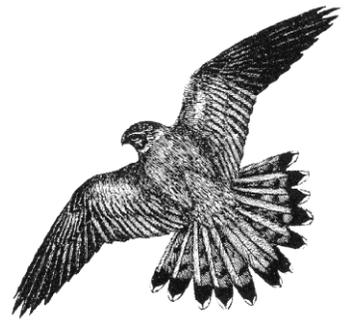


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THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA RETIREES ASSOCIATION



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## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

### Discover Electronic Resources Nov. 9

Is there an e-reader in your life? Is Mango\* just a fruit? Do you know the 21st century library? The answers may surprise you. On **Wednesday November 9, at 10:30 a.m., Iowa City Public Library Room A**, Iowa City Public Library staff will answer these questions and highlight the use of various library electronic resources, such as:

- Downloadable ebooks and eaudio
- Instructions for downloading to Nooks, Kindles, iPads
- Resources for downloading permanent free books from collections such as the Gutenberg project (and many more)
- Online learning tools, such as Mango\*
- Searchable premium databases available at the ICPL
- Classes available for using ICPL electronic resources

\***Mango** is an interactive language instruction that teaches foreign language conversation and cultural awareness. It's so fast and easy that you'll be able to have a conversation in minutes, just in time for that big trip you're taking!

### Schedule for Senior College

The Senior College will have another exciting lineup of courses for Spring 2012. Watch for the schedule in the January issue of *The Gray Hawk*, or look at the webpage at <http://www.iowalum.com/srcollege/> where the new schedule will be posted when available.

### UIRA Events Coming for January

The Program Committee is now working on UIRA programs for the coming months. As has been customary, no UIRA programs have been scheduled for December. Watch for details of the January program in the next issue of *The Gray Hawk* newsletter, to be published late in December for delivery around January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### No Retiree Benefits Meeting

The health and dental enrollment period will be open until November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The University has sent retirees a summary of health plans and a list of rates for 2012. Although there will be an increase in premium rates, there are no changes in UI health benefits for the 2012 year (except that wigs needed as a result of cancer treatments are now covered under Durable Medical Equipment). Because there are no changes in benefits, UI Director of Benefits Richard G. Saunders will not meet with retirees. He has, however, agreed to meet with a small group of UIRA and Emeritus Faculty Council leadership. Please send any questions you have or issues you would like us to raise in that meeting to Nancy Williams, [nancy-williams@uiowa.edu](mailto:nancy-williams@uiowa.edu) or Ken Kuntz, [ken-kuntz@uiowa.edu](mailto:ken-kuntz@uiowa.edu)

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**Deadline for January *Gray Hawk* Copy** The deadline for submitting items for the January 2012 issue of the *Gray Hawk* is Monday, December 20. Please send them to E. Ann Ford by regular mail at 10 Forest Glen, Iowa City, IA 52245, or via e-mail to [e-ann-ford@uiowa.edu](mailto:e-ann-ford@uiowa.edu).

**Let Us Know If You Move, Or Change E-mail or Phone No.** Have you moved, or do you have a new e-mail address or phone number? The UIRA needs your help in keeping your postal and e-mail addresses and phone number current so we can keep you informed of program announcements and other relevant information. If you have moved or changed e-mail addresses or phone numbers, please notify the UIRA Membership Chair, Ruth Dawson, by regular mail at 2601 Hickory Trail, Iowa City, IA 52245 or by e-mail at [rdawson@inav.net](mailto:rdawson@inav.net).

**Visit UIRA Web Page Frequently** Be sure to visit the UIRA web page – <http://www.uiowa.edu/~uira> -- frequently. It is a valuable resource for our members. The **News and Events** page contains listings of current events and important announcements. The **Resources** page has links to other useful web sites and perks available to UI Retirees. Also included are copies of back newsletters, officers, bylaws, current program information, answers to many of your questions, and more.

## Please Welcome the Following New UIRA Members

Roy Justis  
Rita Justis  
Medicine, UIHC

Journalism  
Family

Nancy Ridenour  
Ophthalmology