PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

John Edmond

A sincere welcome to all emeriti as we begin the 2012-2013 academic year. This year we celebrate the 45th anniversary of the founding of the UCLA Emeriti Association, the first Emeriti Association in the UC system. In the spring 2002 newsletter, the Archivist at that time, Norah E. Jones, wrote a comprehensive article entitled “Let us now praise famous men (and a few women)” on the founding of the Association. The effort began in late 1966 and was completed at the end of June 1967 with permission from the Chancellor’s Office to include UCLA in the title of the organization. Reprinted by request in this newsletter is the full text of the article.

Currently the Association has about 900 members who continue to distinguish themselves in retirement by their contributions to the Academic Mission of the University. The achievements of emeriti are well documented by Charles Berst in the Bio-bibliographic Surveys that are conducted at regular intervals. A new survey is to be initiated this academic year (see article by Charles Berst in this Newsletter).

For this academic year annual membership dues remain at $12.50 per person with eligibility for honorary membership, without dues, at age 85 years.

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Arline Zuckerman (Librarian) joins the Archives Committee, Chair Ralph Johnson.

Michael Allen (English) and Abdelmonem Afifi (Public Health) join the Committee on Bio-bibliography Surveys, Chair Charles Berst.

Susan French (Law) and David Lopez (Sociology) join the Emeriti Welfare Committee, Chair Charles West.

Lena Lofstedt and John Edmond join the Hospitality Committee, Chair Gloria Turner.

Carol Pateman (Political Science) and Richard Weiss (History) join the Newsletter Committee as Assistant Editors, Chair and Editor Jean Aroeste.

Dan Mitchell (Anderson Graduate School of Management and Luskin School of Public Affairs) joins the Committee on University and Public Relations, Chair Charles Berst.

Barbara Sinclair (Political Science), Betty Chang (Nursing) and
Steve Cederbaum join the Program Committee, Chair Eric Fonkalsrud.

This year the title of Research Professor can be conferred on UCLA emeriti who have continued a high level of Research and Scholarship after retirement. The final step in its approval, with policy and procedures to facilitate its implementation, was developed by the office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel. Charles West is to be congratulated for his dedication and perseverance over the years in support of the introduction of the Research Professorship position.

The decision not to place the proposed Hotel and Conference Center at the same location of the Faculty Center allowed the leadership of the Faculty Center to continue in their established tradition for its fine dining facilities and as a place for meetings, banquets and conferences. The Faculty Center has many constraints; it was approved by the Regents over 50 years ago and is a private club. The University considers the Faculty Center to be a unit on campus similar to other units because it is built on land that belongs to the University, thus subject to a facilities oversight on any major structural alterations such as a complete major roof repair. This involvement means that a premium charge (equivalent to an overhead payment) is made on top of the estimated dollar amount for the job by a licensed contractor following competitive bidding. This may result in the cost to the Faculty Center being beyond its reach. In addition to faculty, the emeriti are a group long accustomed to their visible Faculty Center. It is my opinion that the Faculty Center needs our financial support now, more than ever before. In this respect I would hope that at the time of your giving to charities and other groups you support, that you consider giving to the Faculty Center. Donations can be made to the UCLA Foundation on its behalf. The link to make a donation can be found on the first page of the Faculty Center’s WEB page as follows: “A tax-deductible contribution can be made at their secure giving page http://giving.ucla.edu/FacultyCenter.

On September 12th 2012 a Regent’s panel approved a “UCLA Hotel and Conference Center” to be located on the campus. Subsequently, on Thursday September 13th the full Board of the Regents voted to approve UCLA’s plan to build, at a central location, a 250-room hotel and conference center on campus near the Morgan Center and Bruin Statue.

On Saturday September 8th 2012 the 14th Annual Emeriti and Retirees Picnic was held at the UCLA Lab School Courtyard (Seeds Campus) from 11 am until 3 pm. Wonderful weather, excellent food, (the frozen vanilla yogurt was particularly delicious), and games that involved door prizes, lotto and a live band were available for entertainment. The attendance was 112 members and guests and the seating arrangement at tables in the shade allowed ample opportunity for conversation among friends and new acquaintances. Orchestrating the picnic was Eddie Murphy, Director of the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center with the able assistance of her colleagues and many assistants. On Wednesday September 19th the celebration of the 45th anniversary of the founding of the UCLA Emeriti Association was held in the Faculty Center from 11:30 am until almost 2 pm. Large circular tables were arranged round the California room to allow attendees to partake from a selection of food set out buffet style. There was ample opportunity for those attending to move around and engage in conversation and to socialize for much of the time. In all there were five mini-presentations. Director Eddie Murphy introduced to those present 8 former presidents of the UCLA Emeriti Association’s Board (out of 17 that are alive and well today). In attendance were Eric Fonkalsrud (2011-2012), Paul Sheats (2009-2010), Charles West (2008-2009), Bob Scott (2007-2008), Seymour Feshbach (2005-2006), Charles Berst (2002-2003), Bernice Wenzel (1994-1995) and Eugene Stern (1993-1994). Bernice Wenzel talked about the key events that took place when the Association was founded, indicating those emeriti primarily responsible, and the important issues dealt with over the period up to her assuming the position of President. The next presentation was given by President-elect Steve Cederbaum who envisioned a variety of possible scenarios that would expand the capability of the Association that would be expected to enhance the recruitment of emeriti, particularly those who attained emeritus status over the last 3 to 4 years. His understanding was that the Association should be much more proactive in their approach to recruitment. Carole Goldberg, Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel talked about the importance of the emeriti to UCLA and how they are active on campus in contributing to all areas of the Academic Mission. She concluded that the ever decreasing support from the State would make it difficult to sustain the educational opportunities on campus. She forecast

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that a greater role by emeriti in support of UCLA’s teaching mission would make a significant contribution to academic goals. Professor Emeritus Paul Sheats presented material on his launch of the Emeriti Mentoring Program (geared toward undergraduates). A new website is up and running at http://www.errc.ucla.edu/mentoring. Paul seeks to recruit emeriti mentors for this program. Please contact Paul Sheats at his e-mail: sheats@humnet.ucla.edu to become a mentor on his program.

The ad-hoc committee on recruitment issues is to be chaired by Professor Emeritus Fred Eiserling with committee members Charles Buchanan, Betty Chang, Joaquin Fuster, Archie Kleingartner, Barbara Sinclair, and one more emerita to complete the membership.

It is my pleasure to work with Director Eddie Murphy from the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center. I greatly appreciate her dedication, encouragement and wise counsel on all items important to emeriti and to the Board. Eddie and her associates Maria Lubrano and Jonathan Bates work as a team in support of the Association.

I hope to see you at one of the upcoming emeriti events detailed in this newsletter.

FREEDOM SONG: A MUSICAL PLAY ABOUT ADDICTION AND RECOVERY

Freedom Song, an uplifting 45 minute original musical play, was written and will be performed by staff, residents and alumni of Beit T’Shuvah, a West LA addiction recovery facility on Wednesday, November 14th. Beit T’Shuvah has helped hundreds of addicts who have lost their way to live decent and productive lives. In the play, one addict tries to return for a Passover seder to the family that had cast her out, while another group of addicts gathers for an AA 12-Step meeting. Through the intertwined stories, we see the universal struggle of those who are enslaved to become free. Each performance is different, as the performers' stories are their own. Beit T'Shuvah has performed Freedom Song all across the country. This is a powerful and emotional program, so you might wish to bring a handkerchief. As time permits, cast members will welcome a short Q&A with the audience after the play concludes.

"Love the music, be inspired, comforted, and educated by heartfelt stories of addiction and recovery”

An informal reception will begin at 4:45 in the west section of the main dining room of the Faculty Center with dinner served at 6:00. The musical program will begin at 7:15.

Reservation forms should be returned promptly. Non-members may attend as guests of members. For further information please call the ERRC office at (310) 825-7456.

AFTER LUNCH PROGRAMS

After-lunch programs will be held on Thursdays in the Hacienda Room of the Faculty Center. An informal reception with light refreshments will begin at 1:00 p.m. The presentations begin at 1:30 and will allow opportunity for questions and discussion.

December 6, 2012: Vice Chancellor Thomas Rice, Professor, Department of Health Services, UCLA School of Public Health.
“U.S. Health Policy: Prospects After Recent Elections”

Professor Rice is a health economist, having received his doctorate in Economics from UC Berkeley. His research focuses on problems inherent in competition and markets in health care. He has conducted studies on how large numbers of Medicare prescription drug plans affects the quality of choices made by Medicare beneficiaries. Author of The Economics of Health Care Reconsidered, Third Edition. He was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences in 2006.

Professor Rice discussed health care reform for us in 2008. Since then we have seen major events, including the election of President Obama, the belabored passage of the Affordable Care Act, hailed as a major accomplishment by some, despised by others as “Obamacare” and leading to Republican victories in 2010, the Supreme Court decision on the Act, and now the heated debates on health care as we approach the 2012 presidential election. Many of the issues which Professor Rice raised in 2008 are still with us, but in different forms: (a) the goal of universal coverage, (b) cost containment during huge deficits, (c) the future of Medicare, (d) the goal of improved quality and efficiency, (e) questions of financing.

We would expect Professor Rice to help us understand such issues and give a sense of what we might expect in the future. There will also be two discussants: Professor Gerald Kominski (Public Health) and Professor Allison Hoffman (School of Law).

January 10, 2013: Professor Emeritus, Francis Chen, Department of Electrical Engineering “How Fusion Power Can Save the Planet”

Frank Chen has been UCLA Professor of Electrical Engineering since 1969 and is still very active as Professor Emeritus. A graduate of Harvard University, Chen was hired in 1954 for Princeton University’s Project Matterhorn, which conducted fusion research for domestic energy production. He was the first to show that electrons could be trapped for millions of transits, a discovery that advanced the field of plasma fusion.

In his book and video “An Inconvenient Truth”, Al Gore raised the alarm on global warming, and climate scientists have confirmed that burning of fossil fuels is the main cause of this. In his 2011 book “An Indispensable Truth”, Prof. Emeritus Francis Chen showed that there is a solution to this problem, as well as that of our dependence on Mid-eastern oil, in an energy source called Hydrogen Fusion. This is the opposite of Fission, which we know as nuclear power. Instead of splitting large uranium atoms, fusion gets energy from combining hydrogen atoms into helium. Fusion is safe, and the fuel is found in water (H₂O), so there will never be a shortage. Fusion power, however, is very hard to develop, since it means making a miniature sun on earth at a temperature of millions of degrees. Though solar and wind power are in the news, Frank notes that these are band-aid solutions that will not prevent future blackouts, and it is time people knew about fusion and support it. He will show how fusion works in simple terms and tell about the glamorous fusion machine ITER being built in France which will weigh as much as an aircraft carrier. Frank’s book has attracted such attention that he has been invited to give the plenary opening talk at the biennial Fusion Energy Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency of Vienna.

Eric Fonkalsrud, Chair Program Committee

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LET US NOW PRAISE FAMOUS MEN (AND A FEW WOMEN)

Reproduced from the Spring Newsletter of 2002

Thirty-five years ago this winter and spring, a number of then-recent emeriti whose names remain honored in UCLA legend came together and out of shared vision created the UCLA Emeriti Association, the first such group within the University of California. It is fitting indeed that we who continue to benefit so greatly by all that their innovative actions set in motion should take note of the anniversary and look back with appreciation on what they accomplished.

The earliest document in our Association archives is actually dated November 7, 1966, a few weeks before the main period we are commemorating. Headed “Call for Meeting” and signed “Stafford L. Warren, M.D., Professor of Biophysics, Emeritus,” it was sent to all emeriti then identified, and read in part:

This call is for a “dutch” lunch-
The meeting of all Emeriti from all disciplines on the U.C.L.A. campus. The date is November 22nd in the Faculty Center, Dining Room C, from 12 noon to 2:00 P.M. The luncheon cost of $2.08 can be paid at the meeting.

There has been sporadic discussion for several years about the need for some kind of an organization to more aggressively assist Emeriti who wish to continue their productive work in their chosen fields. This luncheon will provide an opportunity for a general discussion of this subject.

A good deal of information and experience has been accumulated by Vern Knudsen, Hosmer Stone, George Robbins, and other which might be useful in our considerations of what might be done to enable us all to be more productive and of whether or not a formal organization would be useful. Some of us believe that we have the makings collectively of a dynamic peer group, a powerful pool of talent which could have a considerable impact on our times in a variety of useful ways... Such an organization should be able to improve the stability and continuity of the opportunities which each Emeritus member may have...

This was followed by another general “Call” dated December 15 and now signed “Stafford L. Warren, M.D., ad hoc Planning Committee Secretary pro tem.” This report on the very positive results of the November 22 meeting, and introduces the familiar topic of office space, which we see has been of strong major concern since the outset:

The next meeting... will be Tuesday, January 10, 1967, at 12:45 P.M., in the Men’s Formal Lounge of the Faculty Center. Please be prompt so we may finish our discussions by 2:00 P.M.

Nineteen Emeriti met in the Faculty Center on November 22, 1966 for an informal discussion of ways and means of continuing to work in their chosen fields and to exchange information. It was agreed (1) to meet on January 10th for purposes of setting up a preliminary working organization to explore possible actions which might be useful at this time; (2) to invite others on campus to attend who are close to emeritus condition, for any extensive planning would be upon a long-term basis and would need their participation; (3) to explore with the Chancellor, before the next meeting, whether an active academic Emeritus organization would be acceptable and to obtain some guidelines from him about the procedures required to obtain University recognition of various types. Drs. Knudsen and Warren agreed to take on this assignment and will report at the January 10th meeting.

There was a very lively discussion of the needs for space and secretarial help and for better information on foreign programs. It seems that departmental policies on space allocations to their Emeriti varies greatly and, in any case, is somewhat “chancey” if outside support is absent or were to diminish. It is believed by some of us that permanent and official space and support can be obtained for original academic emeritus programs.

The minutes of the subsequent January 10 meeting document extraordinary progress. Attendance has increased to twenty-six, and included so many notable emeriti that their names should be recorded:

Meridian Ball (Microbiology)
Albert Bellamy (Biophysics)
Francis Blacet (Chemistry)
Helen (Mrs. Llewellyn) Boelter (Engineering)
Jesse Bond (Education)
Joseph Brandt (Journalism)
Milo Brooks (Pediatrics)
Dorothy Brown (Art)
Annita Delano (Art)
Yu-shan Han (History)
David Jackey (Education)
Marston Kimball (Agriculture)
Vern Knudsen (Physics)
Joseph Murdoch (Geology)
Orda Plunkett (Botany)
George Robbins (Business Administration)
G. Ross Robertson (Chemistry)
Daniel Rosenthal (Materials Science)
Feri Roth (Music)
Flora Scott (Botany)
Louis Slichter (Geophysics)
Hosmer Stone (Chemistry)
Olive Stone (Social Welfare)
Stafford Warren (Biophysics)
Carl Young (Kinesiology)
William Young (Chemistry)

Gathered at 12:45 p.m. in what is now called the California Room of the Faculty Center and with Vern Knudsen acting as convener, this broadly-based group in just over an
hour and half efficiently dispatched the essential business of bringing the Association into being. Stafford Warren reported that Chancellor Murphy, with whom he had spoken, “was sympathetic to the idea of an organization” of UCLA’s approximately 140 emeriti, and that equally positive preliminary reactions had been expressed by other campus administrators whom he and Vern Knudsen had approached. A Nominating Committee chaired by Flora Scott had been appointed in advance of the meeting, and their slate of Francis Blacet as President, George Robbins as Vice President, Max Dunn as Secretary/Treasurer, and Helen Boelter as Recording Secretary was unanimously approved. A temporary Steering Committee was named (consisting of Stafford Warren, Vern Knudsen, Joseph Brandt, Louis Slichter and Meridian Ball, with President Blacet ex officio) and charged with drawing up a Constitution and By-Laws to be presented and discussed at the next meeting. Always practical, the group agreed that the new Association should be self-supporting, and a token fee of $1.00 per person was then and there collected from those present. The new President having assumed the chair, this first meeting concluded with general discussion of such pertinent matters as purposes of the organization, eligibility for membership — and the ever-roiling topic of “space for working laboratories and secretarial and clerical help.”

The Steering Committee, to which Clifford Zierer (Geography) was quickly added, met in the Faculty Center under the energetic chairmanship of Stafford Warren on the next four Mondays (January 16, 23, 30 and February 6) and hammered out a draft of the initial version, dated 1966-1967, of the Constitution and By-Laws which have governed the Association’s activities ever since, needing only occasional adjustments to keep us in the step with changing times. At the January 23 meeting it was announced that Max Dunn would be unable to serve as Secretary/Treasurer and Meridian Ball was appointed to take his place. By February 10 President Blacet and the Steering Committee were ready to convene another general meeting. A “Call” for February 21 in the California Room was sent to all UCLA emeriti, together with a copy of the draft Constitution and By-Laws. At this meeting, which attracted a further number of newly-interested emeriti, the founding documents were thoroughly discussed, slightly amended and unanimously adopted. In accordance with the new Constitution, two elected Members at Large were authorized to be added to the Executive Board, positions immediately filled by Clifford Zierer and Raymond Moremen. The Association had become a functioning reality.

Throughout the spring activity accelerated, focused interestingly for us today, on matters still engaging our attention. The four original standing committees were appointed and set immediately to work. Membership, chaired by Homer Stone, began solicitation of dues in accordance with the structure prescribed in the By-Laws: $3.00 a year for single emeritus membership, $4.00 with spouse added, and $1.50 for a surviving spouse. (By year’s end in December, 111 paid members had been registered [73 emeriti, 16 spouses, 15 widows and 7 widows of men who had died in service], and the treasury held $275.94. A fugitive note from Secretary/Treasurer Meridian Ball plaintively asks, “Who put $3.00 in the name tag box?”) General Economic Welfare chaired by Vern Knudsen, followed up on a presentation made on February 7 by President Blacet to the Los Angeles Division of the Academic Senate on the serious need for automatic retirement allowance adjustments. This had resulted in a unanimously adopted Senate resolution. Gordon Ball (Biology), a member of this Emeriti Association Committee and also chairman of the statewide Committee on University [sic] Welfare, had spoken in support of the resolution and did much to help carry this urgent concern for improved COLAs to the statewide level. University and Public Relations, chaired by Stafford Warren, set about surveying research projects of emeriti and their space needs (foreshadowing our now well-established Biobibliographic Surveys), discussing housing problems and how they might be resolved, and making tentative efforts toward obtaining a national grant from the Commission on Aging in Washington D.C. to fund the establishment of an Emeriti Center “with University connections, providing services: phone, secretaries, conference space, laboratories, offices, help in obtaining grants, contracts, publications, etc. Opportunity would be created for continued service to the University and the nation.” And the Program Committee chaired by Leo Delsasso (Physics), scheduled talks on such topics as “Disposal of One’s Library and Files,” “Nursing Homes,” “Wills and Trusts,” and “General Survey of Social Secu-
rity and Medicare.”

By June it was felt that an official blessing from the Chancellor’s Office would be appropriate, and on June 26 President Blacet wrote in part to Chancellor Murphy:

A group of the retired faculty of our campus recently have organized the UCLA Emeriti Association. We are confident that this action has your endorsement. If the name we have chosen for our organization needs Regents’ approval we hope you will take the necessary steps to obtain this. Our interests pertain primarily to this campus, and we very much wish to have UCLA incorporated in our title. Enclosed is a copy our Constitution and By-Laws.

Three days later the following reply came back:

Dear Francis:

As Chancellor Murphy will be away from the campus for some weeks your letter for June 26 was referred to me. I am delighted – as I know the Chancellor will be – to learn of the formation of the Emeriti Association. The purpose of the Association as set forth are both worthy and realistic, and it should be a valuable addition to campus activities.

You may incorporate “UCLA” into the title of the organization. The matter does not require regental action, although I would not have anticipated any problem had the proposal been presented to the Board.

If there is any way that this office can be of assistance, please feel no hesitation in calling on us.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Young
Vice Chancellor

A remarkable eight months, all in all, from November 7, 1966 to June 29, 1967. We’d be hard pressed to replicate such an achievement today.

Norah E. Jones, Archivist
UCLA Emeriti Association

THE 2012 ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBIT

The Sylvia Weinstein UCLA Emeriti Arts and Crafts Exhibit had a great run on May 15, 2012 in the California Room of the Faculty Center.

The 2012 Featured Artist, Jack Willis, opened the show at the front of the California Room with his Marine paintings and visited with admirers. Jack held court there and spoke of the once great shipbuilding industry he remembered from earlier times on the River Clyde in Scotland.

Thirty-two artists expanded our consciousness with new original work. Nine of the artists were new to showing at the art show. President Eric Fonkalsrud led the way with his Bonsai. Nancy Cattell, Judith and Seymour Levin, Joyce Ludmer, Park Nobel, Paul Sheats, Geraldine Walter and Jay Zuckerman were fresh to the art show experience and made a rich showing richer. We hope that they return to show again this coming May.

An increase in the number of sculptors was noted, with photographers and painters represented at about the usual ratio. If you haven’t attended this event you are missing some startlingly strong and graceful work.

The traditional Champagne Toast to the Artists then led directly to a delightful buffet replete with some new and favored hot hors d’oeuvres. Tasters gave high marks to Ali Tabrizi’s dishes and his staff’s sensitive service.

The UCLA Emeriti Association with The Emeriti and Retiree Center sponsors the art show jointly. The Emeriti’s devoted donors generously supported the expenses of the event, as they have for so many years.

The Sylvia Weinstein Emeriti Arts and Crafts Committee is now planning for the Thirty-fifth arts show in May 2013. Watch for the Winter Newsletter with firm dates and fresh news for the premier celebration of the Emeriti year, the Sylvia Weinstein UCLA Emeriti Arts and Crafts Exhibit for 2013.

Noel Carterette, Chair
Arts & Crafts Committee
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THE DICKSON AND PANUNZIO AWARDS

With the new academic year starting, it is time for the emeriti to think about nominations for the Dickson and Panunzio awards. We wish to reward emeriti who continue their excellent scholarship after retirement from active service and in the case of the Panunzio, present our best to the rest of UC. Details of the application process can be obtained from David Miller or Pammela Adenika in the office of Vice Provost Christine Littleton. We urge you to nominate either yourselves or a colleague whom you think may be deserving.

Steven Cederbaum, Chair
Awards Committee
MEMBERSHIP DUES REMINDER

Have you become a new member or renewed your membership for the UCLA Emeriti Association (EA) this academic year? If you haven’t yet responded to our recent letter, don’t wait another day; use our membership form and return envelope. Our annual dues remain unchanged: $12.50 for one member or $25 per member and associate, covering a spouse, partner or significant other. For those of us who live in the greater Los Angeles area, EA has planned a year-long program of informative lectures and events, providing opportunities to keep in touch with UCLA colleagues.

For those at a distance, our quarterly Newsletter will bring news of old friends and information on issues of special concern. Join us and keep in touch with life at UCLA.

Joyce Pellerano Ludmer, Chair
Membership Committee

FACULTY CENTER UPDATE

The Faculty Center Governing Board will host a Reception for prospective new members on Wednesday, November 28, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the California Room. Those of you who are already members are urged to tell non-member colleagues and friends about this event. Guests will be treated to drinks and hors d’oeuvres, meet members of the FC Board of Governors, take a tour of the facility, and hear about plans to renovate the Center.

BOOK EXCHANGE

The Book Exchange is located at the Faculty Center Lounge where there is a Deposit Box to leave book donations and returned books. We ask for no more than 10 book donations at one time. This request is necessary to balance the work load, as every week all of the Emeriti volunteers have made time from their own schedule to help maintain order at the Book Exchange.

Located on one small table is a sign-in tally sheet to record donations or returns. For identification purposes please write in your Faculty Center number, emeritus/emerita and provide a legible signature.

In late June every year each book that has not been circulated for one calendar year is removed, the shelves cleaned and prepared for new donations as an improved selection awaits your reading pleasure.

The culling out resulted in over 600 books/paperbacks removed from our crowded stacks where the majority are allocated to the Young Research Library (YRL) Library Staff Association Book Sale and the remainder are donated to local charitable organizations.

Toshi Ashikaga, Chair
Book Exchange

SPRING MEETING OF UC EMERITI ASSOCIATIONS

The Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) gathered at UC Irvine on Wednesday, April 25, 2012. In the morning we met in joint session with the retirees’ associations. After a warm welcome from UCI, we heard Professor Frank LaFerla discuss Alzheimer’s disease and its future impact on the nation’s life and economy. He noted the rapid rise in Alzheimer’s among older Americans and the enormous and growing cost to the country. You can read his Newsletter, Mind Matters, at: www.mind.uci.edu.

We then heard reports from the Office of the President. The verification of employee dependents is proceeding rapidly, with half of UC retirees reporting. Paper checks will change appearance on July 1, as Wells Fargo takes over (this affects only those who do not receive direct deposit). The introduction of UC Path, a shared service center, will not affect the operations of the
UCOP Service Center, which will stay the same. It was noted that individual pension figures are open to the public. The President’s approval of the affiliation of Emeriti Associations with UC was noted and applauded. Liability insurance will now be provided for association officers by UC.

The Council of Emeriti Associations met in the afternoon. After officers’ reports, campus representatives described local initiatives, including a luncheon table for emeriti at UCI and a new mentoring program at UCB. We then discussed and approved a change in CUCEA Bylaws, for the first time specifying the composition of the Joint Benefits Committee. The UC President’s approval of the affiliation of emeriti associations was noted, as was the likely closure of some local UCOP service centers.

Our next meeting will be at UC Santa Cruz, on Hallowe’en. The significance of the date was not discussed.

Paul Sheats
CUCEA Representative

MONTHLY LUNCH WITH A BUNCH

If you happen to be in the Faculty Center for lunch on the first Wednesday of any month until June, you’ll be warmly welcomed at a table where at least several members of the Emeriti Association Board dine before their 1:30 p.m. meeting in Murphy Hall.

Commonly that table is the long one at either the northwest or southwest corner of the main dining room, depending on availability.

You’re welcome to join these fellow emeriti for any reason – for company, conviviality, consultation, curiosity, lobbying, information, or whatever (including food).

If participants desire, this could cordially evolve into an informal self-serve “emeriti lunch” on a monthly, weekly, or daily basis.

Chuck Berst
for the Association Board

MENTORS NEEDED AS NEW MENTORING PROGRAM OPENS

After a summer of preparation, the Emeriti Mentoring Program has begun. We’ve worked to reach students with informative flyers and an Open House in Rolfe Courtyard. Our bright new website, put together with the help of a talented web designer, now permits students to look over the program, to register online, and to make comments. Please take a look yourself, at www.errc.ucla.edu/mentoring/.

At present twenty students from different programs and different classes have expressed interest-- a number far larger than expected.

Now we hope to enroll emeriti to serve as mentors. That means meeting with a student for an hour once a month (or more often if desired) to talk about UCLA, the student’s academic program, and life beyond UCLA. In other words, to share our unique knowledge and experience in order to enrich a student’s life at UCLA.

Everyone who hears of this program exclaims, “What a good idea!” But putting it into practice depends on us, the UCLA emeriti.

Paul Sheats, Chair
Emeriti Mentoring Program

IN MEMORIAM

Harold Borko 1922-2012
Vernon E. Denny -2012
Robert Morgan Fink 1915-2012
Moses A. Greenfield 1915-2012
Julius “Bud” Glater 1920-2012
Hooshang Kangarloo -2012
Alexander Saxton 1919-2012
Russell Shank 1925-2012
Marian Sigman 1941-2012
Jay F. Watson 1940-2012

PROPOSITION 30 AND ITS IMPACT ON UCLA

There are many propositions on the ballot this year, but one stands out in its potential impact on us at UCLA and that is proposition 30. The emeriti association can do no better to inform you of its importance than quote a message sent out by Chancellor Block on September 06, 2012. “Much about our future
financial situation hinges on the outcome of California’s Proposition 30 during the November election. Importantly, the Regents have endorsed the passage of this proposition. Under the recently approved 2012-13 state budget, UC would have to cover a $100 million budget cut from 2011-12, which will be partially offset by $96 million in new funds. If Prop 30 fails, $250 million would be cut from this approved UC budget. In addition, UC will not receive $125 million in new funds in 2013-14 that were approved as part of this year’s budget. The stakes for UCLA are significant. The campus’ share of a $250 million budget cut this year would be $55 million, and we would forgo $22 million in new funds next year—a combined impact of $77 million. Certainly, the failure of Prop 30 would lead to significant hardship. UC President Mark Yudof has stated that it may be necessary to consider a substantial mid-year tuition increase should the proposition fail”. We reiterate—it is critical that you think carefully about this proposition and make sure that you cast your votes.

Steven Cederbaum

CHEERS FOR A NEW EMERITI SURVEY

With the assistance of diligent, self-sacrificing representatives on each campus, the Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) will shortly be conducting its eighth survey focusing on the varied University and professional activities of emeriti during the past three years.

In the interests of both UC and emeriti welfare, CUCEA earnestly hopes that most emeriti will respond to it, even briefly. Many will recall previous biennial surveys. This triennial version, the Council believes, may reduce “here we go again” feelings and be just as effective in nudging attention to emeriti as a major constituency increasingly valuable to UC and its campus communities.

Past surveys have been among CUCEA’s most worthwhile programs since the 1990s, as they cumulatively document the simple fact that increasing longevity of emeriti has led to an expanding constituency on every campus: gobs of gifted geezers galumphing for twenty or more senior years, literally half of another career for Type A personalities, scholars who, despite so-called “retirement,” continue to labor for the University and their specialties.

The University benefits not only from the prestige, experience, and professional expertise these souls bring to a broad range of services, but also from the fact (critical nowadays) that most emeriti service is gratis, making this cohort an outstanding UC resource and great bargain.

Emeriti, in turn, benefit from the pleasures of their activities and the reciprocity of a good retirement system. At UCLA, but unevenly on smaller campuses, reciprocities also appear in a four room emeriti and

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**Carry Forward from Previous Fiscal Year**  
$39,337.18

**Void Payments Returned to Account**  
24.24

**ENDING BALANCE**  
$37,793.88*

*Unaudited report as of August 31, 2012 reported to the Executive Board of the UCLA Emeriti Association

Jane Permaul
Treasurer
retirees center, emeriti offices and/or lab spaces, access to modest research grants and reasonable campus parking, plus an assortment of other campus perks.

Can reciprocities similar to these be promoted throughout the UC system? How, who, why, what, where, when? Who can tell?

Well, two years ago all 52 pages of CUCEA’s 2007-2009 Emeriti Survey report were forwarded to UC’s Regents as a singular bright light to compensate for gloom about sly legerdemain to rescue the Retirement System’s long-term viability.

So even up there who can tell?

Meanwhile, the Retirement System’s funding for current retirees appears secure, but its cost-of-living increases are tactically-brewed diet colas, bound to lose much weight (purchasing power) in the future until the Regents may or may not decide the System can afford to adjust matters. And medical costs are rising while UC’s support for them declines, leaving a balance payable, while on all campuses strapped budgets prompt pillagers to pitilessly pinch emeriti perks.

So for us as well as for all campuses the need for lively responses to the forthcoming survey appears to be as great as ever, and especially for the sake of many Happy New Years to come.

**Charles Berst**
*for CUCEA*

### HELP WANTED

The Archives Committee has three responsibilities. It maintains the records of the UCLA Emeriti Association, which are available for consultation as needed. It collects biographical material on the activities of UCLA Emeriti. When a death notice is received from the University, this material and other data collected by the Committee is sent to the UCLA Academic Senate Executive Office to be used in writing the University’s In Memoriam statements. The Archives Committee also maintains the records for the Council of University of California Emeriti Associations (CUCEA). The Archivist, Ralph Johnson, is a member of the UCLA Emeriti Association Executive Board and CUCEA. The other present member is Arline Zucker- man. We are looking for a third member to assist in these tasks who has an interest in archives.

*Ralph Johnson*
*Archivist*

### FROM THE CENTER

I want to especially welcome all new retired faculty who have joined the UCLA Emeriti Association. This newsletter highlights the many ways in which to stay connected to UCLA. The Emeriti Association Board works diligently exploring programs and connections for the various interests represented within their membership. The Association has a very strong Board which seek ways in which to keep you connected with the campus. Volunteering opportunities are endless.

**Save the Date:**

**December 7** - UCLA technology experts will once again offer their services to retired faculty desiring help with technical devices such as iPads or digital cameras through our First Friday program. The session will start at 9 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. and will once again be held in the Young Research Library.

Attendance confirmations to Center events are necessary for us to adequately plan room arrangements, food, and assistance at these events. Please email emeriti@errc.ucla.edu or phone (310) 825-7456. Thank you for your consideration.

The Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center, located at 1116 Rolfe Hall, welcomes your inquiries in person, via email or by phone. Please call on us!

**Eddie Murphy**
*Director*