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UPCOMING MEETINGS: International House
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Lunch Meeting: Thursday, January 10, 2008

Kern Holoman

“Impact of the Mondavi Center on the
UC Davis Music Program”

Lunch Meeting: Thursday, February 14, 2008

Dan Mungas

“Alzheimer’s Disease”

Lunch Meeting: Thursday, March 13, 2008

Shu Geng

“Thirty Years of Development in China”



Impressions from the Fall Football Tailgate of October 2007

Winter General Meeting, Monday, February 4, 2008

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Activities and Recreation Center (ARC) Ballroom

Bob Segar

“UC Davis Plans for the Centennial Celebration”

Tour of the new VetMed 3 building to follow the Winter General Meeting

From the President — Dick Walters

This Fall Quarter has been a busy one, with lots of highly successful events, some new appointments, and improved record capabilities. We enjoyed the football game and stadium tour (thanks, Doreen), some excellent luncheon speakers (thanks, Bill Rains), and a successful statewide meeting of the Emeriti and Retirees’ associations (thanks, Marjorie, Doreen, Bob Halferty and others). My temporary duties have been reduced by the appointment of a new treasurer (Shirley Goldman), secretary (Les Faulkin) and *EmeriTimes* editor (Nora McGuinness). Ed Costantini has been successful in filling out the Executive Committee roster so that we can operate at full strength. Our records of emeriti are gradually becoming more complete, and we are establishing better procedures for maintaining them in up-to-date fashion.

Some changes have been introduced in the format of this issue of the *EmeriTimes*, and we hope to expand on these beginnings. In particular, we want to publicize the significant doings of our Emeriti. During this academic year, we hope to contribute to the planning for the Centennial Celebration (see Alex McCalla’s report) and we will keep you informed on planned special events.

The Executive Committee definitely looks forward to continued growth in membership and activities. In order to maintain the organization’s progress and the administration’s support, we want to emphasize the importance of the bi-annual biography update as a vehicle to publicize the ongoing work of our emeriti. I want to urge any of you who may not yet have turned in this information to get it to us as soon as possible. Thank you all for your support!

From the Retiree Center Advisory Committee — Charles Lacy

The UC Davis Retiree Center Advisory Committee advises the Center staff and the Office of the Provost on the operations and programs of the Center. The Committee is composed of representatives of the UC Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA), the UC Davis Retirees' Association (UCDRA), an at-large member who is retired, and representatives from the Office of the Provost and from Human Resources. Since the Center is relatively new and in its developmental stage, the Committee has spent much of its meeting time advising the staff on new programs and projects as well as on refining events that will be repeated for the first time this year.

While we have an opportunity to change the rhythm of our yearly clock in our state of retirement, many of us tend to operate in the same patterns we used when we worked for pay. The Committee started the fall with a flurry of activities after a relatively quiet summer. The Center had an Open House immediately following the Chancellor's Convocation and held a Tailgate Party before the October 13 football game. We worked with the UCDEA and UCDRA on the annual joint meeting on UC benefits for emeriti and retirees. With the two associations, we hosted the UC-wide fall meeting of the Council of the associations (CUCEA and CUCRA) welcoming representatives from the other UC campuses and the Office of the President. All of these events went well.

And the flurry will continue through early June. The Center will sponsor a party at a UC Davis basketball game in February and a wine tasting in March, participate in the Picnic Day parade and hold an Open House in April, and repeat the successful Steak Bake in June. The Committee will also continue advising the staff on the start-up of a Retiree Work Opportunity Program, which we want to have in place for 2008-09.

Although the Advisory Committee is pleased with the progress of the Center, we can do our jobs better if we hear from you on how the Center can serve you and UC Davis. Please get in touch with the Advisory Committee members to give us your thoughts. Please check the web page (<http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu>)

or give us a call (530.752.5182). The Committee members all look forward to seeing you at the UCDCRC events this winter and spring.



From the Retiree Center Coordinator — Doreen Barcellona Strnad

Winter Quarter finds the center staff busy preparing for the meetings and events mentioned by Charles Lacy. Here are some further details:

Basketball Bash: Because of the success of our tailgate party for the football game last October, we will be hosting an emeriti/retiree indoor party for the double header against the University of the Pacific, on Saturday, February 2nd. The women's game starts at 4:45 p.m. and the men's game begins at 7 p.m. Join us for one or both! We have reserved seating for up to 50 emeriti/retirees in Section 211, with tickets at \$10 each. To purchase tickets, stop by the UC Davis ticket office at Freeborn Hall or call (530) 752-1915. Be sure to mention that you are affiliated with the Retiree Center, so you will get one of our reserved seats.

We have also reserved the Upper Level North concourse area for the entire evening so that you can socialize between games. Tables and chairs will be set up for your comfort, and you may purchase food and beverages throughout the evening from nearby vendors. Support our teams and bring your family and friends for a truly enjoyable evening!

Wine Tasting: Join us on Saturday, March 1st for the Retiree Center no-host wine tasting at the Rominger West Winery in Davis from 5-7 p.m. This event offers an opportunity for socializing with friends and colleagues, tasting delicious wines and sparkling juices, and enjoying an array of hors d'oeuvres. Cost is \$10 per person, paid at the door. Parking is available immediately adjacent to the wine tasting room, located at 4602 Second Street, at Mace Boulevard.

A few Spring Quarter dates to put on your calendar include:

- Saturday, April 19: Picnic Day Parade/Open House
- Saturday, June 7th: Second annual Steak Bake

Feel free to contact me at dastrnad@ucdavis.edu about any of these events.

From the Centennial Committee

— **Alex McCalla**

The Emeriti and Retirees' Associations' Centennial Committees have joined forces in our efforts to assist the campus committee in its planning for 2008 events. We met in November, discussed my proposal for action, and endorsed the plan of the Video History Project led by Verne Mendel.

This project, for which the Video Records Committee received the Edward A. Dickson award, involves preparing DVD's for each of the campus' 8 major academic units. The DVD's will constitute a video collage of the campus drawn from the 350 oral histories already compiled by interviewing emeriti. This project is proceeding as planned.

The joint committee liked the proposed concept of creating a print media "illustrated big stories history" focusing on the last fifty years, and especially the last 10, as an update to the earlier campus history, *Abundant Harvest*. However, we all agreed its production was too big a project for emeriti and retirees to take on alone, and members encouraged the committee chairs to present the concept to the head of the campus committee, Bob Segar, and his staff. When we presented the concept, it was well received, but if further action is taken to produce an updated print history it will have to be at the campus level. We offered our help, but made it clear we did not have the resources to produce a history ourselves.

Income Planning Workshop for Retirees

Fidelity Investments will be on campus offering four opportunities to learn about income planning as it relates to retirees. The same seminar will be held February 6 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. and again from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. It will be repeated on February 21 from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. and again from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. All presentations will be in the Garrison Room (second floor) of the MU.

In Memoriam — Winter 2008

Lee Baldwin, Professor of Animal Science
Bill McCoy, Associate Librarian

OLLI Courses for Winter Quarter

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (formerly Senior Learning Unlimited) will offer seventeen courses this winter, grouped under the headings Health, Science, and Humanities and Literature. It will also offer enhanced opportunities to attend five performances at the Mondavi Center or other local venues. Popular with Emeriti and Retirees, OLLI courses feature modest fees (\$15 to \$40) and are taught by volunteer faculty.

Subjects are varied. Those interested in health may study Tai Chi or discuss Controlling Stress and Fatigue. Science offerings include "Dangerous Gardens", "Planning Our Energy Future" and "Yolo Adventures in Viticulture and Enology". Those interested in humanities may study ancient history, the Bible, The Federalist Papers, Doris Lessing's "The Golden Notebook", "Women Writers of Davis", and memoir writing. Others may discuss current issues and political documentaries. For information on instructors, dates and times of the course offerings, or the performance opportunities, see the OLLI website: www.extension.ucdavis.edu/olli

Treasurer's Interim Financial Report

The checking account balance as of 11/29/07 was \$17,560.02 which includes \$412.50 for the Madrigal lunch reservations. The endowment account had a market value of \$20,972.07 as of 9/30/07.

Shirley Goldman, Treasurer

From the Editor

— **Nora McGuinness**

We are trying, this year, to include in *EmeriTimes* not only meeting notices and "must know" items, but also news about your colleagues, some of whom you may not see as often as you used to. We welcome information about honors or awards you or your colleagues receive and significant professional or University service activities you engage in. Please send your information to namcguinness@ucdavis.edu.

Calendar

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