Dr. Albert Kipa joined the Muhlenberg College faculty in the fall of 1966 as an instructor of language, literature and culture courses in German and Russian. Today, on the threshold of retirement, he is Muhlenberg's first Professor Laureate, Saeger Professor of Comparative Literature and former Head of the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures.

As a scholar, Professor Kipa specializes in Germano-Slavic literary and cultural relations, has been the recipient of Fulbright, NEH and IREX research grants, and is the author, co-author or editor of studies (books, articles) and reviews in his field. He has held leadership positions in several professional organizations and has lectured at regional, national and international conferences held at major U.S. universities and cities as well as in Bonn, Freiburg, Mainz, Munich, Toronto, Prague, Rome, Kiev, Lviv, Moscow and Warsaw.

**PROGRAM**

Light hors d’oeuvres

Greetings from the Chair of the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures

Dr. Joan F. Marx

Remarks

Dr. Franz Birgel

Poem

Read by Professor Marita Reeder

Promotion of Dr. Albert Kipa to Professor Laureate of Comparative Literature, Emeritus

Dr. Luba Iskold

Dr. Joan F. Marx
Guest List

Guest of Honor: Albert Kipa and wife Oksana

Fulvia Alderiso
Carey Birgel
Flor Maria Buitrago
Jack Cobbs
Terry Collings
Patricia DeBellis
Fatma El-Turky
Luba Iskold
Margarete Lamb-Faffelberger
Joan Marx
Eileen McEwan
Amelia Moreno
Eduardo Olid
John Pearce
Camille Qualtere
Marita Reeder
Vera Stegmann
Erika Sutherland
Linda Wirth
Hans Wuerth
Santa Zanchettin
Ruth Ziedonis

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Ilana Levy
Edward McDonald
Paul McEwan
Jose Moreno
Bonnie Pearce
Rado Pribic
John Ramsay
Ludwig Schlecht
Pamela Stilin
Mirna Trauger
Kathryn Wixon
Olimdo Zanchettin
Arvids Ziedonis
Zigrda Ziedonis

Celebrating in absentia:

John Brunner
Anne Losq

Tiffany Kreider
Abby Wiener

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Retirement Dinner for Dr. Albert Kipa

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