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President's Message

by Carol Smallenburg

Welcome, Emeriti Association members, to what promises to be an active year of outreach and interest in campus as well as state-level affairs.

The 1991-1992 year for the Emeriti Association has had a busy start. Summer Executive Committee meetings were held to discuss questions about the budget shortfall for the University. The Association wants to be informed and helpful in the current budget situation.

The Fellowship Fund is now an actuality. Criteria for selection of candidates have been detailed, and applications are being received. We plan to introduce our first award recipient at the Emeriti Luncheon on September 23.

The endowment fund for the Fellowship now stands at $13,472.41, a salute to the generosity of Emeriti members. The Executive Committee has had considerable assistance, in developing the Fellowship Fund, from Carol Numrich, Director of University Development, and of Lynne Osborne, Scholarship Coordinator, Center for Student Financial Services.

Internal matters of organizational reform have been ably handled by Mildred Massey, Jim Dunkelburg, and Victor Payse. The Executive Committee will function more effectively because of that streamlining work. An important innovation is the establishment of contact persons from the Emeriti Association to each of the schools of the University. These liaison persons will be able to personalize our reaching out to old, new, and soon-to-be emeriti in the University and encouraging participation and membership. They will also be able to develop relationships for services to the University, especially during the current pressure on budgets.

The major social activities of the year are the Emeriti Luncheon during the opening week of the academic year on September 23, the activities of Emeriti Week the first week in February, and the Annual Meeting, in May. One of the important "perks" of emeritus status on our campus is the benefit of free tickets to campus productions. Pleasant dinner-theatre occasions timed to those events are planned during the year by the Vice

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Opening Day: September 23

President Invites Emeriti to Ceremony, Brunch; Emeriti Learn About Budget Crisis at Luncheon

The long-established traditional Opening Day will take place this year on Monday, September 23. As has also been a custom, the Emeriti Association will hold its Fall Luncheon Meeting, which will take place at 12 noon in the Oak Room (formerly faculty/staff cafeteria). The speaker at the meeting will be Constance D. Kelley, who is much involved in University affairs and will offer some insights into the current fiscal problems of the University.

For those emeriti faculty members who wish to enjoy a full round of participation in Opening Day activities, President James Rosser has extended a special invitation to attend the ceremonies at 9 a.m. in the State Playhouse and the brunch that follows at 10 a.m. in Eagles' Landing (the main cafeteria).

Speaking at the noontime Emeriti luncheon will be Constance Kelley, recently promoted to the post of Assistant Vice President for Operations. She will report on the severe budget crises faced by the University and the measures being taken to cope with it.

Also on the program for the meeting will be the awarding to a graduate student of the Emeriti Fellowship, being given this year for the first time and scheduled to be awarded annually in the future.

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS: Persons wishing to attend must send a check ($9.00 pp), payable to "Emeriti Association," no later than September 18, to Mary Gormly, 714 W. Washington St., Apt. 1, Alhambra, CA 91801. Call (818) 281-7359 before 9:30 a.m. or after 5:30.

Team of Emeriti Will Strengthen University Ties

Seven persons will work with the Emeriti Executive Committee in a new capacity beginning this year. They will be identified as "liaison representative," one for each of the schools and the Library.

Those serving will be: Francis Baxter, School of Arts and Letters; John Cox, School of Business and Economics; Patricia Beyer, School of Education; George Mann, School of Engineering and Technology; Reed Nilsen, School of Health and Human Services; Louis DeArmand, School of Natural and Social Sciences, and Mary Gormly, Library.

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Emeriti Briefed On Budget Crisis By Administrators

Members of the Emeriti Association's Executive Committee held summer meetings with key administrators Provost Mary Elizabeth Shutler and Head Librarian JoAn Kunselman to gain an understanding of the impact of current budget cuts required by the State.

Armed with a document outlining President Rosser's priorities for paring the already lean fiscal requests which had been planned, Dr. Shutler explained the steps which had to be taken to conform to the requested reductions.

"The Governor is asking that the enrollments in the state universities be trimmed by not less than ten percent. The CSU system, in

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About This Issue

This issue of *The Emeritimes* was written and edited by a team composed of Mildred Massey, Carol Smallenburg, Mary Gormly, William Lloyd and Victor Payse. All who could, with the obvious exception of the President, elected anonymity.

CSU-ERFA Representatives

Sidney Albert and Victor Payse have been elected by the Executive Committee as the Emeriti Association's representatives on the State Council of the Emeriti and Retired Faculty Association. Also active with ERFA is John Houk, a member-at-large of its Executive Committee.

The Emeriti Assosiation is an affiliate organization of ERFA. Sid Albert was responsible for the founding of both organizations and has served as president of both.

Obituaries

Alfred E. Ehrhardt

Alfred E. Ehrhardt, Emeritus Professor of English who served as Secretary of the University for ten years before his retirement in 1975, died in early July.

Al joined the English Department of the then fledgling Los Angeles State College in 1950 when it was sharing the Vermont Avenue campus with L.A. City College. He served as Chairman of the English Department before moving to an administrative post as Assistant Dean of Instruction for Extension Services.

When Cal State L.A. underwent a major reorganization from academic divisions to schools, Al was appointed Secretary of the College (later University), the position he held until his retirement in 1975. As Secretary, he served as the unofficial historian of the University.

Al earned an A.B. in 1930 at the College of the Holy Cross and an M.S.Ed. in 1948 and Ed.D. in 1950 at the University of Southern California.

One of his major interests was his pipe organ, a restored theater instrument which he had shipped from Ohio and around which he planned and built his house in Eagle Rock, according to his friends. When he played, the music filled the entire house.

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Francis Everette Lord

Francis Everette Lord, Emeritus Professor of Education, died June 13 at the age of 89 in Rancho Bernardo.

Francis was a pioneer in the area of Special Education, and he served as national president of the Council for Exceptional Children. In 1953 he founded the Department of Special Education at Cal State L.A. and continued as its chair until 1965. In addition he began the joint doctoral program in the School of Education. He retired from Cal State L.A. in 1969.

Prior to coming to Cal State L.A. Francis, who was born educated in the Midwest, taught at Eastern Michigan University from 1926 to 1953. He was head of the Department of Special Education there for 13 years. After retiring from Cal State L.A., he taught at the University of Arizona for 10 years.

He is survived by his wife Ilda, his son Robert, daughter Margaret Salyards, five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

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James Bright Wilson

James Bright Wilson, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy and Life Member of the Emeriti Association, died on or about April 19 at the age of 79.

James joined the University as a member of the Department of Sociology and Philosophy. When the department was divided, he became the first Professor of Philosophy. He established a scholarship for the best undergraduate student in Philosophy. He retired in 1976.

He received a B.A. from Maryville College in 1936, a B.D. from Garrett Biblical Institute in 1939, an M.A. in 1942 and a Ph.D. in 1944 from the University of Southern California.

Following retirement he resided in Pomona until he moved to Mt. San Antonio Gardens, a retirement facility in Claremont.

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Janice Mae Dunkelburg

Janice Mae Dunkelburg, wife of Emeritus Professor James Dunkelburg, Vice President for Administration and Secretary of the Emeriti Association, died July 31 after a long illness. She was a long time speech pathologist for the Danbury School in Claremont. Memorial gifts in her honor may be sent to the school, 1700 Danbury Road, Claremont, CA 91711.

UNIVERSITY TIES

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Communication between schools, their emeriti and the Association will be facilitated through contacts of the liaison representatives with newly retired faculty.

Information about projects and service opportunities in which emeriti could be involved will be identified and information about them circulated.

$800,000 Grant to Lure Science Students

Cal State L.A. has been awarded an $800,000 grant by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to support a program aimed at attracting students to careers in scientific research and teaching. The excellence of the undergraduate biology program was a factor in gaining the grant.



Carol Smallenburg

PRES. MESSAGE

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President for programs, Mary Gormly.

Your Association needs your participation and support. And—you, too, may find valuable information, support and encouragement in its various activities and interactions. Do take advantage of our many occasions for renewing acquaintances and seeing the growth and changes in physical aspects and well as the academic environment on campus.

EMERITI BRIEFED

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turn, is asking for reductions at all its campuses except the three newest," Dr. Shutler explained. Cal State L.A. cuts were made to protect tenured and probationary faculty positions. Part-time faculty, lecturers and other temporary faculty were not exempted, however, including professors in the Faculty Early Retirement Program.

Wherever possible, classes required for general education, degrees, or majors were continued for the sake of students needing to complete degree, certificate, or credential programs.

Information from other CSU campuses indicated that Cal State L.A. is not as hard hit as some others; one campus will lose three of its seven schools; another will lose 500 faculty positions.

"A glimmer of hope lies in the endowment fund created by the receipt of Lottery money during the past years. The interest from that fund can be used to assist programs in need, the Library having a high priority on those funds," Dr. Shutler stated.

BRIEF BITS ABOUT FELLOW EMERITI

EUGENE BENEDETTI (Adminstration and Counseling) did not start jogging until after his retirement in 1982. Since then he has run 38 marathons in many cities, including Athens, Rome, Boston, Los Angeles and New York and has taken first place at 15 of these. He is quite proud of his recent first place win at the Athletic Congress National Masters Marathon Championship held in St. George, UT. The next stop on his agenda is the Honolulu Marathon in December, and then he hopes to compete in races in Holland, England, and Chicago. Although he is in his seventies, Dr. Benedetti runs 10 to 12 miles six days a week to prepare for competition and completes at least one 20- to 22-mile run in the week before a marathon.

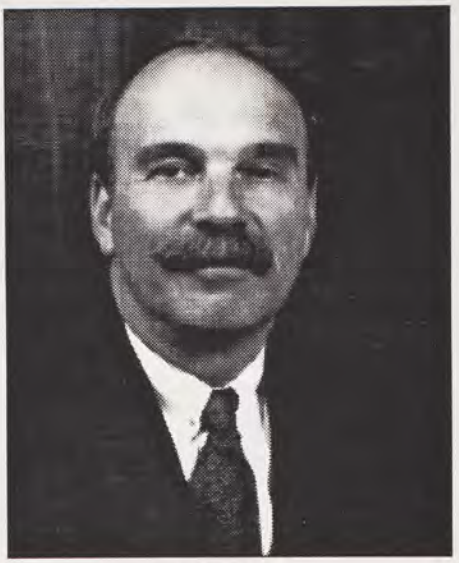
MARY GORMLY (Library) has compiled and is now editing *Arms Control, Disarmament and International Security, 1988-1989: Biennial Bibliography* which will go to the printers in September. She also gave a talk titled "Hopi Kachinas and Their Meaning" (using her personal collection) to the Women's City Club of Pasadena on 15 July. She previously spoke on the same subject to the College Women's Club of Pasadena (5 March) and the AAUW) Arcadia Branch (8 June). In July, she spent several weeks in Victoria, B.C., and Seattle, visiting galleries and museums showing Northhwest Coast Indian Art.

ROBERT HAHN (Curriculum and Instruction), now living in Aptos, writes that he presented a series of three lectures on Upton Sinclair at Temple Beth El, and is still publishing the *Upton Sinclair Newsletter*. He has also taped a series on Education entitled "May Prescription for Saving the Public Schools in California."

AUDREY G. HAWK (Library), now living in Seattle, has resumed her Bed-and-Breakfast activities in her home. Some of her recent guests were a nuclear physicist from Australia and a Russian ballerina and her interpreter. Audrey is also continuing auditing classes at the University of Washington and is a new member of that campus' Faculty Club.

ANTHONY HILLBRUNER (Communication Studies) had his research study, "Post Deconstruction and New Historecism," presented at the Speech Communication Convention's *Semiotic II Seminar* in Chicago on 2 November 1990. His short essay, "Vocational Prospects for Students in Arts and Letters," was published in the 1990-91 issue of *Reflections of the School of Arts and Letters*. Also, his critical essay, "Trilogy and the Healing of Individuals and Nations," which had been presented at the Peace Communication Conference at Northwestern University, 5 July 1989, is being published as the lead article in the book *Peacemaking Through Communication* by the Speech Communication Association of America Press.

HUDSON ROYSHER (Art) is recovering very well from his recent heart attack. The Royshers moved in late June to La Jolla. Address: 849 Coast Blvd., La Jolla, CA 92037; phone: (619) 454-2151. Hud and Alli would like to hear from their friends or receive a visit from them.



Barry Munitz

NEW CHANCELLOR ASSUMES OFFICE

Dr. Barry Munitz, returning from the corporate world to academia, took office as the fourth chancellor of the California State University on August 1. He succeeds W. Ann Reynolds, who resigned more than a year ago.

Dr. Munitz had spent the past nine years as President and CEO of a business management trust in New York. Holder of degrees from Brooklyn College and Princeton University, Dr. Munitz joined the UC Berkeley faculty in 1966 and later worked with Clark Kerr on the Carnegie Foundation Commission on Higher Education. He spent five years at the University of Illinois and then moved to the University of Houston to serve as Vice President and Dean of Faculties and then as Chancellor of the Central Campus.

NEW EMERITI

Seven members of the University faculty–four of them from the School of Education have received letters from President James Rosser advising them that, "based on your distinguished service at the University," they had been granted emeritus service.

Those honored, with the year they joined the University faculty in parentheses, were:

DORIS CHING (1962)
Professor of Education
4769 Del Moreno Drive
Woodland Hills, CA 91364

JOHN O. JONES (1964)
Professor of Education
1170 Linda Vista
Orange, CA 92669

IRENE M. MOLLOY (1972)
Professor of Nursing
3634 Haven Way
Burbank, CA 91504

BURTON M. SEIDLER (1965)
Professor of Physical Education
1337 N. Riedel Avenue
Fullerton, CA 92631

PATRICIA B. SIMUN (1968)
Professor of Education
1019 Longwood Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90019

HARRY V. WALL (1963)
Professor of Education
124 South Fifth Avenue
La Puente, CA 91746

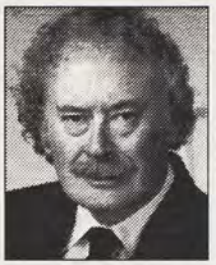
LOUIS W. EGGERS, JR. (1962)
Professor of Electrical Engineering
423 N. Old Ranch Road
Arcadia, CA 91006

These new names should be added to your Emeriti Faculty Directory, sent to you in May.

Gary Best Named Fulbright Scholar

Professor Gary A. Best, Chair of the Division of Special Education and recipient of the Outstanding Professor Award in 1982-83, has received a coveted Fulbright Scholar award. Gary holds BA and MA degrees from Cal State L.A. and a PhD from Minnesota. He will conduct research and teach at National Taiwan Normal University during the fall quarter.

Challenge and Response: Goethe, Toynbee and the Dallas Cowboys



By Walter Beaver

Oscar Wilde once said that to regain one's youth, one merely has to repeat one's follies. For most Emeriti, Wilde's advice, obviously, is not only impractical, but, in many instances, physically impossible. However, substitute the word "challenges" for the word "follies" and the epigram begins to make sense.

Inaction in retirement may lead to stultification—and worse. The trust of Goethe's thought as expressed in *Faust* is often summed up: "He who strives strays, but in straying finds his salvation." The emphasis is placed on the all-important act of striving. Toynbee suggests that civilizations reach their heights when confronting challenges. Again, the implications for the individuals are obvious: one must act. The Greek word for action is *praxis*, literally "to do."

An Emeritus Professor leaves a world that is full of challenges. Each new class is a challenge, for example. Each student is a challenge, as are important committee assignments, or administrative duties. Finally, there are the two greatest challenges of them all: staying awake during Commencement Exercises and (the ultimate) finding a parking space on campus.

But once the exalted status of Emeritus Professor is attained, the challenges have suddenly vanished: no more classes, no more students, no more Commencement and (fatal blow) a lifetime parking permit has been thrust into the hot Emeritus hand. What, then, "to do" in that period that, as Sidney Albert has so aptly observed, may constitute one-third of one's adult life? New challenges for old seem to be in order. Ah, but one must be wary.

The quality of choice becomes all-important. Horrible examples illustrate the folly of the Obligatory Hobby (the artsy-craftsy phase), the Obligatory Cruises (the smiling-through-seasickness phase), the Obligatory Tours and Obligatory Motor Trips in which the heart is not present and the body is cramped and squeezed. Such behavior, of course, involves going through motions, playing an empty role—not "acting." For after the last Indian headband is finished, and the last cruise ship has docked, one still must "do."

I recall one of my most distinguished professors—an impressive individual, handsome, charismatic, prosperous—observing that his studies indicated that happiness consists of having goals that are 1) clearly defined, 2) short-range, and 3) obtainable. My own observations have always seemed to confirm that he (and his studies) were, indeed, generally correct. And he truly appeared to be a happy man right up until the day of disillusion when he was arrested for having committed a series of bizarre (but previously unsolved) burglaries in the Montecito area. Right idea—wrong choice of goals.

At this point you may ask: How do the Dallas Cowboys figure in all of this? Well, in a television interview, their coach, Tom Landry, once was asked how he managed to remain calm and happy in the same circumstances in which his rival coaches were invariably frantic or despondent. Almost without thinking about the question, he immediately replied that happiness consists of three things: having something to do, something to hope for, and someone to love.

I've always thought that Landry's observations were as valid and useful—if not more valid and more useful—than those of the intellectually-distinguished men mentioned above. However, from the time of this particular interview, the fortunes of the Dallas Cowboys mysteriously started to decline. They went from being "America's Team," the perennial Super Bowl contenders, to being the worst (and saddest) team in their league. Finally, Landry, himself, was forced to retire and, today, apparently shuffles about his house in robe and slippers, wistfully looking for something "to do."

I think I'll tear up my lifetime parking permit.