



KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

RETIREES ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



Welcome!

The Kennesaw State University Retirees Association (KSURA) is excited to welcome you to a new year. In this newsletter you will find:

- a recap of the recent Holiday Gathering held in December
- upcoming events
- pictures from our trip to the Marietta campus for the Mechatronics Lab tour
- information about the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)

We hope you find this newsletter helpful and we encourage you to attend any and all events that match your interests. KSURA events are open to ALL retirees, regardless of whether you are a member. Attending an event will give you the opportunity to learn something new as well as catch up with your fellow KSU/SPSU retirees!

Find us on Facebook -

<https://www.facebook.com/kennesaw.retirees>



[Click here to register for the Biennial Reunion](#)

Holiday Gathering 2025

KSU Golden Owls gathered to celebrate the holiday season in December. We had a great turnout and lots of fun! Here are a few of the pictures. You can see more photos online at <https://www.kennesaw.edu/retirees/news-events.php> then click on "Photo Gallery" under "Quick Links"



March Colloquium

The March Colloquium will feature Gail Tverberg of the Casualty Actuarial Society. Her topic is: "Energy and the Economy in 2026: A Game of Musical Chairs"?

When: **Tuesday, March 10**

Time: **11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

Location: **Town Point Bldg, Room 4750
Kennesaw Campus**

[Click here to register for the March Colloquium](#)

2026 Retirement Ceremony

The Retirement Ceremony for those retiring in the 2025-2026 year will be held on Wednesday, April 1. We welcome all current retirees to join in the ceremony to welcome the newest retirees to the next phase of their journey. We will hold the annual "Find Your Brick" event just before the Retirement Ceremony.

When: **Wednesday, April 1**

Time: **Find Your Brick - 9:30 A.M.**

Retirement Ceremony - 11:00 A.M.

Location: **Find Your Brick - Legacy Gazebo
Retirement Ceremony - KSU Center**

[Click here to register for this event](#)

Retirees Legacy Scholarship

Just a reminder that our KSU Retiree Legacy Endowed Scholarship will assist the children, grandchildren, or great grandchildren of KSU/SPSU retirees with educational expenses as they pursue their degrees at Kennesaw State University.

The fund currently has enough money to grant 5 scholarships of \$1,000 each. As we continue to collect donations and build the fund, we will be able to offer more scholarships and/or increase the amount offered.

Through donations and fundraising activities, we have provided scholarships to more than 50 KSU students who are children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren of former Kennesaw State University or Southern Polytechnic State University faculty or staff members.

We appreciate the contributions retirees have made to our scholarships! For more info and to donate, please go to our website and click on "[Scholarships.](#)"



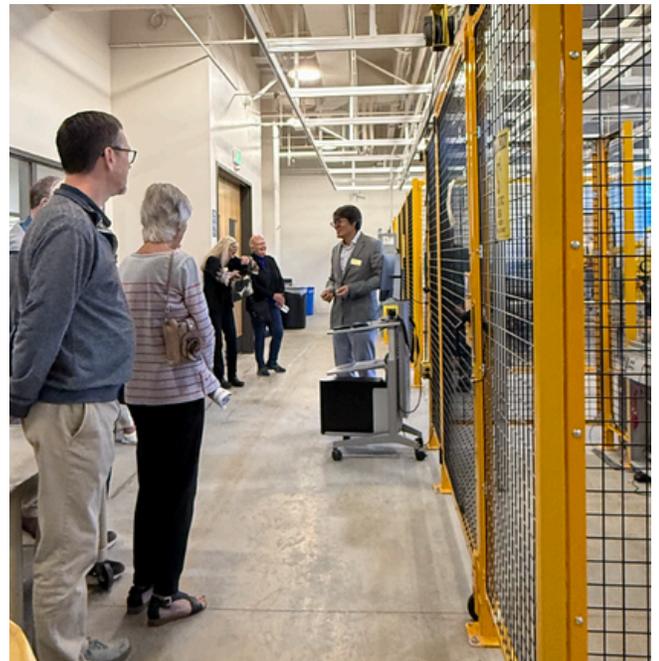
Retiree Resources

(Click the link to open that resource)

- [KSU Retirees Association](#)
- [Osher Lifelong Learning Institute \(OLLI\)](#)
- [KSU Fitness Center](#)
- [USG Retirees page](#)
- [AROHE](#) - Assoc of Retirement Organizations in Higher Ed
- [GA-HERO](#) - Georgia Assoc of Higher Ed Retiree Orgs

Robotics Lab Tour

Golden Owls toured the Robotics Labs on the Marietta campus in October to see the exciting developments the faculty and students of the Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering department are working on. Many thanks to Dr. Yusun Chang for the tour! There are more pictures on our website.



Reminder: The KSU Retirees Association supports **CARE Services** by accepting donations at all KSU Retirees Association events. You can visit the [CARE Campus Pantry page here](#), to see what items are needed for the pantry and a link to their Amazon wishlist.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) offers educational and social opportunities for adults age 50 and older. With a purpose to promote lifelong learning and continued intellectual and personal growth for retirement-age individuals, OLLI has become the place for fun, interactive learning in a safe and encouraging environment.



Join the KSURA

The Kennesaw State University Retirees Association provides opportunities for all former KSU and SPSU employees to stay connected to one another and the University. The Retirees Association Steering Committee provides guidance and input for event planning, coordinates volunteer service in support of the University, and serves as a forum to advocate for the retired faculty and staff population. For more information, go to our website and click on "[About Us](#)".

Curriculum draws from the interests, talents, and experiences of older adult learners. Academic courses are college-level (without the homework, term papers, and tests), and cover everything from personal computers to fitness for life and visual arts. Social activities include various gatherings for dinner, laughter, entertainment, and travel.

OLLI offers discounts for KSU Retirees. Here are the specifics:

- 100% discount given for classes priced less than \$500
- 50% discount for classes priced \$500 or more
- \$400 discount for online classes offered through vendors Ed2Go Careers; retirees pay the actual vendor cost for online classes offered through vendor Ed2Go.
- Eligible for access to the OLLI Club Room at no charge (must register); OLLI trips and socials must be paid for and are not free.
- Discount can only be applied to the KSU Retiree and is not transferable to any other family members. KSU retirees must wait to register until one day prior to the class start date (does not apply to online classes).

For the latest catalog of courses or more information:

<https://cpe.kennesaw.edu/olli/>



Your Golden Owls Newsletter

The KSU Retirees Association Golden Owls Newsletter is for you. Please let us know what features you would like to read about, information you would find helpful, and suggestions you may have for us. You can send your comments to retirees@kennesaw.edu, and they will be shared with the Newsletter Committee.

Photos!

You can see photos from past events by going to our website: kennesaw.edu/retirees, then click on "News and Events", then click on "Photo Gallery" under "Quick Links".

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