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President's Message

As a representative of the Los Angeles affiliate to the CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA), I recently attended the fall State Council meeting in Los Angeles. Our campus is well represented on the Council. In addition to our other representatives, Lou Negrete and Barbara Sinclair, we have Len Mathy as an honorary life member, Frieda Stahl as a member-at-large, and Don Dewey as the current ERFA president. The agenda showed how vigorously the concerns of emeriti and retired CSU faculty are represented by this organization.



The CSU-ERFA staff, including Don Cameron, the executive director, are available by telephone or email to answer retirees' questions on retiree benefits, including income and health benefits. The latter is an area that has become increasingly complex, and retirees can benefit from informed advice. The retirement program of the CSU, CalPERS, is an extremely good one, and has been a blessing for many retirees in the recent global economic turmoil. But there have been threats to this program from legislators and others. CSU-ERFA maintains an active program of interacting with the legislature and other involved groups and lobbies for retiree concerns. CSU-ERFA also provides coordination among campus affiliates and provides financial support for local affiliate activities.

Given all these benefits and activities, I think it is fair to ask members of the Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association: Are you a member of CSU-ERFA? And if not, why not? Perhaps you believe that by joining the local affiliate you are automatically a member of CSU-ERFA. Not so. The two organizations are quite distinct, though they naturally share many interests. And you have to join each, separately, to get the full benefits of

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EMERITI TO MARK 31ST ANNIVERSARY AT ANNUAL SENATE VISIT

On February 10, Cal State L.A. emeriti will be formally recognized by the Academic Senate at its scheduled meeting, in observance of the 31st anniversary of the founding of the Emeriti Association. The Emeriti Association was established on February 9, 1978, led by founding father Sidney P. Albert. The longstanding tradition of honoring the emeriti at this time was begun by the executive committee in 1980, honoring Sidney's request.

Following the meeting, emeriti, senators, other faculty, and guests will gather at a reception in the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library's conference room and patio, Library North B530, on the basement level. This year's reception will feature a talk by Harold Goldwhite, Emeriti Association president, entitled "Molecules and Murder: Scientific Detection in Mystery Fiction." Refreshments will be served.

Call for Judges: Student Research Symposium

The 17th Annual Symposium on Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity, sponsored by the Office of Research and Development, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, Office of Graduate Studies and Research, and the Gamma Epsilon Chapter of 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. at the systemwide competition, where they will be eligible for cash prizes. This year's CSU Student Research Competition will be held at Cal State L.A. on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2.

Judges are always hard to recruit, as many faculty have their own students compete in the event. A number of emeriti have served as judges in the past, and have already volunteered to do so again this year. If you are interested in volunteering as a judge for your discipline, please contact Ellen Stein at 323-343-3798.

Emeriti Fellowship Recipients Honored at Fall Luncheon



Front row (l. to r.): Fellowship recipients Dustin Black, Mercedes Floresislas, Adi Juarez, Melanie Masterton, Sudipta Mohanty, and Eric Ferguson. Back row (l. to r.): Janet Fisher-Hoult, chair, Fellowship Fund Committee; Beatrice Yorker, dean, College of Health and Human Services; Harold Goldwhite, president, Emeriti Association; and Tricia Brewster, financial aid scholarship coordinator. Recipients Ryan Johnson and Linet Kehishian were unable to attend.

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Professional and Personal

Walter Askin (Art) has been named to the College Board's new Task Force on the Future of the Arts in Education. He recently created a color lithograph for presentation to the artist who has made an outstanding lifetime of work, at the annual conference of the Southern Graphics Council in Chicago. He had his large sculptures, "The Sentinels," exhibited in Palm Desert's 2007/2008 El Paseo Invitational Exhibition. He also created the illustration for an article in the current issue of *Martha's Minions*, a magazine published on Martha's Vineyard. Since most eateries on the Vineyard are either posh, expensive, or both, the article was a humorous exploration of a search to discover cheap eats on the island. He also juried the Pasadena Society of Artists 83rd Annual Exhibition at the Brand Library Art Galleries in Glendale. In addition, he recently exhibited his work at the International Print Center in New York.

Edward Forde (Art) exhibited his new paintings in 2008 exhibitions at the Carnegie Arts Center in Alliance, Nebraska; Tugboat Gallery in Lincoln, Nebraska; and Modern Arts Midwest in Lincoln, Nebraska. He also wrote two successful grant proposals totaling $55,000, funded by the Hixson-Lied Endowment and the Woods Charitable Trust, to fund community arts programs for the Lincoln Public Schools. He served as chair of the university search committee to select the new director of the Sheldon Art Museum. The candidate selected is Dr. Jorge Daniel Veneciano, MFA Cal State L.A., Ph.D. Columbia University.

Margaret Hartman (Academic Affairs and Biology) and Robert Zahary (Accounting) took their second trip to Laos in January 2008, spending more time in Vientiane and adding a trip to the Plain of Jars in the northeast and Wat Phao in the south. In March, Bob took a trip to Bali to participate in a yoga retreat; during the same time, Margaret went to Xian, China (terracotta warriors) and Beijing. Bob had been to both of those places in 1988 and their trip in 1989 was derailed when they were denied travel because of the Tiananmen Square massacre. In May, they traveled to Sabah, Malaysian Borneo, encompassing Mount Kinabalu National Park, Turtle Island, Sandakan, and Tawau and Danum Valleys for a eco-wildlife adventure. Margaret added to her personal adventure list by being bitten by leeches and stung by an enormous scorpion. After the hot, humid jungle, they were more than willing to go to New Zealand for the winter (August), spending a week on South Island, where Bob skied most of the big ski resorts, and then a week on North Island birding. They also spent a day sightseeing in Auckland with their hosts, **Linda Beamer** (Accounting) and David Tsow. In October, Margaret and Bob made a business trip that encompassed five cities in seven days–Singapore, Bangkok, Jakarta, Ho Chi Minh City, and Hanoi, with a short stop in Bangkok on the way home to Singapore for some R&R. Photos of their travels can be seen at http://gallery.me.com/margarethartman.

Apart from travel, Bob was re-elected to the General Committee of the American Club, where he continues to serve as treasurer, and Margaret serves on the Library Subcommittee (buyer of the adult history, biography, and science books) and the Membership Committee.

Vincent Mazzucchelli (Geography) continues his work as a creator of illuminated manuscripts. He recently completed the third panel in a set of three 25 x 38-inch panels that hang in the Lady Chapel at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church in Hollywood. The three illuminated panels are of three of the most familiar texts of the New Testament – I Corinthians, chapter XIII; Philippians, chapter II, verses 5-11; and the Gospel of John, Chapter I, verses 1-14. Other illuminations recently completed are two commissioned works – one for the Church of the Advent of Christ the King in San Francisco and one for the chapel at Mount Calvary, a monastery of the Anglican Order of the Holy Cross, located in Santa Barbara.

Elliott L. Oring (Anthropology) is currently teaching "Humor in Folk and Popular Culture" at the University of Iceland at Reykjavik through the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program. He has published widely on the topics of folklore, humor, and cultural symbolism.

Vilma Potter (English) had her second book of poems, *TRACKS*, published. The 58 poems divide into four groups: Long Distance (from Magdalena Bay, Baja California to Utah Beach, Normandy), Cross Country (from Alaska to

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Three New Emeriti Named

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

RANDY MARION CAINE
(Nursing, 1998-2008)

JOHN A. GAMON
(Biological Sciences, 1970- 2008)

GARY A. NOVAK
(Geological Sciences, 1970- 2008)

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

Emeriti Association Fellowship Fund Donors: 2008

Following is the list of donors to the Fellowship Fund for the last calendar year. Names in parentheses show the person or fund commemorated by the corresponding donor.

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(David Cameron Fisher Scholarship)

R. G. WISE
(David Cameron Fisher Scholarship)

In addition, there were four anonymous donors to the David Cameron Fisher Scholarship.

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the retiree membership organizations. The dues of each organization are moderate, and for CSU-ERFA (though not, alas, for the L.A. affiliate), you can have your dues paid automatically by deduction from your retirement warrant. If you want to learn more, call CSU-ERFA at 818-718-7996, or go to their website at http://www.csuerfa.org.

If you missed our fall program, you missed a treat. A fascinating tour of the Herzberg-Davis Forensic Sciences Building was followed by an excellent lunch, and an entertaining and educational talk by Dean Beatrice Yorker of our College of Health and Human Services, on "The CSI Effect." I want to thank Dean Yorker and our program chair, Hildebrando Villarreal, for arranging this fine program. See you at our winter reception and spring meeting, I hope.

Harold Goldwhite

Four Emeriti Become New Association Members

Four emeriti have recently joined the Emeriti Association:

COSTELLO BROWN
(Life Member)

NEDA FABRIS
(Life Member)

FRANCES KUWAHARA-CHINN
(Continuing Life Member)

LINDA BEAMER
(Life Member)

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

Health Briefs

Cataracts: They're Likely to Come With Age

By Marilyn Friedman

Cataracts are so very common among older persons that if you live long enough, you will most likely have one. By age 80, more than half of Americans either have a cataract or have had cataract surgery. It is interesting to note that I have asked a sample of four of my friends and family what a cataract is, and no one (even though they have had cataracts and cataract surgery) seems to know. The most common misconception is that the iris becomes blurred. Well, let me clear up the confusion.

The problem is within the lens, where light passes through the lens to the retina. The lens is located in back of the iris and pupil, and works much like a camera lens. To get a sharp image, one must have a transparent lens. As a person ages, the lens often becomes more cloudy due to some of the protein in the lens clumping together. This clumping of protein is the start of a cataract. Over time, the cataract may grow larger and cloud more of the lens, decreasing image sharpness. Changes in vision are usually not noticeable at first. But gradually, the cloudy area in the lens may get larger. In this case, vision becomes more blurred and duller, and may take on a tint – a brownish shade.

Cataracts are most often age-related, but this is a little misleading, as some individuals have cataracts in middle age, even in their 40s and 50s. Certain diseases, such as diabetes, and personal behaviors, such as smoking, alcohol use, and prolonged exposure to sunlight, may also contribute to the creation of cataracts. Cataracts can be in one eye or both, and may progress at different rates.

The National Eye Institute recommends that persons age 60 or older should have a comprehensive dilated eye exam every two years. Having the exam is also good in detecting other eye problems, including age-related macular degeneration and glaucoma. Early detection and treatment may save vision.

An early cataract can be treated by getting new eyeglasses and sunglasses with anti-glare, as well as by using brighter lighting and magnifying lenses for reading. If these are not sufficient remedies, then surgery is the only effective treatment. A cataract needs to be removed only when a person's vision loss interferes with everyday functioning, e.g., driving, reading, or watching TV. Once informed about the procedure, and its benefits and risks, an individual can pretty much decide when the time for surgery is right. In most cases, delaying cataract surgery will not cause long-term damage to the eye or make surgery more difficult.

Surgery involves removing the cloudy lens and replacing it with an artificial lens. Surgery can be performed on only one eye at a time. There are two types of cataract surgery done today: phacoemulsification, or phaco, and extracapsular. In phacoemulsification surgery (also called small incision cataract surgery), a small incision is made on the side of the cornea, the clear surface that covers the front of the eye. The surgeon inserts a tiny probe into the eye. The probe emits ultrasound waves that soften and break up the lens so that it can be removed by suction. In the extracapsular surgery, the surgeon makes a longer incision on the side of the cornea and removes the cloudy core of the lens. The remainder of the lens is removed by suction. After the natural lens is removed, it often is replaced by an artificial lens, called an intraocular lens. This is a clear, plastic lens that requires no care and becomes a permanent part of the eye. Some persons with other eye diseases cannot have an artificial lens implanted, and for these patients, a soft contact lens or special glasses are needed.

Although cataract removal is one of the most common operations performed in the U.S. and certainly one of the safest types of surgeries, problems after surgery can occur, although they are rare. There are certain risks associated with cataract surgery, such as infection, inflammation, and bleeding. To minimize these risks, certain medications that increase the chance of bleeding should be temporarily halted before surgery. After surgery, keeping the eye clean, washing hands before touching the eye, and use of prescribed medications help to minimize the risk of infection. Loss of vision, double vision, and high or low eye pressure can occur. Sometimes the eye tissue that encloses the artificial lens becomes cloudy and may blur vision. This is called after-cataract and is treated with a laser. Cataract surgery slightly increases the risk of retinal detachment, as evidenced by a sudden increase in floaters or flashes. This is a medical emergency and needs to be seen by the eye surgeon as soon as possible.

The recovery from surgery is usually an easy one. Health insurance plans cover eye exams and cataract surgeries. Just remember that cataract surgery is one of the most effective surgeries performed today, with a track record of improved vision in about 90 percent of operations.

The 1960s Faculty at Cal State L.A.

By Ted Anagnoson

In July 2008, *The New York Times* published "The '60s Begin to Fade as Liberal Professors Retire," pointing out that the faculty recently hired hadn't been born when the 1960s generation had its political views forged in protesting the war in Vietnam. Newer faculty, according to the *Times*, are "less ideologically polarized and more politically moderate," something confirmed by several faculty at Cal State L.A., who point to the decreased interest in serving on the Academic Senate and its various committees compared with the older generation now retiring.

National data cited by the *Times* from the American Association of University Professors indicate that over 54 percent of the full-time faculty members in the U.S. were older than 50 in 2005, compared with 22.5 percent in 1969.

California State University data for the 23-campus system indicate that 50.8 percent of the full-time academic employees in Fall 2005 were 50 or older (*CSU Statistical Abstract*), almost the same as the national figures.

Campus data for Fall 2007, the only year available, show that, of the faculty on duty that quarter, 55.4 percent of the 489 full-time faculty were 50 or over (Office of Institutional Research), indicating that the campus faculty as a whole are slightly older than faculty across the nation and in the CSU. Additional data show that the 703 part-time faculty on duty in Fall 2007 are younger, with 41.3 percent of them being 50 or over.

A more precise measurement might be the decade in which a faculty member received his or her bachelor's degree, that being the period during which political views are often forged. Here the data indicate that the 1960s generation has largely already retired from Cal State L.A. A scan of the 2005-07 catalog indicates that fewer than 20 percent of the faculty listed received their bachelor's degrees in the 1960s, with the bulk of the faculty receiving their degrees in the 1970s (36 percent) and 1980s (29 percent), as shown in the following table.

Number of Full-Time Tenured and Tenure Track Faculty in the CSULA 2005-07 Catalog with Bachelor's Degrees from the:

1940s	1	0.2%
1950s	14	2.5%
1960s	105	18.5%
1970s	205	36.2%
1980s	162	28.6%
1990s	80	14.1%

Source: Compiled by the author.

Campus News

Campus Prepares for WASC Reaccreditation

As part of the reaccreditation process, the University has prepared a Capacity and Preparatory Review report that outlines Cal State L.A.'s areas of academic focus and the capacity and preparation of the University for meeting its and WASC's standards for excellence. The report is posted at http:/www.calstatela.edu/wasc/, and will serve as the backbone of the reaccreditation review in April 2009. The Education Effectiveness Review will take place 18 months after the visit for the Capacity and Preparatory Review.

University Receives $5 Million Gift from Annenberg Foundation

Cal State L.A. recently received a $5 million gift from the Annenberg Foundation toward completion of the 120,000-square-foot Integrated Sciences Complex, now approved by the CSU Board of Trustees to be named the Wallis Annenberg Integrated Sciences Complex. It is the largest cash gift ever given to the University. La Kretz Hall, the first wing of the Wallis Annenberg Integrated Sciences Complex, has been so named to recognize generous gifts made to the Complex and the environmental sciences. Other major donors to the Complex include the Ahmanson Foundation and the Ralph M. Parsons Foundation. La Kretz Hall opened for classes in fall 2008, and construction has begun on the second wing of the Complex, which will add another 94,000 gross-square-feet of lab space, instructional space, and the dean's suite.

Quarters or Semesters?

The campus is in the process of considering the relative merits of the semester and the quarter academic calendars. The administration, the Academic Senate, and Associated Students, Inc. have initiated activities related to considering converting from a quarter-based academic calendar to a semester-based calendar. Background information, white papers, and ongoing issues and concerns related to the possibility of conversion can be found under Quick Links at http.//www.calstatela.edu.

CSULA Boasts Success of Sally Casanova Scholars

Eighteen Cal State L.A. students were named as the 2008-09 Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholars, representing the largest group from any of the 23 CSU campuses, nearly a quarter of the scholars selected from throughout the CSU system this academic year. Out of 220 applicants, 76 students were selected systemwide. Since 1998, more than 120 students from Cal State

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Emeriti were treated to a tour of the new Herzberg-Davis Forensic Science Center and its state-of-the-art labs prior to the fall luncheon.

The CSI Effect and Cal State L.A.

In atypical fashion, the Emeriti Association's fall luncheon on October 17 began with a tour of the new Hertzberg-Davis Forensic Science Center, which featured highlights of Cal State L.A.'s School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics. Joseph Peterson, the School's director, who conducted the tour, noted the Center's special connection with the Los Angeles Sheriff's and Los Angeles Police departments, and the housing of those agencies' crime laboratories. Following a brief tour of the non-technical features of the building, including classrooms and offices, he handed the group over to Don Johnson – not of *Nash Bridges* TV fame – who had been a chemistry student in some of Harold Goldwhite's classes and is now a professor in the criminal justice and criminalistics program. Johnson took the group to the forensic chemistry and biology laboratories, including the lab where the reconstruction of crime scenes occurs. That lab contains all manner of accoutrements, bullet charts, mannequins, and equipment to study blood spatter patterns and bullet trajectories, plus special lighting, so that students can reconstruct crime scenes. Johnson explained that blood not only moves in the direction of the bullet (forward spatter), but also backwards (back spatter) toward the shooter, and described how this information can be used in criminal investigations. The labs, which are state-of-the-art, have mass spectrometers, centrifuges, and gas chromatographs to study DNA, material fibers, and latent fingerprints. In addition to informing the emeriti about crime scene topics, including dry storage of DNA, touch evidence, and sample matrix data, Johnson also discussed several current research projects being conducted by faculty and students.

Following the luncheon and introduction of the emeriti fellowship recipients, Beatrice Yorker, dean of the College of Health and Human Services, gave a presentation entitled "The CSI Effect," the perfect complement to the earlier

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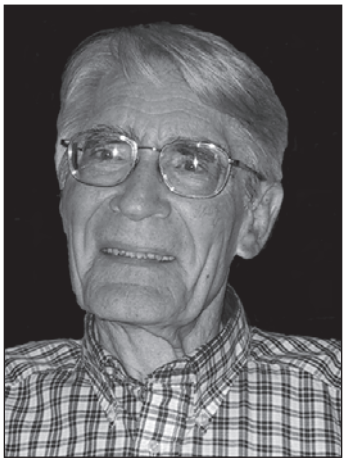
In Memoriam

ROLAND LEROY CARPENTER

Professor of Astronomy, 1968-1994

Roland Leroy Carpenter, professor emeritus of astronomy, passed away on September 21 at the age of 82 in the Santa Teresita Manor in Duarte, from complications of pneumonia following surgery. He retired after 26 years of service to Cal State L.A.

Roland grew up in Los Angeles, where he graduated from Manual Arts High School. In 1950, he graduated from Los Angeles State College with a B.A. degree in psychology, and soon after started working at Collins Radio Company as an engineer. In 1959, he left that position to move to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena,



as a research scientist. He then started graduate school at UCLA, completing the requirements for an M.A. in Astronomy in 1964, and in 1966 he finished his Ph.D. degree requirements, also in astronomy.

While at JPL, using radioastronomical techniques, he discovered that the cloud-covered planet Venus rotates backward, and provided the first reliable estimate of its rotational period. He also initiated one of the early searches for theoretically predicted small-scale fluctuations in the isotropy of the cosmic background radiation, and provided the first quantitative evidence for large-scale clustering in the distribution of galaxies.

In 1968, the then Department of Physics recruited Roland to come to Cal State L.A. to build up the astronomy program in the department. Over the years, he developed several astronomy courses and a following among the students, firmly establishing the astronomy program in the department. In 1980, the department name was changed to the Department of Physics and Astronomy to recognize the strength of the astronomy offerings. He continued his research, much of it in a continuing collaboration with JPL scientists, on the properties of Venus and the cosmic background radiation, along with a study of the association between radio sources and spiral galaxies.

As computers became more available on campus, Roland was one of the leaders in the department in utilizing computers in the instructional program. In these endeavors, he worked with colleagues in the Geology Department, and with colleagues in the College of Education. After he retired, he taught for the department for six additional years.

Roland was an enthusiastic, skillful, and effective teacher who left many hundreds of Cal State L.A. students enriched by a memorable introduction to astronomy. His classes for advanced students were similarly received. His colleagues remember these contributions to the department and his commitment to all aspects of the governance of the department.

Roland Carpenter is survived by his wife, Dorothy Keane, emeritus professor of education; his daughter Ann; and his grandchildren Samantha, Isaiah, and Gabriela. His life was celebrated at a memorial service at All Saints Church on November 22.

CHARLES M. HABERMAN

Professor of Mechanical Engineering, 1959-1991

Charles M. Haberman, emeritus professor of mechanical engineering, died on September 13, at the age of 80. Chuck joined the mechanical engineering faculty at Cal State L.A. in Fall 1959, and spent 32 years as a dedicated and enthusiastic teacher of 25 different mechanical engineering courses.

Chuck was born on December 10, 1927. He received the General Excellence Outstanding Student Award in High School, and then spent time in the U.S. Army. He earned his B.S. in Engineering from UCLA in 1951, and subsequently became a lead engineer and group supervisor at Northrop Aircraft. He later earned three degrees at the University of Southern California: M.S. in Mechanical Engineering (1954), the first Master of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering that USC awarded (1957), and an M.S. in Aeronautical Engineering (1961).

He wrote three published textbooks: *Engineering systems analysis (Setup and solution)* (1965), *Use of digital computers for engineering applications* (1966), and *Vibration analysis* (1968), plus three additional books. He was an active member of many professional organizations, including the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, the American Society for Engineering Education, the American Academy of Mechanics, and Tau Beta Pi, the Engineering Honor Society.

His fellow faculty members have described him as "a good hearted and gracious man." His office mate from 1959 described him as a "very nice man, always helpful, and willing to share his experiences



in and out of academic life." He was applauded for his passion for teaching, and one colleague recalled that he was "amazed at the knowledge Chuck had about the backgrounds of our students, their strengths, their weaknesses, and their personal lives." Away from the University, Chuck enjoyed skiing, and playing basketball and volleyball. He was granted emeritus status in Spring 1991.

Haberman is listed in several publications including *Who's Who in Engineering*, *International Who's Who of Intellectuals*, *American Men and Women of Science*, *Who's Who in the West*, and *Who's Who in California*.

Memorial Services were held on September 19 at Saint Juliana's Church in Fullerton.

HARRY S. HALL

Professor of Political Science, 1965-1990

Harry S. Hall, emeritus professor of political science, died October 4 at the age of 86, from natural causes.

He began a 25-year career at Cal State L.A. in 1965, teaching courses in American politics, public policy, and public administration, and served as both department chair and director of public administration programs before he retired.

Harry originated courses such as "Power in Washington" and "The Nuclear Age," as well as served as one of the organizers of the upper-division theme on the latter topic. He was a well-known and knowledgeable adviser. Elected chair of the Department of Political Science in Fall 1967, he started a practice of welcoming new faculty and their families to a dinner and swim at his home in Alhambra before school started in late September.

Harry came to Cal State L.A. having been a student of Philip Selznick, who wrote many political sociology texts, including the classic *TVA and the Grass Roots: A Study of Politics and Organization*. Harry enjoyed teaching po-

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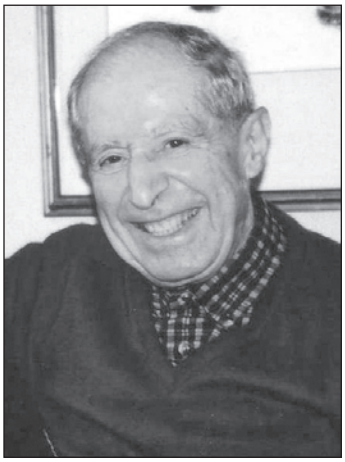
litical sociology and was strongly interested in organizational behavior. *Group Think* by Irving Janis had a strong impact on Harry's thinking and political analysis as well, as Janis' framework resonated with Harry's and his wife Jean's earlier experiences working at RAND Corporation in Santa Monica in the late 1940s, prior to Harry's attending graduate school at UCLA and the University of Chicago. The book also fit the behavior he observed among elite decision-makers in the 20th century in the area of nuclear policy in particular, and more generally on the American political scene. Harry saw the impact of group think in Vietnam War decision-making, as well as in the Watergate scandal and its aftermath. Consequently, he was attracted to dissident political leaders and presidential candidates such as Barry Commoner and Ralph Nader.

Harry was born on May 8, 1922 and grew up in Amherst, Massachusetts, where his father was a local minister. He received his A.B. in Social Science and Philosophy from Harvard University in 1943, and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Chicago in 1953 and 1961, respectively. During the early years of their marriage in the 1950s, Harry and Jean lived in the Chicago area while Harry pursued graduate work and Jean worked at the Argonne National Laboratory. After receiving his Ph.D., Harry taught at Temple University in Philadelphia, where one of his students was Alan Wolfe, the noted author of many books on American politics and religion. Harry encouraged Alan to get a doctorate at the University of Pennsylvania, which he did in 1967.

At Cal State L.A in 1969, Harry hired Alan Wolfe for the summer quarter. Alan was by then co-chair of the Caucus for a New Political Science, which had been created at the 1968 national meetings of the American Political Science Association (APSA) in Chicago. The Caucus was critical of the dominant apolitical culture that prevailed in the political science discipline at that time, and attracted dissidents opposed to the Vietnam War, behaviorism, sexism, and racism, who joined together to challenge the APSA establishment. Alan's presence in Los Angeles led a number of Cal State L.A. political science faculty to become leaders in the Caucus for a New Political Science that year and in subsequent years. Harry's hiring of Alan was hailed by most of the new members of the department as a progressive step, but for others it represented a step in the wrong direction. Yet all could agree that it had a significant impact on the department and the college for many years.

As a scholar, Harry authored *Congressional Attitudes Toward Science and Scientists: A Study of Legislative Reactions to Atomic Energy and the Political Participation of Scientists* (1979), as well as several articles and convention papers in the area of American politics. He had book reviews published in several political science journals. He was a long-time member of the Academic Senate and numerous committees at all levels, and he served as vice president and a member of the executive committee of the campus American Association of University Professors chapter.

In the California State University, Harry was one of the founding organizers of the CSU Social Science Research and Instructional Council and the federated membership for the CSU – the first in the nation – in the Inter-University Consortium



for Political and Social Research, the source of thousands of data sets used by social scientists for teaching and research. He also served on the Advisory Board for International Policy of the CSU and the Executive Committee of the Academic Council of CSU International Programs.

After moving to Arcadia, Harry and Jean frequently hosted meetings, dinner parties, and department gatherings at their home. They enjoyed good food and wine, which undoubtedly contributed to frequent requests for them to host gatherings. They were gracious hosts, and both had a good sense of humor. Harry loved jokes, including self-deprecating shots such as the convoluted instructions for assembling a reel-to-reel tape recorder that he read at his retirement in lieu of the recorder itself. Harry and Jean enjoyed eating out and were experts at finding outstanding eating experiences in and near the San Gabriel Valley, including such favorites as the Parkway Grill in Pasadena and La Serenata de Garibaldi in Boyle Heights.

Because Harry did not like to drive the freeways, years before GPS technology was available he became an ace at finding expeditious surface routes to a host of locations far and near to his home. While traffic backed up for miles on the freeways, Harry scooted home on the roads less traveled. Those who were lucky and had a chance to follow him from campus to his home learned alternative routes that they never imagined existed.

Loyalty was one of Harry's strongest virtues. He maintained relationships such as those with Alan Wolfe and his University of Chicago peers for years. While other Cal State L.A. faculty sought the privacy of separate offices, Harry and Ed Malecki remained the only political science faculty who shared an office after the department moved from the third floor of King Hall to the fifth floor of Engineering and Technology in the 1970s. They remained officemates until Harry's retirement in 1990.

Although Harry was justifiably proud of his long service with the University, his children, Carolyn and Brian, were his pride and joy. Harry's knowledge of dysfunctional organizational environments guaranteed that he and Jean were active participants in the Arcadia schools, and in the gymnastics groups in which Carolyn starred. They were thrilled by Carolyn's successful dancing career and enjoyed traveling to see her perform. After losing Jean in June 2007, Harry sent out a message that December that provided updates on the education and employment of both his children, also indicating that Brian was living with him and that Carolyn was visiting regularly. It is clear that Harry was as proud of their loyalty as he was of their accomplishments.

KE TING HSIA

Professor of Economics and Statistics, 1963-1989

Ke Ting Hsia, emeritus professor economics and statistics, died on November 5 at the age of 87.

K. T. came to Cal State L.A. in 1963, and over the next 35 years, taught thousands of graduate and undergraduate students in economics and statistics. He was well loved by both the faculty



and the students. Prior to retiring in 1989, he served as the department chair. During his tenure as chair, the department expanded to become the second largest department in the College of Business and Economics.

The second son of six children, K.T. was born on April 12, 1921. He grew up in China,

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attending primary and middle schools in Puyuan and Jia-Xing. Despite the challenges during the Japanese occupation, he earned the right to attend the prestigious Chiao Tung University in Pingye and Chongjing. After graduation, he was assigned to railroads in Bao-Tien, Shanghai-Nanjing, and Taiwan. During the Korean War, he served in Asia for the U.S. Army. After marrying his wife Jean, he immigrated to the United States in 1957.

K.T. earned his MBA and Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. His doctoral thesis in economics was on the regulation of natural gas. Following retirement, Jean and K.T. made their home in Arcadia and traveled in Asia, Europe, and North America. While on a cruise to the Mexican Riviera in February 2006, K.T. suffered his second heart attack. He succumbed on November 5 of this year.

K. T. Hsia is survived by his wife Jean; children Janet, Tom, and Jim; and five grandchildren. A memorial service celebrating his life was held on November 16 at Evergreen Baptist Church in La Puente. A scholarship has been established in his name.

J. Murray Ross

Librarian and Head, Government Publications, 1965-1992

J. Murray Ross, long-time head of the government documents room at the University Library, died in 2008 due to complications that followed a fall in his yard that broke his neck. He died one month later. No specific information regarding his age or date of death is available. Murray received his B.A from the University of British Columbia in 1956 and the Master of Library Science degree from the University of Southern California in 1957. He joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1965, and served as catalog and reference librarian before establishing the government documents collection as a separate entity from the main book collection. He was the long-time head of government publications at the University Library before retiring in 1992.

Murray wrote three books, all on government documents. In 1983, he authored *Trials in Collections, an Index to Famous Trials Throughout the World*. In 1989, the American Library Association published his *How to Use the Major Indexes to U.S. Government Publications*, and in 1996, his work, *Employment/Unemployment and Earnings Statistics: A Guide to Locating Data in U.S. Documents*, was published by Scarecrow Press.

Bertram L. Potter

Bertram L. Potter, husband of Vilma Potter, emerita professor of English, died on November 21 at the age of 91. Bert had been at Kaiser Hospital for more than a week as a result of a severe heart attack. An attorney since 1940, Bert founded and developed the Pasadena law firm that is now Potter, Cohen & Samulon, specializing in Social Security disability law. The Potters' two sons, Paul and Joshua, are partners in the firm.

Born in New York in 1917, Bert served as a military government officer in the U.S. Army from 1942-45. He and Vilma came to California from New York in 1949, and to Pasadena in 1952. He loved the West, enjoying hiking, camping, and riding in the Sierra.

Among his many professional activities, Bert served as chair of the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Social Security Section and lectured to colleagues through the California State Bar Association and the National Organization of Social Security Claimant Representatives.

In tribute to her husband of 63 years, Vilma wrote several poems, including the following:

> "He was one who addressed his choices
> like a great bowl of fruit . . .
> he who had been
> scholar, soldier,
> husband, father,
> friend."

In addition to Vilma and his two sons, Bert is survived by daughter Alexandra, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren who called him "GG."

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South Carolina), Home (urban and suburban life now and then), and A Year at the Shore, (a sequence of weekends in a small beach town). The single poem, "Astronaut," is on the back cover. Each group of poems is preceded by a pen-and-ink sketch by Ruth Reed, a painter, sculptor, and poet. Vilma's publisher, Quesadilla Press, is a member of the Cal State L.A. family–Norma Fain Pratt, wife of Kenneth Pratt (History).

Leon Schwartz (French) had published his book of translations of 15 French poets from the 15th to the 20th centuries, entitled *Poems That Sing by French Masters* (http://www.worthyshorts.com), 2008. The book is published with the original French as well as his English rendering, side by side.

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L.A. have been recognized as Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholars. Fifty-six percent of the Cal State L.A. students have entered top-ranking doctoral programs throughout the United States and in several foreign countries, a tribute to the excellence of the faculty who work closely to prepare these scholars.

Nancy Wada-McKee Appointed AVP for Student Affairs

Nancy Wada-McKee was named as assistant vice president for student affairs—student services on September 15, 2008. She oversees the Educational Opportunity Program, Educational Participation in Communities, International Programs and Services, Judicial Affairs Office, Office for Students with Disabilities, Student Health Center, and the Student Affairs Program.

Lisa M. Chavez Named AVP, Administration & Finance

Lisa M. Chavez was appointed as associate vice president for administration and finance–financial services, effective August 25, 2008. She previously served as director of human resources management. In her new role, she is responsible for budget administration, business financial services, procurement and contracts, and student financial services.

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tour. One of Yorker's revelations was that the CSI television programs have deep roots at Cal State L.A. Barry Fisher, director of the L.A. County Sheriff's Criminalistics Laboratory and a consultant on many crime and justice television shows and films, is the author of *Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation*, which gave the CSI television programs their name. When CBS television producers were interested in developing a program specifically on crime scene investigation, they approached Fisher, who was amused by the idea, saying that it would never catch on with the public. While he declined this particular offer, he did recommend a senior criminalist, Elizabeth Devine, who received her M.A. in Criminalistics from Cal State L.A. in 1985 and was honored as a Distinguished Alumna in 2006. She agreed to work as a technical consultant with CBS. Devine was nominated for an Emmy Award in 2004 for her dramatic writing. The rest is history; the immensely successful CSI television programs were in such demand that spinoff shows in Miami, Las Vegas, and New York were produced, and Liz Devine became a consultant and co-executive producer of CSI Miami, one of the most watched TV shows in the world, currently seen in over 70 countries.

Many universities and community colleges now offer forensic programs, but Cal State L.A. was in the forefront of this movement. At one time, the University offered the only degree in criminalistics in southern California.