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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by KEN PHILLIPS

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 Association Board and Officers pledge to keep you informed and aware of issues that affect our retirement status. The general objectives of the Emeriti Association include the statements,



"to provide for the general welfare of its members" and "to secure, enhance, and maintain the status, rights, and privileges of the Emeriti."

The Emeriti Association of California State University, Los Angeles is now in its 17th year of activity and has always maintained a close liaison and cooperation with the California State University Emeriti and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA), California Faculty Association (CFA), and Cal State L.A. Chapter 76 of the Retired Public Employees Association (RPEA). These relationships make it possible for our Association to have a greater impact in our interests.

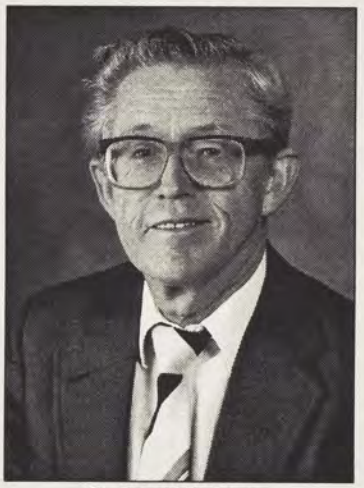
Several events have already been scheduled for the 1995-96 academic year. During the opening week of the fall quarter, the Emeriti Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, September 19 at 11:30 in the Palm Room. Departments are encouraged to organize a department table; call your friends and invite them to sit together. You can catch up on the news. Last fall several departments arranged tables and faculty

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Dean Dewey to Speak at Annual Fall Meeting

Dr. Donald O. Dewey, Dean of the School of Natural and Social Sciences, will speak at the Annual Fall Meeting and Luncheon of the Emeriti Association Tuesday, September 19 in the Palm Room of Eagles' Landing (cafeteria) from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Dean Dewey came to Cal State L.A. in 1962 after two years at the University of Chicago. He has a B.A. in journalism from the University of Oregon, M.A. in history from the University of Utah, and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He has published widely, including nine books and many articles and reviews, many of which are on U.S. Constitutional history, one of his specialties. Early in his career he edited several newspapers in Oregon and, while at the University of Chicago, he was Associate Editor of *The Papers of James Madison*.



Dr. Donald O. Dewey

Dewey served as Dean of the School of Letters and Science between 1970 and 1984 and, with the campus reorganization in 1984, became Dean of the School of Natural and Social Sciences while continuing as Professor of History. One of his distinctions is that he was the first faculty member to hold every office in the Academic Senate, including Chair, a position he resigned (just after being elected) because he was elected to the Statewide Academic Senate, where he served from 1971 to 1978.

Dean Dewey was Cal State L.A. Outstanding Professor in 1975-76 and nominee for the CSU Trustees Outstanding Professor Award in 1989. In the summer of 1991, he directed an institute on the Bill of Rights for 38 eighth grade teachers which was funded by NEH; he also co-directed NEH institutes in 1985 and 1986 on the U.S. Constitution.

With all this experience, Dean Dewey is just the person to discuss all the changes on campus from the days of the Diablos to the Golden Eagles. All emeriti are urged to attend to hear this exceptional speaker and meet the new emeriti.

Fall Quarter Opens With Fall Faculty Day

Fall Faculty Day on Monday, September 18 will inaugurate Fall Quarter 1995 activities at Cal State L.A. All emeriti are invited to attend the Fall Faculty Meeting, which will be held from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in the Luckman Theatre. At that time, the new Outstanding Professors will be introduced. New faculty members will also be welcomed. Following the meeting at 10:00 a.m. is the President's Brunch at Eagles' Landing. Individual school meetings will be held afterward from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Three Emeriti Fellowships Set

Three $1,000 emeriti fellowships will be awarded in 1995. The winners will be selected from a group of 20 applicants working on master's degrees.

According to Carol Smallenburg, chair of the Emeriti Association Fellowship Committee, "It will be a very hard call. All the candidates are strong and come highly recommended."

An award has been made for each of the past five years. As the Endowment Fund has increased, the Emeriti Association has been able to increase the number of fellowships. In addition this year, Emeriti Association Board members voluntarily donated a third fellowship.

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ANNUAL FALL MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1995
11:30 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
PALM ROOM, EAGLES' LANDING

COST: $11 per person

PAYMENT METHOD: Check (made payable to *Emeriti Association*)

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Monrovia, CA 91016-5404.

Payment must be received **no later than September 13**

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Ellen Stein Appointed Editor of *Emeritimes*

Ellen Stein has been appointed Editor of *The Emeritimes*, effective this fall. Stein, who holds a B.A. in English from Brooklyn College, has more than 15 years of service as a Cal State L.A. staff member. Her campus editing experience includes the graduate portion of the *University Catalog*, *Faculty Handbook*, and various department and division newsletters. Since 1992, she has coordinated the grants submission activities in Research and Sponsored Programs. Prior to her current position, Stein worked 12 years in Institutional Research/Analytical Studies. She has also served on several university committees.

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Campus News

Faculty Colloquia Series Set for Fall Quarter

The faculty colloquia series for the fall quarter has been scheduled as follows:

October 17 Michael Calabrese (English), "Marco Polo's Life of the Buddha"

November 7 Frieda Stahl (Physics and Astronomy), "Heroines and Martyrs: Women Nobel Laureates in Science and Others Who Should Have Been"

November 28 Neil Garston (Economics and Statistics), "A Voucher Alternative to Affirmative Action and Other Anti-discrimination Policies"

All programs will be held in the University Club from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. All emeriti and friends are encouraged to attend.

The first colloquium of 1996 will be given by a Visiting Professor of History from Egypt, Dr. Hamza 'Abd al-'Aziz Badr, whose topic is "Islamic Architecture in Ottoman Cairo (16th-18th centuries)."

New Emeriti Faculty Named

The following recently retired faculty have been awarded emeritus status.

KEITH R. BLUNT
(Management, 1967-1994)

GROVER BROOKS
(Library, 1981-1994)

BYONG-KON KIM
(Music, 1968-1994)

PETER P. LOCKETT
(Accounting, 1969-1994)

We welcome them as fellow emeriti faculty and encourage them to play an active role in the Emeriti Association.

Douglas A. Davis Named New University Librarian

On August 1, the campus welcomed University Librarian Douglas A. Davis to his new post. For the past 20 years Davis has been affiliated with the CSU Northridge Library and has been central to the planning and implementation of various library automation projects. He brings several critical areas of expertise to Cal State L.A., particularly strategic planning and information technology. He joins the University after having served as Associate Dean of the CSUN University Library since 1992.



Donald P. Zingale Named Dean, Health and Human Services

Donald P. Zingale has been named to the position of Dean of the School of Health and Human Services, effective September 1. Zingale assumes leadership of the school upon the retirement of Ruth Wu, whose 24 years of service at the University include the last 12 as Dean of the School of Health and Human Services. Zingale comes to Cal State L.A. from CSU Sacramento, where he has held the post of Associate Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies since 1993.



Luckman Opens Second Season

In September, the Harriet and Charles Luckman Fine Arts Complex will inaugurate its 1995-96 season of exciting performances. Highlights include the United States premiere of the Prague Festival Ballet, jazz legend Chick Corea, the Limon Dance company, the Los Angeles Concert Opera production of *The Merry Widow*, *Canterbury Tales* performed by the New Vic Theatre of London, and a rare performance of the Netherlands Chamber Orchestra. The season opens on September 30, with a benefit reception, silent art auction, and U.S. premiere of the Prague Festival Ballet. Subscription series and a special discount Luckman Card for faculty, staff, and students are available. For further information, call the Luckman at (213) 343-6610.

Fall Retirement Dinners Planned

On Friday, October 20, a retirement dinner will be held for Alice Watkins, who is leaving her post as Associate Dean of Student Services in the School of Education. The dinner is at 5:00 p.m. at Almansor Court, Alhambra; the cost is $35 per person. Proceeds will be used to establish the Alice V. Watkins Scholarship Fund. For information, contact Gary Best, (213) 343-4409.

Ruth Wu, Dean of the School of Health and Human Services, will be honored on Sunday, October 29 at 5:00 p.m. with a retirement party at the La Canada-Flintridge Country Club. More information may be obtained from C.B. Winston, (213) 343-4600.

Profile

Leonard Mathy: A Man of Firsts

By Mildred Massey

Leonard Mathy joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1950 when the college was in its infancy. He can be termed "a man of firsts," since throughout his academic career he was the first to occupy many positions on campus and, over a span of 45 years, he has ardently championed the interests of academic freedom and faculty governance.

Although his life after joining the University has been spent in southern California, the young Len was a product of the Midwest. He was born in Chicago, went to schools there, and then attended the University of Illinois at Urbana, receiving a B.A. in 1941. Having been awarded a state scholarship for graduate work, he continued at the University to a Ph.D. in economics in 1946.

When Len joined the faculty of Los Angeles State College in September 1950, there were only 90 faculty members. They were housed at the temporary site on Vermont Avenue, on the campus of Los Angeles City College. These 90 individuals set the tone and the direction and stamped the character of the fast-growing college. This was the post-WWII period that saw a burst of demand for a college education by the thousands of veterans. Providing programs to accomplish this proved an urgent challenge for the new school.

Some of the academic configurations that developed have continued to this day; for example, Len's department, Economics and Statistics, housed in the School of Business and Economics, is an affiliation that goes back to those beginnings. Len was the first chair of this department, a position that he held until 1964, by which time the department had grown to some 20 full-time members.

In the 1950s the stirrings for academic governance came to be recognized and implemented through the Faculty Association of Los Angeles State College, the forerunner of the present Academic Senate. Len served as President in 1952-53. Among the myriad of decisions relating to the curriculum, students, and faculty that had to be made was the one relating to the selection of a permanent site for the college. In this matter Len took an active interest, although he says the final selection came as a surprise. It was thought by many that the parcel of land was too small, especially in view of the fact that nearby was what seemed a preferable one of 400 unencumbered acres available for four million dollars. Eventually many millions were spent condemning land to add to the original land of the present site. But the land that became Cal State L.A. had been owned by the



Highway Department and it must have appeared to the State Board of Education to be a desirable choice, fulfilling the needs of the geographical area. Faculty participation in this issue was not very complete.

Faculty members who were at Cal State L.A. in the 1950s and 1960s remember the extent of their involvement in matters of appointment, retention, and tenure—it was to all intents nonexistent. In the earliest days there were no tenure rights. At any time, anyone with even the slightest supervisory role was able to "put something" into one's file, the person in question having no access to his or her own file. This state of affairs offered Len a formidable challenge. His efforts to obtain for the faculty the rights that we now take for granted became one of his major areas of interest, an abiding one that was to go on right to the present. Over several decades, personnel review procedures grew and were extended not only to the entire campus but to the whole California State University system. In all these developments, Len's participation was considerable.

On the Cal State L.A. campus, Len worked on drafting the Senate Constitution during 1961-62. He was elected the first chair of the newly formed Senate in 1962-63, to be followed by 16 more years as a voting member of that body. With the Academic Senate and its constitution in place, the enormous task of developing procedures for faculty actions on appointment, retention, and tenure and the guidelines for curriculum and student policies began. During the next decade the contributions of the Senate, with Len at the forefront, were spectacular. The role of the Senate, primarily through its committees, was to draw up and adopt recommendations which then went on to the President for approval. Once this was obtained, the policies became part of the working regulations for the campus. By and large, these are still in effect except insofar as the Union supersedes in certain faculty matters, although over the years continuing modifications and amendments have been made reflecting the growth of minority, women's, and students' rights.

While Cal State L.A. was making much progress in these matters, not all the campuses were keeping apace. The solution for obtaining uniformity and ensuring academic freedom, in the minds of many, was through a Statewide Academic Senate, and so Len became involved in this enterprise. In the writing of the constitution and formation of this body, a great deal of input came from many individuals from the various campuses. Len took part in the final drafting of the constitution; he negotiated some of the final wording with the Chair of the Board of Trustees, one other Board member, and another faculty representative, Laverne Graves, of Fullerton. He then chaired the final drafting session for this instrument; all of the campus presidents, faculty association chairs, and Chancellor Dumke were present!

When this newly formed Statewide Academic Senate convened for its first session, it was with Len Mathy as Chair—still another first. He was to go on being a member of the statewide body for 16 more years, during which time he was to see service on its Executive Committee, chair the Faculty Affairs Committee, and serve as monitor of the Chancellor's Grievance and Disciplinary Action Committee. In addition, he was a member of the Statewide Committee on Faculty Staffing, and the Task Force on the Procurement and Retention of Quality Faculty. One major disappointment was not obtaining for the Statewide Senate delegated authority, that is, the right to carry out certain tasks without going to the Trustees. This has not yet come about.

In the mid-1960s, a new area of academia entered into Len's life. At this time the college was organized into schools, supplanting the existing divisions. In 1964 Len was selected as the first Dean of the School of Letters and Science, a position he held until 1969. Prior to this time, the College had functioned as a collection of divisions, but it had now reached a size when the school structure was more appropriate. With the formation of schools, the mechanism for operating under this mode had to be worked out. Dean Len put into place the tasks and responsibilities of the departments and established

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In Memoriam

MIDORI NISHI

Professor of Geography, 1951-1985

Midori Nishi, a survivor of the World War II evacuation camp at Manzanar, who went on to become, it is thought, the first Japanese woman to obtain a Ph.D. in geography in the United States, died suddenly at her home in Monterey Park on July 8.

Nishi was a native of Los Angeles, went through schools here and was attending UCLA when on the night of December 7, 1941 police came to the Nishi household and took her father from his bed to the police station and to Terminal Island the next day. From there he, and later his family, were sent to a relocation camp. Although conditions were very crude and uncomfortable, some educational opportunities were provided; thus Midori was able to continue her education. Eventually she was granted a scholarship to Nebraska Wesleyan University and graduated in 1944. She then went on to an M.A. in 1946 from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts. This was followed by further graduate work at the University of Washington. However, she wanted to be near her family, so she returned to the Los Angeles area and taught at Cal State L.A. part time for a year, then joined the full-time faculty in 1951. While teaching she resumed her doctoral work at UCLA and was awarded a Ph.D. in 1974.



Nishi was one of the early faculty members who began teaching at the Vermont campus, and she went on to an illustrious career until her retirement in 1985. When she joined the faculty there were approximately 100 faculty members at the fast-growing institution. She was influential in the establishment of the programs in geography. She was an outstanding lecturer, and her classes were enriched through her extensive travels. During the succeeding four decades, she made substantial contributions to the subject matter of Japanese migrants overseas, including emigration to Latin America, and Japanese agricultural and fishing development in Micronesia; to the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee; and to the Institute of Asian and African Studies.

Nishi lectured widely, was a prolific author of journal articles, produced teaching film strips and an educational movie, and was a frequent participant in community groups. She was a member of the Association of American Geographers, the American Geographical Society, Association for Asian Studies, and many other professional groups. Midori was active in the West Los Angeles Japanese Citizens' League; she was Cal State delegate to the U.S. National Commission for the UNESCO National Conference and a member of the geography advisory panel for the Statewide Social Science Advisory Committee, 1965-67.

She is survived by her brother Henry; four sisters—Setsuko, Mary, Edith, and Barbara; her aunt, Yasugiku; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

KENT LADD STECKMESSER

Professor of History, 1960-1985

Kent Ladd Steckmesser died suddenly in early April in his hometown of Downers Grove, Illinois. An expert in the Westward Movement, Steckmesser taught in the History Department from 1960-1985. After retiring in 1992 he continued to teach one quarter per year until 1994. His degrees were from Stanford University, University of Iowa, and the University of Chicago, where he received the Ph.D. Among his writings were "The Western Hero in History and Legend" and "Western Outlaws, the 'Good Badmen'" in *Fact, Fiction and Folklore*, plus many articles in western journals. He was a member of the Huntington Westerners Corral of Westerners International. At the time of his death, Steckmesser was working on a book to be titled *John Wayne and the Mythic West*, as well as on the history of Natchez Trace which included his walking the entire distance.

WILLIAM H. BRIGHT

Associate Professor of Business Administration, 1950-1980

William Bright, who served as Director and as Assistant Dean of Summer Sessions and Extension, died on May 9 in Pasadena from complications of myasthenia gravis. Although he was born in Davenport, Iowa, Bill was a product of local educational institutions; he attended elementary and high schools in Los Angeles. He and Helen were married in Los Angeles on November 21, 1942, and during World War II he was a purchasing agent for the United States Air Force at Wright Field in Dayton, Ohio. Following the war, he started college in Los Angeles and received both a B.A., in 1949, and M.B.A., in 1950, from Cal State L.A. in those very early days of the school when it was Los Angeles State College of Applied Arts and Sciences. He then continued to do graduate work in business administration at UCLA, where he specialized in the fast developing new field of decision theory which included Baysian probability techniques, linear programming, game theory, and queueing.

While Bill was studying at UCLA he was also teaching at Cal State L.A. In the following years he was instrumental in bringing instruction in these subjects into the curriculum of the business administration degree. The course that grew into Quantitative Methods in Business became a required course for the major in business administration before such material was a requirement for business majors at other area universities. During this period he authored a booklet on annuities that greatly clarified this material for students and was of considerable help in teaching it. He was involved in developing the summer sessions and extension programs for the University and was named Director of Summer Sessions and Extension.

In 1978 Bill retired from Cal State L.A. He and Mary Ludwig were married and they went to live in Columbus, Ohio where Mary had accepted a position. In the ensuing decade they were in Chicago; Bridgeport, Connecticut; and St. Paul, Minnesota as well as at several other locations. Bill taught occasionally during these years; however, in 1991, Mary suffered a fatal heart attack in Milwaukee, and Bill returned to Los Angeles. In 1993 he and Helen were remarried, but, sadly, shortly thereafter he developed the first signs of myasthenia gravis. He is survived by Helen and their son, Dr. David C. Bright.

JESSIE GUSTAFSON

Professor of Business Education, 1952-1967

News of the recent death of **Jessie Gustafson**, Professor Emerita of Business Education, was received just before press time. She died at the age of 95. A memorial service was held at Hollywood Lutheran Church on August 16. An obituary will appear in the next issue.

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HARRY K. THRASHER

Professor of Education, 1966-1976

Harry K. Thrasher, Emeritus Professor of Education, died May 6 after a brief illness. He was 82 years of age.

Harry was born in Illinois, the son of teachers whose experience encompassed instruction in one-room schools. His father organized the first unified school district in Illinois and later held the post of State Supervisor of High Schools for Illinois.

Growing up as a schoolmaster's son in Illinois small towns, and graduating from Springfield High School as the Great Depression hit hard in rural America, Harry Thrasher seemed predestined for a career in education. He attended the University of Illinois, where he earned his B.S. in zoology, with minors in botany, psychology, and history. His extracurricular activities were playing clarinet in the band, which provided a scholarship that paid his tuition of $25 per semester, and boxing, which he pursued until he encountered some long-armed Italians in golden glove competition in Chicago. After that experience, he told those attending his Cal State L.A. retirement party, "music became my sole extra-curricular strength."

With the depression still raging, Harry reported, "it had its impact on my views and activities." He included student teaching in his course of studies in his senior year at the University of Illinois.

Harry remembered his first depression-days teaching job, for which his first paycheck was a tax anticipation warrant for $85, subject to a 5% discount at the local bank. "But," he said, "I was rich; no one in town had cash."

As Harry became well launched into his career in education, he took other important steps in his life. In successive years, he married Lillian, whom he had known since his high school days, in 1939; registered for the draft in 1940; completed studies for his M.A. degree in 1941; and volunteered for service in the U.S. Army in 1942. He attended Officer Candidate School at Camp Roberts in California and served on the staff of the Inspector General at Fort Benning, Georgia, leaving with the rank of Captain upon returning to civilian life in 1946.

After two years as a school administrator in Illinois, the Thrashers headed west to California, first as principal-teacher and then as Superintendent of the Arroyo Grande Schools at the time of the Korean War when Vandenburg AFB expanded and the student enrollment exploded. This meant new schools, funded by tax drives and bond issues, all of which Harry was proud to recollect were successful.

Feeling the need for a change of venue after 12 years at Arroyo Grande, Harry accepted appointment as Superintendent of U.S. Navy Schools in Japan. He and Lillian spent six enjoyable years living in Yokohama, getting to know the Japanese people and their culture, while administering the schools for children of American occupation forces throughout Japan from 1960-66.



Upon returning to the U.S., Harry decided he wanted to add another experience to the fulsome round of challenging education tasks in which he had engaged. He found it at Cal State L.A., joining the faculty of the School of Education, where he specialized in teacher training until his retirement in 1976.

At his retirement party, Harry concluded his remarks with these words: "I believe in the American schools and in particular the rights of the students therein. Dynamic as always, and a challenge to all teachers, a good part of their discipline problems are teacher problems.

"I believe that all administrators should teach as well as administer. I always did, and it kept me close to the community.

"I believe in my country and the importance of education for survival."

A highly active person, Harry kept going in his retirement years, delving vigorously into the history of the American Civil War, growing orchids, participating in lawn bowling, and continuing his lifelong devotion to classical music. In fact, he missed a lawn bowling date on the day he died.

In addition to his wife Lillian, Harry leaves a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Jerald, who lives in El Cajon, California.

Professional and Personal

Lester Hirsch (Physics and Astronomy) was honored by the University-Student Union with a "Lester Hirsch Day" on April 18 celebrating his 80th birthday. The event included dedication of a statue of Lester which will be on the second floor of the Union in the Lester Hirsch Program Area. For many years he was on the Union Board of Directors and, even in retirement, he is teaching part time in the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

Milton Meyer (History) presented "The World of Southeast Asia" on July 14 at the Pacific Asia Museum, Pasadena, discussing the history, people, culture, and landscape of this region. Commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, he discussed "The Philippines in World War II" on August 27, also at the Pacific Asia Museum. Meyer, who was born and raised in the Philippines and served in southeast Asia during the war, illustrated his lecture with slides from his extensive collection.

Frieda Stahl (Physics and Astronomy) is serving as chair of the American Association of Physics Teachers' Committee on Professional Concerns. For the Association's summer meeting, held August 7-12 at Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington, she organized and chaired a symposium on career trends in physics. Employment opportunities for physics graduates at bachelor's, master's, and doctor's degree levels are undergoing major changes, related to the end of the Cold War and downsizing in academe as well as industry and government. The symposium panel included Congressman Vernon J. Ehlers of Michigan, who received a Ph.D. in physics at UC Berkeley and worked as a physicist before embarking on a political career. The other symposium participants were Dr. Roman Czujko, of the American Institute of Physics; Dr. David Goodstein, Vice Provost of Cal Tech; and Dr. Fred Shair, of Jet Propulsion Laboratories.

Fellowships

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"We are moving to build on a number of fellowships available for graduate study because the University has limited fellowship assistance for graduate students," Smallenburg stated. "The prestige of the University is dependent upon the success of its graduate students."

Award recipients will be announced at the Emeriti Association fall luncheon meeting on September 19. Winners who are present will be introduced to the emeriti members.

Calendar of Events

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, all events are held on campus. Some have an admission charge. Dates, times, and locations of events are subject to change.

ART

Sat. September 30, preview 5-8 pm, bidding 7:30-8 pm, **Silent Art Auction,** Luckman Fine Arts Gallery, (213) 343-6610

Sat. October 14-Sun. December 10, **Angel Orensanz: Global Sculpture,** Luckman Fine Arts Gallery, (213) 343-6610

DANCE

Sat. September 30, U.S. premiere, gala evening reception 6-8 pm, performance 8 pm, post-performance reception 10-11 pm; Sun. October 1, 7:30 p.m., **The Prague Festival Ballet,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 343-6610; THEATIX (213) 466-1767

Fri. and Sat. October 6 and 7, 8 pm; Sun. October 8, 2:30 pm, **"Fall Ahead" Dance and Performance Festival: Oguri With Renzoku,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4118

Sat. October 7, **Rose Polsky and Dancers,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 466-1767

Fri. and Sat. October 13 and 14, 8 pm; Sun. October 15, 2:30 pm, **"Fall Ahead" Dance and Performance Festival: Pacific Dance Ensemble,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4118

Fri. and Sat. October 20 and 21, 8 pm; Sun. October 22, 2:30 pm, **"Fall Ahead" Dance and Performance Festival: Kick In The Eye,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4118

Fri. October 28 and Sat. October 29, 8 pm, **Lula Washington Dance Theatre,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 466-1767

Sat. November 4, 8 pm; Sun. November 5, 3 pm **Dance Africa America,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 466-1767

MUSIC

Sat. October 14, 8 pm, **Australian Chamber Orchestra,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 466-1767

Sat. October 21, 8 pm, **Corky Siegel's Chamber Blues,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 466-1767

Fri. October 27, 8 pm, **Faculty-Artist Recital: Michael Cameron, cellist,** Music Hall, (213) 343-4060

Thurs. November 2, 8 pm, **Small Jazz Ensembles,** Music Hall, (213) 343-4060

Fri. November 17, 8 pm, **Faculty-Artist Recital,** Music Hall, (213) 343-4060

Sun. November 19, 4 pm, **Golden Eagle Singers,** Music Hall, (213) 343-4060

Sun. November 19, 4 pm, **Chick Corea,** Luckman Theatre, (213) 466-1767

Mon. November 20, 8 pm, **Symphony Orchestra,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4060

Tues. November 21, 8 pm, **Jazz Ensemble,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4060

Wed. November 29, 8 pm, **Symphonic Winds,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4060

Tues. November 30, 8 pm, **Small Jazz Ensembles,** Music 124, (213) 343-4060

Fri. December 1, 12 noon-5 pm, **Choir Festival,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4060

Fri., December 1, 8 pm, **Concert Choir,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4060

Sat. December 2, 8 pm, **University Chorus,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4060

THEATRE

November 10-12 and 17-19, Fri. and Sat. 8 pm, Sun. 2:30 pm, **Primary English Class,** State Playhouse, (213) 343-4118

Leonard Mathy

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a system of consultation and governance for the school.

For a period of time during these years, he served as Vice President for Academic Affairs while Ken Martin was away. In 1974 he was appointed University Dean of Instructional Administration and was in that position for six years. In addition, Len worked on the Committee on Campus Planning which aimed at beautifying the buildings and grounds and sought to break away from "state prison modern" in new buildings, thus achieving a more individualistic character. Throughout this time he was a member of the statewide as well as local senate in which role he played a major part in formulating the Faculty Early Retirement Plan (FERP), including delineating the economic rationale for this program. Along with Professor Phillips of San Diego State University, he was the "quasi-father" of the plan which was then passed by the Statewide Academic Senate and sent on to the Board of Trustees. They finally negotiated with the Trustees the final wording of the Title IV language that spelled out the order of layoff procedures as they applied to FERP participants. The subsequent Union contracts have, however, invalidated some of these.

Upon leaving the University administration post, Len returned to the Department of Economics and Statistics, and once again from 1979 to 1983 served as chair. At the end of this term, he took early retirement and was unanimously awarded emeritus status. It should be noted, though, that while he was termed a "retiree" this in no way ended his commitment and involvement in faculty matters—in particular, those of the emeriti professors. He represented the Cal State L.A. emeriti and retired faculty on the Statewide Academic Senate and has worked to obtain voting status for that position. So far that has not come about, it having failed again by a single vote this past spring. One can be confident that he will continue to press for this and in his efforts on behalf of the emeriti in the years ahead.

Along with his many facets of interest at the University, Len and his wife, Jean, have been enjoying extensive travel. For many years they were particularly interested in and spent time in Yugoslavia, so understandably they have been saddened by the tragic events that have torn that country apart and the war that persists.

Len Mathy has received much recognition and many commendations for his years of service to the University, but not nearly enough to acknowledge fully and thank him for his achievements and dedication which have been truly formidable. Let us hope that they will continue.

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could hardly stop visiting long enough for the program to start. We hope you will attend this very special event and arrange to meet your friends. The Emeriti Week observance will occur again in February and the Annual Spring Meeting is scheduled for May. These important events will be announced in more detail later.

One of the Association's ongoing activities is the awarding of fellowships to several worthy Cal State L.A. graduate students. The recipients have been outstanding and also very appreciative of the financial assistance they have received from the Association. The Emeriti Fellowship Fund principal has now reached over $32,000; this impressive total has been achieved because of the unselfish contributions made by emeriti faculty. Of course, we continue to urge everyone to contribute whatever amount is feasible to this worthy cause. The more we have in the Fellowship Fund, the more effectively we can help a greater number of graduate students achieve their goals.

Finally, we urge you to join our Emeriti Association, participate in the activities, and contact any board member or officer if you have questions or concerns. It is critical that we be well-informed and well-organized, and that we have as many members as possible.