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President's Message

ASSOCIATION, COMMENCING THIRD YEAR, HAS GOOD THINGS GOING FOR IT



Several years ago, Keith Snyder, Jim Stansell, and some others known to be recently retired were walking about the campus.

"What are those guys doing here now?," I asked Don Mortensen, who always knows everything.

"That's the new Emeriti bunch. They're getting organized. You'll be with them soon," he ribbed.

Not having participated in the earliest history of the CSULA Emeriti Association, I am not able to name and compliment all of those who carried forward the idea. They deserve much credit, though, for the foresight, planning, and work which put our University in the forefront of Emeriti relationships among California State Universities. While Emeriti associations exist at several University of California campuses and larger private universities, a preliminary survey by Alice Thompson and Sid Albert indicates that CSULA is the only State University with an active association composed entirely of Emeritus professors.

However, apparently we will not enjoy this singular position for long. Other State University representatives, with an eye towards a similar move, have requested copies of our basic organizational documents. Perhaps the Emeriti will become something more than the listing of ghostly names in the ghastly university catalogues.

Commencing its third year, the Association has good things going for it. The constitution is well-conceived and up-to-date. Within its framework, four standing committees (University and Public Relations, Hospitality and Welfare, Fiscal Affairs, and Membership) are at work. Our Newsletter will be published on a regular basis. With Playnight we have begun a series of planned social activities.

I should be remiss in not identifying another great asset — the interest, cooperation, and helpfulness shown the Association by the President and other administrators of the University. These positive attitudes also have been shown by deans of the schools and department chairs. Emeriti of CSULA now enjoy numerous courtesies and privileges not accorded counterparts at other instiutions.

It is particularly pleasing to report that we now have an official campus mailing address. (See accompanying story.) Provision of this facility will help solve some of our communications problems. Letters in private mailboxes will not turn yellow whilst the addressee cavorts in the Place Pigalle or Plaka.

Yet, while we're pleased with the work accomplished so far, most feel that equally important steps are yet to come. Your officers hope that by the end of this school year we can report substantial progress towards such goals as the following:

Housing on Campus. Our request for some kind of office space conveniently located on campus is under consideration, and we hope to have this soon. We need basic working equipment and storage facilities.

Involvement of More Members in Activities of the Association. As we take on more projects and the scope of the Association's activities are broadened, we require participation of additional members. Several ad hoc committees will be formed, and we shall need willing hands. How nice it would be to have some volunteers!

Defining a Role in University Affairs. Additional ways in which members may play a constructive role in University activities need to be identified and promoted. Ex-officio membership on appropriate committees is one area to be explored.

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Association's Opening Fall Meeting Takes Place on Monday, September 29

In conjunction with the return of faculty to campus and "opening week" activities, the annual fall meeting of the Emeriti Association will be held on Monday, September 29, at 1:30 in Student Union 318A. All Emeriti, whether or not members of the Association, are urged to attend.

It is hoped that President Rosser will be with us, as he was last year. Bob Kully, chair of the Statewide Academic Senate, will bring us up to date on pertinent professional issues.

Dr. Robert Tyndall, acting Vice Chancellor for Faculty and Staff Affairs, will bring us the "latest scoop" from Supreme Headquarters.

President Bob Forbes urges everyone to come and spend an hour of fellowship. "Being one of only two general meetings during the year, this is very important to us," Bob notes. "I hope that Emeriti will combine this with attendance at the President's address and School and Department meetings in the morning. Officers and members of the Executive Committee will be present, and we want suggestions for operation of the Association."

New member of the Emeriti Association will be "honored" with introductions, coffee, and cookies. The meeting will combine the talks by guest speakers with an open forum and reports by Association officers and committee chairmen.

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Association Is Given Its Own On-Campus Mailing Address

A modest milestone was recently achieved when the Emeriti Association was given permission to use an on-campus mailing address. Written communications to officers and committee chair of the Association may now be sent to the

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SPECIAL BULLETIN

A headquarters office for the Emeriti Association has been provided by the School of Education in King Hall A2038, effective in September. Members are advised, however, to continue to address all mail to the Emeriti Center in Administration 812.

EMERITI CENTER, Public Affairs Office, Room 812, Administration Building, California State University Los Angeles, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles, 90032.

Your correspondence will arrive at an office which is permanently staffed and will be handled by Mary Bart, Secretary, Office of Public Affairs. Personal items for the Newsletter, payment of dues, and inquiries of all kinds will now be handled more efficiently through this mailing address.

Membership Dues Structure Revised

A revised dues structure for the Association was adopted by members attending the annual business meeting on April 18. The new structure, which broadens the types of membership, was recommended by the Fiscal Affairs Committe, chaired by Mike Grisafe. Types of membership are the following:

Annual Dues .....$ 5.00
Sustaining Member $10.00
Supporting Member $25.00
Life Membership $50.00
Contributing Member $100.00
(Incl. Life Membership)

Emeriti Can Expect To Get Invitations To Fall Meetings

It is expected that all Emeriti will receive invitations from the Deans of their respective Schools to attend Schools to attend School and Department meetings on September 29. Extending these invitations has become common practice among most CSULA Schools during the past two years.

Those returning to campus on this "opening day" find that the President's address brings them up-to-date on affairs of the University. Many Emeriti find items of interest at School and Department meetings.

Officers of the Emeriti Association encourage attendance at opening day meetings. An objective of the Association is to develop continuing relationships of members with University groups.

Why not spend the day at school? And, be sure to attend the Emeriti meeting at 1:30 P.M.

Reception for Faculty

Emeriti faculty of the University are invited by President James Rosser to attend the Annual Reception for Faculty, to be held in the University Club on Sunday, October 5, from 5 to 7 P.M.

Honorees will be the Distinguished Visiting Professor for the Fall Quarter, new members of the University faculty, and recipients of the Outstanding Professor Awards for the past year.

First Major Social Even Successful

Thirty person attended and thoroughly enjoyed "Playnight," the first major social event for emeriti faculty, held May 16. Arranged by the Hospitality and Welfare Committee, especially by Mary Huber, the event featured a no-host cocktail party and dinner at the University Club and attendance at opening night of the musical, "The Robber Bridegroom."

Professor Maris Ubans, who directed the lively performance, honored the guests with free, super, front-row seats. The dinner, though not free, was sumptuous.

The reaction of those attending was — "Let's do it again."

Faculty Members Given Emeritus Status

The granting of emeritus status, effective June, 1980, to 36 members of the University faculty has been announced during the summer by President James Rosser. They are as follows:

DORIS BELL, Library (1960-1980)
EUGENE BENEDETTI, Educational Administration (1950-1980)
MORRIS BETTER, Secondary Education (1956-1980)
SAMUEL CAPLIN, Biology (1960-1980)
HARRY COFFIN, Geography and Urban Studies (1960-1980)
LESLIE CROMWELL, Dean, School of Engineering, and Professor of Engineering (1953-1980)
BRUCE DAYTON, Physics (1965-1980)
KEITH GUMMERE, Industrial Studies (1956-1980)
ROBERT HAHN, Secondary Education (1956-1980)
H. LAWRENCE HALL, Management (1961-1980)
HAROLD HALL, Educational Administration (1956-1980)
LOUIS HANSEN, Music (1957-1980)
ANTHONY HILLBRUNER, Speech Communication (1954-1980)
DONALD KINSTLER, Special Education (1957-1980)
RALPH KLOEPPER, Educational Administration (1959-1980)
RUBEN F. KUGLER, Library (1959-1980)
JOHN LA MONICA, Industrial Studies (1956-1980)
GEORGE E. MANN, Engineering (1957-1980)
JANE MATSON, Counselor Education (1958-1980)
WILLIAM MAYS, Industrial Studies (1956-1980)
MAXINE MILLER, Home Economics (1955-1980)
EWDARD NELSON, Finance (1959-1980)
FRED RHODES, Counselor Education (1954-1980)
JULIAN ROTH, Educational Foundations (1956-1980)
EMANUEL SALEMI, Management (1960-1980)
JOHN SALMOND, JR., Vice President for Administration (1951-1980)
AKE SANDLER, Political Science (1949-1980)
RANDOLPH SERVICE, Secondary Education (1957-1980)
MARJORIE SMITH, Theatre Arts (1959-1980)
BLYTHE SPROTT, Health and Safety Studies (1964-1980)
LOUIS STEARNS, Biology (1964-1980)
JOSEPH STUBBINS, Counselor Education (1959-1980)
ROSS THOMPSON, Physics (1959-1980)
WILLIAM TING, Geography and Urban Studies (1969-1980)
WAYNE ZIMMERMAN, Counseling Center (1961-1980)

University Honors John A. Greenlee

John A. Greenlee, President Emeritus of the University, has been honored with the naming of the area adjoining the Physical Science Building as the John A. Greenlee Alumni Fountain and Plaza.

Dr. Greenlee joined Cal State L.A. in 1965 as Vice President for Academic Affairs and was named the following year as its fifth President. He retired in September of last year.

The move to name the area in Greenlee's honor was initiated by the Cal State L.A. Alumni Association, to whom he gave strong support during his 13-year tenure as University President.

Laser Retires as Dean At Dominguez Hills

Marvin Laser, one-time Professor of English and Chairman of the Division of Language Arts at Cal State L.A., retired in June as Dean of the School of Humanities and Fine Arts at Cal State, Dominguez Hills.

Among those attending a retirement banquet in June for Dr. Laser were Emeriti faculty members John Bushman and Mary Huber, and faculty members Robert Kully, Milt Dobkin and Fred Marcus.

Next Newsletter Is Scheduled for March

The next issue of this Association Newsletter is scheduled for publication in March, 1981. Contributions of news items are solicited from all readers. Especially welcome are items about activities of Emeriti for the "Professional and Personal" column. Address your communications to the Editor, Bill Lloyd, at the Emeriti Center on campus. (See page 2 for full address).

ALBERT COMMENDED FOR BILL OF RIGHTS

Sid Albert has been commended for his work in writing and guiding a committee of the California Conference, American Association of University Professors, in producing a Bill of Rights for emeriti faculty.

In congratulating Sid, June Pollak, President of the California Conference wrote that "... the Bill of Rights has already become a model for others to follow. I have had over a dozen requests for copies from professors in California since a synopsis of your report appeared in the May Conference Newsletter."

Continuing, Pollak noted that at the annual AAUP meeting in Washington the report was lauded as "splendid" and "the best of its kind" and "destined to have an impact nationally as well as in California."

Recommendations of the AAUP Report have been reviewed by members of the Executive Committee of the CSULA Emeriti Association and are being used as a basic statement of goals.

Campus Briefs

McCoy Named New V.P. for Administration

Patricia A. McCoy has been named as Vice President for Administration, succeeding John Salmond, who retired in June.

Dr. McCoy, who has been serving as Vice President for Administration at the University of the District of Columbia, will assume her new post on September 1. She previously served in the federal department of HEW and on the business administration staff of the University of Washington, Seattle, where she earned her Ph.D. in College Administration.

Casanova Promoted to Associate Vice President

Joseph Casanova, Jr., who has been serving as Acting Associate Dean of Academic Planning for Undergraduate Studies, has been named Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs—Planning and Resources, effective September 1.

A member of the University faculty since 1951. Professor Casanova was awarded the Trustees Outstanding Professor Award in 1970. He served the University as Chair of the Academic Senate in 1967-68, and as Chair of the Department of Chemistry in 1977-78.

Professional & Personal

RUDY SANDO (Education) labels the idea of retirement as the "Rocking Chair Years" as a myth. Says he and Ruth are as busy as ever. He served two years as Director of Program Development for the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and has worked since then as Field Representative/Consultant for WSAC.

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DON LOWRIE (Zoology) departed in April for a two-year stint in Asuncion, Paraguay, where he will be busy collecting spiders, scorpions, insects, snails, clams, crustacea and other items for a museum, and teaching Paraguayans how to keep it going. Anyone wishing to go down South America way to help Don gather specimens can request his address from the Emeriti Center!

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ESTHER PENCHEF (Sociology) reports that she is kept busy operating a law business in Glendale, doing mostly probates. Says her health is very good, and hopes "the same is true of all of you."

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JAMES WILSON (Philosophy) advises that he has joined the growing contingent of Cal State L.A. Emeriti now residing at Rossmoor Leisure World in Laguna Hills.

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LES NELSON ((Education) reports that he has been busy since his 1973 retirement conducting tours for Club Universe to all parts of the world.

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HELEN BROCKLEHURST (Education) writes that she has been working as Psychology Consultant to a school district near her home in Idyllwild.

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ALICE THOMSON (Psychology) announces her establishment of an adult residential/day care facility, "Estrellita," in Capistrano Beach for persons needing special help during recovery from serious illnesses.

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TRAVEL ROUNDUP: Trips to distant places seem to be one of the favorite activities of emeriti professors. KEITH and EVELYN SNYDER are on a 4-month journey visiting friends and relatives on the East Coast of America and traveling in Europe for two months. BERNIE and BEV WARNER made an Alaskan trip in June. BILL and BOBBIE LLOYD spent June in Germany and Austria and two weeks of July in Paris and London. MIKE and HELEN GRISAFE have taken up birdwatching, which has led them to take Audobon Society field trips in several parts of the Western U.S.

In Memoriam

JOHN A. MORTON, Emeritus Dean of Instructional Administration, died June 10 at age 75 at his retirement home in Irvine. Dr. Morton came to the University in 1948 and served in the posts of Dean of Instruction, Dean of Educational Services and Summer Session, and Dean of Instructional Administration during his 22 years of administrative service before retirement in 1970.

G. ETZEL PEARCY, retired Professor of Geography, died June 28 in San Francisco at age 75. Professor Pearcy served as a member of the University faculty from 1969 until his retirement in 1973.

WARREN C. BRAY, Director of Graduate Programs in the School of Business and Economics and Professor of Accounting, died June 30 from complications following surgery.

Emeritis Enter Exhibit

Book collections of two Emeritis Association members were among six collections recently displayed at the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library. Solomon Diamond exhibited some of his collection on the History of Psychology. Sidney Albert displayed some of his books on George Bernard Shaw.

President's Message (Continued from Front Page)

Increased funding. Dues for Association membership provide a minimum operating budget. We need additional funds for supplies, part-time help, printing, mailing, and project development. Some type of benefit activity has been proposed.

Implementation of Projects. Two useful projects have high priority. One is a checklist or advisement packet for those considering retirement. Not only is there a need on our campuses for this material, but we have been urged by those at other institutions to develop it. A second project of major importance is the statewide survey, involving Emeritus relationships, which Alice Thompson is developing. This survey will be significant.

Hospitality and Welfare. Positive responses to Playnight and the Newsletter indicate an interest by members in more get-togethers and communications — oral and written. We'd like to try out several other activities.

During the past year, our Executive Committee members have met regularly each month, and there always is more on the agenda than there is time for. Much of the work is left to a few individual members, hunkered down in nooks and crannies of their homes.

Though I have been greatly impressed with the willingness of these people to give their time and thought, I know they would make good use of additional hands and brains. If, in your retirement, you find yourself lonesome and without anything to do (fat chance!) won't you please get in touch with me through the Emeriti Center?

Sincerely yours,

Bob

Robert Forbes, President