PRESIDENT’S LETTER  By Ted Quilligan

Dear Colleagues,

I was honored to be elected President of the Emeriti Association but also somewhat apprehensive since I would be following in the footsteps of Barbara Hamkalo who did such an outstanding job. I deeply appreciate that she has agreed to give me guidance for the next two years. I am also very grateful that Bob Folkenflik has agreed to edit the newsletter. I know from personal experience that it is a lot of work. Thanks, Bob. It is also comforting to know that I will be working with the wonderful assistance of Garland Parten and Marilyn Soley, as well as the director for our Center for Emeriti & Retirees, Jeri I. Frederick.

I am certain you are all aware that the President has appointed a task force to study benefits. Their report is now available at: http://universityofcalifornia.edu/sites/ucrpfuture/task-force-inf/. It is a report that should be read by all retirees as it affects your future. It is not too late to have your input. Direct your comments to the President’s office.

I had an interesting visit in August to a retirement center located in Westwood on Wilshire Blvd. The center was developed by the Belmont Corporation and was planned and works in close cooperation with University California Los Angeles. The building has underground parking, roughly 170 apartments varying in size from a studio to a two-bedroom apartment. They have excellent classroom space, a swimming pool and a gym. They have a small Alzheimer’s unit and a very active program for individuals with early mental changes. This program has both significant mental stimulation and physical activity and appears to be quite helpful in slowing the progress of mental deterioration. The residents are primarily UCLA faculty, UCLA staff or UCLA donors and they are given admission preference in the order I have just listed. Jeri Frederick and Marianne Schnaubelt made the visit with me and we all had lunch with some of the staff and some residents. Jeri, Marianne and I, all felt the people we talked with were happy with their living accommodations, that the food was excellent and especially enjoyed the educational component supplied primarily by active UCLA faculty. Should you wish to learn more about Belmont Villages and the facility at UCLA, their web-site is: http://westwood.belmontvillage.com/.

Belmont is interested in exploring opportunities for a similar facility on the Irvine campus. Patricia G. Will, the President and CEO, made a presentation at our last meeting. If you know of anyone who has lived in a Belmont Village I would be interested in their experience.

http://www.senate.uci.edu/uciea/index.html
Editor’s Note

By Robert Folkenflik

As the new Editor of the Emeriti Association Newsletter, I am succeeding but not replacing Julian Feldman, whom we all knew was “Extraordinarius” even before he was so honored by the UCI Alumni Association. If you have any items for possible publication, including Honors and Awards, do send them to me at rfolken@uci.edu with the subject line: Emeriti Newsletter and add the topic in one well-chosen word. My thanks to Jeri Frederick for all her help with this publication.

SAVE this Date – December 10, 2010 - UCI Emeriti Association Holiday Party

This year’s gathering will be hosted at the home of Jerry S. Tobis located at 1115 Goldenrod Avenue, Corona del Mar, CA. We will have appetizers and wine and lots of holiday cheer! We do appreciate your ability to bring a contribution of $10.00 per person and we do ask that you let us know if you are coming so we may plan the refreshments. To RSVP, please call 949-824-7769.

Call for Nominations!

The 2010-11 Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award honors outstanding scholarly work or educational service performed since retirement by a University of California emeritus or emerita in the humanities or social sciences. Candidates may self-nominate by providing a full supporting dossier to include:

1) a cover letter outlining the nominee's distinctive scholarly work and/or educational service since retirement (e.g. service in professional, University, Academic Senate, emeriti, departmental, or editorial posts or committees).
2) a curriculum vitae.
3) supporting letters (2 minimum) from leaders in the field commenting specifically on the nominee's achievements since retirement.

All of the above must be submitted to the UC Irvine Emeriti Association c/o: the Center for Emeriti & Retirees, 111 Theory, Suite 200, Irvine, CA 92697-4600 by the deadline of December 20, 2010. The UCI Emeriti Association will then forward recommendations to the Provost's Office for review. Final nominees will be forwarded to the Selection Committee at UCLA. The awardees will be announced on or before April 15, 2011.

UC Emeriti Redefine Retirement

from Louise Taylor, CUCEA Information Officer

Charles Berst, Editor of the 2007-09 "UC Emeriti Biobibliographic Survey" has written a summary which describes how the results of the survey were timely and used in the President's Post-Retirement Benefits Task Force. He states: "Warmly welcomed for felicitous reference points and abundant facts firmly documenting the value of first-rate faculty and first-rate benefits, selective data from the survey now climax the Benefits Task Force report under the title "**Retirees - a Vital Part of the University Community*," a point emphasized by an appendix including the survey's complete results."

He has also included his Introduction and Summary to the Survey. The full survey can be found on the CUCEA website http://cucea.ucsd.edu/.
Our Visit to Australia

By Barbara Hamkalo and Ann Doyle Stephens

We were fortunate to spend the last two weeks of September 2009 visiting Australia. It is a big country, so we had to choose what we most wanted to see. We flew from LAX to Melbourne where we spent a few days overcoming jet lag and enjoying that city. From Melbourne we took a commercial tour to the nearby Yarra Valley to visit some wineries. The best winery the tour visited was Domaine Chandon Australia. We then flew to the outback to see Uluru (Ayers Rock) and the surrounding desert. That was fascinating. Next stop was Adelaide where we rented a car so we could visit the surrounding wine areas. Driving on the other side of the road was definitely a challenge!

First stop was McLaren Vale where we were very impressed by the wines of d’Arenberg and Hugo Estate. We had a private tasting at d’Arenberg along with lunch at the winery’s restaurant with the octogenarian winemaker, d’Arry Osborne. Liz and John Hugo were incredible hosts, renting an apartment for us for the night and hosting us at dinner. The next morning, we drove through the Adelaide Hills where we stopped at the Bird in Hand Winery. The tasting room was opened an hour early to accommodate our schedule by the young man working at the tasting room, whom we happened to meet at our hotel in Adelaide where he worked as a bartender. After Bird in Hand we drove to the Eden Valley where we visited Yalumba, Australia’s oldest family-owned winery. From there we dropped down into the Barossa Valley where we visited Penfold’s and Turkey Flat. The next day we drove about an hour and a half to the Clare Valley where we stopped at the Jim Barry winery and then tasted Lawson wines and had lunch with Matt Lawson and his family in their home. Sadly we had to head back to Adelaide to return our rental car.

We then flew to Kangaroo Island just off the coast from Adelaide. There are only about 2000 residents on the island, but many kangaroos, koalas and other wildlife. Kangaroo Island was settled after World War II as a result of a government program that offered returning veterans a plot of land and an allotment to clear that land for farming. From KI, via Adelaide, we ended our Australian adventure with an afternoon in Sydney before flying back to LAX. A whirlwind but most enjoyable trip. We fell in love with Australia, not to mention its wines, and definitely hope to return.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UCI (OLLI at UCI)
The Spring Catalog 2011 will be mailed on 10 December. Enrollment is in early January and classes begin the second week of February. There will be over 60 classes listed in Arts & Humanities, Social Science, Science, and Special Events and Trips. Many of the courses will be taught by UCI faculty and graduate students. Most of the classes are scheduled in our Woodbridge Center classroom with others to be held at the UCI University Club, CALIT2, Rancho Senior Center in Irvine, Laguna Beach Senior Center and Oasis Senior Center in Corona del Mar.

This is a good time to join OLLI at UCI for the Spring 2011. The cost will be $90 for the single term and you may choose to attend at least 8 classes and an unlimited number of Special Events and Trips which will have extra fees for transportation, etc. Other classes may be open to you if space permits. Some classes close because of over-enrollment so the earlier you submit your requests the better.

To have a Spring 2011 catalog mailed to you call the OLLI at UCI office at (949) 451-1403 or send them an e-mail with your contact information at olli@uci.edu. You may also request a free catalog and see what classes are being offered in Fall 2010 (until February 1st) at our website: Unex.uci.edu/olli. If you wish to attend any single Fall 2010 class in a series, please let us know and we will be glad to arrange for you to come. Please contact: Peggy Maradudin, maradudin@cs.com, (949) 640-4471 or Cindy Eddleman, cheddlem@cox.net, (949) 786-4414.
ANNUAL Dues Request

Dear Emerita or Emeritus,
It is time for 2010-2011. Your support is, as always, greatly appreciated. Dues and contributions help cover expenses such as printing and mailing of the Newsletter, event notices, program costs and the much needed assistance from staff helpers who keep all our history and paperwork in order.

Programs available to you this year and coordinated by our Center for Emeriti & Retirees included an Annual Open Enrollment Health Faire in October and the acclaimed Healthy to 100 & Beyond Challenge and Lecture Series which drew over 350 attendees last year. As well, participation is encouraged in an annual art exhibit and annual golf tournament held jointly with the UCI Retirees Association.

We hope you will join us for these and other events this coming year, and if you wish, attend our Executive Committee meetings which are normally held at 9:00 a.m. on the first Monday of each month (please see our website for exact dates), in the Human Resources training room on the second floor of 111 Theory in the Research Park.

Cordially,
The UCIEA Officers

Website: http://www.senate.uci.edu/Emeriti_index.html

In Memoriam

* Roger B. Berry*
  11 May 1929 - August 21, 2010
  Head, Special Collections

* Evelyn Eleanor Huston*
  October 13, 1911- September 14, 2010
  Assistant University Librarian and Head of Public Services

*(Robert) Craig Kauffman*
  March 31, 1932 - May 9, 2010
  Department of Studio Art

*Nelson Pike*
  December 26, 1930 - January 24, 2010
  Department of Philosophy

Calling All UCI Retiree and Emeriti Artists!
Do you have an art or craft that you would like to exhibit at this year’s Art Exhibit? Your UCI Retiree's Association is in the planning stages for a 2011 show. If you are interested to help and/or to display, please send an email to retirees@uci.edu and type "ART" in the SUBJECT line for your email or call 949/824-7769.

GOLF with Colleagues!
We are planning the 3rd Annual UC Irvine Retirees/Emeriti Golf Tournament, to be held in late May/early June 2011, for folks at all levels of play. Our first two tournaments were such great fun and full of laughs! So why are we talking to you about a June tournament now? Leading up to this soon-to-be-famous day, we will have a few group practice “play dates”. If you would like to join in (and size up your possible competition), with a possible free golf lesson or two for those of us just getting “back in the swing of things”, PLEASE email retirees@uci.edu and type "GOLF" in the SUBJECT line for the email or call 949/824-7769.
2010-11 Schedule of Meetings of the UCI EA Executive Committee:

Please join us! These meetings are held on the FIRST Monday of each month, except when the date happens to fall on a holiday. Our NEXT meeting will be on December 6th, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., in the Human Resources Training Room located in Suite 200, at 111 Theory, Irvine, CA, 92697-4600. Parking is FREE.

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