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President's Message



Some clichés are true. Nothing really does remain the same forever. During the 1970s and 1980s, I constantly heard that Cal State LA was the best-kept secret in Los Angeles. That changed dramatically last year when the University was recognized nationally for its success in fostering the upward mobility of its students and its enrollment boomed to 28,000 students. There is no doubt that it is now Los Angeles' premier urban public university.

These positive developments have continued this year. *Washington Monthly*'s annual college guide ranked Cal State LA sixth in both the Top Master's Universities and Best Bang for the Buck in Western Colleges categories. The University's alumnae are also continuing to achieve success in a wide variety of professions, including, for example, Leana

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Cal State LA Commemorates 50th Anniversaries of Chicana(o) and Pan-African Studies



Courtesy of Cal State LA Public Affairs

Events kicking off the 50th anniversary celebrations of the Chicano and Pan-African studies programs featured (top, l. to r.) speaker Dolores Huerta and musician Alice Bag, and (bottom, l. to r.) awardees Nana Lawson Bush V, Akinyele Umoja, Barbara Lee, and Teri Williams.

Last fall, Cal State LA marked 50 years of the Chicano and Pan-African studies programs at the University with major events. Both programs were founded amid the social and political turmoil of the late 1960s.

On September 6, the year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Chicano studies program kicked off with a tribute to and inaugural lecture by legendary labor leader and civil rights activist Dolores Huerta and a performance by Cal State LA alumna and punk rock musician Alice Bag. Huerta spoke about history, politics, and economics as she shared stories about her 60 years on the front lines of social justice crusades. Bag, who was accompanied by La Victoria mariachi trio, performed a song she wrote to honor Huerta for her pioneering work with the United Farm Workers and her activism on behalf of women's rights. Fifty years ago, against a backdrop of student protests and community unrest, Cal State LA

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Emeriti Senate Recognition Set for February 12

On Tuesday, February 12, the annual formal recognition of emeriti faculty is scheduled from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. in Golden Eagle Ballroom 3. All emeriti are invited, and those in attendance will be asked to introduce themselves and say a few words to the senators. The annual recognition is held to mark the anniversary of the founding of the Emeriti Association. The Association was established on February 9, 1978, led by Sidney P. Albert, emeritus professor of philosophy. The longstanding tradition of honoring the emeriti was begun by the Academic Senate executive committee in 1980.

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Gaucher-Morales Conference on April 12-13 Focuses on Three Mexican Muralists

The 2019 Gigi Gaucher-Morales Memorial Conference on Mexican Muralists: Their Art, Their Lives, and Their Times will take place in the Cal State LA Music Hall on April 12 and 13.

Remembered as the iconic *los tres grandes* in Mexico's pictorial movement that surged after the 1910 Revolution, José Clemente Orozco, Diego Rivera, and David Alfaro Siqueiros were artists with an international vision who visited or lived for long periods of time in France, Italy, Spain, the former USSR, and the United States. All three undertook mural projects of artistic importance in major American cities, works that continue to be the subjects of scholarly attention. It was in the historical context of the Cold War that the muralists lived and painted the western democratic and socialist utopias according to very personal and contrasting views.

Founded in honor of Jeanine Gaucher-Morales, professor emerita of French and Spanish, by her family, the Morales Family Lecture Series Endowment completed its first decade of sponsoring conferences devoted to bringing the best in international scholarship in Latin American and Chicano studies to Cal State LA in 2018. The internationally known and respected conference series has broad sponsorship, including that of the Emeriti Association.

For more information on the 2019 conference, visit http://mexicanmuralsatcalstatela.blogspot.com.

A Tennis Dream Come True

By Dorothy L. Keane

I was the lucky winner of the main auction at the 2018 Billie Jean King Gala, which raised money for scholarships for Cal State LA student athletes. The prize? A trip to the U.S. Open tennis championships in New York as Billie Jean King's guest. This adventure really filled my bucket list.



Courtesy of Dorothy L. Keane

Dorothy Keane poses with Billie Jean King at the 2018 U.S. Open.

My niece and I stayed at the Grand Hyatt Hotel and were shuttled to and from the Billie Jean King National Tennis Center each day for three wonderful days. On our first day, we were guests in the Billie Jean King Suite and the adjoining box seats to watch tennis up close. We watched two great matches, one with Andy Murray of Great Britain and one with our American player, Sloan Stephens, the number three-ranked player and defending champion of the U.S. Open, who had a tough time beating her unseeded (unranked among tennis players) opponent. I got to meet and spend time with Billie Jean, chatting about Cal State LA and her unceasing loyalty to her alma mater and its students. It was an exciting and memorable day.

The second day we were guests of Katrina Adams, president of the U.S. Tennis Association (USTA). We were in the USTA luxury suite and had a fabulous lunch before going to the adjoining box seats to watch more great tennis. We saw one of my favorite players, Roger Federer of Switzerland, the number two seed in men's singles, play an outstanding match. We also watched Caroline Wozniacki from Denmark, number two seed in women's singles, play a great match. What a treat!

On the third day, we had box seats in Louis Armstrong Stadium, which opened last year as a replacement for the 1978 venue of the same name. We watched Ken Anderson of South Africa, the number six player in men's singles, and the number four player, Angelique Kerber of Germany. Since we were there at the beginning of the tournament—second round—most of these great athletes were seeded and playing unseeded, newer players. The expectation is that the seeded players will win; in the matches we saw, that expectation was met.

Representing Cal State LA while attending the 2018 U.S. Open was the thrill of a lifetime. It can only be matched by my winning a trip to Wimbledon in 2015. I am an avid tennis fan, watching most televised major tournaments, but there is no comparison to experiencing the energy and enthusiasm of being in the crowd at a tournament.

It is my understanding that the traditional gala will not be scheduled again, but I am hoping that there will be other opportunities to support the sports program at Cal State LA while enjoying more tennis adventures.

Emeriti Fellowship Recipients Honored at Fall Luncheon



Courtesy of Ellen R. Stein

Front row (l. to r.): Diana Sanchez, Escee Lopez, Wendy Lyco, and Jessica Meza. Back row (l. to r.): Joel Ramirez, Arlene Sagastumer, Narine Zokhrabyan, Citlalli Anahuac, and Robert Taylor. Unavailable for photo: Francesca Campos, Ajay Ghingoor, and Hazina Cain-Houston.

Professional and Personal

John Allswang (History) has learned that Johns Hopkins University Press will republish his 1986 book, *Bosses, Machines, and Urban Voters*, in a new series of "outstanding out-of-print humanities books," in print, e-book, and online open-access formats.

Connie Corley (Social Work) gave a Lifelong Learning Program talk, "Mindfulness and the Holidays," at Villa Gardens retirement community in Pasadena on December 21.

Daniel Crecelius (History) recently saw the publication of the following items. His entries for the Third Edition of the *Encyclopaedia of Islam* for the 18th century Egyptian mamluk leaders Isma`il Bey al-Kabir and Ibrahim Bey appeared. These biographies follow earlier entries for Muhammad Bey Abu al-Dhahab and `Umar Makram. The Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture, located in Istanbul, published the first of three volumes, *History of Egypt in the Ottoman Period*, in 2017. The first volume, in Arabic, will be followed by translations of this first volume into English and Turkish.

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Carlos G. Gutiérrez (Chemistry) was an invited speaker at the March for Science Los Angeles 2018: Rally and Science Expo at Pershing Square on April 14. The event was organized by the Los Angeles Alliance for Science.

John A. Kirchner (Geography) was appointed visiting professor at Hainan University, Haikou, China through the end of 2019. He has so far given three guest lectures as part of the joint Hainan University-Arizona State University International Tourism Program: "National Parks of the Sierra Nevada and the Desert Southwest," "In the path of Charles Darwin: Patagonia and the Galapagos Islands," and "Thirty Years of Train Travel in China: A Geographer's Perspective." Other 2018 papers and talks were "History Repeats Itself: Panama Disease and the World Banana Economy," at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting in New Orleans on April 5 and "A College Kid Goes Railroading: Chicago in the 1960s," at the Lexington Group for Transportation History, Chicago, on October 31. On January 31, he gave a Lifelong Learning Program presentation, "Darwin and the Galapagos Islands," at Hollenbeck Palms retirement community in Boyle Heights.

Demetrius J. Margaziotis (Physics) co-authored four articles published in peer-reviewed journals that reported results from experimental work at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (JLab) in Newport News, Virginia: "A Glimpse of Gluons Through Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering on the Proton," with M. Defurne et al., *Nature Communications* 8, 2017; "Separated Kaon Electroproduction Cross Section and the Kaon Form Factor from 6 GeV JLab Data," with M. Carmignotto et al., *Physical Review* C97, 2018; "Search for Three-Nucleon Short-range Correlations in Nuclei," with Z. Ye et al., *Physical Review* C97, 2018; and "Technical Supplement to 'Polarization Transfer Observables in Elastic Electron-Proton Scattering at Q2 = 2.5, 5.2. 6.8 and 8.5 GeV2,'" with A. J. R. Puckett et al., *Nuclear Instruments and Methods* A910, 2018.

Patricia Martz (Anthropology) coauthored a research article, "Ancient human parallel lineages within North America contributed to a coastal expansion," in *Science*, May 31, 2018.

Elliott Oring (Anthropology) is the author of *The First Book of Jewish Jokes: The Collection of Lippmann Moses Buschenthal,* Indiana University Press, September 4, 2018.

Marlene Zepeda (Child and Family Studies) gave two presentations in 2018: "Promising practices in Dual Language education," at the American Educational Research Association's Symposium on Promoting the Educational Success of Children Learning English, in New York last April, and "Issues in the preparation and professional development of early educators to serve young DLLs," at the Buffett Early Education Institute's Symposium on Promoting the Success of Young Children Learning English: Nebraska and National Perspectives, in Omaha on June 20.

Guest Contributions to *The Emeritimes*

The Emeritimes welcomes story ideas and guest articles from emeriti to enhance the publication and bring you a variety of news and feature articles. Suggestions for emeriti contributions in future issues can be sent to the editor at erstein25@gmail.com.

Cal State LA Alumna Lou Guerrero Elected First Woman Governor of Guam



Courtesy of the White House

Cal State LA alumna Lourdes "Lou" Leon Guerrero became the first woman to serve as governor of Guam when she assumed the office on January 7. Guerrero, who received a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University in 1973, won her November 6 race by a substantial enough margin to avoid a runoff. According to *Guampedia*, she is the first Pacific Islander woman to serve as a state or territorial governor in the United States.

Additional information about Guerrero's career is provided by *Wikipedia*. Guerrero worked as a nurse at Santa Monica Hospital, obtaining her Master of Public Health degree from UCLA in 1979, before returning to Guam in 1980 to work at Guam Memorial Hospital, where she eventually became the hospital's assistant nursing director. She went on to the Family Health Plan clinic and was its director of operations from 1990 to 1994. She served as a senator in the Guam legislature from 1995 to 2005. The daughter of the founder of the Bank of Guam, she most recently has been chair of the board, chief executive officer, and president of the Bank of Guam.

Upcoming Lifelong Learning Program Presentations

The Lifelong Learning Program has two more talks scheduled for the winter. All are welcome.

February 20 7:00 p.m.	Timothy Steele	Readings from his poetry	Villa Gardens Retirement Community
February 22 10:30 a.m.	Andrew Winnick	"The 2018 Election: Where Does It Leave Us?"	South Pasadena Senior Center

The spring schedule of presentations is being arranged. For further information, or to volunteer to participate as a presenter, contact Peter Brier, director of the Lifelong Learning Program, at pbrier@yahoo.com or 626-376-0300.

Emeriti Association Gains Five New Members

Five emerita/us faculty members have recently joined the Emeriti Association.

JOANNE ALTSCHULER
(Annual Emerita Member)

MARTIN BRODWIN
(Annual Emeritus Member)

SHIRLEY B. GRAY
(Life Emerita Member)

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(Life Emerita Member)

LAURI RAMEY
(Annual Emerita Member)

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

The fall issue incorrectly reported Konrad Aniol as a new Annual Emeritus Member. He is a Life Emeritus Member.

The following Annual Emeritus Member has recently become a Life Emeritus Member:

DANIEL CRECELIUS

Cal State LA Alumna Leana Wen Appointed New President of Planned Parenthood

On November 12, Cal State LA alumna Leana Wen became the new president of Planned Parenthood, one of the nation's largest providers of health care and reproductive



Courtesy of the Baltimore City Mayor's Office

services to low-income women. She is the sixth president and only the second physician to lead the 102-year-old organization. She most recently served as health commissioner for the city of Baltimore, where she was hailed as a strong advocate for expanding access to health services in vulnerable neighborhoods. Before she assumed that post in 2015, she was a university professor, author, and emergency room physician.

Wen, 35, graduated summa cum laude from the University when she was only 18. She was admitted when she was 13 through the Early Entrance Program and earned her B.S. in biochemistry in 2001. She attended medical school at Washington University, trained at Massachusetts General Hospital as a Harvard Medical School Clinical Fellow, and studied public health at the University of Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

A native of Shanghai, Wen was almost eight years old when her parents, Chinese dissidents, immigrated to the United States and were granted political asylum. They settled in Compton, where her family had to confront what she describes as "the challenges of seeking healthcare with limited resources." As a child, Wen was chronically ill with asthma, and she indicates that she, her younger sister, and her mother all "depended on Planned Parenthood for medical care at various times."

Wen has credited her Cal State LA professors and mentors with exposing her to new ways of thinking about the world. In a 2009 interview with a University publication, she said, "I feel strongly that I received an excellent, diverse education from Cal State LA."

SAVE THESE 2019 DATES!

APRIL 26

SPRING EMERITI LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 27

FALL EMERITI LUNCHEON

Stay tuned for more information about keynote speakers and programs. Mark your calendar!

Campus News

Outstanding Faculty Honored at Fall Convocation

Six Cal State LA faculty members were recognized for excellence in teaching and outstanding achievements during the 2018 Fall Convocation in August. This year's President's Distinguished Professor Award was presented to **Daphne Liu** (Mathematics), who is highly regarded for her research in graph theory and distinguished teaching in mathematics. She is co-investigator for the NASA Data Intensive Research and Education Center for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) at Cal State LA and has received three National Science Foundation grants. She received the 2015 Distinguished Teaching Award from the Mathematical Association of America, Southern California and Nevada Section, which recognized her extraordinary teaching and mentoring efforts that have made a great impact on her students. The Outstanding Professor awards went to **Nana Lawson Bush V** (Education/Pan-African Studies), who is recognized as a leading expert on the relationship between African-American mothers and their sons, the development of Independent Black Institutions in the United States, and the theorization of

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Donna Cleman Honored at Distinguished Educators Award Dinner

On November 2, Donna Cleman, Cal State LA alumna and retired school counselor, wife of emeritus professor of English John Cleman, was one of nine educators honored by the Charter College of Education at its 29th Annual Distinguished Educators Award Dinner. She was recognized for her exceptional dedication, service, and care as a counselor and mentor to students.

During her 19-year tenure at Oak Avenue Intermediate School in Temple City, Cleman worked with 22 administrators and touched the lives of hundreds of 12- to 14-year-old students. In 2000, she was appointed guidance program coordinator for the Temple City Unified School District. She regularly team-taught the practicum portion of Cal State LA counseling courses and served as primary instructor. In addition, she has been an active member of the California Association of School Counselors

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Courtesy of Cal State LA Public Affairs

Donna Cleman receives her award from (left) Gay Yuen, chair, Friends of the Charter College of Education (CCOE), and (right) Cheryl Ney, CCOE dean.

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(CASC), serving on the board of directors as middle school vice president, corporate secretary, ethics chair, and awards chair.

In recognition of her effectiveness, Cleman has received numerous awards, including the Pilot Flashlight Award from the Center for Excellence in School Counseling and Leadership for Oak Avenue's Promoting Success Program, a Cutting Edge Award from the Los Angeles County Office of Education, and a Governor's Award for 10 consecutive years of successful support personnel accountability report cards from the Los Angeles County Office of Education California Counselor Leadership Academy. In 2003, she was named School Counselor of the Year by CASC, and she has also received all three of the prestigious H. B. McDaniel Awards, named in honor of the Stanford University professor who pioneered the discipline of school counseling. The first of the H. B. McDaniel awards was a group award for the excellence of the program she led at Oak Avenue, the second an individual award for dedicated leadership in school counseling, and the third enshrined her in the H. B. McDaniel Hall of Fame for exceptional contribution to the profession of counseling and guidance, thus adding her name to the list of counseling hall of famers on a plaque posted in Cubberly Hall on the Stanford campus.

The annual Distinguished Educators Awards Dinner honors outstanding educators who have demonstrated excellence and a high level of commitment, and who have made significant contributions in the community. The event raises funds for student scholarships and faculty professional development.

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Wen, a refugee from China and graduate of Cal State LA's outstanding Early Entrance Program, who was appointed president of Planned Parenthood. She is only the second doctor to hold that position and previously served as Baltimore's health commissioner.

Three Faculty Members Join the Emeriti Ranks

The following faculty members have been awarded emerita/us status.

PAULA J. ARVEDSON
(Education, 1999-2018)

JOHN EICHINGER
(Education, 1992-2018)

HSING (CINDY) FANG
(Finance and Law, 1987-2018)

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

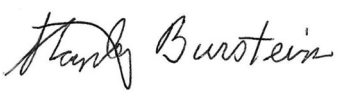
We all know that the key to these achievements is Cal State LA's outstanding faculty, so it is welcome news that to keep up the momentum, the University again plans to hire at least 50 new tenure-track faculty this year.

Your Emeriti Association is also changing with the times. As usual, the highlight of the fall semester was our luncheon, at which 13 students received fellowships and scholarships and shared with the attendees their inspiring stories. For the first time, however, the keynote speaker was a prior recipient, who brought us up-to-date on his career since receiving his fellowship. On October 10, the Association held its first special event that was open to emeriti, current faculty, and students. Attendees heard Raphael Sonenshein, executive director of the Pat Brown Institute, brilliantly analyze the political implications of the recent midterm elections.

The Association's relationship to the University is also changing now that it has two voting representatives in the Academic Senate. Potentially more important for the future of the Association is a proposal that is currently being considered by the Academic Senate to extend eligibility for emeritus status to lecturers. If it passes, this will align Cal State LA with a majority of other CSU campuses that already have chosen to recognize the contribution made by lecturers to their campuses in this way. We will keep you informed about the progress of this initiative.

I would like to congratulate Roberto Cantú, who is retiring after 10 distinguished years as organizer of the Gigi Gaucher-Morales conferences, during which time they have become major events in Mexican and Chicano studies, and also to extend special congratulations to Donna Cleman and Linda Trevillian, who were recognized as educators of the year by the Charter College of Education.

Finally, I would like to conclude this message by urging all emeriti to attend the special Academic Senate meeting on February 12 honoring emeriti faculty. It is the one University event that puts a spotlight on our continuing scholarly and other activities, and a good showing is in all our interests.



50th Anniversaries

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established the first Chicano studies program in the nation with four classes. Today, the Department of Chicana/(o)/Latina(o) Studies offers more than 150 courses taught by scholars from across a wide range of disciplines. The inauguration of the Chicano studies program created a blueprint for collaboration across racial lines, leading to the establishment of the Pan-African studies program at Cal State LA.

On October 29, at the 5th Annual Black Community Honors Dinner, Cal State LA began the year-long commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Pan-African studies program, the country's second black studies program after that of sister campus San Francisco State University. Attendees looked back on the department's history and recognized the contributions of individuals who have committed their lives to the liberation and empowerment of the black community. Honorees were Congresswoman Barbara Lee, who represents the 13th Congressional District in the Bay Area; Cal State LA alumnus Akinyele Umoja, chair of African American Studies at Georgia State University; Teri Williams, president and chief operations officer of OneUnited Bank, the largest black-owned bank in the nation; and Nana Lawson Bush V, Cal State LA professor of education and Pan-African studies and a traditional African priest. Prior to the dinner, representatives from across the CSU gathered at the downtown campus for a day-long conference marking 50 years of ethnic studies in the CSU and looking ahead to the future of the field. The Cal State LA Black Student Union helped lead the effort to establish a black studies program on campus in 1967. Pan-African studies includes academic programs that examine the history, culture, politics, economics, and worldviews of people of African descent.

Both departments have produced alumni who are scholars, educators, politicians, artists, health care providers, cultural workers, and other leaders of their community.

Help Select Emeriti Fellowship Recipients

Each spring, members of the Emeriti Association select the recipients of the upcoming year's emeriti fellowships. We welcome your participation in this worthwhile and rewarding experience. Most of the work is done online, with just one or two brief meetings. For more information, please contact Alfredo González, chair of the Fellowship Committee, at alfredo@cslanet.calstatela.edu.

In Memoriam

EDWARD JOHN KORMONDY

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Biology, 1982-1986

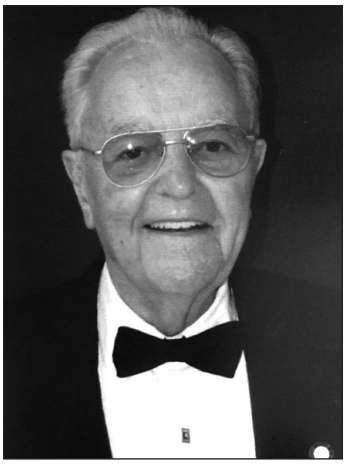
Edward John Kormondy, retired academic administrator, science educator, and author, died at home on April 28, ending his battle with cancer. He was Cal State LA's vice president for academic affairs and professor of biology from 1982 to 1986.

Born in Beacon, New York on June 10, 1926 to Anthony and Frances (Glover) Kormondy, Ed graduated from Beacon High School as class valedictorian in 1944 and joined the U.S. Navy, serving from 1944 to 1946. Taking advantage of the G.I. Bill, he attended Tusculum College, now Tusculum University, graduating with a B.A. in biology summa cum laude in 1950. It was there that he met many lifelong friends and his wife Peggy Virginia Hedrick. They were married the afternoon of graduation day, June 5, 1950, and moved shortly thereafter to Ann Arbor, Michigan, where both enrolled in master's programs at the University of Michigan. Ed earned an M.S. and a doctorate in zoology (1951 and 1955, respectively), and was a teaching fellow and curator of insects at the Museum of Zoology.

Ed moved his young family to Ohio, where he taught at Oberlin College from 1957 to 1968. During 1962-63, he spent a sabbatical year as a postdoctoral fellow in radiation ecology on the University of Georgia's project at the Savannah River Site. He was acting associate dean at Oberlin in 1966-67. In 1968, he moved to Washington, D.C. to head the Commission on Undergraduate Education in the Biological Sciences, promoting new approaches to teaching biology, and served as its director until 1971.

Intrigued by the opportunity to open a new school, Ed was a member of the founding faculty of The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington in 1971. He served as dean of natural sciences in 1972-73 and provost, from 1973 to 1978. He then returned to Washington, D.C. as a postdoctoral fellow at the Institute for Biomedical Ethics at Georgetown University. While in Washington, Ed represented the U.S. State Department on a mission to Poland and Hungary to examine environmental education. In 1979, he became provost and professor of biology at the University of Southern Maine.

Ed returned to the west coast in 1982 as vice president for academic affairs and professor of biology at Cal State LA. During his tenure, he oversaw the reorganization of Academic Affairs from five schools to six schools, now the six current colleges. He also raised more than two million dollars for the Luckman Fine Arts Complex and piloted Cal State LA through its Western Association of Schools and Colleges five-year interim report. However, he is best remembered by Margaret Hartman, former provost and vice president for academic affairs, for his mentorship of staff, including herself, William Taylor, and Alfredo González.



Courtesy of the Kormondy Family

Catching the aloha spirit, Ed moved to the Hawaiian islands to become chancellor and professor of biology at the University of Hawaii at Hilo and University of Hawaii-West Oahu (1986 to 1993). He was honored as chancellor emeritus in 2000.

Ed came out of retirement to be president of the University of West Los Angeles from 1995 to 1997, special assistant to the president at Pacific Oaks College from 2000 to 2005, and acting president at Tusculum College in 2007. He served many years on the boards of trustees at Tusculum College and the University of West Los Angeles. He received an honorary doctorate from Tusculum College in 1997, a distinguished service award in 2003, and a civic leadership award in 2008.

He was active in national professional organizations, including the Ecological Society of America (secretary, 1976 to 1978), National Association of Biology Teachers (president, 1981), and Southern California Academy of Sciences (board of directors, 1985-86, 1993 to 1997; vice president, 1995-96). He was a member of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges from 1987 to 1996. In addition, he was a member of MENSA and a consultant in the life sciences to some 30 institutions, including the state of Florida and the Universidad Simón Bolívar in Venezuela. A lover of music, singer, and piano player, Ed was active in arts and civic organizations in his home communities through the years.

Ed authored more than 70 publications in ecology, biology, and science education, including on higher education of China's 55 minority nationalities. *Concepts of Ecology*, the best known of his 20 books, went through many editions and was translated into multiple languages. He was also editor of 15 books on the relationship between biological sciences and society.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Ed found time to tend his beautiful rose garden; cook and entertain; attend theater, opera, and music events; and travel the world. Close to his family throughout his life, Ed is survived by his partner Noriaki Nakano; children Lynn, Eric, and Mark and their spouses; grandchildren Michael, Andrea, Laura, and Alisha and their spouses; great-grandsons Cameron, Conner, Crew, and Jett; sister-in-law Shirley; and nieces and their children and grandchildren. His brother Paul and his ex-wife Peggy preceded him in death.

Based on his wishes, there was no memorial service and the family gathered privately to scatter his ashes on July 28.

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It was reported to the Emeriti Association at press time that **Patricia Beyer**, emerita professor of education, died on January 5. A full obituary will appear in the spring issue.

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The Emeriti Association was recently notified of the death of **Jack Levine**, emeritus professor of electrical engineering, on October 27. A full obituary will appear in the spring issue.

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The Emeriti Association received word at press time of the death of **M. Morris Mano**, emeritus professor of electrical engineering, on December 3. A full obituary will appear in the spring issue.

Also Remembered:

MARJORIE M. SMITH

Professor of Theatre Arts, 1959-1979

The Emeriti Association was recently notified of the death of Marjorie M. Smith, emerita professor of theatre arts, on July 25, 2000.

Reminder: Dues Policy

The Emeriti Association's fiscal year extends from July 1 to June 30. Dues paid between June 1 and June 30 are credited for the coming fiscal year starting July 1. Dues paid on or before May 31 are credited to the current fiscal year.

black boys and men; **Ray de Leon** (Kinesiology), an expert in exercise therapies for spinal cord injury who pioneered the use of robotic devices for gait rehabilitation in rodent models and is the founder of the Mobility Center at Cal State LA, which has helped more than 300 people with disabilities get access to exercise therapy; **Dionne Espinoza** (Liberal Studies), director of the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities, who teaches courses on Chicana/Latina and Latin American women's movements, comparative race/ethnicity, class, and gender studies, and Chicanas/Latinas in U.S. society, and whose research documents the involvement of Chicanas in the Chicano civil rights movement; and **ChorSwang Ngin** (Anthropology), founder of the University's B.A. degree in Asian and Asian American Studies, who has conducted research in China, Malaysia, Indonesia, and the United States, including research on Vietnamese in refugee camps in Southeast Asia. The recipient of the Outstanding Lecturer Award, **Howard Lum** (Civil Engineering), integrates his teaching with practical applications by partnering with public agencies on senior design capstone projects; his current research focuses on earthquake response and rehabilitation of critical lifelines.

Cal State LA Moves Up in National, Regional Rankings

Cal State LA continues to climb in the national rankings and is once again one of the nation's best regional universities, according to *U.S. News & World Report* in its *Best Colleges 2019* guidebook. The publication ranks the University 13th among the top public regional universities in the West, up two spots from last year's ranking. Among both public and private institutions with undergraduate and master's programs, Cal State LA ranked 52nd among western universities, moving up from 59th in 2018.

The University is ranked sixth among the nation's best master's universities in *Washington Monthly's 2018 College Guide and Rankings*, moving up 10 places on the list. The rankings are based on factors including social mobility, research, and service. In the Best Bang for the Buck Western Colleges category, Cal State LA moved from seventh to sixth.

Two Cal State LA programs have again been noted among the nation's best undergraduate programs by *U.S. News & World Report*. Appearing in the rankings for two decades are the engineering program, one of the top 10 in the nation among public master's awarding institutions, excluding military academies, and the business program, which continues to be one of the top 10 in California among public institutions.

Cal State LA Honored as Champion for Transfer Students

Cal State LA was among 16 colleges and universities in California that were recognized in December for exemplary efforts to support transfer students. The Campaign for College Opportunity named 12 community colleges and four California State University campuses as 2018 Champions of Higher Education for Excellence in Transfer. The award recognizes institutions that have significantly increased the number of students earning an associate degree for transfer (ADT), enrolling those students at a CSU with junior status, and graduating them with bachelor's degrees. The ADT is a special degree offered at all California community colleges that guarantees transfer to many four-year universities in the state. Since 2016, Cal State LA has seen a 376 percent growth in enrollment of ADT students, with these students accounting for more than one-third of Fall 2017 incoming transfers.

Cal State LA Receives Nearly $1M to Increase Data Accessibility

Cal State LA has been awarded a nearly $1 million grant from the National Science Foundation to increase data accessibility and promote civic engagement among students and underserved communities in Los Angeles. The grant will establish a partnership between the University and the city of Los Angeles, community partners, and the Social Equity Engagement Geo-Data Scholars to increase access and use of the city's big data collection. Through the partnership, training will be provided to residents and nonprofits using the city's open data portal and GeoHub, a first-of-its-kind geospatial open data platform created by Mayor Eric Garcetti's office for exploring, visualizing, and downloading location-based open data. The goal of the grant is to enable and empower city residents—especially those in traditionally underserved and digitally disconnected areas—and nonprofits to engage in civic decision-making. Cal State LA students will work closely with nonprofits to train the organizations to assess and analyze data specific to their areas of interest. The grant's principal investigator is Pamela Scott-Johnson, dean of the College of Natural and Social Sciences.

State Playhouse Reopens

The State Playhouse reopened on November 5 with an elegant evening event celebrating the historic building and its role in providing arts and culture to the University and the communities it serves. The Ahmanson Foundation provided a transformative gift that enabled the University to revitalize the venue with new seating, floor finishes and paint, as well as the latest audio, video, sound, and lighting equipment.

Construction Begins on Student Housing East

At year-end, Cal State LA began construction on the Student Housing East project at Lot 7. The new 1,500-bed housing complex, with full dining commons and a learning center, will become the University's first traditional-style housing for freshmen and sophomores. Visitors to campus are cautioned about the reduction of 800 parking spaces during the construction.

Linda Trevillian Receives Distinguished Educator Award



Courtesy of Cal State LA Public Affairs

Retired long-time Cal State LA staff member Linda Trevillian receives her award from (left) Gay Yuen, chair, Friends of the Charter College of Education (CCOE) and (right) Cheryl Ney, CCOE dean. Trevillian, who began her nearly 45-year career on campus as an evaluator in the Admissions Office, later worked in Academic Affairs administration, Public Affairs, the College of Business and Economics, and the College of Natural and Social Sciences. Much of her campus career involved editing publications and advising students. Her many extracurricular activities included visiting area community colleges to advise transfer students and serving as a Friends of Music board member. She currently is a transfer adviser in Pasadena City College's Transfer Center and member of the Friends of the CCOE steering committee.