



# UTHRO

The University of Texas Houston Retiree Organization



## The *EVERGREEN* Newsletter

### August Event

*Ice Cream Social, August 13*



UTHRO will be having an Ice Cream Social on August 13, 2025 from 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the Rio Grande Room in OCB. This is a great chance to fraternize with other UTHRO members and splurge on your diet with Yummy Ice Cream.



Also, Diane Bagby will make a Presentation on Identity Theft and Scams. It will be very informative and something that we all have to deal with.

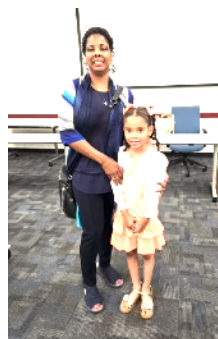
Please RSVP to Janice Thomas by August 6 at [uthro@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:uthro@uth.tmc.edu).

There is no cost and parking will be validated.

Please bring your loose change for the Endowment Jar.

### Bingo for the Endowment

I was out of town and it looks like I missed a good event. UTHRO provided a salad bar for the



members, who then played Bingo to raise money for our Endowment Awards.

Hope you can join us in August for our next Event!

*Photos by Henny van Dijk*

## Remembering Margaret



Margaret Zambrano passed away on June 25, 2025. After her retirement, she was the Treasurer for UTHRO and an integral part of our organization. Here are some memories from her friends.

My immediate reaction when I met Margaret and Oscar was one of an exuberant full of life persona that was a whirlwind of good vibrations. She was a very friendly person who was extremely photogenic and an easy poser when I would be trying to get pictures at events. At the last Cinco de Mayo event my wife and I attended (2024) she gave Joke a head tiara that made her look beautiful. My thoughts are with Oscar and her family. May her memory be a blessing.

*Memory of Henny van Dijk*

Margaret began her journey at UTHealth Houston in the Capital Assets Management department in 1990. From day one, she was a whirlwind of energy and determination. Her mind was always in high gear, leaning into problems with purpose and foresight. Margaret had a rare gift for anticipating needs before they were spoken, and you could always count on her to have your back. She was the kind of person you could entrust with your job, your family, even your life. Fiercely protective and unwavering in her convictions, Margaret never backed down when it came to supporting the people she loved—and she was never to be underestimated.

Her loyalty ran deep, and she was a constant source of encouragement to anyone lucky enough to be within her orbit. Family was everything to her. She was the most genuinely positive and optimistic person I've ever known. With Margaret, nothing felt impossible.

I will always be thankful that God brought Margaret into my life. Her absence will be felt every single day.

*Memory from Bonnie Geppert*

From the beginning Margaret accepted me as part of the Asset Management family. She presented a role of mothering the department. She is very determined in all that she does. We shared many family stories. I received comfort and advice many times from her wisdom as a mother and friend. I will truly miss her.

*Memory from Lavone Moore*

## Travels in Greece



In Plaka, Crete

In the fall of 2024, my husband and I enjoyed a tour of Athens, Greece, plus some time on a small ship on the Aegean and Mediterranean Seas. We fell in love with the friendly people of Greece! All our lives, we'd heard about the history of Greece, the art and archeology, the sunny climate--and even the food and wine of Greece. All of these surpassed our expectations.

Greece, a land steeped in history, is surrounded by stunning natural beauty. With its striking landscapes, delectable cuisine, rich artistic heritage, and remarkable archaeological sites, Greece invites visitors to explore. The natural beauty of Greece is nothing short of breathtaking. From the rugged coastlines with the deep blue waters of the Mediterranean to the Peloponnese to the idyllic islands, the scenery is captivating. Mountainous terrain covers most of the country.



Greek cuisine is a celebration of flavors and ingredients that reflect the country's rich agricultural heritage. The flavors of traditional Greek cuisine and excellent wines create unforgettable dining experiences. Savoring a traditional Greek salad, bursting with ripe tomatoes, crisp cucumbers, olives, and feta

cheese, one can appreciate the simplicity and quality of locally sourced ingredients. The grilling of

marinated meats, particularly souvlaki or lamb, fills the air with tantalizing aromas, while seafood caught that day, paired with a drizzle of olive oil, showcases the Mediterranean diet's health benefits. We enjoyed a half-day food tour in Athens, taking us through markets filled with fresh fish, meats, fruits, vegetables and more. Greece is renowned for its wines—Retsina, an aromatic white, and robust reds—which offer delightful pairings that enhance the culinary experience. Ouzo, Greece's national drink, is a clear, anise-flavored liqueur. Poured over ice, it turns opaque. I found it to be a cool and tasty aperitif!

The artistic legacy of Greece is rich and profound, with a heritage rooted in ancient traditions and cultural expressions. From the fine sculptures of classical antiquity to the vibrant frescoes adorning ancient ruins, the beauty of Greek art is showcased throughout the country. The Acropolis of Athens, a UNESCO World Heritage site, stands as a monumental testament to ancient architectural



genius, with the Parthenon commanding awe and reverence.

*Richard Bebermeyer*

## Roger Bulger

Roger Bulger MD, 2nd President of UTHealth Houston, passed away June 23. He brought a number of firsts to UTHSC-H, like “Monday Morning” by Joe Sigler (a UTHRO member) and the “Red” Duke TV reports.

If you want to read his obituary, follow this [link](#).

*From Henny van Dijk*

### UTHRO OFFICERS 2025

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