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### President's Message

The program for our May 5 General Meeting will focus on a topic of major interest to University retirees: "Applying Investment Principles in Scary Times." How to effectively manage one's assets in these uncertain times has been the subject of numerous recent articles in financial periodicals, reflecting widespread concern about the current state of our economy. UC Davis Senior Lecturer Emeritus Lawrence Shepard will lead a discussion at this meeting about enduring investment principles and whether they still apply. The program will be jointly sponsored by the UC Davis Retirees' Association and the UC Davis Emeriti Association, and is one you will not want to miss.

Following the meeting, we will be given a tour of the new Schaal Aquatics Center by Jennifer Stallkamp. Jennifer manages both the Schaal Center and the Aggie Stadium and provided us with an interesting insider's view of the stadium and support facilities after our fall General Meeting. This will be an opportunity to see the campus' impressive new Olympic-size competition pool and diving area in use.

Our spring General Meeting is also the time when we elect Retirees' Association officers and Executive Board members for the next year. A strong slate of candidates is being recommended for these positions by the current Executive Board and will be presented by the Nominating Committee to the general membership for election.

The Executive Board is also recommending approval of certain amendments to the Retirees' Association By-Laws. The amendments require a majority vote of the general membership for final approval and will be voted on at the meeting. The substantive

**Spring Meeting**  
**Monday, May 5, 2008**  
**University Club**  
**Social Hour/Refreshments**  
 2:00-2:30 p.m.  
**Program**  
 2:30-3:00 p.m.  
 Election of Officers and By-Laws Changes  
**Speaker**  
 3:00-4:00 p.m.  
**Lawrence Shepard**  
*Senior Lecturer, Emeritus, Agricultural and Resources Economics, UC Davis*  
**Applying Investment Principles in Scary Times**  
 Talk co-sponsored by UCDEA  
**Special tour of the new**  
**Ted and Rand Schaal Aquatics Center**  
 Parking is available in Lot 5 for the meeting and in Lot 56 for the Schaal Aquatics Center tour.

amendments are summarized, beginning on the next page, in this newsletter. The summary and complete text of the By-Laws can be viewed on the Retirees' Association website at [ucdra.ucdavis.edu](http://ucdra.ucdavis.edu)

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President for the past two years. It has been very rewarding to be able to assist the Association in its support of the University and promotion of continuing involvement of retirees with UC Davis.

I look forward to seeing you at the General Meeting on May 5.

**Calendar**

Apr. 19—Picnic Day  
**May 5—UCDRA Spring General Meeting**  
**May 22—UCDEA General Meeting**  
**Jun. 2—UCDRA Board Meeting**  
**Jun. 7—Steak Bake**  
 Aug. 15—UC Davis Centennial exhibit at State Fair (to Sep. 1)  
 Sep 24—Retiree Center Open House, following UC Davis Convocation  
 Oct. 10-15—Centennial Fall Festival

## Annual Election

**Election of officers** and new board members for 2008-09 will be held at the Spring General Meeting on Monday, May 5. The nominees are:

President	<b>Gary Schultz</b> (up from 1st Vice-President)
1st Vice-President	<b>Yvonne Marsh</b>
2nd Vice-President	<b>Ted Hillyer</b>
Treasurer	<b>Carol Kurtz</b> (2nd term)
Board Members	<b>Beverly Brooks, Jim Wilson, Aggie Costantini</b> (new terms)
Continuing Board Members	<b>Lew Dudman, Ted Hillyer, Don McNary</b>

Additional nominations for officers and new board members may be made by mail to the Nominating Committee, to be received by the Committee no later than seven (7) days prior to the election. Mail nominations to:

UCDRA Nominating Committee  
UC Davis Retiree Center  
University of California, Davis  
One Shields Ave.  
Davis, CA 95616

The following is a summary of proposed substantive changes to the By-Laws approved by the Executive Board at the March 3, 2008, meeting:

**(Deleted material is shown in bold print in parentheses); added material is shown in italics.**

### Article III Membership

**Section I. Regular Members:** Any individual who has retired from the University of California, Davis (**as well as those persons who have retired from any other campus of the University of California and who reside in the greater Davis and Sacramento areas.**) . *Those persons who have retired from any other campus of the University of California and who reside in the greater Davis and Sacramento areas shall also be eligible for regular membership in the Association.*

**Section II. Associate Members: (The widow or widower of a Regular Member)** *Spouses or domestic partners of Regular Members and surviving spouses or domestic partners of a deceased Regular Member shall be eligible for Associate Membership in the Association. Associate Members have full privileges of membership except participation in voting and eligibility to hold elected office in the Association.*

**(Section III. Life Membership):** [This Section III will be deleted from Article III and moved to Article IX – Dues, Section III.]

### Article IV Administration

**Section III. The Executive Board:** [Committee added two lines, one at the beginning and one at the end of this Section.] *The Executive Board serves as the governing body of the Association . . . The President of University of California, Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA) shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Board.*

### Article V Officers (and the Executive Board)

**Section I. The President:** [Two lines will be added at the end of this Section]:

. . . shall serve on the University of California, Davis Retiree Cen-



Join the festivities at the

## UC Davis Retiree Center's "Steak Bake"

An evening of  
Wine, Dancing, and Song

Live music by

**Calvin Handy & his  
"Vintage Jazz Players"**

**2008**  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 7**

Rec Pool Lodge • 6-10 pm

Limited space for only 125 people

*\$45 per person includes steak dinner, beverages, salad, bread and dessert plus music and dancing.*

Our very own retirees will be grilling  
UC Davis steaks to your liking.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, ST ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL NUMBER OF GUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ON ENCLOSED CHECK: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form and mail it to  
**UC Davis Retiree Center**  
**One Shields Avenue**  
**Davis, CA 95616**

along with your check made payable  
to **UC Regents**.

No tickets will be sent.  
Include email address if you wish confirmation.

**RSVP** by **May 31**

ter Advisory Committee and shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Executive Committee of the University of California, Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA).

**Section II.** The Vice-Presidents:

A) The First Vice-President serves as President-Elect of the **(Chapter) Association**. The First Vice-President shall serve as **(a member) the Chairperson** of the Nominating Committee.

B) The Second Vice-President shall serve **(on) as Chairperson** of the Program Committee.

**Section V. (The Executive Board: The Executive Board serves as the governing body of the Association.)** [This line will be deleted here and added to Article IV, Section III.]

**Section V. Newsletter Editor:** This is a Board-appointed non-voting position, with responsibility to prepare and ensuring distribution of three (3) newsletters annually. [This line will be added into this Section V.]

**Section VI.** Historian: Duties and responsibilities are to maintain archival materials and historical information. **(for use of the Executive Board.)**

#### Article VI Committees

**Section II. By-Laws Committee:** This committee shall be responsible for maintaining a current copy of the By-Laws of the **(Chapter) Association** and shall be responsible for maintaining the record of actions and decisions to amend the By-Laws.

**Section III. Membership Committee:** The Membership Committee shall process membership requests and shall maintain a current record of the **(Chapter) Association** membership.

#### Article IX Dues

**Section II. Annual Dues:** The annual dues for all members shall be set by the Executive Board. Dues shall be due and payable **(no later than the first general meeting) July 1** of the fiscal year. Associate members of the Association shall not be required to pay dues.

**Section III. Life Membership:** An optional Life Membership is available at ten times the annual dues in effect at the time the member elects to take this option.

*(Added at April 25, 1994 General Meeting.)*

#### Article X – Non-Discrimination Policy

The University of California, Davis Retirees' Association, in conformity with University policy, does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, religious preference, sexual orientation, **(preference)**, medical condition or **disability (handicap)** in any of its policies, practices or procedures.

## Retiree/Emeriti Noon talks

The talks, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., are free at International House. Bring a bag lunch; cookies and beverages will be provided.

- Apr. 10—Robert Smiley: *The Wine Industry*
- May 8—William Lacy: *International Programs at UC Davis*

## 2007-08 Officers/Board Members

President	<b>Robert Halferty</b>
1st Vice-President,	
President-Elect	<b>Gary Schultz</b>
2nd Vice-President	<b>Yvonne Marsh</b>
Secretary	<b>Norma Rice</b>
Treasurer	<b>Carol Kurtz</b>
Immediate Past-President	<b>Charles Lacy</b>
Historian	<b>Arleen Kasmire</b>
Board Members—	<b>Beverly Brooks, Aggie Costantini, Lew Dudman, Ted Hillyer, Don McNary, James Wilson</b>

## Retiree Center Report

I'm hoping the spring issue of this newsletter finds you doing well. Our first Wine Tasting on Mar. 1 was quite delightful, with about 60 people in attendance at the Rominger West Wine Tasting room in Davis. The Chancellor and his wife stopped by, as well as the Richard Romingers. We also had the pleasure of meeting many retirees. Based on the positive response, we hope to make this an annual event on the first Saturday in March.

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at UC Davis Extension is offering a free, first-year introductory membership to members of the Retirees' Association for the upcoming 2008-09 season. For details call: 530-752-9695, Ext. #1. OLLI offers an extraordinary variety of modestly priced courses, programs and cultural events.

Since this newsletter is the last one before September, here is a long view of upcoming campus events, including Centennial kick-off this August.

- June 7—2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Steak Bake;" an evening of wine, dancing and song. Please see the invitation/order form in this newsletter on page 2 for details. Just fill it out and send it in with your check. Don't

miss this magical evening!

- Aug. 15-Sep. 1—Visit the UC Davis Pavilion at the California State Fair. We're choosing a date as "Retiree Center" volunteer day; please contact us or our web site for details if you are interested in volunteering for this once-in-a-lifetime event.
- September 24—Convocation Open House from 12-2pm at Everson Hall; stop by our offices, enjoy a slice of cake, and celebrate the beginning of another academic year
- October 10—Fall Festival Centennial Celebration for all retirees at The Pub and Silo. Stop by between 5-7pm and taste test all sorts of foods affiliated with the University, from the UC Davis Olive oil and vinegar, to summer sausage from the UC Davis Meat Lab, to fresh out-of-the-oven focaccia bread from the campus bakery. Also available will be various local wines and organic beers.

Hope to see you at one or more of the next year's events,





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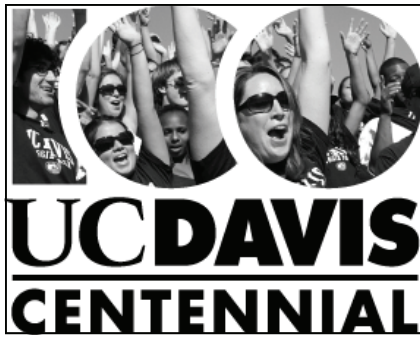
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**LATE BREAKING:**  
Open Enrollment for UC Retiree Vision Plan. One time  
only: **April 1-30, 2008** at  
[www.vsp.com/go/UCretirees](http://www.vsp.com/go/UCretirees).  
Details on website: [retireecenter.ucdavis.edu/vsp](http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu/vsp).

**Meeting Notice**  
**Monday, May 5, 2008**  
**2 p.m.**  
**University Club**

## Centennial Logo Official

Watch for this logo marking UC Davis Centennial events in the coming months, appearing on printed material, the Web, gifts and apparel at the bookstore, and scrubs at the UC Davis Health System. The Entering freshman class and transfer students this fall will be the Centennial Class. A major exhibition will be featured at the California State Fair, Aug. 15-Sep. 1; and a Fall Festival planned in Davis, Oct. 10-15.



—Source: *DATELINE UC Davis*



UCDRA President Bob Halferty gets a preview of the new Ted and Rand Schaal Aquatics Center from Jennifer Stalkamp, who will be our guide for a Center tour following the May 5 General Meeting.

### UCDRA Dues Payable Form

Retiree's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Check if change of address

\_\_\_\_ Annual (\$10 per person)    \_\_\_\_ Life Membership (\$100)

**Mailing label shows membership expiration date.**

Mail check, payable to UC Regents, to:  
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