

Campus Connections

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UCDRA awards annual staff scholarship

Kawami Evans, an academic coordinator in student housing, is the recipient of the UC Davis Retirees' Association (UCDRA) Staff Scholarship for 2013. Kawami will complete a doctoral program in educational leadership and management at the Drexel University center in Sacramento in 2014; she has taken two graduate courses each term for four years while working full-time at UC Davis. She completed her undergraduate study at Eastern Connecticut State University and has a master's degree from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, in educational policy and research administration.



Kawami Evans received her staff scholarship award at a ceremony with Chancellor Katehi in May. Photo by Kathy Keatley Garvey/UC Davis

Kawami describes her work in the student development area of the Division of Student Affairs as providing additional academic support for the primarily first-year students who live in UC Davis student housing in the Cuarto complex. Study skills, time

UCDRA/UCDEA Fall Meeting Wednesday, October 30

UC Davis Conference Center Ballrooms; Davis campus

Mix and Mingle/Partner Showcase	1:45 – 2:30 p.m.
Program	2:30 – 4 p.m.
Mix and Mingle/Partner Showcase continues	4 – 4:30 p.m.

The UC Office of the President will provide an overview of the current status of the UC Retirement System as well as a review of retiree health and welfare benefits.

Guerren Solbach, UC Davis health care facilitator, will preview Open Enrollment changes for health and welfare benefits.

Several Retiree Center partners—including the UC Office of the President, the Health Care Facilitator Program, the Department of Campus Recreation and Unions, Davis Travelaires, and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute—will showcase their programs at the Retiree Center Partner Showcase.

Register by Friday, October 18, online at <http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu> or by calling (530) 752-5182.

management, and adjusting to all the life changes encountered by new students fall into this area; specific course and major advising takes place in academic departments. She has participated in planning and execution of the First-Year Scholars program and First-Year Experience Training and is a member of the Women of Color meeting group.

In her application for the staff scholarship Kawami cited “the mission of student development outside of the classroom through education, leadership, and service” and said, “I have chosen the path of student affairs because I believe in the transformative power of higher education to change the world through our students.” The UCDRA congratulates her and is pleased to help her toward her goals with a \$1,000 scholarship.

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UC DAVIS RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

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2012-2014
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Silvia Hillyer, Bylaws
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President's Message



The UC Davis Retiree's Association (UCDRA) begins this new year with three new officers and four newly appointed members on the board—a big and positive change. We want to build on these additions to the board by encouraging other members, especially newly-retired staff, to become committee members or to serve in one-time appointed positions for special projects. The Association needs a continuous infusion of ideas and energy from members to fulfill its mission of representing ALL retirees.

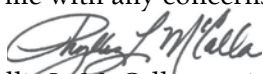
The board's Members-at-Large will have a more defined role as they serve on special committees to:

- reinstitute a UC DRA Retiree Survey to identify and recognize the significant contributions retirees make to the university and to their communities;
- study whether becoming a non-profit organization would enable members to donate funds for staff scholarships and outline the steps necessary to make the change;
- strengthen the working partnership with the UC Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA) and initiate new links with other organizations such as University Farm Circle, International House, Davis, and community senior centers.

The board wants to find ways to involve more UC Davis Health System retirees in association governance, to provide program topics that will increase their attendance at the noon talks, to suggest day trip destinations to the Retiree Center that would be of interest to Sacramento retirees, and to establish an environment for exchange between health system and Davis campus retirees to develop retiree friendships. The Board invites suggestions from all UC Davis retirees to achieve these goals. We value your input and exchange!

As you are probably aware, this year could potentially bring significant health care coverage changes of concern to all of us. This topic will be the focus at the Fall Meeting on Wednesday, October 30. Details are elsewhere in this newsletter; we hope to see you there.

I do not see this year as "business as usual." There will be more engaging discussions during board meetings rather than routine committee reporting. There is a long list of items to address, and the board is up for a change and the challenge. I encourage members to contact me with any concerns and suggestions.


Phyllis L. McCalla, president, UC DRA
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UCDRA Treasurer's Report

Bank of America checking account	
Bal. forward 2/2013	\$19,011.27
Credits	3,480.00
Debits	<u>4,466.94</u>
Closing balance 8/2013	<u>\$18,024.33</u>

Noon Talks renamed Brainfood Talks

Brainfood Talks is the new name for the UCDEA/UCDRA noontime programs. At their September meetings, the UCDEA executive committee and the UC DRA executive board voted to rename the talks to emphasize the educational nature of the programs. Brainfood Talks will provide nourishment for inquiring minds.

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EMERITI ASSOCIATION

Call for UC Davis emeriti awards

Constantin Panunzio Emeriti Award

Constantin Panunzio was a distinguished professor of sociology at UCLA who, in his retirement during the 1950s, became an “architect of the UC Retirement System,” benefiting retirees who followed him by conducting research that led to the increase in stipends and benefits for UC annuitants. He also created, by a bequest, a UC system-wide distinguished emeriti award honoring outstanding scholarly work or educational service (e.g., service in professional, university, Academic Senate, emeriti, departmental, or editorial posts or committees) performed since retirement by a University of California emeritus or emerita in the humanities or social sciences.

Two UC Davis emeritae have received the Panunzio Award in the past: Emmy Werner, Human/Community Development, and Sarah Hrdy, Anthropology.

Nominations should include:

- A nomination letter outlining the nominee’s distinctive scholarly work and/or educational service since retirement
- A curriculum vitae
- The names of three to five references who could write supporting letters for the nominee

Nominations must be submitted electronically by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19, to Bill Rains, the chair of the UCDEA Awards and Recognition Committee, c/o UC Davis Retiree Center, retireecenter@ucdavis.edu. The committee will choose one nominee and will compile a complete dossier to submit to the UC system-wide selection committee.

UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award

The UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award honors outstanding scholarly work or service (e.g., service in professional, university, Academic Senate, emeriti/ae, departmental, or editorial posts or committees) performed since retirement by a UC Davis emeritus/a. Deans, the provost, and UC Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA) members are encouraged to submit nominations for the award.

Nominations should include:

- A nomination letter outlining the nominee’s distinctive scholarly work and/or educational service since retirement
- A curriculum vitae
- The names of three references who can comment specifically on the nominee’s achievements since retirement.

Distinguished Emeritus/a Award recipients receive a plaque and a cash award of \$1,000. The award will be presented at the Chancellor’s Emeriti and Academic Retirees Luncheon in January 2014.

Nominations must be submitted electronically by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, to Bill Rains, the chair of the UCDEA Awards and Recognition Committee, c/o UC Davis Retiree Center, retireecenter@ucdavis.edu.

Please check the UCDEA Awards and Recognition Committee Web page (<http://emeritiassociation.ucdavis.edu/awards.htm>) for updates involving either the Distinguished Emeritus/a or Panunzio Awards.

Emeriti Association Executive Committee 2013–2014

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President,
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Lyn Lofland, Vice President

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Richard Plant (2012-14)

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Public Relations

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Video Records Project

Charley Hess, Liaison, Academic
Senate Emeriti Committee

Richard Plant
Retiree Center Advisory
Committee Representative
(2012-15)

UCDEA Treasurer’s Report

Bank of America checking account	
Bal. forward 2/2013	\$17,580.22
Credits	2,908.87
Debits	<u>2,072.90</u>
Closing balance 8/2013	<u>\$18,416.19</u>

UCDEA/UCDRA Holiday Luncheon

DATE/TIME: Thursday, December 12; 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 LOCATION: Walter A. Buehler Alumni Center; Davis campus
 COST: \$20 per person, UCDEA or UCDRA members and guests; \$25 p.p. non-members
 REGISTRATION: invitations will be sent in late October; registration and payment must be received by November 27



The Holiday Luncheon is one of the most popular annual events of the associations.

The holiday luncheon will feature a buffet menu and some special new surprises. Invitations will be sent to everyone for whom the Retiree Center has an email address. If you do not use email and would like to receive an invitation, please call the Center at (530) 752-5182.

In Memoriam

We remember these members who have died in recent months.

Retirees' Association

Mary Bechely
 Steve Buljan

Emeriti Association

Ben French
 Joyce Kallgren
 William Knox
 Lloyd Smith

Fall Quarter UCDEA/UCDRA Brainfood Talks*

Babies are so human! New insights into infant brain development and emotional health

DATE/TIME: Thursday, October 10; 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 LOCATION: Buehler Alumni Center, AGR Hall; Davis campus

Diane Evans, Ph.D., is an infant and toddler mental health specialist. Her talk will explore the relationships among infant brain development, parenting, social support and mental health. She enriches her presentation with her experience as a mother, grandmother and practicing therapist.



Diane Evans, Ph.D., LCSW. Photo: courtesy

The Mexican/American border: Are we doing the right thing?

DATE/TIME: Thursday, November 14; 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
 LOCATION: Buehler Alumni Center, AGR Hall; Davis campus

Manual Barajas, Ph.D., is a professor of sociology at CSU Sacramento. His talk will explore the questions: Are current border security practices the best solution to migration to the United States from Mexico? What are the real causes of migration? What does the general public (including academics) misunderstand about these issues? Dr. Barajas has focused much of his research on these questions. His talk promises to generate some lively discussion.

*Bring your own lunch; coffee, tea and cookies to be provided

Winter and spring UCDEA/UCDRA Brainfood Talks and quarterly meetings

Mark your calendars! The dates for the UCDEA/UCDRA Brainfood Talks and quarterly meetings have been set for remainder of the year.

The schedule for winter and spring quarters is as follows (speakers and topics to be announced in future newsletters):

Date	Time	Description	Location
Thursday, Jan. 9, 2014	11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Brainfood Talk*	Alumni Center UC Davis
Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014	2 – 4 p.m.	Winter Meeting**	MIND Institute, Health System (Sacramento)
Thursday, Mar. 13, 2014	11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Brainfood Talk*	Alumni Center UC Davis
Thursday, Apr. 10, 2013	11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Brainfood Talk*	Conference Center (note location change) UC Davis
Thursday, May 15, 2014	2 – 4 p.m.	UCDEA Annual Business Meeting**	Alumni Center UC Davis
Thursday, May 22, 2014	2 – 4 p.m.	UCDRA Annual Business Meeting**	Alumni Center UC Davis

*Brainfood Talks: bring your own lunch; coffee, tea and cookies to be provided

**Meetings: refreshments will be provided