

UC Davis Emeriti Association Report
CUCEA Meeting October 25-26, 2017
UC San Francisco

The UC Davis Emeriti Association continues to maintain membership a little under 500, with 465 members (328 Life Time, 60 Annual and 77 Associate). We hope to build on this stable base as we extend cooperative links to emeriti from UCD Health. Members of the Executive Committee met with UCD Health Associate Vice Chancellor Nesbitt and active UCD Health emeriti to develop an affiliated emeriti group at the Sacramento campus. A letter to these emeriti, with a brief response card to ascertain their interests in maintaining affiliation will be sent this fall.

Over the summer the EA leaders monitored the Regents proposal to lift the 70% floor for the university's share of retiree health insurance premiums. In September, the UCDEA Emeriti Welfare Committee in collaboration with the UCD Academic Senate Welfare Committee issued a memo to the Faculty Welfare Committee, CUCEA and CUCRA articulating concerns about the process and lack of consultation and recommending a further postponement of any decision by the Regents. Another issue currently being addressed by the UCDEA and UCDRA is extension of the current retiree parking permits subsidized by the Provost.

The association continues to build strong collaborative ties with the UC Davis Retirees' Association (UCDRA) in conjunction with the UC Davis Retiree Center. Services are integrated within the new organizational structure of the Cal Aggie Alumni Association's Affiliate Programs. For 2017-18 UCDEA and UCDRA have combined meetings of the associations' Communications and Program Committees and developed two different themes for noon Brain Food Talks. This year we continue with speakers highlighting health issues started last spring and fine arts and humanities to round out the year.

Director of Affiliate Programs, Becky Heard, coordinated negotiations with UC Davis Health to establish a satellite Retiree Center Office on the Sacramento campus. Office space was obtained in the new Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing Building in late June 2017 and part-time staffing was approved in September 2017, with Becky initially staffing the office two-days a week. Short-term and handicapped parking spaces are available for office visitors. We see this Retiree Center presence in Sacramento as an opportunity to encourage broader participation by emeriti in Sacramento. Marjorie Ahl was recognized with a reclassification in recognition of the expanded services she provides to UCDEA.

The Executive Committee continues to host Coffee with Campus Leaders at 9am before Executive Committee meetings. Fall speakers include: School of Veterinary Medicine dean, Michael Lairmore in October and College of Biological Sciences dean, Mark Winey in November. Letters and Sciences dean, Elizabeth Spiller is the featured speaker at our fall joint

meeting with UC/DRA on October 24th. In December, our holiday luncheon program will feature Distinguished Professor Emerita of Music Jessie Ann Owens in collaboration with the Davis High School Madrigal Choir.

The Video Records Committee has completed its 450th interview. Most notably all 450 videos are now available on the campus' You Tube channel, where they are readily available for anyone to view.

Three emeriti were awarded Dickson Professorships for 2017-18. They were awarded to: Professor Emeritus Peter Hays, English; "Subsidization of publication of reading *The Old Man and the Sea*"; Professor Emerita Martha Macri, Native American Studies; "Investigating the Origins and Cultural Evolution of Human Communication Systems: Comparing Two Early Scripts from Mexico and Central America" ;Professor Emeritus Frederic Troy, II, Biochemistry & Molecular Medicine, School of Medicine; "Chain Length of Polysialic Acid Chains on Adult Neural Stem Cells from Spiral Ganglion Neurons⁶³⁶."