Campus Connections

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2014 Staff Scholarship recipient

Finlay Terhune, a 2012 graduate of UC Davis and a library assistant in the Access Services Department of Shields Library, is the 2014 recipient of the staff scholarship awarded by the UCDRA. Building on his degree in Anthropology, Finlay is studying at the University of San Francisco, Sacramento campus, pursuing a master's degree in counseling psychology.

Finley stated in his application that he chose the USF program in Sacramento, even though it requires three years rather than two, "because of the chance it provided me to continue my professional development at Shields Library." As a night and weekend supervisor there, he is responsible for the safety and security of the facility and for all circulation operations outside normal working hours.

USF's program has another important advantage for Finlay: "When the time for traineeship (an active internship period which is meant to demonstrate supervised competency before we are allowed to see clients on our own) comes, the Sacramento branch of USF already has a traineeship contract with the agency [in] which it has always been my goal to be placed – the Gender Health Center in Sacramento. Gender Health Center provides counseling services and medical services to the largely under-served transgender and gender non-conforming populations in the surrounding area. The services provided there are, in my opinion, vital and life saving, and their counselors work closely with the populations that I myself hope to serve by completing this degree: the transgender and gender non-conforming communities, and within this the homeless, youth, and sex-worker communities."

Celebrating 25 Years



UCDRA/UCDEA Fall Meeting

Thursday, October 30, 2014

UC Davis Conference Center Ballrooms; Davis, CA

1:45 to 2:30 p.m. 25th Anniversary Reception

2:30 to 4 p.m. Program

Special remarks by Joe Lewis
UC Office of the President

Open Enrollment presentation by Guerren Solbach UC Davis Health Care Facilitator

4 to 4:30 p.m. 25th Anniversary Reception continues

Menu generously provided by Paradise Valley Estates

Sparkling Cider & Punch

Fresh Fruit Kebobs, Mini Lavash Pinwheel Sandwiches, Shrimp Cocktail, Prosciutto & Cream Cheese Wrapped Asparagus, Crab Cakes, Chicken Skewers

Petite Fours, Assorted Bar Desserts, Chocolate Dipped Strawberries

UCDRA Outstanding Service Award nominations

Each year the UCDRA Executive Board selects a UC Davis retiree to be honored on Picnic Day for outstanding service to the campus and/or community. The honoree rides in a carriage in the Picnic Day parade. The Nominations Committee now invites submission of nominations for 2015 from anyone affiliated with the UC Davis campus.

To be considered, the nominee must be a retired staff member and a UCDRA member. The committee recommends nominees to the board based on these criteria: extraordinary service in support of UCDRA, exceptional contributions to the campus community during the career at UC Davis, innovative problem solving and advocacy activities of benefit to UC Davis retirees, and/or community service.

Nomination forms for the 2015 award are available from Phyllis L. McCalla (phyllislmccalla@sbcglobal. net) or (530) 752-5182. Completed forms should be returned to Phyllis by Dec. 1. They may also be mailed to the UC Davis Retiree Center, One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616.

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UCDRA Treasurer's Report

Bank of America checking account
Bal. forward 7/2014 \$19,292.68
Credits 4,990.00
Debits 328.32
Closing balance 9/2014 \$23,954.36

UCDAVIS RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

President's Message



Greetings to UC Davis Retirees' Association (UCDRA) members and all members of the UC Davis retirement family. The association's primary purpose is to represent and advocate for all UC Davis retirees. In that spirit, we invite you to share your thoughts and ideas as we plan our programs for the coming year.

We begin the new UCDRA year by celebrating the association's 25th Anniversary in a joint celebration with the UC Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA) that also turns 25 this year. Formal acknowledgement of the anniversary will be made on October 30 at the

UCDRA/UCDEA joint fall meeting. Chancellor Emeritus Larry Vanderhoef will start the festivities with comments at a noon luncheon for Past Board Presidents.

In conjunction with the 25th anniversary, UCDRA will launch a drive to raise \$25,000 to endow our annual scholarship for a UC Davis staff member. See page 1 of the newsletter.

Building on work performed by last year's board, we will be conducting a survey to identify and recognize the significant contributions retirees make to the university and to their communities. Look for the survey to arrive later this month. We hope you all will respond.

The board is looking for input in several important activities during the coming year. We will have the opportunity to update the association web page under the able guidance of Marjorie Ahl of the Retiree Center. A task force will be working with Marjorie to upgrade the page in compliance with current campus standards and to optimize its usefulness to our constituents. We also will be discussing our advocacy programs and evaluating current activities to identify areas where our efforts are needed. Your ideas and contributions regarding these activities and other topics are most welcome.

Janet C. Hamilton, president, UCDRA chartierjh@comcast.net

Production Schedule Changes for Campus Connections

The two retiree associations, UCDEA and UCDRA, which jointly issue *Campus Connections*, have approved major changes for this newsletter which has been sent to members fall, winter and spring quarters as an insert to the Retiree Center's newsletter, *CenterNews*. For the past two years, the Retiree Center has been issuing a weekly email news piece which gives information important to retirees in a more timely fashion than a quarterly newsletter can.

Feedback from retirees indicates that very few rely on the newsletter for news.

After this issue, a fall newsletter will be mailed to those who do not have email. Mailings with event notices, dates and deadlines will be sent in January and April. Other mailings will be sent if important issues arise. If you use email, please send your email address to the Retiree Center and request that you be added to the mailing list for the weekly bulletin.

UCDAVIS EMERITI ASSOCIATION

From the President

Readers of this "From the President" column already know a great deal about the organization and responsibilities of the UC Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA) Executive Committee. What you may not know is the extent to which membership on the committee may also entail involvement in other groups—campus-based and beyond – which enrich the committee's information sharing and advocacy roles. What follows is a list of those external groups and the current UCDEA committee members who serve on them.

Davis campus groups:

- Academic Senate Emeriti Committee: Charley Hess
- Campus Community Council: Jo Anne Boorkman, Lyn Lofland
- Chancellor's 'Visioning' Committee: Bob Smiley
- Retiree Center Advisory Committee: Lyn Lofland, John Vohs

External groups:

- Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE), a national association that shares successful practices and trends: Jo Anne Boorkman, Lyn Lofland
- Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA), a UC system-wide association that meets twice per year with the UC Office of the President: John Vohs, Jo Anne Boorkman (alternate), Bill Rains (second alternate)
- Northern California Retiree Organization Consortium (Nor-Cal ROCs), a regional association: (TBA)

By staying active in campus committees as well as regional and national organizations, the UCDEA executive committee plays an important role in advocating for continued retiree benefits and learns ways to better serve the association's members.

Lyn Lofland, president, UCDEA

Video Records

The Video Records committee is ready to begin scheduling 2014–15 interviews of emeriti/ae and distinguished staff retirees. To schedule your interview please contact Mel George (mrgeorge95616@icloud.com) or Silvia Hillyer (silvia.hillyer@gmail.com). They will provide you with all of the information you will need and help you to schedule a date/time for your interview.

The committee is seeking emeriti or retiree volunteers for service on the committee. We are particularly looking for persons interested in volunteering for the committee's video production crew, a post which provides opportunities to develop video camera and or video editing software skills. We also need a member to help maintain the Video Records Committee page on the Emeriti Association website. The

committee always needs volunteers to contact and recruit their colleagues to be interviewed. If you are interested in these opportunities, contact rwbreidenbach@ucdavis.edu.

In Memoriam

We remember these members who have died in recent months.

Retirees' Association

Jan Conroy Phillip (Hal) Cushing Wanda Daley Mary Doty Dale E. Ebbinghausen

Muriel Suleman

Emeriti Association

Alice Delwich John Jungerman Kenneth Kimble Boris Reubner Stephen Sosnick

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Committee on Committees

Bill Rains

Awards and Recognition

Charley Hess, Emeriti Welfare

Nora McGuinness, Editorial

James Shackelford/Gibbe Parsons Program and Agenda

John Vohs, Membership

Charles Lacy, University and Public Relations

Bill Breidenbach/Alex McCalla Video Records

Charley Hess, Liaison, Academic Senate Emeriti Committee

UCDEA Treasurer's Report

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Call for 2015 emeriti awards

The UCDEA has put out the calls for two different emeriti awards; the 2015 Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award and the 2015 UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award. The first, created by a bequest from Professor Constantine Panunzio of UCLA, honors outstanding scholarly work or educational service (e.g. service in professional, university, Academic Senate, emeriti or departmental editorial posts or committees) performed since retirement by a University of California emeritus or emerita in the humanities or social sciences. This is a UC-wide prize, so each year there is only one award for all UC campuses. The second, the UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award was created to recognize similar accomplishments, but is awarded locally to UC Davis emeriti/ae and includes all disciplines.

Deans, department chairs and emeriti in the humanities and social sciences as well as the provost or similar officers are asked to nominate, or solicit nominations from their constituent units for the Panunzio Award. Emeritus/a faculty members may also nominate themselves. Please note that nominations from last year may resubmited.

For the UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/ae Award, ALL deans, department chairs, and emeriti/ae are asked to nominate or solicit nominations for the award.

Details on how to submit nominations can be found on the UCDEA website at http://emeritiassociation.ucdavis.edu/awards.htm or by calling the Retiree Center at (530) 752-5182.

Nominations for the Constantine Panunzio Award are due no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19; nominations for the UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award are due by 5 p.m. on Monday, November 24. Nomination materials should be electronically submitted to Bill Rains, the chair of the UCDEA Awards and Recognition Committee, care of the Retiree Center (retireecenter@ucdavis.edu).

2014–15 Dickson Professorship Awards announced

The UCDEA Awards and Recognition Committee received 12 proposals requesting support from the Dickson Professorship funds. The following individuals were selected for the 2014–2015 Dickson Professorship:

- Professor Emerita Martha Macri, Cultural Evolution of Human Communication Systems: Investigating Linguistic Diversity and Social Change with Mayan Hieroglyphic Writing
- Professor Emeritus Dan Anderson, Age and Cranial-Ossification/Bone Density Characteristics in Brown Pelicans: Potential Applications for Demographic and Nutritional Analyses
- Professor Emeritus Hugh Dingle, Monarchs in the Pacific: Is Contemporary Evolution Occurring on an Isolated Island?
- Professor Emeritus Peter Schiffman, Support for Joint Undergraduate/ Graduate Studies on Assessing the Geothermal Potential of the Modoc Plateau in Northeast California

UCDEA begins two new projects this fall

The UCDEA Committee on University and Public Relations is tasked with communicating with the Executive Committee, the university and the community at large regarding association activities, issues and news. Over the past several years, the committee has been studying two major projects which it is now set to launch.

Mentoring

Lou Grivetti, emeritus professor of nutrition, presented convincing evidence to the UCDEA Committee on University and Public Relations (CUPR) over the past three years that faculty can, through mentoring, help students begin and complete their undergraduate education in a timely manner. The committee plans to work with existing campus programs such as the Guardian Scholars Program (GSP), the Special Transitional Education Program (STEP), and other similar organizations serving undergraduates. The targeted outcomes are to be helping students to adjust to

and survive their first years at UC Davis; improving students' time management skills; helping students set goals to achieve graduation within reasonable normative periods; helping students overcome the barriers to interacting with faculty; jointly exploring undergraduate research topics and opportunities and seeking support for graduate school applications and study. CUPR will start the project during the 2014–15 academic year. You are invited to join the project by becoming a mentor.

Speakers Bureau

The idea of a UCDEA speakers bureau came from a discussion of the Executive Committee in June 2013. The staff of the Retiree Center indicated that community groups had made inquiries about speakers. The purpose of the speakers bureau is to identify and encourage faculty members who can inform the campus and community about a specific topic, upon request. The presentation may be made by an

emeritus/emerita or, in some cases, by an active faculty member knowledge-able about the topic of interest to the requesting campus or community group. The activity will be primarily an outreach effort for the Davis campus and community. CUPR has created a preliminary list of speakers. Eventually the list will be made available through the UCDEA website.

One can volunteer to be a mentor or speaker through the Retiree Center email (retireecenter@ucdavis.edu) or by calling the Center (530) 752-5182. If by email, please indicate "Mentor" or "Speaker" in the subject line. We will work to assure that a broad range of interesting and compelling topics is developed.

If you are interested in joining CUPR as a committee member, please email the chair at calacy@ucdavis.edu. The current committee includes Charles Lacy (chair), Louis Grivetti, Robert Rucker, Richard Plant, Alex Ardan and John Goss.