Dear Retirees,

 I wish to share with you a delightful event my wife Sharon and I enjoyed today in downtown Dayton. It is the “Mid-Day Arts Café,” today featuring the DCDC – the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company.

 This company was founded in 1968 by the late Jeraldyne Blunden and is now in its 46th year. They performed selections from four recent works in the Schuster Performing Arts Center’s Wintergarden.

 The cost was $15 person, but that was for a box lunch, today featuring a choice of one of eight different sandwiches, plus a small salad, a desert cake, potato chips, and a drink.

 The hour-long program is from noon to one o’clock, but attendees are encouraged to arrive by 11:30 am to enjoy lunch with friends or friendly-strangers. We sat with a group of singers from “Musica” who will perform here next month.

 I bought my tickets online only this morning. I printed a receipt but my name was on the official list when I arrived and the box lunch was ready to pick up.

 Finding the proper website was made very easy by going to our Retirees website [www.wright.edu/retirees-association]. Once there, choose Resources, Community, Ticket Center Stage, and April 18. There you will see information about Musica, Dayton’s Chamber Chorale and you can purchase your tickets.

 Today’s program by DCDC was truly outstanding. The dancers are professionals who have come to Dayton from around the United States, and one from the Virgin Islands. Only one dancer was a Dayton native and she from Centerville. DCDC founder Jeraldyne Blunden taught dance classes at Wright State in the late 1960’s, and I had the privilege of serving on her board of directors.

 If you are not familiar with this delightful Mid-Day Arts Café series, here is the total program for 2014-2015. Two events remain for this season.

 Join us, won’t you?

**Abe Bassett**

**Performances of the Mid-Day Arts Cafe:**     Victoria Theatre Association Season Opener
          - Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center
     Dayton Performing Arts Alliance: Dayton Philharmonic
          - Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center
     Dayton Performing Arts Alliance: Dayton Ballet
          - Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Wintergarden - Schuster Center
     The Muse Machine: Annual Musical Preview
          - Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center
     The Zoot Theatre Company
          - Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center
     Dayton Performing Arts Alliance: Dayton Opera
          - Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center
     Dayton Contemporary Dance Company
          - Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Wintergarden - Schuster Center
**Musica - Dayton's Chamber Choir**
          - Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center
**The Human Race Theatre Company**
          - Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 12:00pm (Sign-In at 11:30am)
            Mathile Theatre - Schuster Center