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WILMA KREBS TO SPEAK AT FALL LUNCHEON



On Tuesday, September 23, Wilma Krebs, professor emerita of economics from California State University, Sacramento and chair of the Legislative Committee of the CSU Emeriti and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA), will be the featured speaker at the annual Emeriti Association Fall Meeting and Luncheon. The event, which takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 pm. in the University Club, will kick off the 1997-98 year for the Association and its participation in the 50th anniversary of the founding of Cal State L.A.

In her Legislative Committee role, Krebs is CSU-ERFA's "eyes and ears" in Sacramento. She has up-to-date information on the activities of the State Legislature and the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). At the luncheon she will discuss, among other items, the latest data of interest to retirees including retirement benefits, purchasing power of state retirement income, and defined retirement programs versus defined contribution programs.

ANNUAL *Fall* MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPT. 23, 1997
11:30 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
UNIVERSITY CLUB
COST: $11.50 PER PERSON

Send check, made payable to the Emeriti Association, *before September 18* to Mary Gormly, 1024 Royal Oaks Drive, Apt. 820, Monrovia, CA 91016-5404. For more information, call Mary at 626-358-7325.

Emeriti Propose 50th Anniversary Events

The Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association has been designated as one of 13 University entities that have been invited to participate in proposing activities for the year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of California State University, Los Angeles, from Commencement 1997 to Commencement 1998. The six schools, library, Academic Senate, Alumni Association, Associated Students, staff, and Luckman Fine Arts Complex comprise the remaining participants.

Each of these entities is represented on an Activities Coordinating Committee (ACC) that is charged with reviewing proposals to be recommended to a Finance Committee presided over by the vice president for administration and finance. Each of the 13 activity groups has been promised a minimum of $3,500 for its projects after review thereof by the ACC. Within the limits of the available 50th anniversary celebration budget, this minimum allocation will be enhanced for projects deemed most worthy of additional funding.

The Emeriti Association, in keeping with its commitment to active participation in the affairs of the University, has forwarded three proposals to the ACC: 1) a year-long revolving exhibit in the library of published books, art works, special research reports, music works and other items produced by the Cal State L.A. faculty over the last 50 years, with an opening ceremony held in the library adjacent to the exhibits (this event to be cosponsored by the library); 2) an extraordinary emeriti luncheon to be held on Friday, February 13, 1998 (during Emeriti Week) to celebrate both the 50th anniversary of the University and the 20th anniversary of the Emeriti Association, and featuring a speaker who has played an important role in support of education in California as part of a program documenting the University's unique contributions to higher education in the state; and 3) a statewide Conference on Undergradu-

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Four Emeriti Fellowships to be Awarded

Four emeriti fellowships of $1,000 will be awarded this year from a pool of 20 graduate student applicants. Each of the past seven years, fellowships have been awarded to outstanding master's degree students. As the Endowment Fund has increased, the Association has been able to increase the number of fellowships. Award recipients will be announced at the Emeriti Association fall meeting and luncheon on September 23. Winners who are present will be introduced.

Fall Faculty Day Set for September 22

President James Rosser will welcome faculty back to the campus for Cal State L.A.'s 50th anniversary year on Monday, September 22 at 9:00 a.m. in the Luckman Theatre. At the Opening Day event, the 1996-97 Cal State L.A. Outstanding Professors will be announced and new faculty will be introduced. Brunch follows at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles' Landing (cafeteria). School meetings follow the brunch. All emeriti are invited to participate!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The year-long celebration of Cal State L.A.'s golden anniversary was officially kicked off—literally—by gas-propelled black and gold streamers at Commencement on June 14. Emeritus faculty members preceded that inauguration with the first of many recollections of the University's early years, published in the spring edition of *The Emeritimes*. These remembrances will continue as a feature throughout the year. New submissions are welcome.

But memories are not the only feature of the emeritus faculty's contributions to this celebration. We also have a presence: we are the faculty who built the University over its first half-century in program, standards, and governance. We established precedents in every sphere of academic activity and achievement, and these precedents over time have become a legacy.

The first of several Emeriti Association proposals to reach the preliminary stages of organization is the revolving exhibit of materials suitable for display, representing 50 years' worth of faculty achievement. These materials will be shown in cases that will be placed on the second-floor bridge of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library, which will join with the Emeriti Association as a cosponsor, as described in the article on page 1.

Also to be developed for this exhibit is a montage of old and older photographs from the files of the University's Public Affairs Office. Most of these have no identifying notations, so that the Executive Committee will be calling on emeritus colleagues for help in recognizing much younger faces.

In addition to the University's 50th anniversary, the Association's 20th anniversary occurs this year. Its observance will be part of the festivities in February 1998, also discussed in the article. We look forward to a most auspicious Friday the 13th!

Frieda Stahl

Solar Eagle III Takes Top Honors



On June 29, Cal State L.A.'s solar car won first place in the 10-day, 1,240-mile national intercollegiate solar car race, Sunrayce 97. A group of 11 engineering and technology students, with faculty advisor Richard Roberto and six other faculty and staff team members, participated in the University's third Sunrayce. Solar Eagle III, the only car that did not break down at all during the race from Indianapolis to Colorado Springs, came in 20 minutes ahead of second-place MIT, setting a new Sunrayce speed record.

New Emeriti Named

Four recently retired faculty members have been awarded emeritus status:

MICHAEL J. MAURER
(Mechanical Engineering, 1970-1997)

GEORGE R. VICK
(Philosophy, 1967-1997)

BERKEN CHANG
(Physics, 1969-1997)

NATHANIEL TRIVES
(Criminal Justice, 1969-1997)

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

Cal State L.A. to Host 1997 Undergraduate Research Conference

The fifth annual Southern California conference showcasing research and creative work of undergraduate students will be held at Cal State L.A. on Saturday, November 22. This regional event, sponsored by the Southern California Council on Undergraduate Research (SCCUR), will be a highlight of the campus' 50th anniversary celebration year.

SCCUR was organized in 1993 at Caltech, which hosted the first two conferences. The conference was held at Pomona College in 1995 and at Occidental College in 1996. Cal State L.A. was the only public university represented on the council from its beginnings, and is the first public institution to serve as host.

Emeritus faculty members will be welcomed at the afternoon reception, which will feature poster papers and exhibits as well as refreshments. This will be a relaxed opportunity for viewing, discussions with students presenters, and reunions with current faculty now sponsoring student groups in these activities.

For registration, which is required only for headcount purposes, please contact Frieda Stahl at 213-343-2109 (voice mail available) or at fstahl@calstatela.edu. The packet will contain a badge designed specifically for emeriti visitors, who will be introduced during the reception. Those who would like to attend the entire conference will be sent additional registration materials.

Jane Matson Memorial Scholarship Established

The estate of Jane Matson has established an annual scholarship of $1,000 to be awarded by the Emeriti Association to a graduate student in counseling or education. Matson, professor of education from 1958 to 1980, died last February of leukemia. Her primary area of academic endeavor was the training of counselors for two-year community colleges; she headed the program at Cal State L.A. After her retirement, Matson continued to be active in this work virtually until the time of her death. Her efforts will continue thanks to this bequest.

Professional and Personal

Charles Borman (Art) opened his art gallery, Village Square Gallery, in Montrose several years ago. In May the gallery featured the art of Mika Cho, associate professor of art, and in July there was an invitational group exhibition among whom were emeriti Walter Askin, Charles Borman, Lee Wexler, and Roy Walden.

Mary Gormly (Library) has been elected commander of the American Legion Helen Haskell Post 702. She attended the National Board meeting of the Civil Air Patrol (USAF Auxiliary) in Las Vegas August 10-13 and continued through northern Arizona for several days before spending time on an Elderhostel with the White Mountain Apaches at Whiteriver, Arizona August 17-22.

Catherine Martin (Anthropology) is teaching this summer at Northern Arizona University in the Anthropology Department.

Gerald Prindiville (Education), who retired in 1975, has been active in the work of the Nevada Retired Teachers Association as president of both the Carson City group and the statewide organization. At an April conference celebrating the group's 50th anniversary saluting their founder, Ethel Percy Andrus, he was selected to deliver the keynote address about her. The Governor of Nevada issued a proclamation honoring the retired teachers group for its leadership in raising scholarships for young people planning to become teachers—a major thrust of Prindiville's administration. The Governor also honored the retired teachers for their efforts on behalf of teachers, administrators, and all retired people to improve their quality of life. That objective, too, had been a part of Prindiville's leadership in the organization. Under his direction, a grant proposal was funded that brought $1.2 million to Nevada for use in preservice and inservice teacher training and updating technology and computers.

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Campus News

Kyle C. Button Appointed VP for Institutional Advancement

Kyle C. Button was appointed vice president for institutional advancement effective April 16. He has been serving as the University's executive director of development since August 1996, and as acting vice president for institutional advancement since September 1996.

Before coming to Cal State L.A., Button was development director and director of corporate and foundation relations at Cal State Long Beach. He has served as development associate for the California Institute of the Arts, and grants coordinator for the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. He also has consulted for the City of Pasadena.

Steven N. Garcia Named VP for Administration and Finance

Steven N. Garcia has been appointed vice president for administration and finance, effective July 1. He previously served as vice president of administration and treasurer of the Board of Trustees at the University of Northern Colorado. As chief fiscal officer at Cal State L.A., Garcia will be responsible for executive direction, guidance, and policy formation for financial and business management operations, human resources management, physical facilities, and public safety. He will also carry fiduciary responsibility in the role of treasurer for the boards of the CSLA Foundation and University Auxiliary Services, Inc. He will serve as the president's designee to the University-Student Union Board and will exercise fiduciary oversight of the Cal State L.A. Associated Students, Inc.

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Bylaw Revision

At an Executive Committee meeting during the 1996-97 academic year, the Committee passed the following revision to Article I of the Bylaws regarding membership:

"Regular membership: open to all faculty members who are granted emeritus status by California State University, Los Angeles. IN AN UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCE, A RETIRED FACULTY MEMBER WHO DOES NOT HAVE EMERITUS STATUS MAY BE INVITED TO JOIN BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE."

The sentence in capital letters is the change.

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James J. Kelly Appointed Dean, School of Health and Human Services

James J. Kelly has been named dean of the School of Health and Human Services effective September 1. Prior to coming to Cal State L.A., Kelly was director of and professor in the Department of Social Work at Cal State Long Beach. Earlier, he was the department's associate director and graduate coordinator, and served as director of its continuing education program.

Fall Faculty Colloquia Scheduled

The faculty colloquia for Fall 1997 will be held on October 28, November 4, and November 18. Speakers and topics were not available at press time. Colloquia are held on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in the University Club. They are cosponsored by the Office of the Provost, Graduate Studies and Research, University Club, L.A. chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, and University Auxiliary Services. For program information, please call 213-343-3820.

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ate Research to be held on November 22, 1997 at Cal State L.A., the first public university to have been selected to host this annual event (to be cosponsored by Phi Kappa Phi).

These events can, of course, proceed independently of the official 50th anniversary program. The University Library has already signified its support for the exhibit of faculty works, the emeriti luncheon will continue to be an annual event, and the Conference on Undergraduate Research will be held on our campus. However, the acceptance of these events as part of the anniverary celebration, with the help of some additional funding, will enable their scope and import to be augmented, encourage greater participation by the retired faculty and the whole University community, and attract greater public attention to Cal State L.A.

Emeriti committee members most directly involved in proposing these activities include Bill Lloyd, Ken Phillips, Frieda Stahl, and Leon Schwartz who, along with Don Dewey, is a member of the ACC.

SPECIAL SECTION:

Cal State L.A.

The Emeritimes continues to feature the recollections of the founding faculty—those who joined Cal State L.A. in the 1940s and1950s—in conjunction with the University's 50th anniversary celebration. If you are one of the founding faculty and have not as yet sent in your recollections, please do so—there is still plenty of time before the winter issue!

ANTHONY HILLBRUNER

Speech and Drama, 1954-1981

Taught courses in American studies, language arts, and speech communication. Served in the Academic Senate and on numerous school and university committees.

"I have been working on my own memoirs…All of this musing now reminds me of some of the interesting things we were doing in those 'good old days' at Cal State L.A. One of these was the organization of a wonderful series of meetings fostered by 'The Marching and Chowder Society' (or was it The Chowder and Marching Society?). At any rate, the society would not meet on campus, but at the homes of different faculty members once a month on what we also dubbed TGIF. These were not mere social gatherings—although the host provided hors d'oeuvres as well as wine and other liquid refreshments—but primarily scholarly ones. One of us—not the host, of course—read a scholarly paper and then there was an interesting discussion about it. Some of the other attendees included Don Dewey, Len Mathy, Walter Beaver, Hugh Bonar, Art Benson, Bill Leary, Fred Shroyer, and Hap Holladay. These sessions lasted for a number of years and, when some of us retired, The Marching and Chowder Society ended its marvelous existence. It has since been replaced by the Faculty Colloquium, where some of the original 'marchers' have presented interesting studies.



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The Founding Faculty Reminsce

Physical Education Building Groundbreaking Ceremony



Bob Downey, Sax Elliot, Felix Jumonville, Joan Johnson, Barb Osborne, Scotty Deeds, Ferron Losee, Laird Eshom, Flash Reeves, Bud Adams, Lois Johnson, Beverly Yerrington, Bud Wise, Bernie Warner, George Willott, Fran Cake, Emil Wroblicky and Al Tillman.

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"It's strange what one remembers from the past at Cal State L.A. One of these memories is about Sax Elliot, who was the basketball coach many years ago. As I recall, because he discovered that some of his players were not as tall as their opponents, he decided to design a basketball shoe that gave a couple of extra inches in height. Was it successful? Not very, I believe.



"Not everyone believed that Cal State L.A. was an important college, but some important figures did. One of these was Richard M. Nixon. He appeared, when he was interested in the presidency, and gave a speech to students and faculty. It was an important occasion, so important that the session was held at the gymnasium, I believe, in order to handle the large crowd in attendance.

"Does this mean that everything was wonderful in those 'salad days' at the University? Hardly! Life is full of problems and some of these happened to me and to Cal State L.A. I had been on the faculty at Stanford for several years when I was lured to Los Angeles State College. What was the lure? Primarily that the college was developing and would eventually offer graduate programs leading not just to master's degrees, but to doctorates as well. To be sure, this was not the only lure. There was also a much higher salary. Stanford, in those days, was not a very wealthy private university. So, being ambitious to develop graduate programs, I left Stanford.

"For a while things were developing quite well and the college did develop some M.A. programs. In fact, we were in the forefront in developing an interdisciplinary approach in the American studies program. We were so far ahead of the times during those days that UCLA approached Cal State L.A. with a proposal for a joint doctorate in American studies. I was on the Academic Senate at the time, and as the leader in American studies, I proposed that this joint doctorate would be an excellent way to make Cal State L.A. a very significant educational institution in the state. Well, what do you think happened? My motion was defeated and the joint doctorate was completely lost, never to be found again. The reason for the defeat was a very poor one. It was said, by those who were against it, that UCLA would be taking advantage of us. So the joint doctorate in American studies went down the drain."

A Moveable Feast

BY DONALD BURRILL

On a summer's day in 1957, three members of the Los Angeles State College faculty stood in front for a temporary bungalow on the burgeoning Ramona campus talking golf—Vice President for Administration John Salmond and professors of physical education Warren Reeves and Albert "Bud" Wise. They had been golfing partners for several years and each agreed that the warm, smoggy days of summer were a good time to be out of town playing golf. That casual conversation was the beginning of one of the most enduring faculty organizations on campus.

Their acronym, GRAB—short for Golfing Regulars and Buddies—has been running continuously ever since. Shortly thereafter, Michael Grisafe from Accounting and Bill Whitely of Health Science joined the group and for five years Mike generously made all the arrangements for these excursions. In time the trips became known as "safaris" and expanded from one each summer to four—one between each quarter break. Now the arrangements—two rounds of golf, transportation, lodging, and meals—are scheduled by members on a rotating basis.

GRAB members and friends have made these trips, with as few as six or as many as 16, for 40 years! The members have played on more than 30 different courses—consensus is that Indian Wells was the most famous club played, Desert Springs Hotel in Palm Springs the most exotic, and La Purisima in Lompoc the most difficult with its 75.5 rating. The peripatetics have traveled as far north as San Luis Obispo, as far south as Torrey Pines, and as far east as Porterville and Victorville. In the early 1960s the group even held matches with other Southern California colleges.

For many years Charles Clarke of the Department of Mathematics has computed player handicaps so that permanent trophies could be awarded at the end of each outing with individual and team winners' names inscribed upon them. These names are a poignant reminder of our many colleagues who have come and gone.

The outings have served to develop lasting friendships among faculty members and administrators from various sectors of the campus. Faculty representation has come from the Departments of Athletics, Business, Education, Health Science, History, Mathematics, Philosophy, Physical Education, and Political Science, while administration and staff representation has come from Campus Development, Finance, Fine and Applied Arts, Information Services, Letters and Science, and Special Education. Over the last decade, Ben Gmur, John Jones, Bob Miller, Bill Wilgus, Don Burrill, and other emeriti and retired faculty have traveled many miles to support the club. In GRAB's 40th year it seems appropriate to mention that of all the charter members, only "Flash" Reeves was with the group for the 1997 summer trip to Black Lake in Nipomo.

Pioneering from Another Side of the Desk

BY JOHN M. AUSTIN

Having been employed by the California State Department of Education for some three years, in 1949 I was well aware of the development of the California State Colleges. The state colleges, at that time, were under the Department of Education, and I sat in on the planning and organizing of this rapidly developing system of state colleges in Southern California, five of them in a very short time. There were many discussions of moving a President Peterson, of the new Los Angeles State College, to an old house on Seventh Street in Long Beach, where he could organize another college.

My boss, Frank Lindsay, chief of the Bureau of Secondary Education, asked me to deliver some course proposals and outlines to Howard MacDonald, newly-appointed president of Los Angeles State College. I was told this would be a good experience for me.

The very new college was housed on the campus of the local community college. There was considerable indecision about its structure: would the existing junior college add on two more years and become the four-year institution it was hoping to be? Would the state college coexist with

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In Memoriam

DONALD BUTLER KINSTLER

Professor of Education, 1957-1980

Donald Kinstler passed away quietly on February 22 in Hilton Head, South Carolina. His health had been deteriorating gradually due to a heart problem and emphysema. His graduate degrees were from Southern California schools. Following a B.A. from Lafayette College in 1938, he obtained an M.A. from L.A. State College in 1954 and a Ph.D. from the University of Southern California in 1959. This was followed by postdoctoral studies at USC in 1959-60 and at the Washington University Medical School in 1970.

Kinstler came to Cal State L.A. as an assistant professor of education specializing in audiology. He was promoted to associate professor in 1959 and to professor in 1967, and he served as director of the campus Hearing Clinic for many years. Among his numerous professional activities were: consultant in Hearing, Diagnostic School for Neurologically Handicapped Children, Southern California; director, Audiologic Services, Pomona Valley Hearing Society; Medical Advisory Council, California Industrial Nurses Association; audiology consultant, Hearing Center of Metropolitan Los Angeles; consultant, Los Angeles City School District; and director of Audiologic Services, Hearing Conservation Services. He was a member of many societies and associations in the field of audiology, and he was editor of *The Voice* from 1966 to 1968.

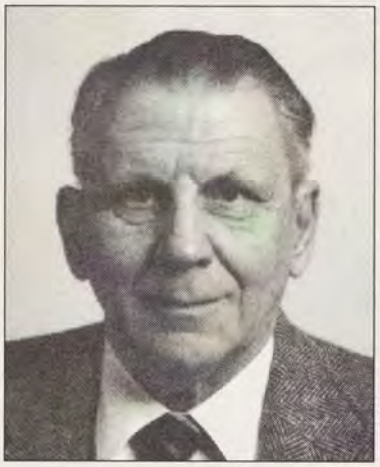
Kinstler was the author of several articles in journals dealing with speech disorders, especially those of children, and he presented papers to the American Speech and Hearing Association, California Speech and Hearing Association, Council for Exceptional Children, Los Angeles County Medical Association, International Congress of Audiology, Audicion Language, University of London, and other groups. He retired from Cal State L.A. in 1980, after which he and his wife moved to Loomis, California where they raised Arabian horses. He served as a member of the Placer County Grand Jury from 1990 to 1991, and was a volunteer at the Victorian Bernhard House in Auburn as well as the Crocker Art Museum in Sacramento.

Kinstler is survived by his wife Elizabeth, brother John C. Kinstler, daughters Christine Kinstler Hodkin, Lisa Lynn, and Gretchen Kinstler Reiskind, and son William C. Kinstler, as well as two granddaughters and one grandson.

ARTHUR J. KIRSCH

Professor of Economics, 1961-1979

Arthur Kirsch, professor of economics, passed away on June 18 after a long illness. He was 80 years old. He joined the Department of Economics and Statistics in 1961 following graduate work at UCLA and teaching at Cali-



fornia State University, Long Beach. His undergraduate work was at the University of California where he completed an A.B. degree after service in the Army during World War II.

At Cal State L.A., Kirsch was an enthusiastic supporter of academic governance, serving in the Academic Senate. He and his wife, Peggy, were avid travelers, especially enjoying their time in France. When he retired from the University in 1979, he and Peggy took up residence in France, first in Paris and then in southern France, where they pursued their interests in reading, travel, food, and other Continental pleasures. After seven years, they returned to the United States to live in Tacoma, Washington, near relatives.

Surviving Kirsch are his wife of 58 years, sister Pat Matthees, and many nieces and nephews. At his request, no services were held.

RALPH ERNEST KLOEPPER

Professor of Education, 1959-1980

Ralph Kloepper began his career at Cal State L.A. in 1959, one of the founding faculty, and retired in 1980. He and his devoted wife, Beatrice, died within a few days of each other, with a joint funeral held on May 22 at the Lutheran Church in the Foothills.

Ralph was born on July 8, 1913 in Effingham, Kansas, attended school there, and graduated from Kansas State Teachers College in 1938. After teaching in elementary schools in Kansas, he served as an officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve from 1942 to 1946. Kloepper then relocated to Southern California, where he became principal of Lakeside Union Annex in Kern County. He held several other positions in Southern California, as well as that of instructional guidance psychologist, evaluation and organization in the College of Education in Monmouth, Oregon for a brief period. He received an Ed.D. from the University of Southern California in 1951, and in 1959 was appointed assistant professor of education at Los Angeles State College. His specialty was school administration and supervision.

Kloepper was instrumental in the early development of curriculum in his field and was involved in numerous campus and community groups. Among these activities were service as board member of the Educational Alumni Association at USC; president of the California Elementary School Administrators Association, southern section; and board member of the State of California Elementary School Administrators Association. He continued to teach part time after his retirement and was active in the campus Education Administrators Alumni Association which he organized.

Kloepper enjoyed carving oak birds and statues and wrote a great deal of poetry. Sadly, in May 1996, a fire in his home destroyed many things including his carvings and his poems, some of which had been published. His wife appealed to friends and former students for copies of some of these.

JOHN TOWNLEY

Professor of Education, 1968-1992

John Townley, professor of education, died after a long illness on February 18. John joined the faculty of the Secondary Education Department in 1968. Prior to his appointment, he served as assistant superintendent of the Palo Verde Unified School District in Blythe. He earned his doctor of education degree from USC in 1973. His bachelor's and master's degrees, awarded in 1951 and 1952, respectively, are from Syracuse University.

John's main area of specialization was secondary education, primarily secondary teaching. In his early years at Cal State L.A., he team-taught methodology classes with Morris Better. These classes were held on high school campuses in the Los Angeles area; this was an early on-site program in the department.

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In Memoriam

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John taught basic methods of secondary teaching courses for years. He helped to develop courses in mainstreaming and taught those courses as part of the credential program. He also was the master's degree adviser for the department. He taught courses in the master's program as well, including curriculum development.

John was very active in accreditation efforts. He was a member of many review teams for WASC and he chaired many review teams of California schools. In 1981, he chaired a WASC accreditation team that traveled to Indonesia and Malaysia for site visitations of schools in the East Asian Regional Conference of Schools.

John was a member of and adviser for Kappa Delta Pi at Cal State L.A. for many years. He was also a member of Phi Delta Kappa.

At the university level, John served as a member of the Academic Senate, Educational Policy and Resource Committee (which he chaired during Summer Quarter 1985), and Joint Honors Subcommittee. At the school level, he served on the School of Education Assembly, Retention, Tenure and Promotion Committee (RTP), Instructional Affairs Committee (IAC), and Committee on Committees. At the department/division level, John served on the Appointments Committee and RTP, and chaired the IAC.

In accordance with his wishes, Townley's ashes were cast at sea by the Neptune Society.

JAY H. ZISKIN

Professor, Counseling Center, 1961-1979

Jay H. Ziskin, who in 1961 was appointed professor in the Counseling Center at Cal State L.A., died on June 14 in West Los Angeles of prostate cancer. Ziskin obtained a B.A. (1942), Ph.D. (1962), and LL.B (1946) from the University of Southern California. During World War II he served in the Army Air Corps and later became chief research psychologist for the USC Institute of Psychiatry and Law. He became a licensed psychologist in the State of California in 1962, shortly after joining the faculty at Cal State L.A., and later served as dean of the Counseling Center.

Ziskin became a nationally known expert on psychological testimony and wrote a three-volume guide, *Coping with Psychiatric and Psychological Testimony*, and *Brain Damage Claims: Coping with Neuropsychological Evidence*. As the *Los Angeles Times* wrote, "Although he was frequently called upon as an expert witness in criminal trials, Ziskin long advocated banning expert psychiatric testimony. 'There is absolutely no scientific or medical criteria for determining the presence or absence of mental capacities,' he said in 1981." His contributions to this field and to Cal State L.A. were substantial and significant.

ALLI ROYSHER

Alli Roysher, widow of emeritus professor of art Hudson Roysher, passed away recently at a retirement home in La Jolla. She was a recognized artist in her own right, having been on the faculty of John Muir High School. She served as a docent at the historic Gamble House which is a premier example of architecture by Greene and Greene. In addition, she had been active in the Episcopal Church of Arcadia and the American Association of University Women (AAUW). Roysher also was very active in CSLA's Faculty Women's Club in its early years.

RUTH SIMPSON

Ruth Simpson, widow of William Simpson, emeritus professor of economics and statistics, passed away recently in Florida due to cancer.

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the junior college and thus bring in the third and fourth years to complete the new college? In the end, a search was begun for an entirely new campus with its own lower and upper division as well as graduate years. A major stipulation was that the new college should serve the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

The administration of the new college was housed in an old two-story home near the community college campus. Dr. MacDonald treated me as if I were the superintendent of public instruction himself. After a pleasant discussion, he invited me to meet his faculty. Apparently there was a room in the house set aside for a faculty lounge and about 12 faculty members gathered for an informal discussion. I recall Ed Neale, Gerald Prindiville, and Don Mortensen being in that group. Roy Simpson, state superintendent of instruction, was very impressed with the early organization of Los Angeles State College.

I didn't get back to L.A. State right away, having been hustled back to active duty with the Air Force during the Korean conflict. By 1958 I was home again and on permanent assignment to the Air Force Reserve Training Center, headquartered at UCLA.

Marian Wagstaff called on me to be her personal guest at a culminating banquet for a summer workshop on aviation education she had been conducting. "And John, be sure to wear a uniform!" she instructed. By that time, L.A. State was in temporaries on the spot known as the Ramona campus. The function was held in a beautifully decorated cafeteria. I was seated across the room from the speakers table next to the only other uniformed person there, a striking Air Force colonel who had served in the Pentagon during the war. The commanding officer in his Air Force Reserve Training Center was Jimmy Stewart. We exchanged war experiences and the colonel spent much of the evening describing the interesting assignment he now had at L.A. State. His name was Fred C. Rhodes. By 1960, Marian Wagstaff, Fred C. Rhodes, and I were working together in an ever-expanding Department of Secondary Education at L.A. State.

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Leon Schwartz (Modern Languages and Literatures) has been invited to contribute a five-page review of the writings of Denis Diderot on the "Jewish Question" and current appraisals thereof for a forthcoming *Dictionnaire de Diderot*, a project of an international team of Enlightenment scholars to be published in Paris by Champion.

Frieda Stahl (Physics and Astronomy) had a paper and a book review published in Spring 1997. The paper is "Physics, Language, and Literature," *The Physics Teacher, 35*, 143-145 (March 1997), adapted from a talk she gave on January 7 at the Phoenix meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers, during a session devoted to physics and the arts. Her review of Margaret W. Rossiter's *Women Scientists in America: Before Affirmative Action, 1940-1972*, was published in *College Teaching, 45*, 36-39 (March 1997). She has been reappointed by the American Association of Physics Teachers to the Association's Committee on Professional Concerns. During her first term on the committee she served as chair in 1995-96. Stahl is also serving on the steering committee for a website archive project on contributions of 20th century women to physics, which is being prepared for the observance of the American Physical Society's centenary in 1999. The archive will be housed at UCLA, jointly managed by the library and physics faculty. The website address is http://www.physics.ucla.edu/~cwp/. The project sponsors are the Society's Committee on the Status of Women in Physics and Forum on the History of Physics.