVATION and DUES PAYMENT FORM

Voluntary Dues for 2022-23: \$12/Single, \$24/Couple

Luncheon payment due November 1. Attendees should be in seats by 12:00.

To pay by credit card: <https://umarket.utah.edu/um2/uuemeriticlub/product.php?product=1>

Please use the dropdown menu to select your meal choice. If you plan on bringing a spouse/guest, be sure to update the quantity box to "2", and fill out the info for your guest's lunch selection.

Name _____

Ham ____ Portobello ____ Fruit Plate ____

Spouse/Partner _____

Ham ____ Portobello ____ Fruit Plate ____

Guest(s) _____

Ham ____ Portobello ____ Fruit Plate ____

Email: _____

Number attending @ \$20 each _____

Luncheon \$ _____

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Dues \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Please check here _____ if this is your first luncheon as a new member.

If paying by check, make out the check to *Professors Emeriti Club* and send to:

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