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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Fellow Emeriti, Retired Librarians, and Spouses:

It is a pleasure to welcome you all to the new academic year, with a particular welcome to new emeriti and retired librarians who I hope will join our organization and participate in our activities. The Emeriti Association has as its primary goal to provide activities and services that provide its members opportunities to remain active and contributing members of the UCLA community. We also advocate on behalf of emeriti to campus and university administrators.

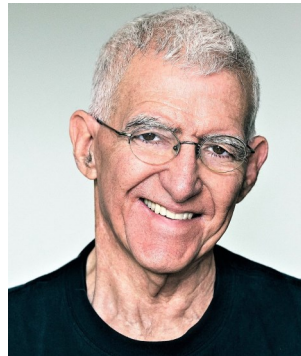
I am fortunate to follow Steve Cederbaum's terms as President, and the excellent group of **Board Members** handling Finances (Jane Permaul), Art Show (Sharon Belkin), Newsletter (Diane Childs), Agenda and Records (Barbara Lippe), Hospitality (Julie Kwan), Membership (Anna Taylor), Programs (Steve Cederbaum), Book Exchange (Toshi Ashikaga), and Emeriti Welfare (Dan Mitchell). Janet Carter is our new Archivist as we move toward the digital preservation of our records, and Sy Levin will oversee the 2018 Emeriti Activities Survey. Katalin Radics (YRL) will join the board as Webmaster while Richard Weiss (Chemistry) will chair a newly established Mentoring Committee to respond to requests for student mentors. They join new Members-at-Large Harvey Herschman (Pharmacology & Biological Chemistry and Molecular & Medical Pharmacology) and Harry Vinters (Pathology), and President-Elect Edwin Cooper.

The EA continues to increase its membership, has larger than ever turnouts for our dinners, and we are financially solvent. BRAVO Steve Cederbaum!

This year there will be **opportunities and challenges**. As most of you who receive our newsletters and email blasts know, the proposal sent to the Regents last year to increase the cost of our supplemental health insurance was initially done without consultation and without regard to the impact of those on a fixed income. The leadership of the retiree and emeriti associations at UCLA and the other UC campuses was instrumental in having this item pulled from the Regents' agenda and gave us time to press for the elimination of the proposal. The large membership of

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TEO RUIZ AND CUBA



Teofilo F. Ruiz is Wellman Distinguished Professor of Medieval History at UCLA. At the Emeriti Association Fall Dinner on November 14, 2018, he will look at "**Cuban History from the Inside and the Outside.**"

Born in Cuba, **Teo Ruiz** was active during the Cuban Revolution and as a teenager fought against the regime of Fulgencio Batista. After a friend was killed in 1960, Teo withdrew from the revolution and was imprisoned. He was eventually released in order to make room for new prisoners of war after the failed Bay of Pigs Invasion (1961).

After Teo moved at age 19 to New York (via Miami), he worked as a taxi driver and attended CCNY before completing a doctorate in medieval history at Princeton University. He then taught at Brooklyn College, the CUNY Graduate Center, the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales and Princeton University as the 250th Anniversary Visiting Professor for Distinguished Teaching. He came to UCLA in 1998 and served as chair of the UCLA Department of History from 2002–2005. He later also served as the Chair of Spanish and Portuguese.

Teo Ruiz received UCLA's Distinguished Teaching Award in 2008, and delivered the Faculty Research Lecture for 2011-12. He received the National Humanities Medal in 2012 from President Obama for his "inspired teaching and writing." He was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2013. In 1994, the Carnegie Foundation selected Ruiz as one of four U.S. "Professors of the Year." He is the recipient of fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Mellon Foundation, the Institute for Advanced Study (Princeton), the American Council of Learned Societies, and the Guggenheim Foundation.

Teo is an immensely popular lecturer on UCLA Alumni Travel and has led dozens of programs around the world, including several to Cuba. His

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our organizations gave a louder voice to our efforts. We need a yet larger membership to make our voice still stronger, so please join.

Last year **expanded collaboration** with the Retirees Association (UCLARA) and with the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center (ERRC), with Sue Barnes as Director with Eric Wang and Maria Lubrano as her excellent staff. We have been working with Michael Levine, then Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, on a range of issues, especially awards to emeriti faculty, and we look forward to continuing to work with Mike as the newly appointed Vice Chancellor. That is the good news. The **sad news** is that Sue Barnes has recently announced her desire to retire after the 2018-2019 academic year. She has done an outstanding job and will be very difficult to replace. But we must soldier on and VC Levine will appoint a search committee to identify a successor.

Please make sure that you become acquainted with the ERRC office in Rolfe Hall and the many programs and services that are available to you. More about all of this will appear elsewhere in the fall newsletter, or on the EA website. We will once again be seeking nominees for the Dickson, Panunzio and Goldberg awards. Send your nominations to the appropriate department Chair.

I want to close by urging you also to attend our social, intellectual, and professional activities. Please feel free to convey to myself or other Executive Board members your **suggestions for improvement**. We especially need **volunteers** to match to committee openings.

Best wishes for a great year,

Ronald Mellor, President

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

Last year EA President Steve Cederbaum appointed a committee to examine the Association Constitution and By-Laws and recommend revisions. The By-Laws revisions were approved at the Board meeting in June, 2018. The revisions were largely cosmetic: ensuring that the names of committees of the EA and the Senate reflected the new nomenclature; eliminating contradictions and clumsy phraseology. The corrected By-Laws are now posted on the EA Website.

The corrections to the Constitution were similarly rather minor corrections of committee nomenclature, spelling and typos. The Constitution is also posted on the EA website.

Ronald Mellor, President

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month-long UCLA summer school course in Paris has been sold out for the past fifteen years. Teo has lectured throughout the USA, and in Spain, Italy, France, England, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, and nations in Asia.

Teo's recent books include *The Terror of History; From Heaven to Earth: The Reordering of Castilian Society in the Late Middle Ages, 1150-1350; Spain, 1300-1469: Centuries of Crises; and A King Travels: Festive Traditions in Late Medieval and Early Modern Spain* (2012).

The Teaching Company has issued three video courses by Teo Ruiz: 1) Medieval Europe: Crisis and Renewal; 2) The Terror of History; and 3) The Other 1492: Ferdinand, Isabella, and the Making of an Empire.

The Fall Dinner Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at the UCLA Faculty Center. The room will be announced in the lobby. The reception will begin at 4:45 p.m. Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m.

A dinner invitation and return envelope are enclosed with this newsletter. To make reservations for the dinner using a credit card, please go to this link: <https://ucla-emeriti-dinner-fall-2018.eventbrite.com>

Ronald Mellor, Program Committee

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Last academic year was a banner year, with 726 emeriti renewing or becoming members, along with 279 spouses/partners. That's virtually half of all eligible emeriti! Let's keep it up and make this year even better.

If you haven't signed up already, please do so ASAP. Remember that individual dues are \$20 or \$30 if you're including your spouse/partner. Honorary (over 85) and first-time members are free (however, we do need your membership information each year).

Visit emeriti.errc.ucla.edu/membership-renewal to obtain a paper application form to include with your payment, and send it to: UCLA ERRC, Box 951437 1116 Rolfe Hall, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1437. The website also features an electronic renewal form that "remembers" information from last year and allows for credit card payments.

Anna N. Taylor, Membership Chair

SAVE THESE DATES

Don't miss any of our future programs.

December 6, 2018

After-Lunch

A program on the recent mid-term elections

January 10, 2019

After-Lunch

A program by the Herb Alpert School of Music

February 20, 2019

Winter Dinner

March 7, 2019

After-Lunch Program

April 11, 2019

After-Lunch Program

May 8, 2019

Spring Awards & Dinner

May 21, 2019

Note that this is a change!

Arts & Crafts Exhibit

June 1, 2019

ERRC Retiree Picnic

June 13, 2019

After-Lunch Program

PLEASE SHARE YOUR NEWS

If you have been honored with an award, drafted into a new initiative, published or edited a new book, or have any other news you would like to share with other emeriti, please inform the editor via emeriti@errc.ucla.edu.

IN MEMORIAM

In Memoriam will appear again in the winter. In the meantime, the list of last year's passings has been posted to the Emeriti Association website.

NOMINATIONS FOR EMERITI AWARDS

The office of Vice-Chancellor Michael Levine will soon solicit nominations for University-wide and campus-wide awards. Descriptions of the awards and their respective deadlines are below.

Constantine Panunzio Award

The Panunzio Award was made possible by a bequest from Professor Panunzio of the UCLA department of sociology. Each UC campus may nominate one emeritus/a in a humanities or social sciences field for this award, which consists of a generous cash prize and a certificate. One or two statewide awards are made annually.

The 2017-2018 awardees were Henry (Andy) Ansgar Kelly, UCLA (English) and Sandy Lakoff, UCSD (Political Science). UCLA candidates are evaluated by the Emeriti Association's Awards Committee and reviewed by the deans of the humanities and social sciences. A single UCLA candidate is selected for the statewide competition.

Nominations for the Panunzio Award must be submitted to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Panunzio_Award by Friday, December 7, 2018.

Dickson Emeritus Professorships

The Dickson Emeritus Professorships were made possible by a gift endowment from the late Edward A. Dickson, Regent of the University from 1913 to 1946. They honor outstanding research, scholarly work, teaching, and/or educational and professional service, performed by emeritus faculty of any discipline since retirement. Each UC campus has received funds that will support one or more awards each year. Each UCLA department is limited to one nomination each year.

Carole Goldberg Emeriti Service Award

The Carole Goldberg Emeriti Service Award was initiated in 2015 to honor outstanding service in professional, University, Academic Senate, emeriti, departmental or editorial posts, or committees performed at UCLA by an emeritus or emerita professor since retirement.

The 2018 awardee was Stephen C. Yeazell, School of Law.

Each UCLA department or school may nominate one candidate for each award. Emeriti Association members may nominate candidates also if they keep their related departments aware of their intentions.

Individual emeriti may self-nominate or be nominated by others. Nominations consist of a cover letter outlining the nominee's distinctive scholarly work and/or educational service since retirement; Curriculum Vitae; and supporting letters (2 minimum) from leaders in the field commenting specifically on the nominee's achievements since retirement.

Nominations for Dickson or Goldberg awards must be made using the online form at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Emeriti_Awards_2018 by Friday, January 18, 2019.

*Ronald Mellor
for the Awards Committee*

CUCEA REPORT

CUCEA (Council of University of California Emeriti Associations) will be meeting in late October with its retirees' counterpart, CUCRA (Council of UC Retiree Associations), to discuss a variety of issues. Two concerns seem likely to be on the agenda.

Health Benefits

One is the **future of retiree health benefits**. Over a year ago, an item suddenly appeared on the Board of Regents' schedule related to proposed cutbacks in these benefits. Because there had been no advance consultation with the Academic Senate (or anyone else outside of UCOP) an outcry occurred. The item was then pulled off the agenda and a special committee was formed to look at the issue. So far, no definitive set of recommendations has resulted. However, the matter remains open. The September 2018 meeting agenda of the Regents' Finance and Capital Strategies committee included this statement for discussion:

"Costs attributable to health benefits for covered retirees and their dependents are likely to rise more quickly as larger cohorts of UC employees decide to retire. UC, like the State overall, can anticipate faster increases in its retiree population as members of the baby boom generation reach retirement age. (PPIC refers to this trend as the "silver tsunami.") The University continues to explore ways to control costs associated with health benefits for this growing population." (Note: PPIC refers to the Public Policy Institute of California, a San Francisco-based think-tank.)

At this writing, exactly what will be said about the item by university administrators and board members at the Regents meeting is unknown. There may be clues at the meeting about where this issue is headed.

Litigation regarding retiree health care

Somewhat related to the issue of retiree health care is the outcome of litigation that indirectly touches on the degree to which retiree health care is a **vested right** or just an **optional benefit** which the Regents voluntarily choose to provide. The latter is the current position of the university i.e., that there is no legal obligation. Some retirees at Lawrence Livermore National Lab (LLNL) have sued over the loss of health benefits and in the process have unearthed early documents (employee information booklets, etc.) that suggest retiree health care was developed as a regental obligation and not as a voluntary benefit. In addition, LLNL retirees had a recent court success in their case (which may well be appealed by UC).

CUCEA will continue to monitor this litigation as it unfolds.

Potential reorganization at UCOP

A second issue of concern refers to a possible organizational revision of the unit that looks after retiree benefits at UCOP, the RASC (Retirement Administration Service Center). As the result of various problems unrelated to the RASC, the California State Auditor took issues with the administration of UCOP. The fallout from the Auditor's report (and a resulting controversy over what the Auditor deemed interference in its investigation by the university president) led to an internal reconsideration of the entire UCOP structure.

CUCEA and CUCRA remain concerned that a by-product of this episode could be future reductions in service to emeriti and retirees.

Daniel J. B. Mitchell, CUCEA Representative

VC ACADEMIC PERSONNEL

Michael Levine has been appointed by Executive Vice Chancellor Scott Waugh as Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel, effective May 1, 2018. Mike Levine has served as Interim Vice Chancellor since 2016, and he has been supportive of emeriti and our efforts to remain important contributors to the University.

He appoints the Faculty Retirement Liaison (currently David Lopez) and oversees the Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center to which he appoints the Director (currently Sue Barnes).

He also supervises emeriti awards and chairs the selection committees for the Constantine Panunzio Award, the Dickson Awards, and the Carole Goldberg Emeriti Service Award.

Mike has been a member of the faculty since 1976 and is now Distinguished Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Science in the David Geffen School of Medicine. He holds the Gail Patrick Endowed Chair in Brain Research and is the Associate Director for Education of the Brain Research Institute.

Michael's research focuses on the neurophysiological mechanisms underlying neurodegenerative disorders. His multidisciplinary work carries implications for such disorders as Huntington's and Parkinson's disease and pediatric epilepsy.

Ron Mellor, President

A SUCCESSFUL ANNIVERSARY FOR THE ART SHOW

On May 15, the 2018 **Sylvia Winstein Arts and Crafts Exhibit** celebrated its 40th Anniversary with a wondrously wide range of talents and techniques. In its spring planning stages, the event exists as just words on paper, but then the blazing chandeliers of the California Room set the scene for visual delights to come.



The photos by **Lauren Ino** portrayed a colorful mix of art and artifacts with artists and visitors in a festive mood.

Our featured artist, **Donald Paglia**, displayed sculpture and innovative large works representing a lengthy career in science-related projects and graphic design.

Our two dozen artists displayed beautiful paintings, drawings, hand-crafted jewelry, as well as portrayals of large metal sculptures; and one artist showed ceramics, watercolors, and scarves. There were some fine examples of quilting.

The colorful atmosphere was enhanced by our invited collector, **Alan Grinnell**, with his display of “molas” reverse-applique needlework produced by a group of indigenous women of Panama.



As before, stunning floral arrangements by **Toshi Ashikaga** brightened the exhibit space.

Steve Cederbaum, outgoing president of the Emeriti Association, gave his last official greeting to those assembled, initiating our toast of the artists.

As usual, we had beautiful weather for our champagne and refreshments on the patio. This is always a fine opportunity to mingle with friends and colleagues, and we are fortunate to have such an array of talent to make our afternoon a delight.



Many more pictures can be found on the Emeriti Association website. Try a Google search “ucla emeriti association art show” (omit quotation marks) and select the link for Emeriti Arts and Crafts Exhibits - UCLA Emeriti Association. Or go to <https://emeriti.errc.ucla.edu/Events/Emeriti-Arts-and-Crafts-Exhibits> Then, click on 2018 on the left-hand side.



Of course, with the new academic year upon us it is never too soon to mark your calendars to support this well-loved event---Tuesday, May 21, 2019. We always **welcome new faces among our exhibitors**, so if you wish to join in the next show, please contact Sharon Belkin, amazon@ucla.edu, or Barbara Lippe, blippe@ucla.edu.

Sharon Belkin, Art Show Chair

LET US WELCOME

The following faculty and librarians joined our ranks between March 27 and July 31, 2018. Congratulations!

Francis (Perry) R. Anderson
History

John B. Garnett
Mathematics

Judy D. Olian
AGSM

Arthur P. Arnold
Integrative Biology & Physiology

Hilary Godwin
Environmental Health Sciences

Steven A. Olsen
Vice Chancellor & CFO

Judith F. Baca
*Chicana/o Studies
World Arts & Cultures*

Carole Eudice Goldberg
Law

Sherry B. Ortner
Anthropology

Cynthia T. Barrett
Pediatrics (Administration)

Malcolm S. Gordon
Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

Carol L. Pavlish
School of Nursing

Arnold J. Berk
*Microbiology, Immunology &
Molecular Genetics*

Patricia Adair Gowaty
Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

Alfred J. Pennisi
Pediatrics (Administration)

Maria Ines Boechat
Radiological Sciences

Gary G. Gray
Music

Shlomo Raz
Urology

Christine L. Borgman
Information Studies

Mark S. Grinblatt
AGSM

Emil Reisler
Chemistry & Biochemistry

Robert H. Brook
Medicine (Administration)

Robert P. Gunsalus
*Microbiology, Immunology &
Molecular Genetics*

David W. Sabeau
History

Elizabeth F. Carter
Near Eastern Languages & Cultures

John C. Heritage
Sociology

Adrian A. Saxe
Art

Duane W. Champagne
Sociology

David G. Hirsch
Library

Stuart O. Schweitzer
Health Policy & Management

Francesco Chiappelli
Dentistry

Stephen P. Hubbell
Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

David O. Sears
Psychology

Thomas James Coates
Medicine (Infectious Disease)

John S. Hughes
AGSM

James E. Spar
Psychiatry & Biobehavioral Sci

Ian A. Cook
Psychiatry & Biobehavioral Sci

John Randal Johnson
Spanish & Portuguese

Oscar M. Stafsudd
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Kay E. Deeney
Biomedical Library

Loong F. Kong
Mathematics

Richard G. Stevenson, III
Dentistry

Barbara E. Drucker
School of the Arts (Dean)

James A. Lake
*Molecular, Cellular & Developmental
Biology*

M. Belinda Tucker
Psychiatry & Biobehavioral Sci

Robert Keith Englund
Near Eastern Languages & Cultures

Mary A. Lewis
School of Nursing

Mladen Vucetic
Civil & Environmental Engineering

Leobardo F. Estrada
Urban Planning

Steven A. Lippman
AGSM

Kenneth Edmund Wade
American Indian Studies Ctr Library

David James Farabee
Psychiatry & Biobehavioral Sci

Daniel M. Neuman
Ethnomusicology

Anna Wu Work
Molecular & Medical Pharmacology

Alan Garfinkel
Medicine (Administration)

Elinor Ochs
Anthropology

Cheryl Ann Zimmer
Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

Richard Kent Zimmer
Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

BELMONT VILLAGE HOSTS EMERITI

On April 19, 2018, members of the Emeriti and Retirees Associations were invited to meet Belmont Village Senior Living founder and CEO, Patricia Will, at Belmont Village in Westwood. It was an extremely interesting hour.

Ms. Will feels privileged that Belmont Village is affiliated with UCLA and hopes to be able to develop a “twin” nearby to augment their offerings which are highly desired by members of the UCLA community and those outside.

A large minority of the residents of Belmont Village Westwood have a UCLA affiliation. A committee comprised of members of both emeriti and retirees associations at UCLA was instrumental in securing the site and worked closely with Belmont Village to bring the project to fruition in order to provide a residence that allows easy access for UCLA emeriti to continue to participate in their departments and other UCLA activities. In appreciation of our efforts, Belmont Village contributes a large sum every year to both the emeriti and retiree associations.

Belmont Village Westwood is over-subscribed and has a waiting list. Members of the UCLA family move to the head of the queue but do not replace those already ensconced in the facility who want to move to a larger apartment.

Ms. Will shared with us the impetus for thinking about the concept, the target population and the planning that went into founding the first Belmont Village in Houston, TX. It was a pioneering concept at the time, although one that is quite common today--a residence for seniors who are healthy and active, but who no longer wish to maintain an independent residence with its attendant responsibilities, and who want the company and socialization of others in a similar frame of mind.

At its founding, the available options were independent living, living with children, or for the infirm, a nursing home. Belmont Village Senior Living Westwood, and its 25 siblings nationwide, is for those in the middle or upper-middle class who are in a position to pay the costs of a home with many amenities, comforts and excellent cuisine. These organizations don't pretend to meet a broad societal need and do not have any government subsidy. The emphasis is on comfort and providing a broad array of stimulating social activities, although the residences have provision for those residents who become cognitively impaired.

Ms. Will was a dynamic, energetic, engaging and impressive speaker. Informational brochures were available, but the session did not have the overtones of a sales pitch. If the opportunity arises again it would be worth attending for those who anticipate thinking about changes in their living arrangements.

Steve Cederbaum, Past-President

PANUNZIO AWARD

The Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award, created by a bequest from Professor Panunzio of UCLA, honors outstanding scholarly work or educational service since retirement **by a University of California emeritus or emerita in the Humanities or Social Sciences**. After campus nominations, a university-wide committee selects the winners.

The 2018 awardees, announced at the Emeriti Association Awards Dinner last May, were **Sandy Lakoff** (UCSD, Political Science) and our own **Andy Kelly** of the UCLA English Department.



Henry Ansgar “Andy” Kelly, Distinguished Research Professor of English, has made many contributions to UCLA and to scholarship since his retirement in 2004. He has published six books and 37 papers on a wide range of topics: Literature (Chaucer); Roman and Canon Law; History (inquisitions and other ecclesiastical trials, torture, Galileo); Theology (exorcism; heresies); Biblical Studies (textual investigations; English Bible).

Most notable is *Satan: A Biography* published by the Cambridge University Press in 2006. It became an academic “best seller” and has been translated into six other languages. Andy also published studies on heresy trials, including that of Sir Thomas More, and how the English Inquisition differed from its continental counterpart.

Andy’s “service” has been two major contributions to the scholarship of the Middle Ages: returning to the editorship of the journal *Viator: Medieval and Renaissance Studies* in 2003. *Viator*, published by the UCLA Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, has an international profile for its scholarship and two generations of graduate assistants have profited from working on it. Andy also directed the digitization of the 1582 edition of *Corpus Juris Canonici* (Corpus of Canon Law), which is now available online for legal and ecclesiastic scholars worldwide.

Ron Mellor, on behalf of the Awards Committee

RESPECT

The Council of University of California Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) Emeriti Activities Survey for 2016-2018 needs your participation.

Aretha Franklin, the late, great soul singer, recorded a very popular tune, entitled “Respect.” The lyrics include, “All I’m askin’ in return, honey, is to give me my propers. . .”

Many emeriti continue to provide rich contributions to their students, to the university, and to global knowledge. What should emeriti ask from our university in return? Appropriate and stable pensions? Top level health insurance? Support for creative activities post- retirement?

Why should the University of California have the best of these “propers” ready for its retired scholars? Can a value be set for these professors doing things for the University of California and for the community that merits such rewards? Are there data that justify such recognition?

The details will be found in the last survey conducted by the Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA), based upon activities of 1,600 respondents during the 2012-2015 period. The survey revealed that emeriti brought in financial, research, and educational assets to the University which were sufficient to form a “Virtual Eleventh Campus.” The 16 page report can be found at

<http://cucea.ucsd.edu/biblio/documents/AVirtualEleventhCampus.pdf>

Those who completed the survey comprised emeriti who were working as volunteer teachers and/or researchers, as well as those on a fee basis and even those on grants with salaries. Importantly, those who completed the survey included dues-paying members of the Emeriti Association and also those who were not in the Association.

The survey data led to meetings of emeriti leadership representatives from the campuses with the University President, Janet Napolitano and her staff. The meetings had a major impact: Proposed increases in the cost of supplemental health insurance, about which we did not receive prior consultation, were pulled from the Regents agenda, giving us time to press for elimination of the proposal.

This year the survey will go to 90% of recipients on-line. It will be sent to all emeriti, in October.

There is much more needed to be sure current and future emeriti receive their “propers.” We urge you to carefully complete the survey. Please contact me for questions or if you don’t receive the survey: Sey-

mour R. (Sy) Levin, M.D.; UCLA Survey Chairman; (310) 467-2943; slevin@mednet.ucla.edu.

Sy Levin

CUCEA Emeriti Activities Survey Chair for UCLA

Editor’s Note: *It is important for all emeriti to participate in the survey. It may take some time to recall all of your activities and contributions, but the result is extremely worthwhile. Frankly, I find UCLA’s response for 2012-2015 (202 vs. 461 from Davis) very disappointing. I am looking forward to learning that UCLA emeriti have done much better this year.*

GOOD NEWS FROM THE FACULTY CENTER

There were several positive developments for the Faculty Club during 2018. Most notable is the **agreement** between the FC and the Administration which calls for the university to embark on \$10 million in renovations. There are many other provisions to the agreement and some details are still being finalized. To the surprise of many, this is the first such agreement in the history of the FC.

The FC finished the year that ended June 30, 2018, with a **profit**--the first in over a decade. This is also an achievement in comparison with other university faculty clubs. An article last fall in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* (Gluckman, August 8, 2017) noted that many university faculty clubs have shrunk or closed.

The Faculty Center welcomes **Tony Nazaryan**, who has worked at Ox & Son in Santa Monica, as its new Executive Chef. **Stephanie Yee** is our new Catering Sales Manager. **Julie Kwan**, an Emeriti Association board member, is the new President-Elect and **Caroline Streeter** and **Benjamin Zuckerman** are new board members.

Many of you have noticed improvements in the FC building art, and this is due to the efforts of **Victoria Steele**, a recent Emeriti Association board member, who has volunteered to help out the FC. Victoria has been recalled as curator, UCLA Public Art Collections. This job has put her in touch with some campus art and furniture items that are no longer needed--to the benefit of the FC.

As outgoing President Belinda Tucker notes, these positive developments are due to our members through daily dining, bringing events to the center, and making critical donations. Please keep it up.

Bruce Miller

Faculty Center Representative

NEWS AND NOTES

Kudos, new undertakings, recent publications, and other reports from the far reaches of the world of UCLA emeriti.

Algirdas Avizienis, distinguished professor emeritus of computer science, has received the 2018 Jean-Claude Laprie Award in Dependable Computing for his 1977 paper, “On the Implementation of N-Version Programming for Software Fault Tolerance During Execution.” The Laprie award is given annually by the International Federation for Information Processing’s Working Group 10.4 on Dependable Computing and Fault Tolerance. The Laprie award is dedicated to recognizing papers that have influenced the theory and/or practice of dependable computing. This is Avizienis’s third Laprie award.

Recently retired from Chicano/a studies and world arts & cultures, **Judy Baca** was the subject of a book that won an award for the Chicano Studies Research Center. *Judith F. Baca*, by Anna Indych-López, was awarded the Independent Publisher Book Awards silver prize in the multicultural non-fiction adult category. The book is the first published retrospective of Baca, who is one of the world’s few female large-scale muralists. Baca is locally renowned as the artist who created “The Great Wall of Los Angeles,” a vibrant 7,740-foot mural that presents an alternative history of California—one that focuses on the contributions of marginalized and underrepresented communities.

Albert Carnesale, UCLA chancellor emeritus, has been named to the board of directors of the California Council on Science and Technology. Carnesale is a professor emeritus of public policy. His research and teaching focuses on public policy issues having substantial scientific and technological dimensions. Carnesale was recognized for his exceptional contribution to science on a global stage, according to the Council’s board chairman Charles Kennel. The California Council on Science and Technology serves as a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that engages leading experts in science and technology to advise state policymakers.

Michael Grunstein, a distinguished professor emeritus of biological chemistry, has been awarded the 2018 Albert Lasker Basic Medical Research Award for his groundbreaking research on gene expression. He shares the award with C. David Allis of Rockefeller University in New York. Grunstein provided the first demonstration that histones — the proteins that package DNA within chromosomes — are more than inert structures that serve simply as spools

for DNA. Working with his team at UCLA, he showed via experiments with yeast that histones actually play an important role in gene expression. Almost 50% of the winners of The Lasker award have gone on to win a Nobel Prize in Medicine.

Encouraged by a rereading of Montaigne’s *Essais*, published in 1580 and regarded as the father of the form, emeritus professor of modern English and American literature **Jascha Kessler** gathered his own pieces that he thought would pass muster and arranged them more or less randomly for possible readers. The result was *Essays*, recently published by Xlibris. In a departure from the random arrangement, the first essay looks back to his early years and the last offers a farewell from the perspective of old age. *Essays* is available in three formats from www.xlibris.com or amazon.

Judea Pearl, emeritus professor of computer science, is 92 on the list of the top 100 computer scientists in the United States based on their productivity and influence in the field and received an honorary doctorate at Yale University’s commencement on May 21. In May he was also presented an Edward A. Dickson Emeritus Professorship Award. May was a big month for Pearl. His first book intended for a general audience was published and he gave a talk about it at the Charles E. Young Research Library. *The Book of Why: The New Science of Cause and Effect* was written with mathematics writer Dana Mackenzie. It explores causality from its origins to its applications at the leading edges of science. He also published (with Mackenzie) a June column on the topic in the *Wall Street Journal*.

“Parking is no longer uncool,” says **Donald Shoup**, whose newly published book, *Parking and the City*, highlights the remarkable interest, implementation of reforms and growth of research that followed his landmark 2005 publication, *The High Cost of Free Parking*. The new book, by the distinguished research professor of urban planning, serves as an update to work that has caught the attention of leaders and lawmakers, and proven influential locally, nationally and internationally. He also wrote an op-ed on the topic for the *New York Times* in June.

Dr. **Richard Stiehm**, emeritus professor of pediatrics, won a 2016-2017 Edward A. Dickson Emeritus Professorship Award. This summer Dr. Stiehm reunited with the “Bubble Baby” whose life he had saved nearly five decades ago with the help of Paul Terasaki. Maurice Elias ultimately received a bone marrow transplant from his sister Tamara and became the second baby cured of severe combined immunodeficiency, or SCID. The September 18, 2018, UCLA Newsroom story gives a lot of vibrant detail.

MY RETIREMENT

It was with mixed emotions that I recently informed the boards of the UCLA Emeriti Association and the Retirees Association that I plan to retire July 1, 2019. I have served as director of the UCLA Emeriti/Retirees Relations Center since 2016.

I have loved my position at UCLA but recently family caregiving responsibilities in both Northern California and Washington State have become increasingly challenging, and I have not had the flexibility I need to attend to these matters.

During my time at UCLA, I have focused on increasing communication with retirees, finding new ways to promote emeriti and retirees association activities, connecting retired faculty and staff with volunteer opportunities, creating partnerships with other campus departments and community organizations, and improving outreach to faculty and staff who are nearing retirement.

I plan to use my accrued vacation to leave the campus prior to July 1, likely by the end of April. UCLA plans to conduct a national search for the new ERRC director. Representatives from the UCLA Emeriti Association and the Retirees Association boards of directors will serve on the search committee.

Sue Barnes, Director, ERRC

BOOK EXCHANGE

I would like to offer congratulations to our Book Exchange volunteers for the cull (weeding) of the Book Exchange (located in the Faculty Center billiard room) on June, 28, 2018. The Book Exchange volunteers include Toshi Ashikaga and son Hisa, Noël Carterette, Diane and Allan Childs, John Edmond, Paul Sheats and Gloria Turner.

Once a year we remove all the books from the shelves in the Billiard Room of the Faculty Center. We clean the shelves, count the books and remove any books which have not circulated within the year.

In the past, the campus library (Charles E. Young Research Library) sent their shelves (a moving “truck”) for us to fill with our discarded books. They were the perfect campus partner. We needed to find a new partner to pick up 200-300 books on Wednesday, June 28, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

A search of organizations ready to do this, revealed that the Salvation Army accepts donations from large estates and will send a truck to pick up books packed into boxes.

We volunteers gathered round to toast our success of “Books into the boxes, and on time.” It was another

very good day at the Book Exchange, thanks to you, volunteers.

Throughout the year a small team of volunteers remove books from the book bin, list the date and shelve the books for circulation.

A reminder: The Book Exchange welcomes novels, literary fiction of all kinds (mysteries and detective fiction are popular in our collection), plays, poetry, biography, histories and general interest non-fiction. The Book Exchange does not accept academic texts, instructional works, cook books or travel handbooks.

Toshi Ashikaga, Chair, Book Exchange

FROM THE PAST

UCLA Emeriti Reporter: A newsletter for retired UCLA academic personnel, Volume 1, No. 1, Fall 1969

Charles E. Young, Chancellor, pledged support to UCLA Emeriti. He wrote,

“I was delighted when I learned that our Emeriti Service Center [as the ERRC was then known] is going to publish an Emeriti Newsletter, and honored to have been invited to contribute a brief statement to the first issue.

“Despite all of the turmoil of University life today, we are not forgetful of the talents that faculty of the past devoted to UCLA and the role they played in making it an institution of international consequence. At this crucial period we need more than ever your support and indeed your prayers – and I welcome the Newsletter as a means of bringing you into the life of the campus as well as a source of information to you.

“Please consider this to be a special salute to each of you, and please let me have the benefit of your idea and your counsel.”

Lloyd Morrisett, Emeriti Association President, stated:

“Our Association has four objectives. These are to make possible the maintenance of the friendly, cordial, professional relationships which we enjoyed while active members of the faculty; to provide meetings where we can renew our personal friendships and social contacts; to aid and assist our members in carrying forward their desires, plans and effort so that they may make further contributions to society; to expedite the general welfare of each member and render aid when help is needed.”

Very special congratulations were wished to “those Members Whose Birthday Cakes Can be Lighted by 80 or More Candles.” There were 10 of them.

Travels to far places included Italy, Mexico and Central America, Round-the-World, France and Mexico, Spain, Australia, England, Tahiti, Germany, and Europe.

THE PLAYREADING SEASON

The UCLA Faculty Women's Club Playreading Group announces its 11th season of Playreading at the Faculty Center! The 2018-2019 schedule, subject to change:

- November 8 – Scenes from *Much Ado About Nothing* by William Shakespeare
- December – no meeting
- January 10 – *An Inspector Calls* by J.B. Priestley
- February 14 – A Neil Simon play, t.b.d., in memory of his amazing career in the theater
- March 14 – *Rhinoceros* by Eugene Ionesco
- April 11 – *God of Carnage* by Yasmina Reza
- May 9 – *Ah, Wilderness* by Eugene O'Neill
- June 13 – Open Mic night (tentative)

The Playreaders are sponsored by the UCLA Faculty Women's Club, the Emeriti Association and the Retirees Association, and they're very grateful to the Faculty Center for hosting the programs.

The Playreaders meet at the Faculty Center on the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm. Cast members read aloud, script in hand. Afterwards, audience members have a chance to discuss the play with the cast and director.

Members of the Emeriti Association and their guests are welcome to attend any performance. If you would like to have your name added to the Playreaders mailing list, please contact the chair, Rochelle Caballero, rcab90272@cs.com. Members may indicate interest in joining the cast of a performance.

Make an evening of it! Audience members often join the cast at 5:30 pm for dinner at the Faculty Center before a performance. To reserve a place at the Playreaders' table, please contact Marjorie Friedlander, friedlander.marjorie@gmail.com.

Marjorie Friedlander, Faculty Women's Club

MORE FROM THE PAST

In Fall 1979

Professor William T. Puckett (mathematics) became president of the Association which represented "the 400 plus retired UCLA professors." Twenty-two "new academicians" were welcomed and reported their anticipated activities. Several mentioned writing and editing books, teaching, and travel; but also, "hobbies, which include golf."

By Fall, 1989, the newsletter had been renamed *UCLA Emeriti Newsletter* and was Vol. 3, No. 1. Roslyn B. Alfin-Slater was president and had announced her theme of "Here's to Your Health!" The dinner meeting was to answer the question "Do You Believe in Cholesterol? Lectures were presented

CAREGIVER GROUP

Caregiver group for emeriti caregivers whose spouse/partner has cognitive decline/dementia and for spouse/partner caregivers for emeriti with cognitive decline/dementia.

The ERRC provides space and support for a twice monthly meeting both for emeriti caregivers whose spouse/partner suffers from a neurodegenerative illness and for emeriti whose spouses/partners suffer from similar conditions.

Current participants are caregivers for spouses/partners whose have a range of neurodegenerative conditions ranging from mild cognitive/memory decline through end-stage neurodegenerative diseases. The program has now been running for several years, and has provide significant support, comfort and benefit to its participants.

Facilitated caregiver meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the ERRC.

Both emeriti caregivers and spouses/partners who are caregivers for emeriti are invited to join and participate. Please join us at the next meeting. For more information call the UCLA ERRC at (310) 825-7456.

***Editor's note:** I asked the author to write this because I feel it is important for emeriti to know that the group is available and that it came about as a result of a request for help with a special need. Steve Cederbaum was able to figure out how to put the pieces and people together. There may be other needs that the Emeriti Association can help with. Please let us know.*

Wednesday mornings and the Arts and Crafts Show had been rescheduled from winter to spring in part to use the large patio adjoining the California Room. Progress was reported on emeriti housing. Purchase of a condominium building was considered.

Fall 1999, Vo. 13, No. 1

John Bauman was president. Elizabeth Neufeld's fall dinner talk was "A Biochemist Explores Genetic Disease. Monthly lectures had been moved to Thursday afternoons. It was a year for the Emeriti Biobibliographic Survey (now known as Activities Survey), July 1997 - June 1999. It was the first time the survey, pioneered at UCLA, was administered statewide.

Fall 2009, Vol. 23, No. 1

Paul Sheats was president. David Lopez was among the new retirees welcomed. And Jane Permaul's treasurer's report for the 2008-2009 year showed that expenses outstripped income by \$2,476.64. Fortunately, there had been a decent balance carried forward from the prior year.

FROM THE CENTER

Fidelity Guidance Consultations

Emeriti, retirees and active employees can ask questions about their retirement accounts remaining with the UC Retirement System or review financial planning for specific situations by meeting with Fidelity Retirement Planner, Andrew Fung, CRPC®, at the ERRC. To make an appointment, email Andrew Fung directly at Andrew.Fung@fidelity.com.

First Fridays Technical Tutorial

Fridays, December 7, 10 a.m. – noon, Charles E. Young Research Library.

Laptop, tablet, smart phone, and more...in a one-on-one setting, Bruin Tech volunteers can help you navigate your electronic devices and more. The ERRC coordinates these tutorial sessions on the first Friday of every other month. Sessions are limited to 20 minutes if others are waiting. To register, call (310) 825-7456.

Emeriti/Retiree Privileges

As a reminder, the ERRC coordinates a variety of emeriti privileges, including parking and Bruin Cards and offers complimentary notary services by appointment for emeriti and their spouses/partners. Contact the ERRC at (310) 825-7456 for details.

Sue Barnes, Director

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The UCLA Emeriti Association advocates at the campus and statewide level on behalf of all UCLA retired faculty, librarians and those with conferred emeritus status. Additionally, the Emeriti Association plans programs for its members, encourages emeriti to stay connected to UCLA, and reaches out to those considering retirement.

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