



Summer has officially arrived! We hope you are enjoying the warm temperatures. While you're sitting poolside, please take a few minutes to catch up on the latest [campus news](#) and [calendar of events](#)!

Save the Date

Planning is currently underway for upcoming events open to ALL retirees and their guests. We hope you will join us for the following:

- **Bells, Books and Bites** –Friday, August 4th, 10:30 a.m. ~ Special OU Chronicles and history presentation, followed by lunch and concert by the Elliott Tower Carillon. Stay tuned!
- **OU Night at Comerica Park** - Wednesday, August 9th, 7:00 p.m. game time. Group transportation from OU to Comerica Park to watch the Tigers take on the Pirates. More information to follow!
- **Homecoming 2017 Pioneer Club Brunch** - Friday, October 13th, 10:00 a.m. in the Oakland Center. Watch for your invitation by mail in August!

Group Lunches

The Pioneer Club meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. at Nick's Country Oven in Rochester (Adams and Silverbell). These lunches are very casual, so please stop by when your schedule permits.

Golden Opportunity

Do you have a great idea for a future Pioneer Club event? The planning committee needs your help! The group meets on a monthly basis to discuss campus happenings as well as organize activities for Pioneer Club members. If you are interested in joining the planning committee or would like more information, email oupioneerclub@oakland.edu or call (248) 370-4325.

Campus Update

Earlier this month, OU's Board of Trustees voted unanimously to appoint Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, M.D., as its president, beginning July 1st. Pescovitz will become Oakland University's seventh

president, succeeding George W. Hynd, who is completing a three-year term. [Click here](#) to read the full story.

Newsworthy

Laura Schartman, director of the Office of Institutional Research, is the recipient of the 2017 Outstanding Administrative Professional Award. Recognized for her tireless dedication and commitment to the growth and success of Oakland, Schartman is a two-time OU alumna and 40-year employee of the University. To read more about Schartman's well-deserved recognition, [click here](#).

The First-Destination Survey Report, produced by OU's Office of Career Services, shows positive trends for recent OU graduates in the job market and other post-graduation endeavors. The survey revealed a 92% placement rate, which was the highest in eight years. [Click here](#) to view highlights of the report in a detailed infographic.

Pioneer Profile

Art historian [Janice Schimmelman](#) gives us a glimpse into her busy post-retirement life.

By: Gerry Coon

Gerry Palmer Coon served as administrative assistant and adjunct faculty member in the School of Education and Human Services from 1971 to 1991. She retired after eleven years as co-editor of Rochester OPC's (Older Persons' Commission) quarterly publication, Vintage Views, and is a member of the Pioneer Club.

Pioneer Profile is a feature that appears monthly in the Pioneer Club eNewsletter. If you are interested in being profiled or sharing suggestions on fellow retirees to showcase, please provide your contact information and details to us at oupioneerclub@oakland.edu.

Please [click here](#) for this month's pioneer profile.

Upcoming Events

Summer Carillon Concert Series

Fridays at 6:00 p.m., June 23rd - July 28th

Elliott Tower, free admission

[Click here for more info!](#)

Pioneer Club Event: Books, Bites and Bells

Friday, August 4th 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Kresge Library, Elliott Tower (weather permitting)

Invites coming via mail early-July

Pioneer Club Event: OU Night at Comerica Park

Wednesday, August 9th, game time 7:10 p.m.

Round trip transportation

Invites coming via mail late-June

Pioneer Club Event: Retiree Homecoming Brunch

Friday, October 13th 10:00 a.m. Oakland Center

Invites coming via mail in August

About the Pioneer Club

The purpose of the Oakland University Pioneer Club is to provide social and educational opportunities to OU retirees and their spouses. It is our hope that this group will serve as a way for you to reconnect with former colleagues as well as maintain a relationship with OU. As a retiree, you remain a valued member of the university community.

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