EMERITI Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Daniel J.B. Mitchell

Greetings to our new and long-time members. I am honored to serve as president of the Emeriti Association for the 2014-15 academic year. With me are past president Steve Cederbaum and president-elect Betty Chang as well as the dedicated members of the Association's executive board. Please take a look at our new website at http:// www.uclaemeritiassociation.org/ and see our program schedule for the year. The website has been enhanced and future refinements are planned; for example, we expect to have audio transcripts of our programs on the website for those who cannot attend in person Special thanks to Eddie Murphy. Director of the Emeriti/Retiree Relations Center, for her support of our Association.

I look forward to meeting you at future Association events. You can also reach me at daniel.j.b.mitchell@anderson.ucla.edu.

THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ASKS

Have you paid your 2014/15 dues, or taken advantage of our free first-time membership offer? All emeriti are warmly encouraged to respond as soon as possible to the membership renewal letters that were mailed out in mid September. To welcome new emeriti in particu-

lar, but also any emeriti who have not previously joined, we offer to waive dues for the first year of Emeriti Association membership. Articles in this issue of the *Newsletter* describe some of the fun and interesting events in store and the opportunities for new as well as continuing friendship within and beyond one's own discipline.

LOUIS IGNARRO WILL BE FALL DINNER SPEAKER

Nobel Prize winner Louis J. Ignarro will speak about "The Road to Stockholm" at the November 12 Fall Dinner. Laureate Ignarro (Professor Emeritus of Molecular and Medical Pharmacology) received the 1998 Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine demonstrating the signaling properties of nitric oxide; he was co-recipient of the Prize with Robert Furchgott and Ferid Murad. He holds a B.S. in pharmacy, Columbia University (1962), a Ph.D. in pharmacology, University of Minnesota, School of Medicine (1966), and received a postdoctoral fellowship in chemical pharmacology from the National Institutes of Health (1968). Before coming to UCLA in 1985, he was a Professor of Pharmacology at Tulane University School of Medicine, and worked as a biochemical pharmacologist for the pharmaceutical division of CIBA-GEIGY Corporation in New York.

Professor Ignarro has published numerous research articles. He received the Basic Research Prize of the American Heart Association in 1998 in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the advancement of cardiovascular science and was inducted into the National Academy of Sciences and, the following year, into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. This year he was inducted into the International Academy of Achievement.

He is the founder of the Nitric Oxide Society, and founder and editor -in-chief of *Nitric Oxide Biology* and Chemistry. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Operation USA, a non-profit organization, and a member of the Nutritional Advisory Board for Herbalife, a for-profit nutrition and weight -management company.

Judith Smith, Chair Program Committee

The UCLA Emeriti Association's Fall Dinner will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 in the Main Dining Room of the Faculty Center. Reception in the West end of the Dining Room will begin at 4:30 p.m.; dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m., with the after-dinner program, also in the Main Dining Room, scheduled to begin at 7:00. The dinner reservation form and return envelope are enclosed with this *Newsletter*.

AFTER LUNCH PROGRAMS

Thursday, December 4, 2014: UCLA Associate Professor Alan Castel. "Memory and Aging: The Good, the Bad, and the Unknown"

Alan Castel received his Ph.D. from the University of Toronto in 2004, and was a post-doctoral fellow at Washington University in St. Louis, before joining UCLA's Department of Psychology in 2006.

His research focuses on the psychology of aging, how cognition changes with age, and the degree to which people are aware of their own memory ability. He conducts research with people across the lifespan, using experimental methods and interviews, and is supported by the National Institute on Aging. He is a recognized expert on the psychology of aging and has published over 50 research papers and invited chapters on memory, metacognition and cognitive aging.

Alan Castel was recognized as a "Rising Star" by the Association for Psychological Science and received the Springer Early Career Achievement Award in Research on Adult Development and Aging from the American Psychological Association. His work has been featured in the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Forbes Magazine, and AARP. He also writes a popular blog for Psychology Today, called "The Metacognitive Mind".

Hacienda Room of the Faculty Center

1:00 p.m.: Light Refreshments

1:30 p.m. Program

Judith Smith, Chair Program Committee

Thursday, January 8, 2015:

"Theater Training for the 21st Century: Radically Ancient and Racially Modern" Professor of Directing and Theater History **Michael Hackett** will discuss the department's innovative education programs, and he will illustrate his talk with performances that feature student actors.

Michael Hackett received a B.A. in English from Boston College and Ph.D. in Drama and Humanities from Stanford. At UCLA since 1979, he has directed for the Royal Opera, Covent Garden, the Royal Theatre of The Hague; the Centrum Sztuki Studio and Dramatyczny Theatre in Warsaw, the Geffen Playhouse, among others. He has taught at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art and given workshops for the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama. From 1995-2012, he conducted Greek chorus workshops and performances for the National Theater Institute at the Eugene O'Neill Memorial Theater Center in Waterford, Conn. Familiar to local opera audiences. Professor Hackett has lectured extensively for the Los Angeles Opera and, for these activities, he was given the Fifth Annual Peter Hemmings Award by the Opera League of Los Angeles in April 2008.

Hacienda Room, Faculty Center 1:00 p.m. Light refreshments. 1:30 p.m. Program.

NOMINATIONS INVITED FOR EMERITI AWARDS

2015 Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeritus Award and the Edward A. Dickson Emeritus

Professorship Awards. These awards recognize and honor University of California emeritus faculty for outstanding scholarly, educational, and/or other professional accomplishments since their retirement.

Constantine Panunzio Award

The Panunzio Award was made possible by a beguest from its namesake, a UCLA Professor of Sociology who was instrumental in the development of UC's retirement system. Each UC campus may nominate one emeritus/a in a humanities or social sciences for this award, which consists of a cash prize and a certificate. One or two statewide awards are made annuallv. The 2014 awardees were Norman Anderson, Professor Emeritus of Psychology, UC San Diego, and Rein Taagepera, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, UC Irvine

At UCLA, Deans in the humanities and social sciences, as well as the Association's Awards Committee, are asked to solicit nominations by the end of October. Individual emeriti may also self-Nomination materials nominate. consist mainly of a curriculum vitae and a cover letter. UCLA candidates are evaluated by the Emeriti Association's Awards Committee and reviewed by the Deans of the humanities and social sciences. During January and February, the President of the Emeriti Association, working with the selected campus nominee, compiles a full dossier for the candidate and submits the final campus nomination to the statewide selection award in mid-April.

The Awards Committee must re-

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ceive nominations for the 2015 Panunzio Award by Friday, December 5, 2014. These should be sent to:

Awards Committee UCLA Emeriti Association 1116 Rolfe Hall 951437 Los Angeles, CA 90095-1437

Dickson Emeritus Professorships

The Dickson Emeritus Professorships were made possible by a gift from the late Edward A. Dickson, Regent of the University from 1913 to 1946. It honors outstanding research, scholarly work, teaching, and/or educational and professional service such as organizational, departmental or editorial posts or committees, performed by emeritus faculty of any discipline since retirement. Each UC campus has received funds that will support one or more awards each year. The UCLA awardees in 2014 were Dr. Eric (Rick) Fonkalsrud (Surgery) and Howard Suber (Film, Theater and Television.)

Each UCLA department or school is limited to one nomination each year. Emeriti Association members may nominate candidates also if they keep their related departments aware of their intentions. The supporting dossier should include a cover letter outlining the nominee's distinctive research, scholarly work, and/or other professional activity, a curriculum vitae, and supporting letters from two leaders in the field that comment specifically on the nominee's achievements since retiring.

Nominations should be submitted by Friday, January 31, 2015 to:

Dickson Emeritus Professorship Award 1237 Murphy Hall Box 951419 Los Angeles, CA 90095-1419

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Jeffry Alger Diana Hilberman
Neurology Health Policy/Management

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Charlotte Brown Roger Kendall Library Ethnomusicology

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Nicky Hart Veeravalli Varadarjan Sociology Mathematics

Patricia Harter Bernard Weiner Theater Psychology

Yeheskel Hasenfeld Thomas Weisner
Public Affairs/Social Welfare Psychiatry/Anthropology

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CALL FOR EMERITI ASSOCIATION LOGO CONTEST SUBMISSIONS

The UCLA Emeriti Association was the first of its kind among the UC institutions, devoted to assisting Emeriti in making the transition to an active post-retirement program, while also assisting them and representing them in maintaining their rights and privileges. To be as effective as possible the EA needs to increase its identity on and off the campus. One way is the new website which can be found www.uclaemeritiassociation.org. Another is to give us more "Sight Recognition". We are who we say we are but have never had a visual LOGO for people to SEE WHO WE ARE.

We are proposing the creation of a LOGO [visual recognition of both image and Logo type*] and are asking for submissions from you, the Emeriti Association membership. The contest will run until Dec 31. The Board will choose at least two images and post them on the LOGO CONTEST site on the website for final vote of the Board. The winner's logo will then first appear on the Spring Newsletter, on the Website, and all official EA documents thereafter. The prize will be two tickets to the EA Spring Dinner and recognition of the artist at that time. Please scan and email your submission[s] to blippe@ucla.edu or mail your paper submission[s] to: Emeriti Association Logo Contest c/o Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center. 1116 Rolfe Hall, Box 951437, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1437

*Note: exact UCLA Official cam-

pus imagery, exact coloration, or exact logotype cannot be used; otherwise use your imagination, but remember that the logo has to look good on stationery, publications, and plaques. If you want your paper submissions returned please mail them and enclose a return envelope. Otherwise, the EA Board will destroy the images not picked. Scanned images not used for the final contest will be deleted.

EMERITI ARTS AND CRAFTS CELEBRATED

Twenty-six artists expanded our consciousness with new original work. at the Sylvia Winstein UCLA Emeriti Arts and Crafts Exhibit on May 20, 2014 in the California Room of the Faculty Center. Ulrich Batzdorf, the Featured Artist for 2014, opened the show with his blazing piece, Grom*mets*. He and his acrylic, watercolor and oil paintings held court with visitors at the front of the California Room. Rick has credited his artist mother's early encouragement for his artistic interest, and he included mentors Frederic Franck. Ada Pullini Brown, and Martin Lubner among those who exerted continuing influence.

If you attended this year's event you were treated to some startlingly strong and graceful work. An increase in the number of sculptors was noted, with photographers and painters represented at about the usual ratio. Our jewelers showed interesting contrasts in style, and John Campbell's environmental art pieces added a note of the unexpected, as always.

The UCLA Emeriti Association and the Emeriti and Retirees Relations Center sponsor the art show jointly. The Exhibit's devoted donors again generously supported the expenses of the event, as they have for so many years.

To begin the ceremonial part of the event, ERRC Director Eddie Murphy introduced Emeriti Association President Steve Cederbaum, who thanked the contributors whose donations help to put on the event. The artists' names were individually read and President Cederbaum led the champagne toast as the guests enthusiastically joined in raising a glass to those whose creative work brought us together for the thirty-sixth year. A delightful buffet replete with some new and favored hot hors d'oeuvres followed. Tasters gave high marks to the Faculty Center's chef and his dishes and to the four star service.

The Sylvia Winstein Emeriti Arts and Crafts Exhibit committee is even now planning for the thirtyseventh year of the Arts show on May 19, 2015. All emeriti and/or their spouses are eligible to show creative work. There is yet time to inquire about space among the exhibitors for May 2015, and makers and creators of any of the crafts or the arts are welcome, so let us know if you are interested. If you would like to show your creative work on May 19, 2015, either art or craft, please let us know and we will send vou a response card. Send an email Nöel Carterette at carteret@ucla.edu or call the Emeriti and Retirees Center at 310 825-7456.

> Nöel Carterette Chair, Arts and Crafts Show

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RECENT AND NOTABLE

In honor of emeritus professor of Roman history and historiography Ronald Mellor, the Arcadia Fund has made a \$5 Million gift to establish the Ronald D. Mellor Chair in Ancient History. Retired from fulltime teaching since February 2013, Ronald Mellor continues to teach part-time at UCLA and lead alumni tours to destinations worldwide. He and his wife, Anne Mellor (distinguished professor emerita of English) have themselves made several major gifts to UCLA, as reported in previous issues of this Newsletter.

Arcadia, a U. K.-based philanthropic foundation, previously established two chairs in honor of eminent history faculty: the Joyce Appleby Endowed Chair of America in the World and the Gary B. Nash Chair in U. S. History. These endowed chairs provide crucial resources to fund the chair holder's salary, research, student support, and new teaching initiatives, and enhance UCLA's competitive edge in attracting the best faculty.

SPRING 2014 CUCEA MEETING

The Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) held its Spring 2014 meeting at UC Santa Barbara in May. Change in UC Health Care was by far the major topic under discussion. Overall changes are substantial, and have hit different campuses in different ways, depending on local medical providers and facilities; generally campuses like UCLA with medical cen-

ters and/or in major metropolitan areas are better served. need to be mindful of the regional variation as it affects them individually, and those of us with Medicare plans also have somewhat varied sets of choices. The group that is without question most affected are emeriti and other UC retirees who live outside of California. Beginning January 2014 they are no longer covered under the range of UC Health Benefits alternatives. Instead UC provides each retiree and dependent with a lump sum of \$3000, to buy locally available Medicare Supplement policies, along with the assistance of Extend Health to help locate and choose among local alternatives. was a lively discussion regarding how this has been working out in the first few months of the year, and plans for a more extensive evaluation. Frank discussion with UCOP representatives indicates that the program is subject to finetuning, but that there is little chance that UC will abandon this new apout-of-state retiree proach to healthcare. There are no indications that this new approach will also be extended to in-state retirees, but also no guarantee that it will not.

> David Lopez CUCEA Representative

EMERITI EXPRESS

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

UCLA emeriti not infrequently lead UCLA Alumni Travel excursions. According to the preview booklet, tours scheduled for 2015 include the following:

May 14-23: "Southern Culture and Civil War", led by **Thomas Wortham** (English);

May 30- June 4: "Cruise the Face of Europe", featuring **Fred Burwick** (English);

September 1 - 24: "Paris Immersion", with **Geoffrey Symcox** (History);

October 12-23: "Mediterranean Vignettes", led by **Ronald Mellor** (History);

October 17-26: "Idyllic Water Towns of Southern China", led by **Theodore Huters**

(Asian Languages and Culture).

In July, longtime UCLA director of choral conducting and choral studies **Donald Neuen** marked his official retirement at the age of 80 by leading hundreds of performers from three groups-- the UCLA Chorale, the Angeles Chorale, and the UCLA Philharmonic -- in a stirring Royce Hall concert. "The Faith of Beethoven: A Musical Journey of Hope" celebrated his 60 years as a conductor and 50 years as a university teacher.

Professor emeritus Wayne Dollase (Earth, Planetary and Space Sciences) has created an online database of plants whose natural beauty is showcased on UCLA's 419-acre campus. (He's a mineralogist for whom the crystal Dollasite was named in 1987) The database, resides on the Mildred E. Mathias Botanical Garden Website although it excludes the more than 5,000 plants in the botanical garden, and can be accessed by clicking Campus Plants. This year Wayne has led four walking tours of plants in discrete areas of the campus. These limited -number tours fill up quickly, so early response is advised when one is announced.

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Edward Soja's new book, My Los Angeles:: From Urban Planning to Regional Urbanization, addresses the Los Angeles economic landscape in the wake of the 1992 civil unrest, which Soja sees as a consequence of decades of economic decline and racial isolation. Professor emeritus of urban planning Soja says that the key factors to future growth will be networks of employment, transportation, and culture that serve all areas of the city and empower stronger communities and individuals

As assistant deans for academic affairs, UCLA emeriti professors Elizabeth Neufield (former chair of the Department of Biological Chemistry) and Richard Gold (Radiologist and former chair of the UCLA Academic Senate's Council of Academic Personnel) intensively review the dossiers of hundreds of UCLA medical school faculty to evaluate their suitability for moving up the academic ranks. Together, Drs. Neufield and Gold review the voluminous documentation required for appointment or promotion of about 20 candidates and write about 15 recommendation letters each week.

UCLA's neurosurgery residents learn important things about human anatomy in hands-on dissection workshops led by emeritus pediatric neurosurgeon Warwick Peacock. For Dr. Peacock-- who developed new techniques for treating children with cerebral palsy by first trying out those techniques on cadavers -- teaching residents and exploring the human body on a daily basis has been "one of the most fascinating parts of my life. It is a novel experience every time." In 2013, he received the first Distinguished Service in Education Award from the David Geffen School of Medicine.

Leonard Kleinrock, emeritus Distinguished Professor of Computer Science, has been named the winner of the 2014 SIGMOBILE Outstand-Contribution Award "pioneering contributions to the their guests are welcome to attend. first multi-hop packet switched radio network which formed the foun- joining the cast of one of our prodation for modern wireless net- ductions. works."

BOOK EXCHANGE

The Book Exchange is located in the Faculty Center first floor lounge) There you will find a signin sheet and a deposit box for donations and returns. We appreciate donations of both fiction and nonfiction leisure reading books.

By July 1 of every year, the shelves are cleared and cleaned, thanks to our hard-working and dedicated emeriti volunteers. Every book that has not been in circulation for one calendar year is weeded out. This year's culling resulted in donation Here's the schedule for November, of 360 books to the YRL Library January and February: Staff Association's annual book Thursday November 13: Arms and sale in October.

For our record on the sign-in sheet we ask for a legible signature or a Faculty Center membership number. In the past year, on average, 42 persons have taken advantage of the Book Exchange, from which any number may be borrowed at one time; no fee, and no time limit!

Toshi Ashikaga Chair, Book Exchange Committee

THE PLAYREADERS SIXTH SEASON: 2014-2015

The Playreaders Group, sponsored by the Emeriti Association and the Faculty Womens Club, has begun its sixth season. Members of the UCLA community and Let us know if you're interested in Cast members usually meet for a single rehearsal, about a week before the performance.

Readings take place at the UCLA Faculty Center in the library/ billiard room, at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month, from October to May (no performance in December). Each evening includes a brief introduction to the play and the playwright. Following each performance, members of the audience have an opportunity to discuss the play with cast members. There's no charge to attend and no reservation is necessary. Audience and cast members often dine at the Faculty Center beforehand. you'd like to join us for dinner at 5:30, please make a reservation by calling Marjorie Friedlander (310 459 7145).

the Man by G.B. Shaw (1894).

Thursday January 8: Blithe Spirit by Noel Coward (1941).

Thursday February 12: Enron by Lucy Prebble (2009).

If you'd like to be on our mailing list to receive notices of future plans, please email

Marjorie Friedlander (Friedlander.marjorie@gmail.com) or Rochelle Caballero (rrcab90272@cs.com)

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HEALTH CARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

UCLA Health Care Facilitator, Bridget Sheehan-Watanabe, will speak to retirees about UC Retiree Medical Plan Options on Wednesday Nov. 5, and Friday Nov. 14.

Attendance is optional. There are some benefit changes in some plans but no major plan changes for 2015. PowerPoint presentation will be available via email upon request.

RSVPs are required. A confirmation number will be required for admittance.

The presentation will begin at 11:00 a.m. on both dates. There will be time for questions after the presentation. You may only RSVP for one date. The presentation will be the same on both days. Space is limited, and we'd like to give everyone the opportunity to attend.

Both events will be in Westwood.

Please call 310-794- 598 or email retirees@chr.ucla.edu to RSVP. To RSVP, you must provide:

- Your name and the names of any family members attending with you;
- Your phone number or email address;
- The date you would like to attend (November 5 OR November 14). A confirmation number and the event location will be provided when you RSVP.

Open Enrollment starts October 30 at 8:00 a.m. and ends November 25 at 5:00 p.m.

NEWS FROM THE CENTER

Eddie Murphy. Director

Won't You Give?

2014 was the year in which the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center celebrated its 45th anniversary. In the coming weeks, you will receive a letter from me asking for donations to the UCLA Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center. These funds aid in the outreach of programming to retired staff and faculty living in outlying areas such as the San Fernando Valley and Orange County. Any contributions made in this regard are much appreciated.

Join Us!

December 5 is the date of the next technical workshop (known as First Fridays). First Fridays are the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Centersponsored technology bi-monthly workshops held on the first Friday beginning in October through June. These sessions are held in the Charles E. Young Research Library (Research Commons) from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Bring your technical device (e.g. iPhone, digital camera, iPad, etc.) and you will be given a one-onone tutorial by an IT expert - primarily campus help desk staff but also some students who volunteer their time for this purpose. Light refreshments are available and scheduling is done on a first-come first-serve basis

Save the Date

On November 3, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Dr. Seymour Levin will give a presentation on "Reducing the Risk of Acquiring Diabetes & How to Control It If

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You Have It." Dr. Levin has been treating diabetic patients for more than five decades; please plan to join us for his discussion. This session will be held at Belmont Village - Encino which is located at 15451 Ventura Blvd. Complimentary on-site parking is available and light refreshments will be available. Please confirm your attendance by emailing the Center at emeriti@errc.ucla.edu or calling (310) 825-7456 no later than October 27.

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