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Mark Your Calendars

December 3, 2013—“How to Maximize your Retirement Income” Information Session, 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m., at the University Club, Room C. Free Parking. RSVP to retirees@uci.edu or 949-824-7769. Details inside.

December 10, 2013 Annual Holiday Gathering, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., for all UCI Emeriti will be held at Regents Point, Fellowship Hall, 19191 Harvard Avenue. Free parking and wonderful appetizers and wine. RSVP now at: emeriti@uci.edu, or, 949-824-7769.

President’s Letter—Cal McLaughlin

Colleagues (All UCI Emeriti):

The UCIEA is an official support group which advocates for retired faculty in matters involving their welfare, benefits, continuing participation in campus life and University governance. I encourage you to become a dues-paying member of the UCIEA and have provided a form for your ease of use. Your support allows us to send representatives to UC Office of the President meetings to advocate for continuing benefits as well as provide meetings and events of interest to all emeriti.

Your UCIEA cooperates with the Center for Emeriti & Retirees (CER) as well as the UCI Retirees Association (which, although a separate entity with its own dues, acts as a partner in all things that assist or benefit retirees) in sponsoring educational lectures as well as key events.

This has been a year of big changes in our UC Health Plan offerings. We, working through the Council of UC Emeriti Associations and the system-wide Faculty Welfare, have been advocating strongly on your behalf. The situation with Health Net Seniority Plus not having a contract with the UCI Physicians was most regrettable. We are working with all parties to try to resolve this situation for 2015.

Please note these dates to mark on your calendars:

December 10, 2013- Our Annual Emeriti Holiday Gathering, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., will be held in the spacious meeting hall at Regents Point, 19191 Harvard Avenue, Irvine. A gorgeous appetizer buffet and hand-picked wines will be available. Free parking and ease of access will greet you and your guest here. Mark your calendars and RSVP by emailing or calling emeriti@uci.edu, or, 949-824-7769.

June 2, 2013- The annual Faculty Mentoring Awards and Outstanding Emeritus Award will be presented at the University Club, 10 a.m., in the Samuel McCulloch Library Room. This event also serves as the official annual meeting where any items of business that need to be voted upon are discussed. Lunch is in the UClub dining room for those who wish to partake, afterwards.

Our Executive Committee meets monthly and seeks to support the interests of emeriti as well as contribute to the continuing welfare of the students and faculty of UCI. The next meeting will be at our University Club, at 10 a.m. on December 5th. Parking and breakfast fare is free. Please note that we have an open table for lunch at the UClub directly after our meetings. Please join us for a time of collegiality.

Please mail or email us with your concerns about the welfare of emeriti including any concerns for the Campus.

Cal McLaughlin, President

Pilot Project: Exit Interviews

The Emeriti Association Executive Committee will participate in a pilot project, in collaboration with appropriate campus entities, to carry out exit interviews by Emeriti with Senate members who are leaving/have recently left UCI. We envision a brief (no longer than 15 minute) interview by phone or in person to assess why the individual left UCI and what we can do better. The information obtained will be useful to enhance faculty retention; improve the academic climate at UCI and inform the administration. If you are interested in participating in the pilot project, please contact Barbara Hamkalo at bahamkal@uci.edu.
Editor’s Note

By Robert Folkenflik

This is my last issue as Editor. In addition to the Newsletter, remember that the webpage is a resource. It is found here: http://www.senate.uci.edu/uciea/index.html

On the Executive Committee I have enjoyed working with people who have been working for all of you. I took an especial pleasure in working on the awards committee. We had many excellent candidates for each award, particularly mentors, which led us to give out three awards in that category. At the Annual meeting in June last year, our Outstanding Emeritus, Rein Taagepera, spoke touchingly of his late wife, who died shortly before the award was announced and for whom the Department of Chemistry wrote a memorial notice found here:

http://www.chem.uci.edu/news/8749

I'd like also to tell you of an interview that did not take place. Dudley Knight (born Donald, but that was a name taken by another actor) came out from retirement in Easton, Pa. to play Shakespeare's King Lear at the Swan theater in Aldrich Park, a play I planned to see. Those who knew him, with his larger than life look, thought of him as born to play Lear and Falstaff, though his brother Charles said he grew into these signature roles. After I told him that I was going to write a piece for the Emeritus Newsletter on his Lear, I joked that following the first scene, Lear was himself Emeritus. He invited me to interview him just a few days before he died. I was greatly looking forward to seeing him in one of the roles for which he was best known, one that he had performed a few times before at UCI. Robert Cohen, his friend and colleague and an old friend of mine, wrote movingly of him from deep knowledge. I've attached what he had to say. I'd much rather be writing to you of Dudley's triumphant return.

http://senate.universityofcalifornia.edu/DudleyKnight.html

Center Director's News

By Jeri I. Frederick

As Open Enrollment draws to its close, our Center for Emeriti & Retirees (CER) begins working with your UCI Emeriti and Retirees Associations on upcoming programs and services.

We have decided upon a “Balance” theme. We will start this off with a program to assist with financial balance. Our December 3rd information session, “How to Maximize your Retirement Income” with Bryan Stebel, will be held at 10 a.m., in Room C, at the University Club, where parking is still free, thankfully.

Programs in the works include offerings on managing life balance while caregiving, factors that effect physical balance and more to come. We are also looking forward to having more programs at the UCI Medical Center campus for those of you living closer to there.

I am wishing you a peaceful Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and Holidays to come.

In Memoriam

Robert Dubin, Sociology, July 24, 2013

(Donald) Dudley Knight, Drama, July 27, 2013

Eldon L. Foltz, Neurological Surgery, August 10, 2013


Joie P. Jones, Radiological Sciences, July 23, 2013

Mare Taagepera, Chemistry, April 24, 2013

R. Ronald Wilson, Ombudsman, September 12, 2013
UC Emeriti Biobibliographic Survey—what is that?

A well-designed survey that shows the depth and breadth of retiree contributions through teaching, research and volunteerism can be used for many purposes, including advocating for increased campus funding or retiree benefits.

CUCEA (the Council of University of California Emeriti Associations) is a UC system-wide association with representatives from each UC campus. CUCEA, through your campus Emeriti Association, conducts a survey of UC emeriti accomplishments every three years. The results of the survey are compiled into a report that is shared with the UC Office of the President as well as the chancellors and other leaders on each of the campuses. This survey report has been effectively used to retain and enhance retiree benefits, including retiree health care, campus-funded retiree centers and reduced or free retiree parking on several UC campuses.

Every three years, we exhort you to participate as it can be very valuable. To view the 2009-2012 effort that highlighted available data from each campus, here is the link:

http://cucea.ucsd.edu/biblio/articles.shtml
2013-14 Meeting Schedule of the UCI EA Executive Committee

Please join us! Many critical issues are addressed at these meetings that may not occur on any other platform, such as emeriti health and welfare benefits items.

The next meeting is set for December 5th, the first Thursday of the month, in Room C at the University Club from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m..

Beginning January 2014, the meetings will fall on the 2nd Thursday of each month as follows:
- January 9th, 10 a.m.
- February 13th, 10 a.m.
- March 13th, 10 a.m.
- April 10th, 10 a.m.
- May 8th, 10 a.m.

The June meeting will be the Annual Awards Meeting and it will fall on June 2, 2013 and will be held in the Samuel McCulloch Library Room beginning at 10 a.m. until Noon. Light refreshments will be available.

We do NOT meet in July and August. If you would like more information, please email us at: emeriti@uci.edu.