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President's Message

It's hard to believe it's been two years, but my second and final term as president is drawing to a close. As I reflect back on these two years, I do so with a great sense of pride in our organization. Your Emeriti Association has continued to be a force in the life of the University, and in fulfilling its important role to foster greater ties between the emeriti and the current University community. Here are just a few examples.



Through the able leadership of Janet Fisher-Hoult and Vicente Zapata, we have increased our awards of fellowships to promising students. Our work in this arena has helped many students achieve their career and life goals. A sincere thank you to these board members, fellowship committee members, and the many generous donors.

The Emeriti Association continues to play a major role in the statewide emeriti activities through pioneers such as Len Mathy, Don Dewey, Harold Goldwhite, Leon Schwartz, and Sid Albert. Active with the current board of CSU-ERFA are Barbara Sinclair, Don Dewey, Ted Anagnoson, Rosemarie Marshall, Lou Negrete,

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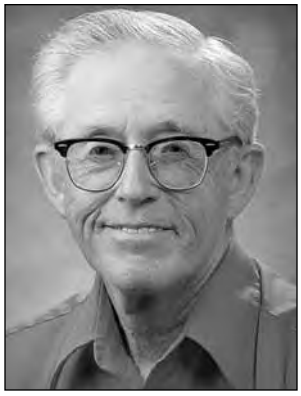
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Donald Dewey Guest Speaker at May 13 Spring Luncheon

Emeritus professor and dean Donald Dewey will be the guest speaker at the annual spring luncheon and membership meeting on May 13 in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. His talk, "Professor Dorothy Parker at L.A. State," is based on an article he wrote about the one year in Parker's 75 years that she taught at a university, and is his third presentation at an emeriti luncheon.

In 1962-63, Parker became a belated replacement for Christopher Isherwood, who had been scheduled but developed a scheduling conflict. Parker's appointment became controversial because of her famous leftwing leanings and accusations of Communist Party membership that had resulted in blacklisting from screenwriting. Her teaching was controversial for reasons non-political, because she was so late to the profession. Her interviews with the *Los Angeles Times* contributed to this issue. Dewey has interviewed students in her four courses that year that correct some assumptions by biographers regarding her performance.



Courtesy of CSULA Public Affairs

Dewey was dean of the School of Letters and Science, later Natural and Social Sciences, from 1970 to 1996. More recently, he served as president of the Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association for three

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Spring

Luncheon and Annual Meeting

Friday, May 13, 2011
11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Golden Eagle Ballroom 3
Cost: $28 per person

Choice of entrée: chicken piccata, herb-crusted salmon, pasta primavera.

Send check, made payable to the Emeriti Association, along with choice of entrée, to Hildebrando Villarreal, 1915 Las Lunas Street, Pasadena, CA 91107 *no later than Monday, May 2*. For more information, call Hildebrando at 626-793-8975.

Faculty Biography Project is Off and Running

The faculty biography project announced in the winter issue of *The Emeritimes* is off to a solid start, thanks to the participation of the more than 30 faculty who have submitted their information to date. Most of those biographies are already up on the emeriti web page, http:/www.calstatela.edu/univ/emeriti/biographies.htm.

We have some excellent pictures, and some great stories about the campus and about retirement. Some pointers about contributions:

- We are always looking for pictures. Those whose biographies are already up are welcome to contribute a picture of theirs to the project, preferably a digital picture, and we will add it to your biography.
- We have added a section on Scholarly/Creative Activity, where participants may explain (for the non-specialist) what their specialties were, how their work changed over time, what initially attracted them to their fields of interest, and other similar information. The updated Biography Questionnaire, as well as instructions for its use, can be found on the emeriti webpage.

Information provided on the questionnaire, at the discretion of the faculty member participating, includes identifying information, biographical information, and commentary. The identifying information includes name, department, dates the faculty member came to campus and retired, academic rank, name of spouse or partner, names of children, and num-

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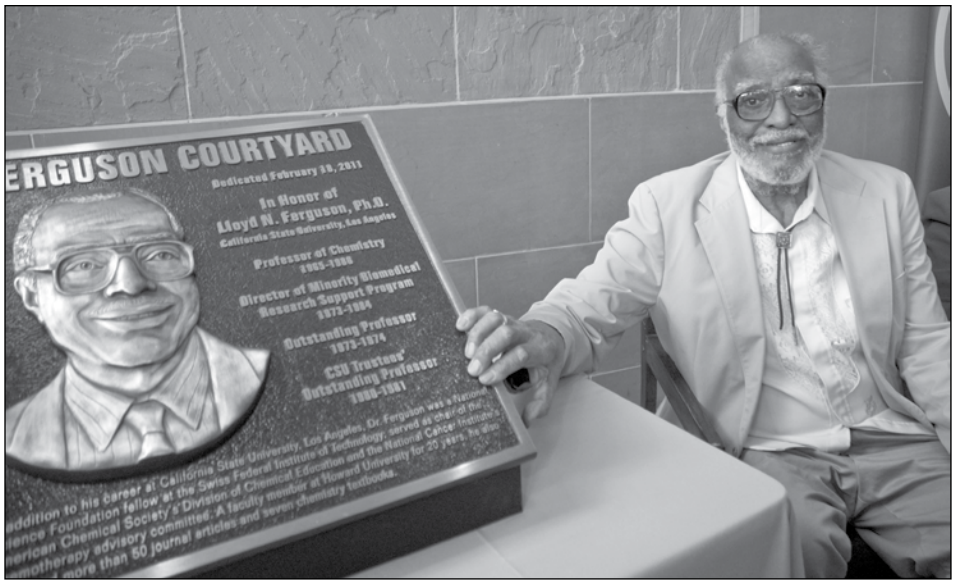
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CSULA Names Science Complex Courtyard in Honor of Lloyd Ferguson

Emeritus professor of chemistry Lloyd N. Ferguson was honored in a ceremony on February 18, when the courtyard of the La Kretz Hall science complex was formally named in his honor as the Lloyd Ferguson Courtyard, in and a summary of his accomplishments was unveiled before an audience that included members of the Ferguson family, University officials, emeriti and current faculty, and students.



Courtesy of CSULA Public Affairs

Lloyd Ferguson with plaque that is now displayed at the entrance to the courtyard.

recognition of his University accomplishments and his national and international scientific contributions. A plaque bearing his likeness

Ferguson spent 21 years at Cal State L.A. after a notable 20-year career at Howard University. He was the first African-American chemist to receive a Ph. D. in chemistry from UC Berkeley, where he worked with Nobel Laureates Melvin Calvin and Glenn Seaborg. He is the author of more than 50 scientific papers and seven textbooks, and was the first faculty director of Cal State L.A.'s Minority Biomedical Research Program, which has

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Friends of the Library Calling on Retired Faculty!

Cal State L.A.'s Friends of the Library is seeking help from emeriti on May 17, when it holds its next used-book sale. Not only is participation a worthwhile contribution to the University, but the event is also an opportunity for emeriti to reconnect with students. To volunteer, please contact Anne Hess at tiggeranne@gmail.com or 626-576-7682.

Spring Luncheon

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years, and then the statewide emeriti organization, CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA), for three years. He was Outstanding Professor in 1975-76. Best known as a constitutional and political historian, with heavy emphasis on James Madison and John Marshall, he more recently has dabbled with campus history with the Parker article and his book, *That's a Good One*.

The emeriti will gather beginning at 11:30 a.m., with food service to follow at noon. The annual business meeting, including election of officers for the coming year, will take place after Dewey's presentation.

Faculty Biography Project

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ber of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Biographical information includes education, teaching experience, honors and awards, scholarly/creative activity, administrative/business/professional experience, and up to 10 publications. Space is also provided for a one-half to one page "personal commentary." If a participant wishes to include material in addition to what is suggested by the form (e.g., an extended list of activities, publications), the participant may provide a separate electronic document and a link to it will be provided on the webpage.

We welcome your contribution to the project (preferably electronic), as well as your questions. Those working on the project include Ted Anagnoson, who prepares and edits the initial biographies, and Dimitri Margaziotis, who finalizes each biography and handles the postings on the webpage.

Fleur Yano Inducted into CSULA Athletics Hall of Fame

On February 22, longtime faculty athletics representative Fleur Yano, emerita professor of physics, was one of four new members inducted into Cal State L.A.'s Athletics Hall of Fame. The ceremonies were held in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. Yano had a distinguished career in the field of theoretical physics and served the University with distinction for 32 years. She chaired the Department of Physics and Astronomy, served in the Academic Senate, and was Cal State L.A.'s faculty athletics representative from 1987 to 1996. In that role, she monitored the eligibility and academic progress of the Cal State L.A. student-athletes. She was elected to the Intercollegiate Athletics Board and held that position until her retirement in 1996.



Courtesy of CSULA Athletics

CSULA athletics director Dan Bridges and inductee Fleur Yano at February 22 ceremony.

Yano and the other new inductees–track and field stars Nicole Duncan-Chance and Diana Muhammad, and former director of athletics Carol Dunn–joined other notable Hall of Famers like tennis legend Billie Jean King, two-time Olympic track and field gold medalist Mal Whitfield, actor Tommy "Tiny" Lister, Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder Jay Gibbons, and former major league baseball pitcher and current Colorado Rockies pitching coach Bob Apodaca. Several Hall of Fame members were in attendance, including emerita professor Joan Johnson, former longtime tennis coach. The Cal State L.A. Athletics Hall of Fame was instituted in 1985 to honor the outstanding achievements of individuals who have participated in intercollegiate athletics at the University as student-athletes, coaches, administrators, or staff, and who have brought honor to themselves, Cal State L.A., and their communities.

Stanley Pine Honored as ACS Fellow

Stanley Pine, emeritus professor of chemistry, was honored at a campus reception on November 30 as one of only five scientists from the Los Angeles area to be named as an American Chemical Society (ACS) Fellow for 2010. He is among the first members of the ACS to be named a Fellow, as the award is in its second year.

Pine was recognized for his achievements in teaching, research, and service to the ACS. His textbook, *Organic Chemistry,* was translated into nine languages and an international English edition, and has influenced the instruction of students throughout the world. He became a nationally recognized figure in the field of safety practices in academic laboratories and the handling of hazardous materials, especially with regard to how to prepare chemical laboratories for an earthquake. He served the ACS and its local section in many different offices since becoming a member in 1957.

A professor of chemistry at Cal State L.A. from 1964 to 1998, Pine served as a graduate adviser in the department and as University chemical safety officer. He was a recipient of the Outstanding Professor Award in 1974-75. He also was a National Science Foundation program officer from 1992 to 1994.

The honor of a Fellow designation is bestowed on ACS members who have achieved excellence in two defined areas – scientific/professional accomplishments and service to the ACS. Pine was recognized at a formal ceremony during the society's recent national meeting in Boston.



Courtesy of American Chemical Society

Nancy Jackson, president-elect of the American Chemical Society, with ACS Fellow Stanley Pine.

Professional and Personal

Ted Anagnoson (Political Science) presented "The Effects of President Obama's Health Care Reform on Retired CSU Faculty," at the Emeriti Association's annual fall luncheon on October 8.

Gary Best (Special Education) had his new book, *Belle of the Brawl; Letters Home From a B-17 Bombardier,* published late last year. The book chronicles the World War II experiences of a B-17 bombardier through the 150 letters written home to his mother, combined with research data, combat flight records, and interviews with crewmen. The subject of the book, Fred Lull, who became an educator, has an elementary school in Los Angeles Unified School District named after him.

Daniel Crecelius (History) contributed an invited chapter entitled "Damiette and Syrian-Egyptian Trade in the Second Half of the Eighteenth Century" in *Syria and Bilad al-Sham under Ottoman Rule: Essays in Honour of Abdul-Karim Rafeq,* Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2010, 155-175, in tribute to the Syrian scholar whose research and publications have pioneered the history of Ottoman Syria and shown the way for two generations of scholars interested in the history of that Arab province. He was also the only American scholar invited by Egypt's Ministry of Culture and National Library to an international conference held in Cairo November 27-30, 2010 to celebrate the 140th anniversary of Egypt's National Library and National Archives. He contributed a researched paper entitled, "Recruiting Egyptian Oarsmen for Ottoman Ships in the Late Sixteenth and Early Seventeenth Centuries," which was based on materials preserved in the Egyptian National Archives. During his time in Cairo, he could discern no hint of the coming political explosion.

Harold Goldwhite (Chemistry) gave a series of lectures on the history and philosophy of the natural sciences in the Lifelong Learning Program at the Adult Center in Griffith Park, Los Angeles, in January.

Martin Schiesl (History) gave a talk, "Attacking Municipal Inequality: The NAACP and the Integration of the Oakland Fire Department, 1950-1955," at UC Berkeley on November 18.

Leon Schwartz (French) has had a book of humor, *Limericks, 'Converbs,' and Utter Folly,* published by Worthy Shorts (New York, 2010; http://www.WorthyShorts.com).

Health Briefs

Living Better and Longer: The Role of Healthy Sleep

By Marilyn Friedman

Most people think that genes, diet, exercise, and perhaps good medical care are the major factors attributed to maintaining good health in our later years. Other factors that make living better and living longer, however, are numerous. One that is overlooked is sleep. Lack of sleep or sleeping poorly (insomnia) is thought to diminish one's quality of life. Having said that, it should also be noted that lack of sleep can lead to serious health problems. The consequences of not getting enough sleep can be severe. Insufficient sleep is associated with memory and cognitive impairment; decreased performance and alertness; increased risk for cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity, depression, and other chronic conditions; and increased risk for motor vehicle accidents.

Sleep problems can cause health problems, but the reverse is also true–health problems can cause sleep problems, particularly among older individuals. Pain, depression, and sleep apnea are major causes of insomnia. Another problem is age-related. As we grow older, the normal sleep cycle becomes shorter, and we spend less time in deep sleep. We tend to wake up more and more easily, and have trouble getting back to sleep, yet we need about the same amount of sleep as younger adults. It is just that, as we age, sound sleep is harder to come by.

Sufficient sleep for each person depends on factors like basal sleep need (the amount of sleep the body routinely needs to perform well) and sleep debt (the accumulated sleep lost to poor sleep habits, awakening during the night, and other causes). The timing of a person's sleep is also important. Shifting the bedtime by more than two hours each night

"…adequate sleep is just as important for health as are diet and exercise."

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and Frieda Stahl. As usual, Cal State L.A. sure makes its presence known. We have decided to attempt to chronicle the history of the faculty, and have begun a documentation project under the capable leadership of Bill Taylor and Dorothy Keane. We will be developing a series of audiovisual modules covering many aspects of the faculty history over the life of Cal State L.A.

Ted Anagnoson has initiated a biography project, through which individual faculty can submit biographical information to be compiled as part of our Emeriti Association webpage. I hope you will participate, and that this will dovetail with the history project described in the previous paragraph to help in the overall archiving process. What better role for emeriti than to direct these projects, as we were there on the front lines?

We've sponsored a number of informative programs for our members, thanks to the leadership of our vice president for programs, Hildebrando Villarreal. We were pleased to hold a very successful panel to discuss the California budget crisis and the future of CalPERS during the turbulent times of the Great Recession. Another informative program involved our own expert, Ted Anagnoson, who advised us about the effects of the new federal health care reform on emeriti and their health plans.

Your Emeriti Association has been blessed with three dedicated secretaries: Dorothy Keane, who has been responsible for chronicling our various meetings with minutes; Marilyn Friedman, our corresponding secretary, who handles correspondence with our members, including, sadly, condolence and get well cards; and Karen Johnson, our membership secretary, who is responsible for recruiting new members, and who works with Harold Cohen, our database coordinator, to maintain records of our current membership.

There is always a danger in singling out individuals, as the list can never be complete. I've only included a few highlights from the past two years. Indeed, every person listed in the masthead on the second page of *The Emeritimes* deserves our gratitude and praise. A special thanks to our immediate past president, Harold Goldwhite, for stepping in to lead our editorial board. I can only hope that his move from president to editorial board chair is not viewed as precedent setting. My thanks for all of your support, and my best wishes to Bill Taylor as he assumes the role of president.

Here's to continued success,

Martin L. Rochlin

Campus News

Peter McAllister Appointed Dean, College of Arts and Letters

Peter McAllister has been named dean of the College of Arts and Letters, effective July 1, 2011. McAllister is currently director of the School of Music at the University of Arizona, a position he has held since 2005. He serves on the campus Strategic Planning and Budget Advisory Committee, and authored the University of Arizona's Institute for Arts of the Americas initiative. He brings diverse experience to Cal State L.A. as a leader, music educator, author, and performer. Before arriving at the University of Arizona, McAllister was director of the Ball State University School of Music in Indiana, where he was instrumental in opening a new $21 million music instruction building. A renowned classical and jazz guitarist, McAllister has premiered more than 30 new works. His artistic abilities have been called "virtuosic" and "gifted" by the *Washington Post.*

New Appointments Made in Grad Studies and Research

Effective January 1, 2011, Alan Muchlinski was named interim dean of graduate studies and research and Philip S. LaPolt, as acting associate dean of graduate studies and research. Muchlinski previously served as associate dean (not currently). Also, a Cal State L.A. faculty member in the Department of Biological Sciences since 1979, he was chair of the department for 14 years. LaPolt joined

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Kevin Starr to Present 2010 Leon Pape Lecture

This year's Leon Pape Lecture will be presented on May 20 by Kevin Starr, professor of history at USC and California's State Librarian Emeritus. Author of a series of books on California history, his most recent one is *Golden Gate: The Life and Times of America's Greatest Bridge,* published in 2010. The title of his lecture was not confirmed by press time, but it is generally anticipated that he will speak on the role of scientific advancements in the history of California. It is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. in Physical Sciences 158.

The Pape Lecture series was established by the Department of Physics and Astronomy in memory of their deceased colleague, Leon Pape, who was a biophysicist and a radiation specialist certified in medical radiology by the American Medical Association. The series, inaugurated in

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Profile

Pat Simun Unearths New Career at La Brea Tar Pits

By Janet Fisher-Hoult



Courtesy of Janet Fisher-Hoult

Volunteer Pat Simun at work on the lower part of mammoth Zed's jaw.

After you become an emeritus professor, what will you do? Perhaps you may find yourself gravitating toward an entirely new field, as Pat Simun did when she became a volunteer paleontologist at the La Brea Tar Pits. Tar has been bubbling there for more than 40,000 years, and has trapped more than 400 species of mammals, amphibians, birds, plants, and fish.

Patricia Bates Simun was a professor in the Department of Educational Foundations who also taught courses in research methods and statistics in the Charter College of Education. After she retired and completed her FERP in 2006, she started looking for something interesting to do. An advertisement posted by the Natural History Museum indicated that they were looking for docents and volunteers to work in the Paleontology Laboratory of the Page Museum at the La Brea Tar Pits.

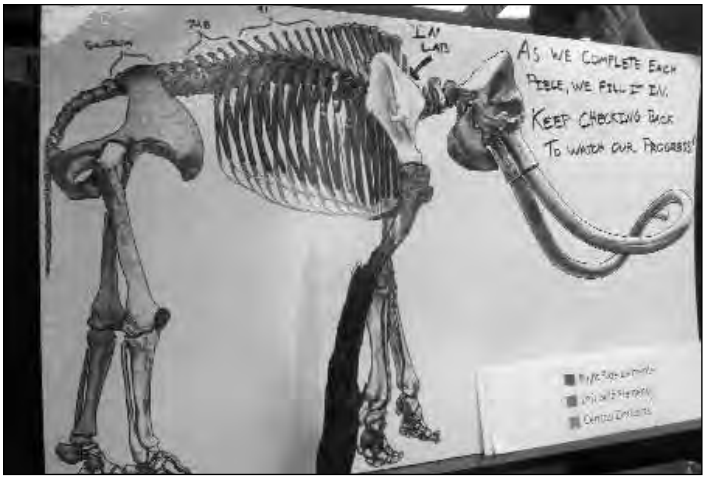
Wishing to contribute to the acquisition of knowledge and being a hands-on person, Pat decided to check out the Page Museum and their volunteer opportunities. She has been working there since 2001, beginning at the Information Desk. Currently she cleans fossils, digs in Project 23, enters excavation notes, and functions as an "interpreter" for Pit 91–the original pit that was recently featured in a segment of TV's *Dirty Jobs*. Pat now spends most of her time working with the bones of Pleistocene vertebrates from the Ice Age, such as baby mastodons and the recently discovered lion, camel, and Columbian mammoth.

There was a major paleontological discovery in 2006, when an underground garage was being excavated for the L.A. County Museum of Art: a huge cache of fossils from the last ice age. Sixteen bone deposits were found, wrapped in plaster, and put into 23 boxes for future restoration. Only a few have been opened. An additional discovery was an almost fully intact Columbian mammoth, tusks and all. Finding multiple bones from the same individual animal is unusual, as during the Ice Age, mammoths were migratory and only came to this geographical area for about two months each year.

Museum staff said that they had never before found the bones of one individual together. It is especially exciting because there were no mammoths found in Pit 91, and this one was found alone, not in a jumble of bones like so many others in the pit. Museum paleontologists have named their mammoth Zed. A male with broken ribs, Zed was in his late 40s when he died somewhere between 38,000 and 42,000 years ago.

The exacting work to prepare Zed's bones for display is done by laboratory staff and volunteers like Pat. She is currently working on the last big bone found in the deposit, Zed's skull, and has already completed work on one of his ribs, which is on display in the museum. She is enthusiastically looking forward to a display of

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Courtesy of Janet Fisher-Hoult

Diagram of a mammoth skeleton.



Courtesy of Janet Fisher-Hoult

Still wrapped up, one of Zed's tusks has been cut, revealing a patch of dentin. The tusk requires protection, as it is extremely fragile.

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the faculty in 1996, also in the Department of Biological Sciences, and served as chair from 2006 until his appointment as acting director of research and development in 2008.

Extended Education Renamed

As part of a realignment of programs, the Division of Extended Education has been renamed the College of Extended Studies and International Programs. With this change, the former International Programs and Services office, previously in Student Affairs, moved to Academic Affairs. Continuing under the guidance of Dean Jose L. Galvan, the renaming reflects the College's expanding scope of international services. Along with immigration services, the International Programs mission now includes both out-bound and in-bound study abroad, short- and long-term training programs for international officials, and the English Language Program that provides intensive ESL instruction to international students. In addition, the College will continue to offer an array of special session degree and certificate programs, as well as several professional development training programs.

Justin Cassity Named Asst. Dean, Extended Studies

Effective February 28, 2011, Justin Cassity was appointed as assistant dean of the College of Extended Studies and International Programs. Cassity has been assistant director of graduate admissions at CSU Long Beach for the past two years. Prior to that, he served as the associate dean of admissions in the School of Continuing Education at Columbia University.

CSULA Reaccredited

At its meeting February 16-18, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Commission reaffirmed Cal State L.A.'s accreditation, endorsing the nine recommendations of the site visit team and requesting an interim progress report by November 1, 2012. WASC commended the University for embracing a culture of evidence and seeking "to become a fully engaged teaching and learning community." They noted that these values are evident in several ways, including "an increased commitment to assessment of student learning and educational effectiveness." The final report from the WASC-Educational Effectiveness Review team is available at: http://www.calstatela.edu/wasc/eer/TmRpt_2010fall_CSULA_EER.pdf.

CSULA Establishes Honors College

President James Rosser recently announced the establishment of the Honors College at Cal State L.A., with its first entering class in Fall 2011. The College will provide "an academically challenging and socially supportive environment that will inspire students in all disciplines to become creative and critical thinkers as well as leaders in their fields. With learning goals focused on knowledge creation, civic engagement, and global citizenship, it will prepare students to address the most pressing challenges of our society." The Honors College will offer the resources of a major public university combined with the best features of a liberal arts college. Students admitted to the General Education Honors Program during Fall 2010 will benefit from many of the curricular and co-curricular elements of the Honors College, and will have an opportunity to join the Honors College in 2011. In addition, the President's Scholars Program and the Early Entrance Program will be brought under the organizing umbrella of the Honors College as it evolves over the next several years. The Honors College, and the programs affiliated with it, will be overseen by Michelle Hawley, professor of English, who will also provide administrative supervision for the civic engagement and community outreach efforts of the University.

"Darwin Now" Exhibit on View at Cal State L.A.

"Darwin Now," an eight-panel exhibition donated to the University by the British Council, explores naturalist Charles Darwin's life, his groundbreaking ideas, and their relevance in the 21st century. The exhibit, which will be on display in La Kretz Hall through December 2011, commemorates Darwin's 200th birthday and the 150th anniversary of the publication of his most renowned work, *On the Origin of Species*. As part of the exhibit, an iconic "Tree of Life" is available for visitors' thoughts on the exhibition. For more information, visit http://www.darwin.britishcouncil.org/exhibition.

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1984, has reflected his broad interests in physics, chemistry, biology, and public interest issues involving the sciences. Many of the lecturers have been Nobel Laureates.

Emeritus faculty members are particularly welcome, since many knew Leon during the 1960s and 1970s. He devised the biophysics option for the B.S. in physics and served variously as department chair, academic senator, and radiation safety officer. He was named an Outstanding Professor in 1968-69.

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may disrupt the circadian rhythm or "internal body clock" and cause difficulties in falling asleep, staying asleep, waking up on time, and feeling restored by sleep.

The sleeping literature is replete with tips on how to develop habits for sound sleeping. Recommendations include staying away from stimulants like caffeine after 1 or 2 p.m.; not taking naps during the day; exercising, but not just before going to bed; setting a regular sleep schedule; making the bedroom a sleep sanctuary; eating sensibly; establishing a relaxed routine before going to bed; and limiting fluids before bedtime. If those simple guidelines don't work, discuss the problem with your clinician. Many common medical conditions, from depression to sleep apnea, could be responsible.

There are two key treatments for sleeping problems: medication and cognitive-behavioral therapy. Some persons initially attempt to address insomnia on their own by taking over-the-counter medications with a sedative effect, or by using herbal compounds or dietary supplements. These medications/herbs can often help temporary insomnia. For both short-term and chronic insomnia, prescription medications can safely and effectively treat the problem, including new, non-habit forming compounds that do not cause drowsiness the next day. Cognitive behavioral therapy, according to some psychologists, is often more effective than medications for treating insomnia, and do not have adverse side effects. Cognitive behavioral therapy addresses the stress-related and behavioral aspects of insomnia, and provides long-term benefits by helping patients change their thoughts and actions that interfere with their ability to get restful sleep. Night-time anxieties dealing with day-to-day stresses, and spending excessive amounts of time in bed awake, are behaviors that can be targeted with cognitive behavioral therapy.

In summary, we should recognize that adequate sleep is just as important for health as are diet and exercise. And, because of aging and the likelihood of age-related chronic health problems, sleeping problems are very common and must be addressed for living better and living longer.

Ferguson Courtyard

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given research experience to hundreds of underserved students who have gone on to careers in science and technology. He was recipient of Cal State L.A.'s 1973-74 Outstanding Professor Award and the 1980-81 CSU Trustees' Outstanding Professor Award. The University's Lloyd N. Ferguson Distinguished Lecture Series brings leading scientists to the Cal State L.A. campus annually.

In Memoriam

LOUIS A. HANSEN

Professor of Music, 1957-1980

Louis A. Hansen, emeritus professor of music, passed away on November 20. He enjoyed a 40-year career in music education in Tennessee, Mississippi, Missouri, and California.

Louis received both A.B. and B.M. degrees at Missouri Valley College, in 1937 and 1938, respectively; a Master of Music at Northwestern University in 1942; and a Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in 1955. His early teaching experience included four years in the Nashville city schools; one year as head of the



Courtesy of Sandra Hansen

music department of Mississippi Delta State Teachers College; and 11 years at Missouri Valley College, the last three serving as head of the music department and division of fine arts. He also served three and one-half years in the World War II armed forces in India, China, and Europe.

Louis acquired extensive experience in the organization, development, and direction of both choral and instrumental groups in public schools, colleges, and communities. Choral organizations under his direction toured extensively in the Midwest. He also served as music adjudicator in Tennessee, Mississippi, Missouri, Kansas, and Southern California. In addition, he was active in the direction of church choirs for many years.

In 1957, Louis joined the faculty of the newly formed Los Angeles State College. He taught at Cal State L.A. for 25 years and was elected professor emeritus upon retirement in 1980. He continued teaching part-time until 1984, when he moved with his wife Rachel to Davis, California to be with family and young grandsons, to travel, and enjoy a wide range of interests.

At Cal State L.A., Louis taught choral groups, conducting, theory, methods, humanities, research techniques, graduate projects, supervision of student teaching, and psychology of music. He was a graduate adviser for many years and served a four-year term as chair of the Music Department.

Louis greatly enjoyed sharing his lifelong love of music and the arts with his students, colleagues, friends, and family. He will be remembered for his well-organized, articulate, interesting, and lighthearted approach to instruction, which sparked a lifelong interest in learning and artistic expression for many others. He is predeceased by his wife of 49 years, Rachel, and survived by son Bruce, daughter Sandra, and grandsons Nikolas and Nathan.

HUGH W. KENNEDY

Professor of Spanish, 1963-1988

Hugh W. Kennedy, emeritus professor of Spanish, died December 29, 2008. He received his B.A. from the University of Michigan in 1956 and his Ph.D. from UCLA in 1963. His area of study was Peninsular literature, particularly the theater of Spain's Golden Age. He was a highly respected professor of literature, and one student who took several classes with him commented, "He was a no nonsense teacher. When you took his classes, you knew you would have to work hard to earn a good grade."

Hugh was a private, but generous, person who loved learning. Because of his passion for knowledge, he appreciated institutions that enrich people and communities. He established the Hugh W. Kennedy Memorial Scholarship at his alma mater, the University of Michigan. A resident of Echo Park who frequented the Atwater Village and Cahuenga branches of the Los Angeles Public Library, he left them handsome bequests to continue their educational service to the community.

Colleagues in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures remember him as a dedicated scholar who took his responsibilities on committees as seriously as he did his commitment to his students and their education.

HERMAN J. LOETHER

Professor of Sociology, 1957-1967

Herman J. Loether, a pioneer student as well as professor at Cal State L.A., died March 28 after an extended illness. He earned a B.A. degree at Los Angeles State College of Applied Arts and Sciences in 1951. Following M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the University of Washington, he returned in 1957 as a faculty member in the Department of Sociology, which he influenced in a scientific direction.

He was honored as Outstanding Professor in 1965, among the third group selected. He left in 1967 to become a founding member of the Sociology Department at CSU Dominguez Hills, though he remained genuinely interested in his first department through the years. Herman went on to win the same award in 1973 *and* 1984 prior to his retirement in 1987. He was director of the Social Systems Research Center, renamed the Urban Community Research Center.

A memorial is scheduled for May 16 at St. John Fisher Catholic Church in Rancho Palos Verdes.

PATRICIA M. HODGES

Professor of Psychology, 1970-1986

The Emeriti Association received word at press time of the death of Patricia M. Hodges, emeritus professor of psychology. An obituary will appear in the fall issue.

Also Remembered:

KENNETH D. COURTNEY

It recently came to the attention of the Emeriti Association that Kenneth D. Courtney, former associate professor of marketing, died earlier this year. Ken came to Cal State L.A. in 1957 and retired in the early 1990s.

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Zed to replace the wooly mammoth currently occupying the space where it is hoped Zed will eventually be installed.

Pat learned the process of cleaning and sorting under the guidance of a laboratory supervisor who teaches the volunteers how to handle the delicate microfossils and bones. She also works with the scientists who identify, study, and catalogue the bones. Like Pat, you, too, can be on a first-name basis with ice-age mammals, and help prepare displays to enhance the knowledge of all age groups.

For more information about volunteer opportunities with the Laboratory Division of the Page Museum, contact the laboratory supervisor at 323-857-6318. Volunteers are also needed to give tours to school children. For information, call the Education Office at 323-857-6300, ext. 140.

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