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PRESIDENT'S LETTER **By Barbara A. Hamkalo**

Dear UCIEA Members:

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I wish all our members, their families and friends a belated, happy 2009. We hope you all have a healthy, productive year. We also want to thank Chancellor Drake for hosting the Annual Emeriti/Retirees' Reception and for giving us a campus update. Special thanks to Carolyn Moore and Carol Stanley who helped organize and coordinate the very successful Annual Emeriti/Retirees' Art Exhibit held in conjunction with the reception. The hidden talents of our retired colleagues never cease to amaze me.

There are a few dates of which our members should be aware. As many of you know, we give two awards each year and the deadline for award nominations is April 10. Our **Mentoring Award** is given to one or two individuals whose mentoring activities far exceed what is normally expected. We highlighted the 2008 awardees in the last newsletter. We also give an **Outstanding Emerita/us Award** to one or two Emeriti who continue to make significant contributions to the university's mission of teaching, research and/or service. We highlight the 2008 awardees in this newsletter. Details of the nomination process can be found elsewhere in this newsletter, and, also in two emails from Vice Provost Herb Killackey, dated January 20, 2009.

On Tuesday, April 14, at 3 p.m., in the University Club Library, Dean Erwin Chemerinsky will speak to us about some consequences of the 2008 Presidential Election and give us an update on the developing UCI School of Law.

I want to remind our members that we voted to add a category of membership during last June's annual meeting. We have created an Associate Member category that is open to Emeriti from other institutions who have not been affiliated with UC, but who are living in the UCI area. Associate Members are nominated by two or more regular members and approved by the Membership and Executive Committees. Associate Members are non-voting, pay dues and have all the other privileges of regular members. Please spread the word about this new category, as we always welcome new members.

Finally, our website is now much easier to find from the UCI Homepage. Just click on 'Faculty' and scroll down to 'Professional Resources'. The Executive Committee and I welcome your comments and suggestions, so please do contact us!

A CONVERSATION with DEAN ERWIN CHEMERINSKY
Professor and Founding Dean, The UC Irvine Law School

Tuesday, April 14, 3-5 p.m.
University Club Library

The UCI Emeriti Association and the UCI Retirees Association are pleased to welcome Dean Erwin Chemerinsky, Professor and Dean of the new UCI School of Law, to chat with us about his vision of the school, progress on its development and implications of the results of the November 2008 elections.

Professor Chemerinsky previously taught at the USC Law School and relocated to UCI this past fall from Duke University. Born in Chicago and educated at Northwestern University and Harvard Law School, he is a well-known constitutional legal scholar with a special interest in civil rights law. Among his many professional activities, beyond writing numerous law review articles and six books and arguing cases up to the Supreme Court, he was one of four American constitutional scholars who helped write a constitution for Belarus after it became independent from Russia in 1994. In addition, he chaired the elected commission to draft Los Angeles' City Charter.

Since arriving at UCI, Dean Chemerinsky has been actively recruiting faculty for the nascent Law School, scheduled to welcome its first class in August of this year. This quarter, the dean is leading a freshman seminar with Chancellor Drake on the Supreme Court and the civil rights movement of the 1960's. This event will undoubtedly be one of the highlights of this year's activities for both organizations. **Please RSVP to 949/824-6204 by April 10, 2009.**

OUTSTANDING EMERITA/US AWARDEES – 2008

LORIE REED, PHD

Barbara Loraine (aka Lorie) Reed spent her entire academic career at UCI, arriving in 1969 as an Acting Assistant Professor in the Department of English and Comparative Literature. During her UCI career, Lorie served in numerous administrative positions including Assistant Dean of Humanities and Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. These positions were in addition to her extensive and successful academic career. She was awarded the UCI Senior's Choice Award for the Most Outstanding Professor in the School of Humanities three times. In addition to Lorie's contributions to UCI directly, she served in several offices for the UCI Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa as well as the association of Phi Beta Kappa Alumni in Southern California, most recently as Councilor. Lorie is also a volunteer in the clinic at the Irvine Animal Care Center. She has continued these community service activities since becoming an Emerita. Perhaps Lorie's most enjoyable non-academic pursuit is singing. She has been singing with the Pacific Chorale since 1973 and participated in a concert tour last summer to the south of France and Italy.

Lorie has been very active in the UCI Emeriti Association serving on the Executive Committee for several years during which she was Chair of the Awards Committee for three years and Treasurer from fall 2003 through 2006. We all thank Lorie Reed for her continued support of UCI and UCIEA.

RONALD B. MILLER, MD

Ronald B. Miller is an internist-nephrologist and clinical medical ethicist who came to UCI in 1968 as an Assistant Professor of Medicine and founding Director of the Renal Division, Department of Medicine in the

California College of Medicine. After achieving tenure in 1972, Ron entered private practice, focusing on issues related to kidney malfunction and retained a position as a UCI Clinical Professor of Medicine.

Over the years, Ron became increasingly concerned and interested in medical ethics, resulting in his appointment from 1989-1990 as a Visiting Scholar in the National Leadership Training Program in Clinical

OUTSTANDING EMERITA/US AWARDEES – 2008 Continued.

Medical Ethics, at the University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine. Upon his return to UCI, Ron founded and directed the Program in Medical Ethics for over a decade, teaching residents, medical students and undergraduates. Ron has received numerous honorary awards including an Honoree of the National Kidney Foundation of Southern California and, in 2008, the Paul H. Silverman Award from the UCI Interdisciplinary Center for the Scientific Study of Ethics and Morality.

Ron became an Emeritus Professor in 2003. Since then, his passion and commitment to ethics continues to benefit UCI. He has donated his time generously to the UCIEA, serving as Co-President and then President until June 2008. This brief biography doesn't do justice to Ron Miller's contributions to UCI and we are fortunate to have him in our ranks.

Two Surveys of UCI Emeriti Benefits and Activities

By Julian Feldman

Surveys. In 2007, the Academic Senate Council on Faculty Welfare asked deans and department chairs about departmental services provided to Emeriti. The responses and a spreadsheet summarizing the responses will be made available on-line in the near future. In 2008, the UCI Emeriti Association distributed a survey to all Emeriti living within 50 or so miles of the campus. The respondents were asked about services provided to them, services they would like to have, and their participation in campus related activities. The responses to multiple choice questions will be made available on-line in the near future. The written comments have not yet been summarized.

Benefits and Services. The level of benefits and services provided to Emeriti exceeded the expectations of the survey preparers. For example, the survey of deans and department chairs indicates that two-thirds of the forty units responding to the survey offer office space (sometimes shared) to most faculty who want such space. Of the 100 respondents to the 2008 survey, almost 60% have some office space, and almost 30% indicated that they didn't want any office space.

So. As the number of Emeriti increases and space and budgets become tighter, the provision of office space to Emeriti will most likely decline. The campus should consider providing some common space for Emeriti to meet and work. The modest space available at the Center for Emeriti and Retirees is a start. The availability of this space should be publicized to Emeriti and retirees.

The availability of computer services and telephone services is not a problem in today's environment. Emeriti should be informed about the availability of internet access from Network and Academic Computing Services.

Participation in campus activities. The responses to the 2008 survey of Emeriti indicated very little participation by Emeriti in departmental and school activities. If we believe that both the campus and the Emeriti would benefit from an increased level of Emeriti activity, then the campus should consider actions which would help increase participation.

Establishing common space for Emeriti to meet and work beyond what is available in the Center is one possibility. Consulting with Emeriti on campus issues might help. (Note that the Chancellor in his recent remarks referred to past activities of Emeriti and retirees—not to current activities or possible current activities.)

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute – OLLI

OLLI is very pleased to begin a new community outreach program at the Laguna Beach Susi Q Senior and Community Center at 380 Third Street, Laguna Beach. Mini courses are being offered as a single lecture and have for the month of February included: “Aging brilliantly,” “The Putin Effect” and “From Slavery to Freedom.” Planned classes for March are: “How to Enjoy Sex and Murder...at the Opera,” “Wine Lecture and Tasting,” and “The Mahgreb: A Traveler’s Tale in the Land of the Berbers.” An invitation to join as Associate Member of OLLI @ UCI with a fee of \$40 entitles Associate members to attend these classes. For further information, visit the Susi Q website at: <http://www.lagunabeachseniors.com> .

Our spring semester of courses began in February with many exciting classes and excursions. We are very proud to note that of the 55 speakers for spring semester, 32 are UCI faculty. Two of our Professor Emeritae presenting courses in spring included Professor Stuart Krassner and Professor Francesca Cancian. Check out OLLI and our courses at <http://unex.uci.edu/olli/info/>. If you would like to “try us out,” you are invited to attend a single class for free. Please contact Cindy Eddleman (949-786-2952; cheddlem@cox.net) or Peggy Maradudin (949-640-4471; maradudin@cs.com) and we would be happy to provide a visitor’s pass as well as answer any questions you may have.

Last but certainly not least, OLLI’s venture into coordinating the UCI University Club Forum has been exciting, rewarding, and challenging to live up to Professor Sam McCulloch’s and Jenny Duke’s years of outstanding leadership. The Forum meets at the University Club every Wednesday of the quarter with a buffet lunch beginning at 11:15 a.m. followed by the guest speaker at noon. The final forum for our winter quarter will be on March 11th with Professor Keith Fowler presenting, “Max Reinhardt – Genius Stage Director”. The spring quarter Forum begins on Wednesday, March 25 and promises to be a terrific series. Please join us!

A Letter of Thanks to the UC Irvine Emeriti

Dear Members of the UCIEA:

I was deeply moved to hear of the contribution pledge from the UCIEA to the Roland Schinzinger Memorial Fund. The gift that you have made was the gift that put this effort over the top -- reaching the \$25,000 goal needed to turn this fund into an endowment. The hope now that this endowment will become an annual prize to a graduating senior in engineering who has demonstrated both great promise as an engineer, and especially a strong commitment to the community and community service. That is the legacy of Roland Schinzinger, a man who touched so many lives and made them better for it.

As I had the great privilege to meet and get to know so many individuals who knew Roland Schinzinger, I was continually impressed by the enthusiasm and gratitude for him that was present in everyone. This was true of his family, current and former faculty colleagues, alumni, city council members and members of the community. This feeling touched me so, that I became a contributor as well. Although I am concluding my time on the staff of UCI, I will continue to be involved with you in this fund.

When the endowment is established, this fund will make a difference in the lives of engineering students for all time and continue to honor the memory and legacy of Roland Schinzinger. Thank you again for your generous support and enthusiasm for this effort.

Warm regards,

Jamie Stewart-Marsh, Director of Development, The Henry Samueli School of Engineering

Roland Schinzinger Memorial Fund

As noted, on the prior note, the Henry Samueli School of Engineering is establishing a memorial fund in honor of Professor Roland Schinzinger. Because of his work with the Emeriti Association, the Executive Committee authorized a contribution to the fund on behalf of the Emeriti Association. To find out more about the fund and/or make a contribution, please contact Jamie Stewart-Marsh at 949-824-5396.

An Update on Stanley Van den Noort

As some of you are aware, Stanley van den Noort, MD, was hospitalized at UCIMC last summer. I have a letter from one of his friends requesting that we put some information in the newsletter so that friends will know Stan is disabled and would appreciate contact. His wife, June, feels he would enjoy notes or cards from the folks who know him. Please contact the Emeriti Association phone number for address information: 949-824-6204.

A Call For Short Biographies

I would like to start a "Short Bio's" column in the newsletter. Our hope is that Emeriti would contribute short biographies, voluntarily and/or in response to solicitation. Models of short bio's can be seen in the Sunday Business Section of the NY Times. The name of the column is "The Boss". You can get the NY Times online at "NYtimes.com". Please let me know if you have any questions. Julian Feldman, 949-644-1665, feldman@ics.uci.edu.

Discount on Wellness Letter

Discounted subscriptions to the "Berkeley Wellness Letter" are available to other UC campus retiree communities. You may contact the person, below, and note that Rafael Cornejo from the UC Berkeley Retirement Center is the person who referred you.

Dale Anne Ogar, Program Director, Bay Area Schweitzer Fellows Program.

Address: 590G University Hall, Berkeley CA 94720-7360

Phone: 510-289-8407, Fax: 510-642-2857

e-mail: daleogar@schweitzerfellowship.org

Recommended Reading

Helen Dennis, keynote speaker at the 2008 Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) conference in Los Angeles, has provided Retirees with this list of 14 recommended books on successful aging, brain health, etc..., for those interested. The entire list is posted on line at <http://tinyurl.com/a6o3yk> with a partial list, below.

Successful Aging by **John W. Rowe** and **Robert L. Kahn** (Random House, 1998)

The Creative Age: Awakening Human Potential in the Second Half of Life by **Gene D. Cohen**, M.D., Ph.D. (Harper Collins, 2000)

The Mature Mind: The Positive Power of the Aging Brain by **Gene D. Cohen**, M.D., Ph.D. (Basic Books, 2005)

Ageless: Take Control of Your Age and Stay Youthful for Life by **Edward L. Schneider**, M.D. (Rodale Books, 2003)

The Memory Bible: An Innovative Strategy for Keeping Your Brain Young by **Gary Small**, M.D. (Hyperion, 2002)

The Memory Prescription: Dr. Gary Small's 14-Day Plan to Keep your Brain and Body Young by **Gary Small**, M.D. (Hyperion, 2004)

Telephone Bulletin Board?

The Emeriti Association is considering acquiring a voicemail mailbox to provide information about Emeriti activities. Much information is disseminated by e-mail. This voicemail mailbox would be an alternative source of information. It would have a capacity of eight minutes and would be updated every week. Please let me know if you would find such a facility useful. Julian Feldman, 949-644-1665.

In Memoriam

Richard Kroll

Professor Kroll, longtime member of the Department of English and Director of the Summer Masters Program in English, was an active and generous member of the community and author and editor of many important books on Restoration and Eighteenth-Century Studies, including, The Material Word, and recently published, Circle of Commerce.

Louis A. Gottschalk

Louis A. Gottschalk, a pioneering neuroscientist, distinguished professor and university benefactor, died surrounded by family in his Corona del Mar home on Thanksgiving Day just hours after finishing his meal. He was 92.

Dr. Gottschalk, an M.D., Ph.D., who began his association with UC Irvine more than four decades ago when he became founding chair of the university's Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior in 1967, left an indelible mark as a researcher, teacher and philanthropist. During his career, he greatly enhanced the neurobiological understanding of schizophrenia, anxiety disorders, addiction, violent behavior and hyperactivity, among other conditions. In recognition of his many contributions, including a \$1.5-million gift in 1997 to create the Louis A. and Helen C. Gottschalk Endowed Fund in the College of Medicine, Dr. Gottschalk received the university's highest honor, The UCI Medal. In 1997, the university renamed the UCI Medical Plaza, as the Louis A. and Helen C. Gottschalk Medical Plaza, after him and his late wife, who was a UC Irvine professor of dermatology.

Dr. Brenda Ross

Dr. Ross was a UCI Retiree and Emeriti, a donor, and a member of UCI Town and Gown. She was married to Mathew Ross, MD, a psychiatrist, who was a UCI Clinical Professor at Long Beach VA Hospital from 1974-1994.

Ross, Brenda B. Ed.D, 92, died from natural causes on February 21, 2009. She is survived by her husband; four children; two daughters-in-law and two grandchildren. Brenda was a vibrant, persistent and passionate senior advocate working at the City, County, State, and National-levels to ensure senior-related issues were heard and addressed. As one of the inaugural members of the Laguna Woods City Council, Brenda would encourage you to attend the City's 10th anniversary celebration on March 24th in her honor. In lieu of flowers or donations,

Brenda would like to challenge and encourage all those who loved her to get involved in senior-citizen issues as a way to memorialize her enthusiastic and unceasing efforts.

John William Roche

A UCI Retiree and Emeriti, Mr. Roche, passed away Feb. 14th, 2009. John is survived by his wife, Irene of 19 years; daughters, Norma Holland (Jeff), Linda Garrett (Ken), Marlene Knight (Richard); son, John (Suzanne); step-son, Steve Hochleutner; step-daughters, Terri Pyle (Don) and Debbie Dewey (Steve), and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Services: 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 24 at the 7th Day Advent Church of Garden Grove, 12702 9th Street. Donations may be made to Cystic Fibrosis Research, www.cfri.org.

Upcoming CER Programs and Events:

The following are provided through our Center for Emeriti & Retirees (CER) coordinating with the UCI Retirees and Emeriti Associations.

◇ **April 17, 2009 - A Day at Descanso Gardens (www.descansogardens.org).**

Guests at a Day at Descanso become informed visitors with a greater knowledge of the garden, its history and offerings. Time will be allowed for questions and a visit to the Gift Shop as well as garden wandering! This trip will include: bus from UC Irvine to Descanso, entrance into Descanso, narrated tram tour to the Boddy House at Descanso for coffee/tea with a short presentation, followed by an elegant luncheon (approx. 4 hours at Descanso). This event will cost \$70 per person (includes bus, lunch, and the entire day's program at Descanso). This is the exact cost from Descanso plus the bus charter.

At this point, I am only asking if you are interested in going, because this program requires us to have 42 participants. Please email (jerii@uci.edu) or call Jeri Frederick, (949-824-7769), regarding your interest.

◇ **June 9, 2009 - UC Irvine Inaugural Retirees & Friends GOLF Tournament!**

Join our organizers, Joe Walsh and Anne Paden, for the first-ever UCI Retirees Association Golf Tournament. This is for folks at **ALL** levels of play.

Experts to beginners will have a great time at the Costa Mesa Country Club! The cost will depend on sponsorships and number of participants (somewhere around \$60 - \$70). If you cannot play, you can join us for lunch! Bring your friends/your spouse; all are welcome to join in! PLEASE email retirees@uci.edu and type "GOLF" in the SUBJECT line for the email, if you are interested, or, call 949- 824-7769.

2008-09 Schedule of Meetings of the UCI EA Executive Committee:

Please join us! Meetings are usually scheduled on the first Monday of each month, from 9:15 to 11:00 a.m., in the Training Room located in **the new space for UCI's Human Resources and the UCI Center for Emeriti & Retirees (CER).**

The new address is: 111 Theory, Suite 200, Irvine, California, 92697-4600. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for:

* April 6, 2009

* May 4, 2009



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