Beaver Will Be Speaker At Annual Meeting May 10

Election of New Officers for 1991-92 Will Take Place at the Business Session; Reservations Required for Luncheon

Walter Beaver, Emeritus Professor of Theatre Arts, well-known as a humorous speaker as well as an accomplished actor, will be the speaker at the Emeriti Association’s Annual Meeting on Friday, May 10. His subject will be “Challenge and Response: Goethe, Toynbee, and the Dallas Cowboys.”

The annual general membership meeting will begin at 11 A.M. in the Palm Room (formerly the Gold Room) of the University Cafeteria, followed by a luncheon at approximately noon. Major items on the business portion of the meeting will be the report of the Nominating Committee, headed by Past President Mary Gormly, the election of officers of the Association for 1991-92, and a review by outgoing President Mildred Massey of the accomplishments of the Association during the past year.

Reservations for the luncheon, which are required, should be made by sending a check for $9.25 per person, made out to “Emeriti Association”, to Winona Brooks, 149-B Casuda Canyon Drive, Monterey Park, CA 91754, to be received by Monday, May 6.

First Fellowship Will Be Awarded In Fall Quarter

Expressing its fullest confidence that the membership of the Emeriti Association will come up with the contributions needed to fully endow the $20,000 Emeriti Faculty Fellowship Fund, the Executive Committee of the Association voted unanimously in February to proceed with the awarding of its first $1,000 fellowship in Fall Quarter 1991.

In order to facilitate the awarding of the fellowship in the amount of $1,000 to a graduate student in September, the Executive Committee voted to appropriate an amount from the uncommitted funds in its present operating budget to supplement the current balance of earnings from the Endowment Fund.

An ad hoc committee headed by VP Administration Carol Smallenburg is developing the procedures for the awarding of fellowships, including qualifications to be met by candidates, procedures for selecting applicants, process for evaluating candidates, and method to be followed in selecting awardees.

The Emeriti Fellowship Endowment Fund, created several years ago to generate the income to support the fellowship awards program, now stands at approximately $14,000. Most of the monies to build the fund were contributed by members of the Association in response to a letter sent out last year. The interest earned to date by the Endowment Fund will be used to fund the first fellowship award.

At some time this year, the Association will put on a drive to raise the remaining balance needed to fully fund the fellowship awards program.

Phoebe Dea Selected Outstanding Professor

Phoebe Dea, Professor of Chemistry, has been named as the recipient of the 1990 Outstanding Professor Award, given each year by the Board of Trustees of the California State University system.
President’s Message
by Mildred Massey

With every passing year the Emeriti Association at Cal State L.A. has been growing, not only in the size of its membership but also in the scope of its activities. During the 1990-91 academic year the Association members were invited to participate in a number of activities, which included luncheon meetings in September and May and a series of luncheons – theatre events, the programs being pleasurable musical performances by the Theatre Arts Department of the University.

In addition to these, the Emeriti Association in February co-sponsored with CFA a successful pre-retirement workshop for faculty interested in looking into retirement procedures, investments, health programs, etc.

Also, finally after a number of years of fund raising the Emeriti Association will be able to award its first annual Graduate Fellowship. This award will be made as soon as the mechanisms for selecting a qualified recipient are in place. Needless to say we are gratified to have accomplished this objective, and we want to thank all those who have contributed. But I hasten to add, we need additional contributions if we are to reach our goal of a more substantial fellowship.

I am very indebted to all the members of the Executive Committee who have put in a great deal of time and effort toward all the ventures of the Emeriti Association during the past year.

At this time, I regret to report that John Greenlee is leaving after eight years on the committee (two years as Member-at-Large and six years as Treasurer, with its myriad of demands). Also, William Lloyd is retiring from the task of Editor of The Emeritimes, which he has edited since its inception in March, 1980, and Victor Payse, Jr. will leave the Executive Committee after two years as a Member-at-Large and two 2-year terms as Membership Secretary. Fortunately, Vic has promised to continue his very important and very much appreciated services of keeping the membership records of the Association stashed away in his personal computer and turning out mailing labels and directory listings on demand.

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Put Your Academic Regalia to Good Use

The University’s School Deans, sympathetic to the problem of younger faculty members in purchasing or even renting academic regalia, are trying to build a wardrobe of caps, gowns and hoods for these folks to use at academic events. Emeriti who no longer have use for these items are encouraged to get in touch with the dean of the school in which they taught.

For the Record

In the Winter issue of The Emeritimes the well-known student of arachnids (spiders), Donald C. Lowrie, Emeritus Professor of Zoology, was erroneously given the surname of “Leary” and the late Leon Pape was identified as a “Nobel Laureate”, an honor never bestowed upon him. Like L.A. Times columnist Jack Smith, the editor of The Emeritimes takes no pride in setting a record by making more than one error in an issue. Rather, sincere apologies.

OBITUARIES

Helen R. Powell
Helen R. Powell, Emeritus Professor of Education, died January 19.

In 21 years on the University faculty (1957-1978), Helen played a significant role in the preparation of thousands of California’s elementary school teachers as a member of the School of Education faculty. Prior to coming to Cal State L.A., she taught in Duarte, Simi Valley, and Santa Barbara.

Helen earned her B.E. in 1940 at UCLA, her M.Ed. in 1952 and her Ed.D. in 1958 at Wayne State. She also was a certified psychologist.

In the 1960s, Helen spent two years in Jamaica on an Early Childhood Education project sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. She also served as a communicator with the Navy in World War II.

Ruben F. Kugler

Ruben held a B.A. from UCLA, M.A., Ph.D. and M.S.L.S. degrees from USC. As a Ph.D. in History, he taught classes in History at Cal State in addition to serving on the Library staff.

He was active in campus affairs and a strong supporter of the United Professors of California. Off campus, he was active in political affairs, and was one of the founders of California Democratic Council.

After retirement, he was active in the Council of Seniors of Long Beach and was an active force in the Long Beach Area Citizens Involved.

--- Mary Gormly

Ferron C. Losee
Ferron Losee, who joined the faculty in 1949 and became Chairman of the Division of Health and Safety, Physical Education, Recreation and Athletics, died following a heart attack on March 28. He was 81.

Ferron left Cal State in the mid-60’s to take the post of President of Dixie College in Utah, from which he had retired sixteen years ago. He was a graduate of BYU and USC.

Harry D. Kerrigan
Harry Kerrigan, Emeritus Professor of Accounting (1962-74) died last October. For a number of years following his retirement from Cal State L.A., Harry taught at San Diego State.