PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Daniel J.B. Mitchell

Usually, letters from your Association’s president deal with programs of the Association. I want to deviate this time and point to two other concerns: ID theft and health care for emeriti.

We hear a great deal about cyber security, hacking, etc. The recent mass hacking of medical records at Anthem Blue Cross personalizes that issue. Because many – maybe most – emeriti were at one time or another covered by that carrier’s health insurance programs through UC, many are potentially at risk of identity theft. Usually, we think of such theft as involving financial matters. An identify thief can open bank accounts and credit cards in your name. However, a good way to prevent such theft is simply to freeze access to your credit information at the three major credit rating companies: Experian, TransUnion, and Equifax. It’s not hard to do. There is a hassle – not huge – in unfreezing access temporarily should you want to take out a new credit card, mortgage, etc. The hassle of dealing with ID theft is much greater. So consider freezing access to your credit.

Unfortunately, freezing access to personal credit ratings may not avert two other types of ID theft. Apparently, filing false federal tax returns and receiving refunds is a growth industry. If that happens, when you or your tax accountant later file a legitimate return, it will be rejected because one has already been filed. Having the problem straightened out will take time. Filing your returns early will reduce that risk.

Because Anthem Blue Cross lost medical records, not just Social Security numbers, individuals with access to your information may receive care in your name. The danger to you is not financial in that case, but one of health. Because of computerization of health records, the health condition of someone using your identity will be blended in with your own records. A health provider – say in an emergency room – might then have misleading information about your actual health conditions and status. The best way to avert such a situation is to look at those statements you regularly receive in the mail – usually labeled “not a bill” – which you likely have been throwing away. If you see treatments on those statements that you did not receive, it is possible that someone is using your medical identity.

While we’re on the subject of health care, let’s focus on UC-provided retiree health care. We all know that the larger U.S. health care system is in a state of flux, in part due to the Affordable Care Act (“Obamacare”). But there are pressures within the university system for change, too. Retirees and emeriti who live outside of California have already experienced a notable shift to lump-sum dollar contributions toward non-UC plans operating within the states in which they reside. At this point, there is no overt move to do the same for in-California retirees and emeriti. But this is an issue we are tracking. In fact, at present there seem to be more changes going on for active employees of the university compared to in-state retirees and emeriti. At some point, however, there could be spillovers to retirees and emeriti from what is happening to actives. Again, we will track developments as they occur. Our newsletter and website will be sources of such information.

STRAIGHT DOPE FROM DON CATLIN

Don Catlin currently serves as president and CEO of the Los Angeles-based NGO Anti-Doping Research, Inc. The organization was founded in 2005 to bolster efforts to uncover new drugs being used illegally.
by competitors and develop the tests to detect them. It also advocates for and establishes programs to encourage athletes at all levels not to use performance-enhancing drugs. In addition, he heads the Anti-Doping Sciences Institute and Banned Substances Control Group.

Judi Smith, Chair
Program Committee

The Spring Awards Dinner Meeting of the Emeriti Association will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2015, in the Main Dining Room of the Faculty Center. The reception will begin at 4:45 p.m. to allow ample time for the presentation of Dickson Emeritus Professorships and Emeriti Association awards. Dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m., and the business meeting, election of officers, and program at 7:00 p.m. The dinner invitation and return envelope are enclosed with this Newsletter.

NEW PAYMENT OPTION FOR EMERITI DINNERS

The new online reservation option using a credit card worked well for the Winter dinner. UCLA Affinity Programs, part of Alumni Affairs, developed the website and will handle the credit card option. I will receive your dinner choices and your table seating preferences from Affinity Programs. There is no fee attached to this option. I encourage you to take advantage of this new reservation choice. To make reservations using a credit card for the May 13 Spring Emeriti Association Dinner, please go to this link: https://giving.ucla.edu/EmeritiSpringDinner.

If you desire, you may continue to mail in your reservations with a check using the reservation form and enclosed envelope.

The Emeriti Quarterly dinners and evening programs are organized and sponsored by the Emeriti Association. We hold our dinners at the UCLA Faculty Center. We look forward to you and guests joining us for our Spring Awards Dinner on Wednesday May 13.

Gloria E. Turner
Chair, Hospitality Committee

DICKSON EMERITI PROFESSORSHIPS

The Dickson Emeriti Professorships, funded by an endowment from the late Regent of the University of California, Edward A. Dickson, honor outstanding research, scholarly work, teaching and/or educational service performed by UC emeriti since retirement. Each of the UC campuses has received funds that will support one or more awards each year. The three UCLA Emeritus Professors selected to receive Dickson Awards this year are described below. These awards will be presented at the reception preceding the Spring Dinner Meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2015.

Francis (Frank) Chen, Department of Electrical Engineering in the Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science, has continued to conduct and disseminate his research at an exceptional level. Since his retirement, he has built a world-class program in low-temperature plasmas which has been crucial for advancing the state-of-the-art in semiconductor circuit manufacturing. His remarkable output includes over 80 research papers, two published books, and graduation of at least five Ph.D. students. Dr. Chen was instrumental in developing a course on plasma processing for the Chemical Engineering Department which led to an excellent co-authored textbook used throughout the world. He continues to present at the regular technical seminars for students and faculty in his department, and is highly sought out as a consultant by the industrial community.

Antony Orme has been at UCLA since 1968 and retired in 2010. Professor Orme, who received his Ph.D. in Geography from the University of Birmingham in England, came to and chaired the UCLA Department of Geography before serving as Dean of the Social Sciences. His scholarly contributions have continued unabated since retirement. He has made a singular service contribution to the valuable University of California White Mountain Research Center in the Owens Valley, rescuing it from financial insolvency and closure. After heading the committee that analyzed its problems, he received the unsolicited appointment as its director. He has modernized it, refur-
bled it, and placed it on a sound financial footing. It is a much sought after place to do research.

Steve Cederbaum, Awards Committee

EMERITUS OF THE YEAR

John Edmond, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Biological Chemistry, will receive the Emeritus of the Year award at the Spring Awards Dinner on May 13. Professor Edmond, who received his Ph.D. from the University of Glasgow in Scotland, came to the U.S. in 1968 as one of the founding members of the Mental Retardation Research Center. His work on cholesterol and fat metabolism, using a unique and much-copied clever technique, evolved into studies of hypoxia and its effects on hearing. This work has continued since his retirement. He was a member of the Committee on Academic Personnel (CAP), Chair of the UCLA Academic Senate, and continued his service to UCLA as President of the UCLA Emeriti Association. In this role, he initiated important reforms to position the association for future challenges. His achievements were propelled by firmness, gentleness, charm and a special twinkle in his eye.

Steve Cederbaum, Awards Committee

A CELEBRATION

The thirty-seventh Sylvia Winstein UCLA Emeriti Arts and Crafts Exhibit will be held in the California Room of the Faculty Center on May 19, from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The doors to the California Room will open at 11:00 a.m. This early moment is an opportune time to visit the just-hung Exhibit before the crowds arrive, a time to meander. Will there be an art object for sale to delight a friend (or oneself)?

"The time has come," the Walrus said "To talk of many things," and there are things to celebrate, not the least of which is the friendship of colleagues. This year the UCLA Emeriti Association has, for the first time, chosen to include all emeriti, whether or not they are paid EA members, to receive invitations to the May 19 exhibit. Invitations were mailed out by the first weekend in April. Welcome to all!

The tradition holds that all emeritus faculty and their spouses may show creative work, art or craft, at what has been called the premier party of the Emeriti Association year. Come and share an interesting day with colleagues and friends and taste test the Chef's contribution to the aesthetics of the event.

The Introduction of the artists opens the reception at 1:30 p.m. A Champagne Toast to the artists follows. Join in raising a glass to the exhibitors. After exploring the art you may find a friend with whom to share a corner on the patio while you sample the fare at the buffet.

The Emeriti Association and the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center align with the donors to make the day a success. There is yet time to write a check to the UCLA Emeriti Art Show and send it to the Emeriti Center at 1116 Rolfe Hall, Box 951437 Los Angeles CA, 90095-1437.

Noël Carterette
Chair, Arts & Crafts Committee

UPCOMING EMERITI ASSOCIATION PROGRAMS

June 4, 2015
(Joint After-lunch Program with the UCLA Retirees’ Association)
Adriana Galván, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Psychology and faculty member of the Brain Research Institute at UCLA. She is also the Director of the Developmental Neuroscience Laboratory and an executive member of the Center for Cognitive Neuroscience at UCLA. The overall goal of her laboratory is to understand adolescent behavior by using neuroimaging methods to study the changing adolescent brain. She examines the role of stress, sleep habits, puberty, and social relationships on adolescent risk-taking and decision making. Her work has been disseminated broadly in academic journals including *The Journal of Neuroscience*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, and *Neuron* and funded by the National Institute of Health, National Science Foundation, William T. Grant Foundation, the Jacobs Foundation, and the MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Law and Neuroscience. Her research has been featured in several media outlets, in a TEDx talk on the adolescent brain and cited in U.S. Supreme Court cases regarding juvenile justice (Graham v. Florida, 2010; Miller v. Alabama, 2012).

Dr. Galván received her B.A in Neuroscience from Barnard College, Columbia University (2001) and her Ph.D. from Cornell Medical School (2006). She conducted postdoctoral research at the UCLA Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior. She is a recipient of the American Psychological Association’s Boyd McCandless Award for young scientists, the Jacobs Foundation Young Scholar award, a Network Scholar Award of the MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Law and Neuroscience, and the William T. Grant Foundation Scholars award.

**October 15, 2015**
(Joint After-lunch Program with the UCLA Retirees’ Association)

This program would normally be held on the first Thursday, but the Faculty Center is heavily booked that day and has recommended that we schedule the meeting for October 15. UCLARA has agreed to this change. The program will be arranged by the UCLARA program chair.

California Room, 1:00 p.m. Refreshments and social; 1:30 p.m. Program

**November 4, 2015**
Fall Dinner Meeting

Professor of Biochemistry, **Steve Clarke**
General topic: Physiological Aging

The Fall dinner meeting would normally be held on the second Wednesday of the month, but November 11 is Veterans Day and UCLA is closed. The Faculty Center can accommodate us on November 4 and the speaker has been booked for that day.

*Judi Smith, Chair*
Program Committee

**PRE-RETIREMENT WORKSHOPS**

Academic Vice-Chancellor Carole Goldberg has announced a series of workshops this Spring intended to help faculty prepare and plan for retirement and moving on to emeritus status. Entitled “Path Forward - Owning Your Retirement and Future,” the four workshops will (1) present exemplars of success in maintaining active and satisfying continued engagement with colleagues and the campus; (2) explore ways that work-life balance can be achieved most effectively in retirement; (3) prepare faculty to achieve the best possible post-retirement arrangements within their academic unit; and (4) help faculty understand the mechanics of retirement planning. The workshops are presented in partnership with University Extension and are underwritten by school and divisional deans campus wide. They are open to not-yet-retired Senate faculty regardless of age, years of service, or title, but registration is required. Contact University Extension at (310) 825-9971 to register.

*David Lopez, Chair*
Faculty Welfare Committee

**EMERITI EXPRESS**

Kudos, new undertakings, recent publications, radical changes of direction, and other reports from the far reaches of UCLA emeritus.

For some nine years, **Steve Forness** has acted as (unofficial) faculty advisor to the UCLA Women’s Lacrosse Club. He attends all “home” games and almost all “away” games, usually buying the team lunch or dinner at the latter. He also spends time advising team...
members on choices of courses, majors, or graduate or professional schools. In the last three years, the team has finished ninth, second, and seventh in the nation among over two hundred club lacrosse teams.


Sondra Hale continues to co-edit the *Journal of Middle East Women’s Studies* and was recently recalled to co-direct the UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies.

Harvey Herschman has returned as Vice Chair for Academic Affairs, Department of Molecular and Medical Pharmacology and Department of Biological Chemistry.

Seymour Levin continues to serve as an attending and consulting endocrinologist at the Veterans Administration, Cedars, and Harbor-UCLA hospitals, and to lecture on diabetic neuropathy and exercise in diabetics.

In February, Alan N. Willson, Jr. was elected to the National Academy of Engineering, among the highest distinctions that can be awarded to an engineer in the U.S., in recognition of “contributions to the theory and applications of digital signal processing”.

**2015 CONSTANTINE PANUNZIO AWARDS**

The Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award, created by a bequest from Professor Panunzio of UCLA, honors outstanding scholarly work or educational service performed after retirement by University of California emeriti in the Humanities or Social Sciences. Each of this year’s four excellent nominees has a truly distinguished record. Two UC faculty members have especially long and notable records of research, teaching, and service to the University of California and the broader scientific community. The recipients selected this year are Elizabeth Colson of Anthropology from UC Berkeley, and Pavel Machotka of Psychology from UC Santa Cruz.

**Elizabeth F. Colson** joined UCB in 1967 and retired in 1984. The impressiveness of her continuing scholarly work can be seen in her longitudinal ethnographic studies on political, social, and technological changes and their consequences on lives of people of Gwembe Valley in Zambia, Africa. Since her retirement, she has published six books and numerous other publications on a wide range of subjects. She has forged theoretical contributions to the sub-disciplines of applied, development, and political anthropology through her extensive and intensive fieldwork. Further evidence of the recognition of her remarkable scholarship are honors she has received: the annual Elizabeth Colson Lecture, initiated in 1989 by the Refugee Studies Programme, Oxford, and the Elizabeth Colson Lectureship in Forced Migration Studies, an endowed faculty position established by the same Oxford program about 1994, among others. Her field notes and other material have been accepted by the Bancroft Library at UC Berkeley, and the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology. Elizabeth Colson’s community/educational services have included student advising on thesis and dissertation committees at UCB, and teaching as a volunteer in the Department of African Studies at the University of Zambia and at the Refugee Studies Center at Oxford. Since her settlement in Zambia in 2004, she has been collaborating and consulting widely with researchers from all over the world including the United States and countries in Europe, and Asia.

**Pavel Machotka**, Professor Emeritus of Psychology, UC Santa Cruz, is known as one of the great scholars in the field of psychology of aesthetics and an exceptionally talented painter. Since his retirement in 1994, Dr. Machotka’s research has concentrated on the psychology of artistic creativity in general and the genius of Cezanne’s painting in particular. His books are considered seminal texts that his colleagues recommend to Ph.D. students, and his numerous articles, monographs, and chapters attest to his continued creative scholarship and productivity. He has been an inherent part of scientific and cultural life in the Czech Republic since his retirement; he is a member of the oversight committee for review of curriculum, requirements, and Ph.D. candidacies for departments of pedagogy at Charles University in Prague and Masaryk University in Brno, Czech Republic. He also serves on Ph.D. dissertation committees and other academic services to the Psychological Institute in Brno. In ad-
dition, he contributes to the larger scholarly community from his home in Italy through contacts with colleagues, service on the editorial board of two highly respected professional journals (Psychology of Aesthetics, Creativity and the Arts, and Empirical Studies of the Arts), and participation in international congresses and colloquia.

Betty L. Chang, Chair
Awards Committee

CUCEA MEETING
ON APRIL 29-30

The Spring meeting of the Council of University of California Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) takes place at San Diego on April 29-30. These twice-yearly meetings provide campus chapters with the opportunity to discuss issues of common interest and to share ideas about support for emeriti interests and programs. They are timed so that they can include a joint meeting with CUCRA, the parallel UC retiree organization for staff. David Lopez will represent UCLA and report back to our Association. Topping the list of important issues this Spring is health care for retirees and how it may be affected by possible changes in health care plans for current employees.

David Lopez
CUCEA Representative

PLAYREADING:
AN ACTIVITY OF INTEREST TO EMERITI

The May plays for the 2014-15 season will be two one-acts, The Problem by A.R. Gurney and Amicable Parting by George S. Kaufman and Leuene MacGrath, on Thursday, May 14 at the UCLA Faculty Center. Cast members and interested spectators will meet for dinner at the Faculty Center at 5:30 p.m. The performance will begin at 7:00 p.m., and will be followed by a discussion with the director and members of the cast.

The Playreaders explore classical and contemporary plays in an informal study group format. Cast members read aloud, script in hand. Afterward spectators discuss the play with the director and cast. Readings are usually on the second Thursday of the month.

Our last session for the year will be on June 11. We will discuss play selections for the upcoming year and a summer outing to a local performance. We will meet at the Faculty Center for dinner at 5:30 p.m., with the discussion following around 7:00 p.m.

Members of the Emeriti Association are very welcome to participate. To join, to receive notice of future activities of The Playreaders, or for more information, please contact Emeriti Association member Marjorie Friedlander, mrobins@gte.net, 310-459-7145.

Rochelle Caballero, President
Faculty Women’s Club

NEWS FROM THE CENTER

New ERRC Director Appointed:
Ragini Gill has been appointed by Carole Goldberg, Vice Chancellor of Academic Personnel, as the new director of the UCLA Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center, starting May 4. In her capacity as a retirement and benefits counselor at UCLA, the ERRC has had the pleasure of working with Ragini in the past. We look forward to welcoming her on board.

First Fridays:
The last First Friday session of the current academic year will be offered Friday, June 5, 2015. These sessions afford retired faculty and staff the opportunity to learn more about their electronic devices. Bring your smartphones, tablets, laptops, digital cameras, etc. and receive one-on-one training with a member of UCLA’s technology staff. The clinic hours are 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Please confirm your attendance no later than May 29th by emailing emeriti@errc.ucla.edu or calling (310) 825-7456. Light refreshments will be served.
Dear UCLA Emeriti Association Members,

The Emeriti Association is interested in your active participation. We would like for you to enter your name and names of any other emeriti that you think would be good at providing leadership to the organization. Please return completed form to: emeriti@errc.ucla.edu or USPS mail address below. Thanking you in advance.

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Return form to: Emeriti Nominations Committee,
Email: emeriti@errc.ucla.edu, or mail to
UCLA Emeriti Association, Nominations Committee, 1116 Rolfe Hall, Box 951437, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1437.
E-mail Addresses Wanted:
The Emeriti and Retirees Relations Center regularly uses e-mail to communicate reminders to emeriti about Association and Center events. If you currently have an e-mail address and are not receiving such reminders, please forward your e-mail address at emeriti@errc.ucla.edu.

Center Notary:
Many of you have availed yourselves of the complimentary notary services offered through the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center. Please be reminded that these services continue to be available at no cost to retired faculty and spouses/partners and surviving spouses of emeriti. Please call the Center (310) 825-7456 and schedule an appointment with Jonathan Bates when notary services are needed.

Jonathan Bates and Maria Lubrano