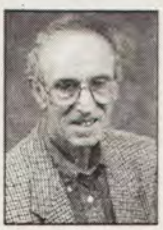
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



You're going to have to get used to a new face in this column and with it a new style. I hope you'll bear with both.

Becoming the president of an organization implies being its spokesperson and, frankly, such a role is pretty daunting, especially in an association that represents such a diversity of experiences, disciplines, and analytical minds. I'd better watch my step.

There is, however, one great unifying bond all emeriti faculty of Cal State L.A. share and that, of course, is our common identification with the institution. For better or worse, we are all linked to her by history. (I use the feminine pronoun on the authority of the well-established personification in the Latin term "alma mater.")

Speaking of the history of the University, the academic year 1997-98 marked the first half-century, and all of us may be regarded as founding fathers and mothers. I assume therefore that, as putative parents, we are all interested in the ongoing welfare of our erstwhile charge. That first half-century, though frequently shaken by social, political, and economic turmoil and sometimes hamstrung by it—the threat of nuclear catastrophe, wars in Korea and Vietnam, riots in Los Angeles, political scandals, profound social and cultural changes, tax revolts, and budget crises—saw nevertheless a newly-born urban college of applied arts and sciences grow into a world-class university, one boasting a student population and a faculty representing all races and virtually all ethnicities, the very essence of the universalism implied in the name university.

How well will she survive the challenges of the next half-century, challenges that are already beginning to appear formidable? Will the current trend to reduce the ratio of full-time to part-time faculty continue to grow with an imminent demo-

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Fall Faculty Day Set for September 22

President James Rosser will welcome faculty back to the campus on Tuesday, September 22 at 9:00 a.m. in the Luckman Theatre. At the Opening Day event, the 1997-98 Outstanding Professors will be announced. Brunch follows at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles' Landing (cafeteria).

DAVID SPENCE TO SPEAK AT EMERITI FALL LUNCHEON



On Wednesday, September 23, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., David S. Spence, the new CSU executive vice chancellor and vice chancellor for academic affairs, will be the featured speaker at the annual Emeriti Association Fall Meeting and Luncheon in the University Club. He served in the same position under the new CSU chancellor, Charles Reed, in the University of Florida system since 1994.

While in Florida, Spence established the primacy of academic affairs in the system. His initiatives included revising policies on tenure to place greater emphasis on teaching, increasing teaching productivity, and shortening degree requirements in some academic programs. He has been vice president and director of the office of educational policies at the Southern Regional Education Board, executive director of the Florida Postsecondary Education Planning Commission, and executive vice chancellor of the University System of Georgia.

The Schenectady, New York native earned a B.A. in history from the University of Rochester, M.S. in education from the State University of New York at Albany, and Ph.D. in higher education from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

It is hoped that many members of the Emeriti Association will be able to attend the luncheon and hear what plans the new vice chancellor may have for the CSU.

ANNUAL FALL MEETING

WED., SEPTEMBER 23, 1998
11:30 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
UNIVERSITY CLUB
COST: $12 PER PERSON

Send check, made payable to the Emeriti Association, *no later than September 17*, to Mary Gormly, 1024 Royal Oaks Drive, Apt. 820, Monrovia, CA 91016-5404. For more information, call Mary at 626-358-7325.

Emeriti Fellowships to be Awarded at Fall Luncheon

Following a well-established tradition, this year's fellowship winners will be introduced at the Emeriti Association's fall luncheon on September 23 and asked to tell about their educational and career goals, their activities and interests. Three are recipients of an Emeriti Association award: Hieu Minh Duong (chemistry), Mellonie Hill (social work), and Than-Thuy Luc (criminalistics). Two pursuing degrees in counseling share the Jane Matson Memorial Award: Marisa Chin and Yuko Mori.

These five fellowship winners were chosen by our 1997-98 fellowship award selection committee from 16 finalists enrolled in various master's programs, upon preliminary screening by the emeriti fellowship fund standing committee. As of next year, students in history, political science, and public administration will be able to apply for the William E. Lloyd fellowship as well.

Applicants' dossiers comprising biographical data, a personal essay, letter of recommendation from a professor addressing academic strength, potential for success, hardships overcome, motivation, and leadership ability, with transcripts detailing each individual's graduate record, are quite illuminating and furnish a good measure of the candidates.

The current winners came to our university from far and near. Only one graduated from a high school in Los Angeles—Belmont High—but moved to the University of California in Santa Barbara for his bachelor's degree.

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Addition of 17 New Emeriti Boosts Ranks

Seventeen retired faculty members have recently been awarded emeritus status:

POLLYANNE BAXTER
(Music, 1988-1997)

JAMES A. BOLTON
(Education, 1969-1997)

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(Electrical Engineering, 1962-1998)

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(History, 1962-1997)

PHILLIP I. GOLD
(Mechanical Engineering, 1967-1998)

UDO HEYN
(History, 1969-1998)

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(Special Education, 1965-1997)

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(Chemistry, 1959-1998)

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(Nursing, 1968-1997)

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(Art, 1970-1996)

JEANNE SCHNITZLER
(Art, 1959-1997)

JANET A. SEAMAN
(Physical Education, 1972-1997)

JOHN A. TOMASKE
(Economics and Statistics, 1965-1998)

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

Professional and Personal

Mary Gormly (Library) attended the National Convention of the Navy League of the United States in Seattle, June 9-14, at which, as past president of the CO-MAR WAVE Council, she accepted the Meritorious Service Award for her council. On July 20, she gave a talk entitled "Kachinas and Their Influence on Hopi Culture," illustrating the talk with her collection of Kachina "dolls." Mary was given the California Air Force Association Meritorious Service Award for 1998 at the CAFA Convention at Vandenberg AFB, August 20-22.

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Milton Meyer (History) presented a lecture, "The Philippine Islands: An Introduction," at the Pacific Asia Museum on August 13.

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Keith Snyder (Music) writes from Davis, CA: "Give my best regards to any faculty or emeriti who may still remember me. I am now 88 years old and have been retired more than 20 years."

Frieda Stahl (Physics and Astronomy) was elected member-at-large of the Academic Senate Executive Committee for summer quarter 1998. She also was recently reappointed as a consulting editor of *College Teaching*, for a term ending April 2001. Her review of *Student-Active Science* (Ann P. McNeal and Charlene D'Avanzo, eds.) was published in that journal's Summer 1998 issue (vol. 46, 117-18). She continues serving on the steering committee for the website titled Contributions of 20th Century Women to Physics, developed at UCLA in association with the 1999 centennial celebration of the American Physical Society. On July 1, she presented an invited lecture, "A Century of Women in Physics," at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science—Pacific Region, at Utah State University, Logan, Utah. During August 4-8, she attended the summer meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska. She is a member and past chair of the AAPT Committee on Professional Concerns.

Profile

Fleur Yano: University Ambassador

By Frieda Stahl

If Cal State L.A. could have an ambassador, that role would be filled by Fleur Yano. A seasoned traveler on three continents, Fleur has held visiting appointments abroad for theoretical nuclear physics research, served as a resident director for the CSU International Programs, and organized the campus' program for visiting graduate students and scholars from China. Some of her home-base activities also have had ambassadorial aspects, such as her position as faculty athletics representative, which included participation in NCAA conferences. And then there was her science talk show, "Wizard," which she hosted on KPFK on Thursday afternoons from 1989 to 1995, featuring interviews of other scientists and discussions of scientific issues such as science education and public policy.

Fleur began life as a child of two continents and two cultures. Her mother was an American of Chinese parentage. Her father was a Chinese doctoral student in the United States when they met, and they were married here. After he received his Ph.D. in psychology, they returned to Beijing with their infant son, and Fleur and her sister were born there. The family language was English, since the parents spoke different dialects of Chinese. The school language was Mandarin, so the kids were completely bilingual.

In 1949 the family fled just ahead of the Nationalist collapse and Communist takeover. Fleur and her sibs were teenagers, and with their American-born mother they were able to come to the United States. But their father was not admitted, despite his academic attainments, and he had to stay behind in Taiwan. When his wife contracted a serious illness that proved fatal, he was allowed to enter in order to care for his minor American children.

They lived in Monterey Park, long before it developed into the Asian American community it is today. In 1955 the faculty of Los Angeles State College acquired a new member in psychology, Dr. Charles Wang, who remained our colleague for the rest of his career.

Fleur went east for college and got a B.S. in electrical engineering at Columbia. Returning west, she earned an M.A. in physics at USC. Back east again, she completed the requirements for the Ph.D. in physics at the University of Rochester, which was conferred shortly after she joined our faculty in 1964. By that time she was married and the mother of a son; her husband, Al, also a theoretical nuclear physicist, had joined the faculty of Cal State Long Beach in 1963. In those dark ages the CSU had anti-nepotism rules which denied husbands and wives employment on the same campus; fortunately for us, those rules were not extended to parents and offspring.

Fleur and Al pursued their research, working with each other and with additional collaborators during summers off and several sabbaticals. These efforts took them at various times to the University of Mexico, University



of Groningen in The Netherlands, and University of Barcelona. In 1984-85 Fleur served as resident director for the CSU study-abroad program in Sweden, with oversight for the Denmark operation thrown in.

Because living as well as working in other countries requires some language proficiency, Fleur prepared for her travels through class study and tapes, and so learned Spanish, Dutch, and Swedish, plus a little Danish. She also learned French because she had enrolled her son Bobby in a French lycée, and planned to visit him there.

But real international diplomacy became her hallmark in 1978 when China opened its borders sufficiently to allow a few graduate students and scholars to go to other countries, including the United States. Fleur worked with President Greenlee to arrange visiting enrollments, raised money in the nearby Chinese American community to supplement the inadequate allowances provided by the Chinese government, and took the first of a dozen or so trips to China to negotiate there for Cal State L.A. visitors. The first five, four students and one scholar from the University of Harbin, came to our campus in 1979. There have been many others since, and Fleur stays in touch with all of them. She served as coordinator for our China exchange program until her retirement in 1996, but will undoubtedly be consulted as the need arises in the future.

All these activities accompanied the normal heavy schedule of teaching, with committees and administrative chores besides. Fleur taught courses at every level, G.E. to 500s, and spent three separate terms as department chair for a total of eight years. She served on the Academic Senate, including several quarters on the Executive Committee, and chaired the Educational Policy Committee. In 1978-79 she was an associate dean of the School of Letters and Science.

Her most prominent service position was a consequence of her lifelong avocation, tennis, in which she played competitively as recently as 1996 in the USTA Senior Women's Doubles, on the Southern California team in the national playoffs. In 1985, during her term as resident director, she was a semifinalist in the Swedish National Senior Women's Tournament. As her colleagues came to know her athletic prowess, she was elected to the Intercollegiate Athletics Board and then appointed faculty athletics representative, one of the few women in national sports governance circles. She held that position from 1987 to 1996; this entailed monitoring eligibility and academic progress of student athletes as well as representing Cal State L.A. at the NCAA.

Even when Fleur is playing rather than working, her play tends to be international. In the summer of 1990 she spent a month traveling in Asia, first with a group following the ancient Silk Road route west from Xian, home of the Qin Dynasty warrior sculptures, to the Dun Huan caves containing paintings from the Tang and Wei dynasties. Then, in Pakistan, they found portions of the Karakorum Highway interrupted by mudslides. Just 40 kilometers from the 16,000-foot Khunjerab Pass, the group encountered an impassable mound of ice and snow left by an avalanche, and was forced to return to Gilgit.

The group descended from cool valleys flanked by 26,000-foot peaks down to subtropical Peshawar, where Fleur left the group. There she had arranged to meet another hardy traveler, Viola Thompson, wife of department colleague Ross Thompson (both now deceased). They were met by Cal State L.A. alumnus Roedar Ahmad, head of the Electronics Department at the University of Peshawar. He pro-

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In Memoriam

BUTRUS ABD AL-MALIK

Professor of History, 1969-1990

Butrus Abd al-Malik had already served nearly a normal lifetime of distinguished scholarship and teaching when he came to California State University, Los Angeles in 1969 as a Distinguished Visiting Professor of History at age 60.

He had been professor of Bible and translation at Asyut College, 1935-37; professor of Hebrew and Old Testament at Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Cairo, 1937-48; and professor of Oriental studies at American University in Cairo, 1948-69. He was also visiting professor at Hartford Theological Seminary and Princeton University. Fortu-



nately for Cal State L.A., Daniel Crecelius had been his student at Princeton and was able to invite his former professor here in 1969 as a visiting professor. That year was so satisfactory to all that he remained until his retirement in 1990 at age 81. At his retirement party he was presented with a volume published in his honor, *Eighteenth Century Egypt: The Arabic Manuscript Sources*, edited by Crecelius.

Abd al-Malik died July 12 and was buried July 17 in West Covina. The History Department has established a scholarship fund in his honor.

When asked about his personal philosophy, he replied, "I live by teaching. I don't know what to do without teaching. I plan to teach as long as I am able to, until I am 80, at least." He achieved that target and more, and never missed a class in his entire career until he was hospitalized by cancer. Even then he made heroic efforts to meet nearly every class while he was in chemotherapy.

Students appreciated his efforts. His dean called him "the most beloved teacher whom I have ever known." He was famous for his opening day tour de force, in which he provided the etymology of the name of every student in the course, which would often be more than 100 in a large lecture hall. Years later, students who had been in a huge class would be overwhelmed when he would call them by name as they passed on campus. He professed to love "each and every student," and he proved it. His course, the Life and Times of Jesus Christ, was an especial delight.

An unprecedented legion of students followed him to whatever courses he taught, whether in history, religious studies, philosophy, or Arabic. Faculty from a variety of disciplines and administrators often sat (or even *stood*) in his classes to learn from him. He attracted to his classes students from other campuses, and he was also frequently invited to offer courses at area universities.

He has taught courses in Arabic, Coptic, Aramaic, and Hebrew languages, as well as English. He was also fluent in Greek and Latin. He was respected internationally as a scholar of the Bible, an authority on early church history, a linguist and humanistic professor. The most memorable of his countless scholarly publications is the modern Arabic translation of the Bible from original Greek and Hebrew sources. This has a companion aid, the *Dictionary of the Bible* in Arabic.

In his letter supporting his colleague for the California State University Outstanding Professor award in 1985, John Allswang speculated that "the concept of 'Outstanding Professor' better fits him than any academic I have ever known." In addition to that nomination, Abd al-Malik was campus Outstanding Professor in 1973, and won the Silver Medal of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education in 1986.

An ordained Presbyterian minister, he was a member of the campus ministry during his 22 years at Cal State L.A. He served churches, colleges and community organizations through frequent lectures, sermons, and courses on religion.

GERHARD ALBERSHEIM

Professor of Music, 1956-1970

Emeritus colleagues who had sent Christmas cards to Gerhard Albersheim learned belatedly of his death last year at a retirement home in Arlesheim, Switzerland. He had lived in Switzerland since his retirement as professor of music in 1970.

A Ph.D. from the University of Vienna, Albersheim joined the Los Angeles State College faculty in 1956. He performed frequently on the piano, both as soloist and accompanist. Eminent soloists whom he accompanied included Jussi Bjoerling, Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, Lauritz Melchior, Ezio Pinza, and Elizabeth Schumann. He was honored by the campus as Outstanding Professor in 1968.



Albersheim had been hidden from the Nazis in Vienna by the woman who became his wife, Erna. When he came to the United States for a position in the Los Angeles Conservatory at UCLA, she agreed to move here on the condition that they return to Europe when he retired, so that she could be with her children from an earlier marriage. They moved to Basel, Switzerland in 1970, where he remained until her death.

Albersheim remained active as a pianist and interpretation coach for most of nearly three decades in Switzerland. He wrote *The Emeritimes* frequently to report on lieder recitals, soloists whom he accompanied, teaching, lecturing, and especially the accomplishments of his students. During the 1980s he published *Die Tonsprache* (The Language of Tones) and a second edition of *Psychology of Music*, which was first published in 1974.

He always concluded with a request that his good wishes be extended to emeriti and other colleagues.

JOHN R. COX

Professor of Finance, 1955-1983

John Cox came to California State University, Los Angeles in 1955 after having completed a B.S. at Indiana University in 1947 and an M.B.A. at the University of Chicago in 1948. He received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Southern California in 1962,

already having acquired a C.P.A. license in California in 1951.

John was an early inductee into the U.S. Army Air Corps. He served over a four-year period during which time he rose from private to lieutenant colonel. For a good part of this time he was with the 57th Bomber Wing.

When asked in which area he wished to work, he said that he would like work as a clerk. However, he scored very high in the sciences and mathematics on the battery of tests that inductees had to take, so without any further consultation with him, he was assigned to meteorological school and became trained as a weather forecaster, a field that John said made for rapid promotion. There followed a highly adventuresome set of incidences during which his first lieutenant was lost; as a result, it fell to John to set up the first weather station.

During his long tenure at the University, Cox contributed to the School of Business and Economics and the University in a variety of ways. Perhaps the most important of these was his influence in curriculum matters. It was John who headed complete program revisions that had to be made to conform with the demands of accreditation reviews. It is impossible to describe the time and energy he spent on these projects, but in each case the results were unqualified successes, and he continued to be part



of the school even after retirement. As Hugh Warren, acting dean, said, "He came back to teach part time in finance after he retired until last year when his illness had taken its toll."

A colleague, Mohammad Ala, stated that he believed Cox to be the most hardworking individual in the whole school. "We used to spend most of our lunch breaks together, and he was always working on a special project." Ala has created an initiative to name one of Cal State L.A.'s conference rooms after Cox, as well as naming a scholarship in his honor.

Among his contributions to the University, John Cox served as president of the Emeriti Association for 10 years.

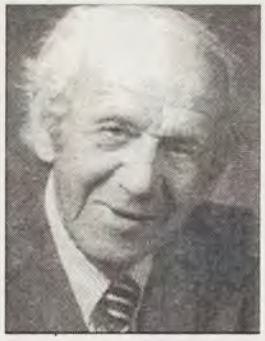
John passed away on April 24 at the age of 79 after a short illness. Memorial services were held on April 29 at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier.

SOLOMON DIAMOND

Professor of Psychology, 1949-1971

Solomon Diamond, the first recipient of the Outstanding Professor award from the Trustees of the California State Colleges, died of natural causes at his home in Berkeley in July. He was 91 years old. He was honored by the Trustees in 1964.

Born in New York City in 1906, he graduated from New York University in 1928 and



received the doctorate from Columbia University in 1936.

Diamond was a professor of psychology at Cal State L.A. from 1949 until his retirement in 1971. As one of the earliest faculty members, he shaped the character of the Department of Psychology and, to a great extent, the University as well. He was chairman of the first President's Faculty Council in 1956-57 and for years was active in the Academic Senate and its committees, especially the Committee on Academic Freedom and Professional Ethics. He was president of the campus AAUP. He gave the first lecture in the Letters and Science Distinguished Lecturer Series.

He continued to teach a course, History of Psychology, in retirement until 1986. After a part-time appointment in which he served as associate chair to write the department's self-study report, he ended his teaching association with the University "because I have a strong personal need to get back to neglected research and writing chores."

A former president of Division 26 (History of Psychology) of the American Psychological Association, Diamond personified scholarship. He was a widely recognized scholar who read five languages with facility. His voluminous scholarly publications spanned more than 60 years. His published books were *Personality and Temperament* (1957), *Information and Error* (1959), *Inhibition and Choice* (1963), *The World of Probability: Statistics in Science* (1964), and *The Roots of Psychology* (1974). He was the author of innumerable journal articles and invited addresses.

He traveled through Europe during a sabbatical leave in 1964, to purchase nearly 400 rare books that represented the original sources essential to the history of psychology. These books became the basis for lectures in the History of Psychology course that he taught for many years. His huge library of rare books, including many medieval texts, has been donated to the Archives of the History of Psychology at the University of Akron.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Florence, also a psychologist, and by a son and grandchildren. His son aptly summed up Sol Diamond: "He could argue passionately about the mistranslation of foreign language footnotes but also liked to paint the big picture, and his historical bent helped expand the study of the history of psychology beyond an original focus on the 19th century."

Michael Roffe, a former student of Diamond's and now chair of the Department of Psychology, declared that "all of us who had the good fortune to know Sol as teacher, colleague, or friend will feel the loss of this valued member of our profession."

Profile: Fleur Yano

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vided Fleur and Vi with "politically correct" Pakistani robes so that they could be seen publicly during their stay. The cultural control of women was not limited to dress—when Fleur, escorted by Roedar, met at a dinner with academic and industrial scientists, she was dismayed to see that their wives and daughters, university-educated women, ate separately in the kitchen, leaving her as the only woman at the official event.

Returning to Islamabad from their visits in Peshawar and Lahore, Fleur and Vi flew to Singapore, where Fleur continued her practice of visiting university physics departments. In Singapore she enjoyed a reunion with a physicist whom she had first met in Sweden, where he then was working as a visiting scientist. Finally, from Singapore Fleur and Vi flew home.

Through all her travels Fleur Yano has made the world smaller and Cal State L.A. larger, as expected of a true ambassador.

Campus News

G. Timothy Haight Named Dean, Business and Economics

G. Timothy Haight has been appointed dean of the School of Business and Economics as of September 1. He comes to Cal State L.A. from Towson University in Baltimore, where he was chair of the Department of Finance. Haight brings with him a wealth of business experience. He is former president of Aerosol Monitoring and Analysis, Inc. and has also worked as a financial consultant. Haight has given many seminars and presentations, and written nine books and other publications.

Melva E. Irvin Appointed Acting Assistant VP for Academic Affairs

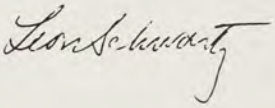
Melva E. Irvin has been named acting assistant vice president for academic affairs, effective July 1. Irvin, professor of physical education, has been part of the Cal State L.A. faculty since 1994. She has served as chair of the Department of Physical Education since 1995. Prior to coming to this campus, Irvin taught at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and California State University, Fresno. In her new capacity in Academic Affairs, she will be responsible for program review, accreditation, and assessment for the University.

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graphic surge and no visible plan to enlarge public funding sources? Will the University yield to the Circean temptations of privatization? Will the traditional concept of the university as the purveyor of a liberal education, a molder of minds made familiar with the great movements and ideas of civilization, of human achievements in the arts and sciences in their broadest dimensions, and of the links that bind humanity with its fundamental commonalities and less fundamental diversities give way to pressures that respond primarily to consumerism and a market-driven bottom line? Will collegiality and professorial tenure survive through the next generation?

Whether or not you are still actively participating in the life of your former professional stamping ground, I hope that these issues still interest you, for what the university that you helped build becomes will certainly depend on how they are resolved.

Our Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association is but one of many voices urging the CSU to move in one direction or another. The strength of the emeriti voice depends very much on the size of our organization. That strength, not incidentally, also affects our ability to participate with other retirement organizations in the defense of our personal rights. But in this, my first presidential message, I have chosen to focus on our moral imperative as former faculty. In view thereof, I appeal to every emeritus and emerita who has not joined the Association to become a member now and help us play out our rightful role as lares of the university community. (If you know some Latin, you may know the word "lares." Our students can still study the language of Virgil and Cicero, thanks only to the generosity of one of our emeriti, Charles Leyba, who for the last few years has been teaching it for free.)



Fall Faculty Colloquia Dates Set

The faculty colloquia for Fall 1998 will be held on October 20, November 3, and November 17. 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, L.A. chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, and University Auxiliary Services. For program information, please call 323-343-3820.

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Another attended Burbank High School before earning her bachelor's degree from CSU Sacramento. And the last California high school graduate in the group, from University City High in San Diego, went to UCLA for her B.A. The fourth student, however, migrated from coast to coast after high school and college (Syracuse University). Finally, not unlike a good many other graduate students around here, the fifth fellowship winner completed high school abroad, in Japan, before taking up permanent residency in this country and graduating from San Francisco State.

Don't Forget the Fellowship Fund!

Your contributions to the Emeriti Fellowship Fund keep on working for you and Cal State L.A. students! The Cal State L.A. Foundation now allocates endowment earnings—those in excess of funds made available for scholarship support—back to the account principal. In this way, account balances can grow from year to year and generate larger scholarship distributions to students.

This choice of Cal State L.A. for postgraduate study by highly qualified transfers from two CSU sister institutions, two branches of the University of California, and one doctorate-granting private establishment in New York clearly attests to the fine reputation our university enjoys on the graduate level. The Emeriti Association's modest efforts at financial support cannot but enhance the performance of a few gifted and deserving students, for, as one of the winners put it succinctly, "any financial assistance granted...will, no doubt, lessen [their] financial burden and in effect strengthen [their] academic concentration."

Not that these mature students have avoided coping with difficult life situations or challenging themselves to the limit while performing exceptionally well academically. One mentions a husband diagnosed with a mental illness and incapable of holding a job. The second supports herself and provides help to both parents suffering from terminal illnesses. The third counsels students on a community hotline. Another, many-talented, boasting of awards as a musician and of seeing her artwork exhibited at a museum, once served as campaign manager in an election for student government president at UCLA, while yet another launched a very active and successful Vietnamese association in her undergraduate days.

A faculty member's observation, "she has the ability to manage many projects and successfully accomplish each of them," applies to more than one in the group. So do the adjectives "warm" and "caring." On the other hand, our winners might well agree unanimously with this statement of one in their midst: "My studies have been quite beneficial in achieving my aspirations. However, I have also been fortunate to have learned significant lessons that I never anticipated." Such remarks gladden the hearts of educators. And who among us would not envy a colleague able to write: "[This applicant] is likely to develop into the best experimentalist among my student research coworkers. He is certainly the best new graduate student I have had in the past 10 years. He will succeed in his M.S. program and subsequently in a Ph.D. program...[He] is an individual of great personal integrity and ethics. He is also a good lab citizen and a leader...He will become outstanding."