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SPRING ANNUAL MEETING

**Thursday, May 23, 2002
Rec Pool Lodge**

SOCIAL HOUR	2:00 – 2:30 P.M.
BUSINESS MEETING (Election of Officers)	2:30 – 3:15 P.M.
PROGRAM	3:15 – 4:30 P.M.

"The First Year as Provost"

**Virginia Hinshaw,
Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Noon Emeriti/Retiree Luncheons

Thurs., May 9, 2002 (Rec Pool Lodge) Marilyn MacGregor "Adventures with Sherlock Holmes"
(Noon lunches will not be held during the summer months)

Complimentary coffee, tea, and cookies will be available.

Programs are 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Reserved parking is located in lot VP 30 near the Rec Pool Lodge. Please display your parking pass.

Coming in the Fall:

Wed., Sept. 11, 2002 – Ellen A. Dean, Director of the Herbarium, "Building for the Future,
the UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity"

Tues, Oct. 8, 2002, John Whitaker, "Opportunities for International Students"

Thurs., Nov. 14, 2002, Thomas Cahill, "What Really Happened in the World Trade Center Collapse"

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

Ed Costantini

- The UCDEA Executive Committee has agreed to join the UCD Retiree Association in proposing the creation of a campus Retiree Center. Such a Center would serve the members of both organizations and would be comparable to Centers found on some of the other UC campuses and ideally modeled in terms of staffing and space after the centers at UCLA and UCB.
- As indicated elsewhere in this issue of *EmeriTimes*, emeriti are invited to a 5-6:30 reception on May 30, 2002 at the main library courtyard to celebrate the publication of *Abundant Harvest*, a history of the Davis campus, to acknowledge the fine work of Ann Scheuring in authoring the volume, and to recognize the contributions of the various emeriti who have made the publication possible. UCDEA Executive Committee member Dick Gable deserves special credit for helping guide the project through to fruition, as do the UCDEA members who have worked so diligently on the Video Records Project that has helped inspire the book's development. (*Abundant Harvest* is available in the bookstore in both soft and hard cover.)
- What began as a pilot program, thanks in part to the initiative of the various UC Emeriti Associations, has now been extended to UC Davis with the appointment of Guerren Solbach as the campus Health Care Facilitator. Among Mr. Solbach's responsibilities is the resolution of problems that may arise among members of the campus community with health care providers, e.g., those caused by disruptions in the services offered by provider networks. He can be reached at gpsolbach@ucdavis.edu and at 530-752-4264.
- A number of UCD emeriti participated in a recent system-wide bio-bibliographic survey of faculty retirees. The results suggest how richly the respondents have continued to contribute to UC's welfare and prestige. The 704 respondents published 271 books over the previous two academic years, 1,990 articles, 312 book chapters, 412 abstracts, 291 professional reports, 44 book reviews, 46 creative works of literature, and 203 consulting reports. They created and/or performed in over 200 works of music, dance, theatre, film, or video. Grants received by the respondents in 1999-2001 helped support 473 persons, including 91 graduate research assistants and 44 post-doctoral fellows. Many of the emeriti respondents continued teaching, with 211 reporting appointments at their home campuses and 109 accepting appointments elsewhere. The service record of the 704

respondents was also estimable, e.g., they held a total of 113 Academic Senate assignments, served on 181 doctoral committees, served on 113 department committees, were members of 248 professional organization committees, reviewed articles for 576 journals, held 194 editorial board appointments. Over 200 received honors or awards from professional organizations or educational institutions, with honorary doctorates bestowed by a range that included Oxford, Krakow, Rutgers, and Central Missouri State universities. 276 served community organizations, with 312 receiving honors from these. On average, the 704 visited their respective campuses three times per week. Of course, the interests of these emeriti went well beyond the professional, with hobbies including fern culture, the manufacture of flintlock rifles, surfing, underwater photography, violin making, Gagaku music, and Shamian. Presumably, many emeriti agree with George Bernard Shaw's notion that "I'd rather wear out than rust out," and certainly many just refuse to act their age.

- Among the matters considered at the April 25 UCLA meeting of the Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) were the following:

Annuitants can expect a 2% COLA adjustment in their monthly retirement benefits;

A proposal is under consideration to permit future unmarried retirees without children to designate a survivor beneficiary who would receive UC benefits on the same basis as a surviving spouse/children.

A proposal is under consideration to provide more equitable treatment for those who may have retired from the University at an earlier time under PERS without provisions for COLA adjustments in their retirement benefits.

A proposal is under consideration—but unlikely to be approved due to cost—to provide the children of UC faculty members enrolled at UC with fee waivers.

A proposal is under consideration to reintroduce a phased retirement program for UC faculty that takes advantages of recent tax law changes and that would permit those interested to retire as early as age 60 and to receive full UCRS benefits while also receiving compensation for teaching on a reduced load basis.

Re. Enron holdings in UC's investment portfolios. Between January 2000 and January 2001, UC pension fund holdings in Enron stock increased from zero shares to over 2,000,000 shares. By December these shares had been sold at a loss of \$144 million. However, this involved less than 0.3% of total funds under UC management. Because of its growth, diversification, and stability, UC employees have not needed to contribute to the pension fund since 1990. Last years UCRS investment gain exceeded 6%.

Many emeriti have no doubt turned for information and assistance to UC's Benefits Customer Service Center, now being managed by Joe Lewis. During 2001, the Center's number and its 14-15 representatives received almost 170,000 calls, and each month it also receives about 700 e-mail messages, 180 piece of mail, and 100 walk-in appointments. Queries from retirees and former UC employees tend to focus on retirement estimates, DCP and 403(b) Plans, and medical, dental or legal plan benefits. Phone: 1-800-888-8267

- A one-day symposium on health care issues affecting seniors, particularly UC annuitants, will be held on Monday, October 7, 2002 at the Beckman National Academy of Sciences Center in Irvine. The event is co-sponsored by the Council of UC Emeriti (CUCEA), the Council of Retiree Associations (CUCRA), and UC's Office of Human Resources and Benefits. It's program will focus on (1) healthy aging; (2) health care for seniors, (3) health care public policy, and (4) UC's health benefits programs.

**UCDEA Slate of Officers and
Committee Chairs
2002-2003**

The Committee on Committees submits to the membership, the following slate of officers and Members at Large of the Executive Committee, for election at the May 23 meeting of the Emeriti Association.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Carol Bruch	Robert Campbell
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The Committee on Committees submits the following slate of standing committee chairs for appointment by the President with the advice of the Executive Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES' CHAIRS

Committee on Committees	Tom Allen
Program & Agenda	Charles Hess
University & Public Relations	Jerry Marr
Emeriti Welfare	Richard Gable
Video Records	John Goss
Editor: <i>EmeriTimes</i>	Charles Judson

Non-voting Ex Officio Members of the Executive Committee:

Chair, Davis Division. Emeriti/ae Committee	(TBA)
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Past Presidents:

Paul Stumpf
Orville Thompson
John Whitaker
Verne Mendel

**“ABUNDANT HARVEST” TO BE
CELEBRATED**

ALL EMERITI ARE INVITED TO A
RECEPTION AT THE MAIN LIBRARY ON
CAMPUS ON THURSDAY.

MAY 30 FROM 5:00 TO 6:30 PM TO
CELEBRATE THE PUBLICATION OF

“ABUNDANT HARVEST: THE HISTORY OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS”

AND TO HONOR ITS AUTHOR, ANN F.
SCHEURING,

AS WELL AS RECOGNIZE THE
CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE VARIOUS EMERITI
INVOLVED IN ITS CONCEPTION UP TO ITS
SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION.

“ABUNDANT HARVEST” IS AVAILABLE AT
THE CAMPUS BOOKSTORE AT \$29.95 FOR
THE PAPERBACK EDITION AND \$39.95 FOR
THE HARDCOVER EDITION. EMERITI WHO
HAVE CONTRIBUTED \$1000 OR MORE
TOWARD THE PUBLICATION OF THE
HISTORY WILL EACH RECEIVE A
COMPLIMENTARY COPY OF THE
HARDCOVER EDITION, WHICH ARE NOW
AVAILABLE TO BE CLAIMED AT THE MAIN
DESK OF BUEHLER ALUMNI CENTER.
(CURRENTLY, A THIRD OF THESE COPIES
HAVE NOT YET BEEN PICKED UP!)

It might be noted that two other volumes on the history of the University of California by Clark Kerr, emeritus President of UC, are also available at the bookstore; namely Vol.1 “Academic Triumph” and Vol.2, “Political Turmoil”.

Video Records Committee (John Goss)

By the end of the 2001-2002 Academic Year, about 200 Video Record Interviews will have been completed. There are 189 VHS Video Interviews on file in Special Collections, Shields Library. These tapes can be “checked-out” at the Special Collections Desk for viewing by students, staff, faculty and emeriti. A listing for the tape number, interviewee, interviewer, and the date of interview is available on the UC Davis Emeriti web site at:

<http://emeritiassociation.ucdavis.edu>

After signing on to the web site, click on:

Organization

And then:

Video History Project

To view the table. Wait a few moments for the table to appear in the active window.

Jim DeVay (752-7310 Campus or 753-2224 Residence) would appreciate emeriti calling him to request interview scheduling. Jim spends many hours each month trying to schedule 8 interviews. When an interview has been scheduled in addition to Jim’s time, three or four taping volunteers also commit several hours. Canceling an interview wastes many hours and after the second cancellation the colleague will need to call Jim to schedule a new interview date.

The closest and most likely available parking for the Tuesday and Thursday interview days is the parking structure located on the South side of the Mondavi Center. Access is a few yards East of the Kiosk on the Interstate 80 off ramp. It is a 10 minute walk from the East end of the parking structure to Mrak Hall. Funds are immediately available at the Interview Center (Room 60 Mrak Hall) for round trip taxi fare for those without personal transportation, or if the walk is burdensome.

IN MEMORIUM

Albert Botini, professor emeritus, Chemistry,
February, 2002

William C. Weir, professor emeritus, Animal
Nutrition, former Dean of students and past
chairman of department of Nutrition,
April, 2002

Charles Rick, professor emeritus, Vegetable
Crops, curator for the Tomato Genetics Resource
Center, May, 2002

HEALTH CARE FACILITATOR NOW AT UCD AND UCDCM

The position of Health Care Facilitator has now been activated on the Davis Campus, joining 5 other UC campuses: UC Berkeley, UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz and UC Riverside. Appointments at all other UC locations are anticipated by the end of 2002.

Guerren Solbach, UC benefits specialist, has been appointed to the new position effective early May. The facilitator is responsible for developing and managing a specialized program to help both active employees and retirees obtain the full benefits and services available from their UC sponsored health care plans. This program has been operative on a trial basis on two other campuses and has been so extensively and effectively utilized that it is being initiated systemwide.

Facilitator Solbach can be reached at (530) 752-4264 on Monday/Wednesday/Friday on the Davis campus and at (916)734-8880 on Tuesday/Thursday at the UCD Medical School or at gpsolbach@ucdavis.edu. This service provides confidential one-on-one assistance in resolving health care issues for all faculty, retirees and annuitants.

MONDAVI CENTER NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities still exist for memorializing your name or someone you wish to honor at the new Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts at UC Davis.

Contributions at levels of \$500 to \$7500 will be recognized in a permanent recording of yours or an honoree's name. \$2500 will put your name on an engraved nameplate on the armrest of one of the seats in the 1800 seat Jackson Hall; \$5000 entitles you to nameplates on two adjacent seats; and an additional contribution of \$2500 to the Center's presenting program will give you the right to purchase tickets for your two named seats for most performances of the Center's gala opening season. A \$1000 contribution will name a 12x18 inch paving stone on the entry plaza, and a \$500 contribution will put your name alongside others on an engraved paving stone at the fountain plaza.

For more information on these and other giving opportunities, contact Verena Young, Director of Development (530)757-3466 or leuyoung@ucdavis.edu.

With the opening of the Mondavi Center in October, the 2002-2003 season is expanded to bring 74 artists or performing groups presenting more than 100 performances, including 20 matinees for visiting school children from throughout the Sacramento area. Add to that 25 performances by the UCD departments of music and theater and dance plus the opening performance of the Sacramento Ballet, and it is clear that these recorded names will be seen by many, many attendees over the year (and for many years after).

UC Davis Tops Nation in Environmental, Agricultural Research

The University of California, Davis, was the most prolific research institution in publishing environmental and ecology research papers during 1996-2000, according to a national publisher.

UC Davis was also ranked third in the number of citations made of its agricultural science research papers in the same period, reported the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) in Philadelphia. ISI tracks scientific publishing in prestigious journals such as Nature, Science and the Proceeding of the National Academy of Sciences. Papers and citations are important because they indicate cutting-edge scientific findings that include both original research and groundwork for advanced research.

"It is gratifying for our faculty to learn from such a reputable organization as ISI that our research programs in the environmental sciences and ecology, agriculture, and food science and nutrition are the most productive university-based programs in the world," said Dean Neal Van Alfen, UC Davis' College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. "The research in the college and elsewhere on campus has impact and is a good investment in advancing the frontiers of knowledge."

ISI RESULTS:

ISI found that UC Davis ecology and environmental researchers had 862 papers published from 1996 to 2000. That accounts for 1.02 percent of all the 84,919 papers entered into the ISI database from ecology and environmental journals. The next most prolific institution in the area was the University of California, Berkeley, which produced 724 papers in the same period.

Andrew Sih of the UC Davis Environmental Science and Policy department was listed as a "highly cited" researcher in the area of ecology and the environment. This places him among the most cited one percent of all researchers publishing in this field.

UC Davis was also ranked first in food science and technology and fifth in entomology/pest control in regard to the numbers of papers produced between 1996 and 2000. Three UC Davis food scientists were ranked among the top 20 most referenced out of 1,500 agricultural science researchers. They are Edwin Frankel, second; Bruce German, 16th; and the late John Kinsella, 17th.

Van Alfen noted, "When legislators and citizens ask us what we are doing for California, I believe that we can honestly answer that we are providing a quality of service and research that is unrivalled in the world. Taxpayers can feel confident that the state's investment in the University of California system is returning substantial dividends."

Ecological research at UC Davis is conducted in many schools and colleges including the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, the Division of Biological Sciences, and the schools of law and engineering. The College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences houses 19 departments, one division, and 400 faculty.

Dues Paid 2002-03

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2. Downie R 110601
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4. Padfield H 102201
5. Rosenwald AS 110401
6. Soeldner JS 110401
7. Stumpf PK 110200

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7. Bartosic F 072697
8. Bernoco D 120597
9. Black AL 010400
10. Blacker KH 051198
11. Bliss FA 1102
12. Boda JM 061698
13. Bolt RJ 021400
14. Bringhurst RS 123198
15. Brush DO 120597
16. Butler EE 020999
17. Cahill TA 051198
18. Campbell RN 123198
19. Charles SR 010400
20. Cheney JA 110898
21. Christensen P 083100
22. Clark WH 090301
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24. Colvin HW 090997
25. Craig PP 030898
26. Cutler DO 051198
27. Draper JE 010400
28. Dunning HC 110901

29. Enders AC 092298
30. Erman DE 1205
31. Fowler WM 120597
32. Fridley BB 041201
33. Friedrich EC 1205
34. Gable RW 110898
35. Gabor AJ 121098
36. Gardner MB 1102
37. Garrett WN 031498
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39. Gilbert NW 121801
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54. Jackson WT 062697
55. Jennings W 031498
56. Kallgren J 102798
57. Kennedy PC 120597
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60. Krone RB 030898
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62. Laben RC 121098
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66. Lewis MJ 121098
67. Lofland J 062697
68. Logan SH 102798
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73. Malcolm J 040599
74. Marble VL 031498
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79. McNeil AJ 102301
80. Mitchell G 051297
81. Morris JG 1102
82. Murphey RM 031801
83. Needles HL 1205
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95. Schwartz M 121098
96. Scobey RP 121800
97. Shen CK 110301
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99. Smith W 102798
100. Studer HE 102798
101. Talley 110898
102. Tanji KK 102201
103. Tart CT 020999
104. Tchobanoglous G 040398
105. Thompson OE 041597
106. Trelford JD 062697
107. Tupin J 030898
108. Tupper CJ 062697
109. Tyler WS 1102
110. Wagner FC 102201
111. Walters RF 083100
112. Wegge L 121800
113. Wennberg RP 040599
114. Whitaker JR 022697
115. Williams WA 120597
116. Wilson DS 040599
117. Wolfman EF 110898
118. Wright CT 102298
119. Zeman F 102298
120. Zeronian SH 120597

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Virginia Hinshaw
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