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President's Message



I can hardly believe that we are already into the new year. As I think about all of the activities of the past 12 months, I realize that the Executive Committee is indeed a hard-working group and I applaud them for it. As an organization, we joyously celebrated our 25th anniversary and have already initiated plans to help the group move into the next quarter century. We awarded seven scholarships to Cal State L.A. students, who voiced great thanks and appreciation. We shared time and talents

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Outstanding Professors Announced at Fall Faculty Day

The 2002-2003 Outstanding Professors were named at the University's Fall Faculty Day on September 22. Those honored were Daphne Der-Fen Liu, professor of mathematics; Sunil K. Sapra, professor of economics and statistics; Majdedin Mirmirani, professor of mechanical engineering; and Penelope Semrau, professor of education. These awards are made primarily for excellence in teaching, but significant achievements are expected in scholarly inquiry or creativity, professional activities, and service to the campus and community.

Judith Hamera, professor of speech communication, was selected as the recipient of the President's Distinguished Professor Award, which recognizes superlative teaching and exceptional commitment to students, as well as professional accomplishments and services. Only those professors who have previously been selected as Outstanding Professors are eligible for this award.

Daphne Liu, a Cal State L.A. faculty member since 1991, has taught 23 different subjects ranging from general education through graduate courses, and has supervised more than a dozen graduate and undergraduate students in direct study courses. She has

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EMERITI BEGIN NEXT QUARTER CENTURY

Following an exciting year featuring an arts festival in observance of its 25th anniversary, the Emeriti Association returned to its established routine with its annual visit to the Academic Senate on Tuesday, February 10. Each year, the second Tuesday in February marks the anniversary of the organization's debut, as announced at the Senate on February 9, 1978.



At the Senate visit, all emeriti attending were acknowledged individually and the association was honored collectively. Immediately after the Senate's adjournment that afternoon, the festivities continued at the Association's traditional reception, held in the Fine Arts building's gallery, conveniently close to Lecture Hall 2.

A chronology of the developmental events leading to the organization's founding has been written by Sidney P. Albert, emeritus professor of philosophy, whose vision, commitment, and persistence led not only to the campus association but, further, to the systemwide association, CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA). This document is kept in the emeriti archives; copies may be borrowed on request to the Association's historian and archivist, Leon Schwartz.

Fellowships Presented at Fall Luncheon



Front row, (l. to r.) Emeriti Association president Barbara Sinclair; fellowship winners Michael Porco, Jamie Mann, Viktoria Byckiewicz; and Fellowship fund chair Janet Fisher-Hoult. Back row (l. to r.), fellowship recipients Caroline Hannsen, Julie King, Percy Ortiz, and José Silva.

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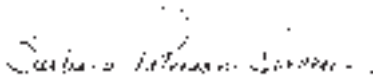
with each other at a number of interesting, creative (and gastronomically tasty) functions. We continued to participate in the Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association of the CSU. We advocated for the well-being of our retired faculty, and have honored and supported our colleagues whenever possible.

Although the emeriti have moved forward in a positive manner, the University as a whole has not fared as well, primarily due to budgetary constraints. Some centers and programs have been closed, classes are harder for students to obtain, selected staff positions have been eliminated, and support services have been reduced. The problems are likely to continue as the fiscal situation becomes even more difficult. When looking at the status of California's finances, it seems inevitable that the budget for higher education will be cut rather severely. Although exact decreases are not yet known, various options needed to meet the potential crisis are being considered by the Chancellor's Office, the Statewide Academic Senate, and individual state universities. We will try to keep you informed as more information becomes available.

Even with its fiscal woes, all is not lost. Cal State L.A. continues to exemplify the high quality that all of us expect. It is outstanding in diversity and inclusivity among its faculty, student population, and programs. Faculty members consistently achieve top honors and awards in their respective professions. Students perform well in local, national, and international competitions. Our graduates are highly sought after for hiring purposes. New campus facilities in process include the Los Angeles Regional Crime Laboratory, the Luckman Intimate Theatre, and an interdisciplinary science facility. We hope that financial problems will not interfere with critical efforts currently under way or planned in the near future.

Oh yes, some kudos is in order. On behalf of the Emeriti Association, I offer congratulations to James Rosser, who celebrates his 25th year as president of California State University, Los Angeles. I'm sure that all of us are aware of the many advances made under Jim's guidance.

There are lots of activities planned for 2004; I hope you will join us whenever possible. I would greatly appreciate hearing from you about your ideas or concerns—or maybe just to say hello.



Help Us Maintain Our Directory!

The Emeriti Association's annual directory of all Cal State L.A emeriti, not just members, is enclosed with this issue of *The Emeritimes*. It is as accurate as the officers responsible for its data could make it. Please make sure that we have you down correctly. If we don't, please update both your snail mail and email addresses and your phone number. While you're doing so, tell us the latest about what you've been doing, for a total update. Of course, even if you find yourself listed properly in all categories, bring us up to date about your events and activities. The "Personal and Professional" column appears in each issue for such news.

Emeriti Association Gains 10 Members

These recently appointed emeriti have joined the Emeriti Association:

KENNETH L. ANDERSON *(Annual Member)*

BEVERLY BIGLER *(Annual Member)*

LINDA FAHEY *(Life Member)*

ROSEMARY HAKE *(Life Member)*

JUDITH LONG SEVERANCE *(Annual Member)*

RAMACHANDRA MANVI *(Annual Member)*

DEMETRIUS J. MARGAZIOTIS *(Contributing Life Member)*

DONALD R. PAULSON *(Annual Member)*

JEANNETTE RENNER *(Supporting Annual Member)*

ELIZABETH VIAU *(Annual Member)*

We welcome them and look forward to their participation in Association activities.

Stahl Elected Physical Society Fellow

By Demetrius J. Margaziotis

Frieda A. Stahl, emerita professor of physics and member of the executive committee of our own Emeriti Association, was recently elected Fellow of the American Physical Society (APS), the primary professional organization of physicists, in recognition of "her scholarly contributions to the history of ideas in physics, history of condensed matter physics, and history of women in physics," according to the official citation. Frieda was initially recommended for fellowship by the Forum on History of Physics section of the APS, and this recommendation was followed by review and recommendation by the Fellowship Committee and final approval by the full Council of the APS.

This is a coveted honor for a professional physicist, evidenced in part by the competitiveness attendant on such an election; only one-half of one percent of the total membership of the Society is elevated annually to the status of Fellow. The APS Fellowship Program recognizes those among its membership who have made advances in knowledge through original research and publication; significant and innovative contributions in the application of physics to science and technology; or significant contributions to the teaching of physics or service and participation in the activities of the Society.

Since becoming emerita in 1992, Frieda has continued to be active in research in the historical background of contemporary physics and in raising awareness among scientists as well as the general public of contributions of 20th century women in physics, giving lectures and publishing articles in these areas. In addition to her membership in the American Physical Society, Frieda is a member of the American Association of Physics Teachers, the Association for Women in Science, and the Union of Concerned Scientists.

Calling All Judges: Student Research Symposium Needs Your Help!

The 12th Annual Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, sponsored by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs and The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, will take place on campus on Friday, February 27. This event is held annually to provide a local forum for Cal State L.A. students to gain experience in delivering a professional presentation. The Symposium is juried and 10 local winners will be selected to represent Cal State L.A. in the statewide competition, where they will be eligible for cash prizes. Judges are always hard to recruit, as many faculty have their own students compete in the event. If you are interested in volunteering as a judge for your discipline, please contact Evelyn Winchester at 323-343-3817.

2004 Pape Memorial Lecture: "Can Nuclear Weapons Proliferation Be Stopped?"

The 21st annual Leon Pape Memorial Lecture has been scheduled for Friday, May 7, at 2:00 p.m. in Physical Science 158. This year's guest speaker is Dr. Wolfgang K. H. Panofsky, an internationally noted nuclear physicist, whose address is titled "Can Nuclear Weapons Proliferation Be Stopped?"

Panofsky, a National Medal of Science recipient, is director emeritus of the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center. In addition to his activities in basic research and its administration, he is eminent in public interest concerns involving physics and its applications.

The Pape Lecture Series commemorates the late Leon Pape, former professor of physics at Cal State L.A., who died unexpectedly in 1984 at the age of 59. Pape was a medical biophysicist whose professional interests encompassed the physical and life sciences and related public concerns. The lecture series has featured Nobel Laureates in Physics, Chemistry, Medicine, and Peace, and other noted scholars in these fields.

Don't Forget the Fellowship Fund!

Your contributions to the Emeriti Fellowship Fund keep working for Cal State L.A. students! The Emeriti Association now manages six scholarships, five for graduate students and one for undergraduates. Recipients are selected each year, around Commencement week. They greatly appreciate these awards, now more than ever in fiscal hard times. Tax-deductible donations are welcome year round, and may be sent to us at the University's address.

Professional and Personal

Sidney Albert (Philosophy) visited the Shaw Festival at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada last August. He also attended five play productions and actively participated in the organizational meeting of the nascent International Shaw Society. At that meeting, he was appointed to the Society's Advisory Board. The next meeting will be held at the University of South Florida in Sarasota in March, at which he is scheduled to present a paper. An article, "GBS in Hellas: A Resource for Classicists," was published in the 2003 volume of *Shaw: The Annual of Bernard Shaw Studies*, which is based on his presentation at the Shaw Brave New World Conference at Marquette University in Milwaukee, April 2001.

Marion Dearman (Sociology) announces the third printing of his book, *Tramp Printers*, published by Discovery Press. He and his wife Sharon, who was department secretary in the Psychology Department, have been busy traveling: a tour of Thailand, Laos, Myanmar, and Tokyo last January and February, followed by a Scandinavian cruise in May. In July, they again attended the Woody Guthrie Festival and toured many western centers on their way to and from Oklahoma. In August and September, they viewed much of Alaska by car and cruise ship. In October, they visited Indio, California. When home in Salem, Oregon during intervals between their travels, they have been actively involved with the Continued Learning program at Willamette University.

Mary Gormly (Library) attended the annual convention of the Navy League of the United States in Honolulu, June 17-22.

Evelyn Granville (Mathematics) writes that she is well-settled in her Corsicana, Texas community. She and Ed, a gourmet cook, host weekly lunches for senior members of their church. In addition to handling her church's financial records, Evelyn has been running an annual algebra camp at the church; this year's was her third. They traveled to each coast during the past year, and missed the big blackout in the east by one day.

Aida Takla O'Reilly (Pan African Studies) was recently one of three recipients of the Distinguished American Service Award. It was presented at the annual meeting of the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee at the annual convention of the National Association of Arab-Americans in Arlington, Virginia. Her award was "in recognition of her outstanding accomplishment in the fields of

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Health Briefs

High Cholesterol: A Major Risk Factor in Cardiovascular Disease

By Marilyn Friedman



As we all know, high cholesterol, or hyperlipidemia, is unhealthful. With cardiovascular disease being the number one cause of death in both men and women in the United States, this risk factor needs to be well understood. Eating cholesterol-rich foods is also recognized by laypersons to be an important cause of "high cholesterol." But when we get back the results of blood cholesterol tests, the numbers can be somewhat confusing and complicated. Further, updated guidelines developed by the National Cholesterol Education Program Expert Panel on Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Cholesterol in Adults (ATP III) need to be incorporated into our understanding of what levels and types of cholesterol are healthful. Accordingly, I thought a short description of these guidelines would be helpful.

Cholesterol is a waxy substance that the liver produces. Factors that contribute to high cholesterol include one's heredity, a diet high in fat and cholesterol, lack of exercise, smoking, obesity, and having diabetes, liver, or kidney disease or hypothyroidism.

There are three main types of cholesterol, also referred to as lipoproteins. Low-density lipoprotein (LDL) is known as "bad" cholesterol because it carries cholesterol to body tissues. It can cause blockage of the arteries and increase the risk of cardiovascular disease. High-density lipoprotein (HDL) is known as the "good" cholesterol because it helps to keep cholesterol from building up in the arteries. Very low-density lipoproteins (VLDL) contain triglycerides. Like LDL, high levels of triglycerides (greater than 200 mg/dl) also are considered a risk factor for developing cardiovascular disease. The above cholesterol guidelines recommend that adults over the age of 20 get a fasting lipid profile (total cholesterol, LDL, HDL, and triglycerides) at least every five years.

In general, the higher the LDL level and the more risk factors a person has, the greater the risk of developing cardiovascular disease or having a heart attack. High HDL (greater than 60 mg/dl) is considered cardioprotective. The new guidelines, developed to help manage hyperlipidemia, identify LDL reduction as the primary aim of lipid-lowering therapy.

Two main approaches to lowering LDL are recommended: therapeutic lifestyle change (diet, weight management, and exercise) and drug therapy. There are different guidelines for LDL depending on what level of risk a person is assessed to have. For example, in persons with high to moderate risk, therapeutic lifestyle change (TLC) should be initiated in all persons with LDL levels at or above 130 mg/dl. If the LDL exceeds 130 mg/dl after three months of trying TLC, drug therapy also should be initiated. For these individuals, drug therapy is optional in persons with LDL values between 100 and 129 mg/dl. In persons assessed as low to moderate risk, the LDL levels can be higher before TLC and drug therapy are initiated.

In addition to high LDL, the ATP III guidelines recognize that people with many metabolic risks also have a high risk of developing cardiovascular disease. This type of risk is referred to as the metabolic syndrome and is a secondary target of risk reduction therapy after the primary target of LDL reduction has been instituted. Some of the signs within metabolic syndrome include abdominal obesity, elevated triglycerides, low HDL, elevated blood pressure and insulin resistance. Management of the metabolic syndrome usually involves making changes in lifestyle, particularly physical inactivity and obesity. In some persons, drug therapy to treat low HDL or elevated triglycerides may also be indicated.

In evaluating one's cholesterol test results, total cholesterol count, HDL level, and triglycerides level are also important indicators of risk. The optimum total cholesterol count is considered to be 200 mg/dl or less, HDL over 60 mg/dl, and triglycerides under 150 mg/dl. Although these values are still significant, the new guidelines have, for most practitioners, led them to give priority to the LDL value.

Campus News

Carol Bartell Named Dean, Charter College of Education

Carol A. Bartell was appointed dean of the Charter College of Education and professor of education, effective October 1, 2003. Previously, she served as dean of the School of Education at California Lutheran University from 1995 to September 2003. As dean, Bartell oversees management of college resources and generates resources from within the University and from external sources. She is responsible for providing leadership in curriculum and program development, organizing and scheduling of classes and programs, coordination of academic support services, supervision and development of academic support personnel, and interaction with students in activities related to academic programs.

Doris Christopher Appointed Associate Dean, College of Business & Economics

Doris Christopher (Information Systems and Center for Effective Teaching and Learning) was named associate dean, College of Business and Economics, effective July 28, 2003.

Acting Dean and Acting Associate Deans Named

The following recent temporary appointments have been made: Paul Washburn (Management), acting dean, Extended Education, effective January 5, 2004; Judith Hamera (Communication Studies), acting associate dean, College of Arts and Letters, effective September 1, 2003; Martin Roden (Electrical and Computer Engineering), acting associate dean, College of Engineering, Computer Science and Technology, effective September 1, 2003; and Cherie Hawley (Curriculum and Instruction), associate dean, Charter College of Education, effective October 31, 2003.

Construction Begins on New Parking Structure

Construction on a new 1,196-space parking structure (Parking Structure III) began in Lot C on October 27, 2003, making much of that area unavailable. Alternative parking is available in structures I and II, as well as in Lots A, F, and G.

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Profile

Don Mortensen: Savoring 90

By Frieda A. Stahl

Donald and Dorothy Mortensen are enjoying a year of milestones. Don turned 90 on May 20; before that they observed their 61st wedding anniversary in February. Both occasions were celebrated with family, friends, food, and festivity. As residents of St. George, Utah since 1993, they remain active in many church and community groups. They derive particular satisfaction from the knowledge of centuries gleaned in genealogical searches of both their ancestral "trees."

Don was the Emeriti Association's sixth president, in 1983-84, having retired at the end of 1978. He was appointed as the founding dean of the former School of Fine and Applied Arts when it was established in 1964, and held that position right up to his retirement. However, as a professor of education and a California Licensed Psychologist, he turned to the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) and returned to teach. He developed a major professional interest in the aging process, and about half of his FERP assignments were in courses pertaining to aging. It can easily be said that Don stayed young by thinking old.

Don was born in 1913 in rural Manassa, Colorado, the fifth child of an eventual eight. The family moved west to equally rural Amalga, Utah in 1915. As Don writes in a reminiscence he recently sent to the Association, they lived in surroundings offering "no electricity, no indoor plumbing, no telephone, and very few automobiles—if any." The post-World War I influenza pandemic, in which some 40 million deaths occurred worldwide, struck the Mortensen family, but all survived.

Don attended Utah schools through the sophomore year of high school. The family then moved to California in 1929, settling in North Hollywood, where they found that they had "give[n] up the farm and food to struggle through the Great Depression," with unemployment in California reaching 25 percent. Don worked part-time at a variety of jobs, including milk bottling at a dairy, when he could get a job at all. He completed high school at North Hollywood High and then attended Los Angeles City College, with a year's interruption for work.

In 1935, Don went back to his Utah roots for a bachelor's degree at Brigham Young University, for which he majored in political science and minored in English and journalism. With financial assistance, he earned both the A.B. and a Utah secondary teaching credential in 1937. But jobs remained scarce, so he hitchhiked back to California and found employment at the Bank of America. Despite some job-related training at the American Institute of Banking, which might have led him to a business career, he enrolled at USC and earned a California secondary teaching credential.



When Pearl Harbor was attacked in 1941, Don enlisted in the Navy while his two brothers respectively joined the Army and the Marines. In February 1942, he and Dorothy (née Hyde) were married in Arizona, just ahead of orders shipping him to San Diego. Dorothy had been working as a clerical staff member at an office of the FBI. As a consequence, Don and his family were investigated, and then cleared in a letter signed by J. Edgar Hoover.

"He writes that 'nonagenarians have medical histories and good recoveries,' far more than just plain luck."

Don went up the enlisted ranks rapidly because of his characteristic initiative. He was accepted for a commission as an ensign in December 1942. Further training as a naval officer brought him successively to programs at Dartmouth, Princeton, and Ohio State. At OSU he qualified as an instructor in plane and ship recognition. Back at San Diego, he taught prospective combat troops to recognize structural outlines rapidly, in a program designed to minimize "friendly fire." Dorothy was able to join him in San Diego, and they welcomed a daughter during the year and a half they stayed there.

At the end of 1944, Don was reassigned to a center in Pennsylvania as a contract adjustment officer in purchasing, for which he volunteered because the job posting had specified business-related experience. In that capacity, he was responsible for the validity of orders and payments. When the war was finally over, he declined to stay in the Navy for a career, and in 1946 he was transferred to the Naval Reserve.

The Mortensens then settled in Los Angeles, and Don returned to USC to pursue a doctorate. By the end of 1948, he had completed the course requirements and was making good progress on his dissertation. In January 1949, he heard about "a new college—then meeting on the Los Angeles City College campus," and the ongoing search for faculty. He was interviewed and hired immediately, and was scheduled to begin teaching in the spring semester about to start. His program consisted of a class in adolescent psychology, another psych course, a class in education, and two classes in journalism—15 semester units, in addition to which he served as adviser for the new student newspaper—a normal load by community college criteria. His starting annual salary was $3500, enough to support his growing family in that era. He received the Ed.D. in 1950 and was then promoted to associate professor.

Don recalls his first faculty meeting, with 24 colleagues in attendance and the fledgling Education Department outnumbering the rest. Parties and picnics were notable agenda items. Preceding him in that faculty cohort, among others, were Esther Penchef, John Morton, and Floyd Eastwood, along with the founding president, P. Victor Peterson. Don adds, "There was no faculty organization and no faculty relations with other colleges." But this initial cadre soon learned that there was an organization called the Association of State College Instructors (ACSCI), decades before the state colleges were collected into a system. They organized a chapter of ACSCI for L.A. State; Don became actively involved and went on to serve

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Door of Retirement Revolves for Some

During the last few years, at least one emeritus professor has been returned to active ranks following his official retirement, and subsequently re-retired. For several others, administrative assignments have served as the allowed half-time service in the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP), though the duties may have taken up more than the allotted time. In all these instances, the emergency was the University's, not the faculty member's. Their emeritus status was not revoked and they retained membership eligibility for the Emeriti Association and the Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (ERFA).

Dale Carter, emeritus professor of Spanish, returned to serve as chair of the Department of Theatre Arts and Dance, and retired again a couple of years later. Hugh Warren, emeritus professor of accounting, was "drafted" to serve as acting dean of Extended Education. Karen Johnson, emeritus professor of kinesiology and physical education, was drawn back to continue serving as associate dean of the College of Health and Human Services, but is now fully retired–again. William Taylor, despite his FERP status, continues as chair of the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

Barbara Sinclair, emeritus professor of nursing, was recruited by other CSU campuses for temporary administrative service. Even before her retirement, she had worked as the interim dean of the School of Health at Dominguez Hills. Following her retirement in 1999, she was reappointed as chair of the new Division of Health Sciences within their School of Health. She spent a total of three years as a guest administrator at Dominguez Hills, and then spent two more years at Northridge developing their new program for nurses, in which students already holding the R.N. may earn BSN degrees. Barbara has now returned to the Los Angeles campus as an "ordinary" FERP, and will coordinate the revised Health Science program now housed in the School of Nursing.

In the Charter College of Education, Lamar Mayer is assisting with the preparation of the NCATE/COA documents for the accreditation visit due this academic year. Ray Hillis has retired twice; the first instance did not last long enough for him to receive emeritus status, but he is now in our ranks officially. He is working on the College's information management system and the University's PeopleSoft student records project.

The Emeriti Association has been in the fast lane with this traffic. Barbara Sinclair is now its president. Karen Johnson had just been elected membership secretary when she was asked to continue as associate dean. Dale Carter was a member of the Emeriti Executive Committee when he was completely recalled to active service, and had to leave his seat because of his new workload.

If there are other colleagues who have passed through retirement in both directions, or have spent FERP time in an administrative assignment in lieu of the normal part-time teaching, *The Emeritimes* will carry that news in the Professional and Personal column in future issues. A note to the editor is all that's needed.

In addition to the official back-and-forth, there is another type of recall. This summer, Don Dewey followed the example of some previous emeriti senators and served as a member-at-large of the Academic Senate Executive Committee for the summer quarter, when there frequently is a dearth of eligible members on duty. He also served as parliamentarian that quarter. The Senate appreciates its emeriti members.

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education and the arts." Since her retirement, O'Reilly has been president of Trinity College of Graduate Studies in Anaheim.

Leon Schwartz (French) has written a historical article, "205 Days and 35 missions of the 100th Bomb Group's 'Luckye Bastardes'," posted on <www.100thbg.com/history/leonschwartzhistory>.

Janet Seaman (Physical Education) just had published the third edition of her textbook in adapted physical education, entitled *Making Connections: From Theory to Practice in Adapted Physical Education.* Co-authors include former part-time faculty member Karen Depauw and graduate students Kim Morton and Kathy Omoto. The book is one of the major textbooks in the undergraduate preparation of physical educators in adapted physical education. Seaman was also recently inducted into the North American Society of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Dance and Sport Professionals.

Frieda Stahl (Physics) is the author of a paper, "The Emergence of Semiconductors: Nineteenth Century Modern Physics," published in the November 2003 issue of *American Journal of Physics*.

Robert Zahary (Accounting) and **Margaret Hartman** (Biology and Academic Affairs) have returned to Singapore and have established a higher education consulting practice, SpringStart Education Group PTE LTD, incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Singapore. Singapore has a well-deserved reputation for the quality of its educational system, both K-12 and higher education, and the government is working hard to establish the island as the "education hub" of southeast Asia. Their clients are not limited to Singapore, therefore, and include a number of institutions that want to establish a presence there, as well as some that want to branch out to other parts of the world. To date, they have been doing accreditation work with international universities in the Middle East, reporting work for U.S.-based agencies, and are in negotiations with institutions in Sri Lanka, Thailand, and the European Union. They can be reached at bobzahary@mac.com and mjhartman2003@yahoo.com, respectively.

Campus News

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Department Name Change

The Department of Criminal Justice has recently been renamed the School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics.

Coach John Herbold Receives Prestigious Award

Head baseball coach John Herbold received the 43rd annual Lefty Gomez Award at the American Baseball Coaches Association's Hall of Fame/Coach of the Year Banquet in San Antonio on January 3. Named after the great Lefty Gomez, the annual award is presented to an individual who is considered to be distinguished among peers and who has contributed significantly to the game of baseball locally, nationally, and internationally.

Entering his 20th season with the Golden Eagles and 48th overall as a head baseball coach in Southern California, Herbold has led teams for an amazing 1,025 games at Cal State L.A. and a total of 1,684 games in his career at both the high school or college level. In February 2002, Herbold became the most winning coach in Cal State L.A. history by surpassing the legendary Jim Reeder, for whom the Cal State L.A. baseball field is named. He coached his 1,000th game on March 16, 2002.

Since Herbold's arrival at Cal State L.A., the Golden Eagles have compiled 13 20-win seasons, tying the record set by Reeder in that category, and have sent plenty of Cal State L.A. alumni to the professional ranks. Cal State L.A. consistently ranks among the top 25 schools in the nation—regardless of division—in sending players to the pros.

Past recipients of the Lefty Gomez Award include USC head baseball coach Rod Dedeaux and former Major League Baseball Commissioner Peter Ueberroth.

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been instrumental in designing an upper-division course on graph theory and an important core requirement course on discrete mathematics. She was also principal graduate adviser for mathematics, providing advisement and supervision to more than 60 M.S. students. Liu has been a visiting professor in Taiwan at National Sun Yat-sen University, Academia Sinica, and National Chiao Tung University. Some of her more than 20 publications have appeared in the most prestigious journals in her research fields. She has given more than 40 presentations at professional conferences, workshops, and institutions, including invited talks presented at Oxford University, Simon Fraser University, Rutgers University, and Caltech. Liu's research involves both theory and applications, with a main focus on graph coloring problems, including their interplay with number theory and their applications to broadcast communications.

Majdedin Mirmirani is serving his third term as department chair while maintaining a very active, full-time research program. He has been a Cal State L.A. faculty member since 1981. Mirmirani uses problem-based learning in his courses to promote critical thinking.

He challenges students on the first day of class with an open-ended real world problem: by solving this type of problem, he says, his students learn all the required theories. Mirmirani's professional achievements include 40 publications in top-ranked journals and proceedings of conferences in his field, book chapters, and technical reports and briefs. He is the principal investigator or co-investigator on external research grants that exceed $13 million. Over the past eight years, Mirmirani's research focused on the design and construction of a testbed for large segmented telescopes. His current research, funded by NASA and the U.S. Air Force, focuses on the development of multidisciplinary tools for design, modeling, and simulation of high-performance aircraft; and design of intelligent flight control laws. All of his research projects directly involve the participation of undergraduate and graduate students.

Sunil K. Sapra held the prestigious ASA/NSF/Census Research Fellowship at the Bureau of the Census in 1989. Since joining Cal State L.A. in 1991, he has been extremely active in teaching and research. He has taught a wide variety of courses in economics, econometrics, and statistics, including business statistics and international economics. Sapra's research has focused on missing data problems, nonlinear statistical and econometric models, robust statistical procedures, duration data analysis, and semiparametric econometrics. His research on some econometric problems is considered pioneering by researchers in his field. He has published more than 50 articles in some of the most prestigious statistics and econometrics journals. His research has been cited in top journals in these fields as well as in a widely-used volume on statistical distributions. He serves on the editorial board of the journal *InterStat*, and is a reviewer for several econometrics and statistics journals. He has made presentations at national and international conferences and has been a chair and a discussant at these conferences.



Front row (l. to r.): Sunil Sapra, Daphne Liu, Judith Hamera, Penelope Semrau, and Majdedin Mirmirani. Back row (l. to r.): President James Rosser, Academic Senate chair Ted Anagnoson, Provost Herman D. Lujan, and OPA selection chair Margaret Jefferson.

In September, **Penelope Semrau** began her 16th teaching year at Cal State L.A. Semrau teaches both undergraduate and graduate classes in educational uses of computers. Her classes, which include Multimedia Design and Production, Authoring Tools in Education, and Information Technologies in the Classroom, use cutting-edge technology and constructivist approaches to learning. Semrau pioneered the e-learning wave at Cal State L.A. and in 1994 was one of the first professors in the CSU system to teach online. Because of such accomplishments, she was invited in 1998 to teach in Hamburg, Germany, on the topic of online learning. Semrau has amassed an impressive record of publications, presentations, and 30 grants. Her current project is funded by the National Security Agency. She has authored the books, *Using Interactive Video in Education* and *MacArt*, and her writings are included in educational anthologies. Her many articles and book reviews have been published in major journals in her field.

Currently serving as acting associate dean of the College of Arts and Letters, **Judith Hamera** has taught nine different graduate seminars and 15 undergraduate courses across two departments—Communication Studies and Theatre Arts and Dance—since her arrival at Cal State L.A. in 1987. Her significantly superior student evaluations have addressed her professionalism, the challenging nature of her course requirements, and her caring attitude. She has been commended for providing challenging, intellectually stimulating, and highly motivating courses to every student who enters her classroom. Hamera's major professional achievements include more than 30 book chapters and articles in prestigious national and international journals in her field, and more than 40 presentations at national and international meetings. Her numerous professional awards and honors include her selection as co-editor of the most definitive reference work in her field and as recipient of the highest award for outstanding scholarship by the national organization in this discipline. Hamera has served as the editor of *Text and Performance Quarterly*, a major peer-reviewed national journal. She was the recipient of the 1996 Cal State L.A. Outstanding Professor Award.

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as a vice president of the statewide association. (It later became ACSUP, changing its name to reflect representation of state university professors.)

Don's recollections cover the earliest years of the original college and the expansion of its initial mission in "applied arts and sciences" to one befitting a comprehensive university. He was instrumental in the development of degree and credential programs for what then was the Division of Education, as well as the structure of the School that evolved from it in the reorganization of 1964. Ironically, he became the dean of a totally different school in that reorganization, yet he enjoyed his association with both the arts and the applied programs in great measure.

In 1961, just prior to that metamorphosis, Don took his only sabbatical leave. His program included visiting several universities in western Europe for purposes of a comparative study. He and Dorothy took their three children along, bought a new Mercedes for $2,400, and rolled up 18,000 miles on the continent. They had prepared well, and were "ready for most of the challenges." That experience seems also to have prepared Don and Dorothy for their post-retirement travels, in which they have reached every temperate-zone continent and many islands in between.

Don has made it through two quintuple bypasses, first in 1986 and again in 1995, and now has a pacemaker and a defibrillator. He writes that "nonagenarians have medical histories and good recoveries," far more often than just plain luck. Above all, his positive outlook is salutary, and should be contagious.

Ten New Emeriti Named

The following recently retired faculty members have been awarded emeritus status:

ADNAN M. ABDEEN
(Accounting, 1986-2003)

KENNETH L. ANDERSON
(Microbiology, 1970-2003)

MARILYN BUCCELLATI
(Art, 1973-2003)

JIM D. DONOHOO
(Accounting, 1981-2003)

DANIEL DOUKE
(Art, 1982-2003)

RAYMOND I. JENG
(Civil Engineering, 1968-2003)

RICHARD KATZ
(Mathematics, 1969-2003)

CHOR T. LAU
(Accounting, 1985-2003)

RAMACHANDRA MANVI
(Mechanical Engineering, 1971-2003)

DONALD R. PAULSON
(Chemistry, 1970-2003)

We congratulate them and hope to welcome them into the membership of the Emeriti Association.

Chancellor Reed Tells of Deep Cuts Ahead for CSU

On January 21, Chancellor Charles B. Reed sent a grim electronic message to the faculty and administration at all CSU campuses. In it, he summarized the proposals set forth by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger for a cut of $240 million, or nine percent, of the University system's budget. This reduction in resources will severely curtail efforts to carry out the missions to which the 23 campuses are committed, involving opportunity as well as instruction.

If the cuts are implemented as proposed, student access may be limited by approximately 20,000 students. According to Chancellor Reed, "The budget reductions are troubling because we will have to turn away qualified students who would otherwise be able to attend our universities." The proposed budget also recommends redirecting 10 percent, or 4,200, of CSU first-time freshmen to the community colleges.

Chancellor Reed called attention to another significant problem that would be posed by limiting access—fewer students admitted means that there will be fewer educated citizens entering the workforce. The state's investment in higher education is vital to long-term economic growth, job development, and the fiscal recovery plan the governor has outlined, Reed stated.



The governor has called for a more stable fee policy for higher education, with a 10 percent annual cap on undergraduate fee increases. The CSU has long advocated establishment of a predictable fee policy, and the Board of Trustees will be discussing this further at its March board meeting. However, the proposed budget calls for steep fee increases (40 percent) for graduate students. This could potentially discourage many CSU teacher candidates and those considering the profession from entering the field. It could also impact the CSU's ability to produce the highly qualified teachers needed throughout California.

Chancellor Reed indicated concern about the budget's impact on funding for programs, including the Educational Opportunities Program (EOP) and academic preparation programs, which have been very successful for students who otherwise may not have the opportunity to attend the CSU. The governor's proposed budget will also force the CSU to significantly reduce spending in university operations, as it leaves unfunded $57.4 million in 2004-05 mandatory cost increases. These costs include collective bargaining commitments, health benefit rate increases and insurance, and energy cost increases. The budget cuts may ultimately result in some reductions to institutional staff.

Chancellor Reed urged everyone to "continue to reinforce the CSU message—that CSU is working for California. We need to remind policymakers and the public that our university system is vital to job creation and to the state's economic prosperity. We need to stay focused on our mission of providing a quality, accessible and affordable education for students, and to be advocates for our CSU students."

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In Memoriam

MARTHA L. HACKMAN
Librarian, 1959-1977

Martha L. Hackman, who served in many capacities on the professional staff of the University Library, died on November 3 after a short illness. She had recently observed her 91st birthday.

Martha was born in Lincoln, Nebraska. At the University of Nebraska, she received her bachelor's and master's degrees in English, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She went on to earn a degree in library science at the University of Denver. Following a brief period of employment as a teacher, she began her career as a librarian in a number of locations, including both public and academic libraries. She worked at the New York Public Library's main branch on Fifth Avenue and at the University of Illinois prior to her move to California in 1952.

Her first position in California was at Occidental College, followed by her 1959 appointment at Cal State L.A., where she served in reference and in administrative assignments, and taught classes in the use of library resources. She retired after 18 years and enjoyed many years of creative writing, full-time. She wrote poetry, essays, and children's books, as well as memoirs of her life, and was active in a community writing group in South Pasadena.

Martha is survived by a cousin in Beatrice, Nebraska, and by her long-time companion, Lois DiSanto. A memorial service was held at their home on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, with many of her fellow writers in attendance.

GEORGE E. MANN
Professor of Mechanical Engineering, 1957-1980

George E. Mann, emeritus professor of mechanical engineering, died on November 25, of undisclosed causes. He was 87 years of age.

George was born in Illinois in 1916. Shortly thereafter, his parents moved to Southern California, and he grew up on their citrus ranch near Indio. Caltech was his choice for higher education, and he earned bachelor's and master's degrees in aeronautical engineering in 1937 and 1938. He was licensed in California as a Registered Professional Engineer in 1949.

First employed at Lockheed Aircraft Co., George left to found his own firm, Mann Engineering Co., shortly after the end of World War II. But after about a decade in engineering practice, he turned to teaching, and joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1957.

His engineering interests broadened over time under the influence of innovative developments, including specialties such as solar power and adhesive bonding, and he obtained several patents. During sabbatical leaves, he traveled to Brazil and China, and participated in academic engineering activities there.

On the faculty, he was widely known as a member of the founding cohort of the Faculty Club, before its modification as the University Club. Following his retirement in 1980, he continued part-time teaching and working on projects with students.

George was married twice, and is survived by seven children and 17 grandchildren, all of whom he guided devotedly in their personal and intellectual development. Memorial services were held in Glendale on November 28 and 29.

ARTHUR J. MISNER
Professor of Political Science, 1955-1983

Arthur J. (Jack) Misner, emeritus professor of political science, died on November 12, 20 years after his retirement from the faculty. He suffered a fall on November 5, and required surgery from which he did not recover. He was 82 years of age.

Jack came to Los Angeles State College in 1955, after earning his bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in public administration at UC Berkeley, respectively in 1942, 1948, and 1954. His previous employment included service as a lecturer, instructor, and administrative analyst in the Bureau of Public Affairs at Berkeley. He had also founded a government consulting firm, of which he was president.

In the Cal State L.A. Department of Political Science, Jack was a specialist in both public administration and labor-management relations. He taught a variety of courses, but his primary role was as the creator of the M.S. program in public administration, the only such program in the CSU. He served as the administrative director of that program and as director of the Government Affairs Research Center. In public service, he was an active practitioner in the fields of his expertise, lecturing to and holding appointments on selection boards of public agencies, writing reports for government departments at local and national levels, and speaking to political groups. Much of his work was on behalf of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.



With all these activities, he still managed to co-author five textbooks, primarily with his department colleague, Eugene Dvorin, and to participate actively in faculty and professional organizations. He served for several years as director of personnel for the California State Employees Association (CSEA), and was president of the Cal State L.A. chapter of CSEA for two years. He also was active in the Association of California State University Professors and the Los Angeles Metropolitan chapter of the American Society for Public Administration, serving a term as vice president in each. That chapter presented him with an award for his impact on the local public administration profession when he retired from the faculty in 1983.

Jack was born in Los Angeles on July 14, 1921 and attended local schools. Following his B.A. from Berkeley in 1942, he enlisted in the Navy and served four years on active duty during World War II. He was a lieutenant (j.g.) on the LST *Anne Arundel* in the invasions of Normandy, Southern France, the Philippines, and Okinawa, as he related in *The Emeritimes* of Spring 1996, which featured faculty reminiscences of the war. After the war, he remained in the Naval Reserve for 38 years, retiring with the rank of lieutenant commander.

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After his official retirement from the University, Jack continued teaching in the Faculty Early Retirement Program for eight years, mostly in large classes of Political Science 150 held in King Hall Lecture Hall 1, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:00 a.m. He also enjoyed playing golf and occasional visits to the races at Santa Anita. However, his health began declining seriously about three years ago, curtailing his activities. He is survived by his wife Fern, daughter Gaile Van Dahlen, son Robert Lee, and five grandchildren.

ROBERT STRASSBURG
Professor of Music, 1971-1983

Robert (Bob) Strassburg, emeritus professor of music, died on October 25 in Pasadena. He was 88 years of age and had suffered a stroke previously, which was followed by complications that led to his death.



Bob was a pianist, conductor, and composer, and one of the most esteemed teachers, recognized by an Outstanding Professor Award in 1976. He came to Cal State L.A. in 1971, following a distinguished career in Florida. He was named Miami Composer of the Year in 1955, and in 1958 founded the Greater Miami Youth Symphony, which continues its biennial Robert Strassburg Piano Concerto competition for aspiring young artists.

A native of New York, born in 1915, Bob pursued higher education in New England. He earned a Bachelor of Music degree from the New England Conservatory of Music and a Master of Music degree from Harvard, where Igor Stravinsky was one of his teachers. When he and his wife, the late Kathryn Ulanoff, moved to Florida, they settled in Coral Gables and were very active in the cultural life of the Miami area.

In the late 1960s, Bob and Kathryn moved to Los Angeles. Bob earned a Doctor of Fine Arts degree at the University of Judaism, for which he did extensive research on the compositions of Ernest Bloch. He spent the rest of his career at Cal State L.A. He was active in the Friends of Music, serving as its president and establishing scholarships in his name and in memory of Kathryn, who died about five years ago. They were married for 60 years.

Bob retired from the faculty in 1983 and continued composing, most notably an opera based on the life of Walt Whitman. He is survived by two sons and two grandchildren. A memorial service was held in Glendale on Thanksgiving Day.

WAYNE GLADISH
Librarian, 1987-2003

Wayne Gladish, the University Library's collections development librarian, died of heart disease at the age of 55 during a summer vacation trip. He and his wife, Christine, also a campus librarian, were visiting family in the Finger Lakes region of New York State.

Wayne and Christine, better known as Kippy, came to California in 1974, when Wayne was appointed to the USC library as acquisitions librarian. He joined the Cal State L.A. library staff as acquisitions librarian in 1987. He held a bachelor's degree in economics from Kenyon College, followed by a master's degree in library science from the University of Buffalo School of Library and Information Science, which he received in 1973.

His years in Buffalo reinforced his avid sports interests. He was a fan of the Buffalo Bills in football and the Buffalo Sabres in hockey. His baseball allegiance, for which Buffalo did not have a major league team, was divided between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Anaheim Angels.

Wayne and Kippy both grew up in Niagara Falls, New York and attended high school together. They commuter-dated through their separate college years, and were married in 1970. They had no children; his two brothers are his survivors.

Wayne's health deteriorated in recent years as a result of diabetes. In 1998, he underwent bypass surgery, but his medical difficulties continued as the disease progressed.

Plans for a memorial service are in progress.

EVELYN ELIZABETH DAYTON

Evelyn Elizabeth (Betty) Dayton, wife of Bruce Dayton, emeritus professor of physics, died on December 13, following a stroke that occurred on December 10. Betty was 85 and had suffered from Alzheimer's disease for about 10 years.

The Daytons moved from Pasadena to Carmel Valley in 1985, after Bruce retired. For a short time during Bruce's active years on the Cal State L.A. faculty, Betty worked as a costume specialist in what then was the Department of Speech and Drama. Her long-term activities in drama production were conducted in Altadena's Theatre Americana and California Theatre Ensemble. In Carmel Valley, she continued directing at area community colleges until the onset of her illness. A native of Texas, Betty earned bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Texas-Austin in English and drama.

In addition to Bruce, she is survived by a daughter Aruna, two stepchildren, a brother, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

RUTH HOFFMAN

Ruth Hoffman, widow of Richard (Dick) Hoffman, died of natural causes on June 24, in Lexington, Massachusetts, where she moved about five years ago in order to be close to her daughter. She was 89 years of age.

Ruth was an elementary school teacher and a consultant for the Los Angeles Unified School District during their residence in Southern California. Dick was a professor of industrial studies. He was a typographer and book designer, and taught that specialty in his department's multifaceted program.

Word was received at press time of the death of Roderick G. (Rod) Langston, emeritus professor of education; Daniel Amneus, emeritus professor of English; and Earl Phillips, emeritus professor of history. Obituaries will appear in the next issue of *The Emeritimes*.