President’s Message

The last several months have been really busy and I want to share with you some of the many activities that have occurred since our last communication. Let me start by saying that I am absolutely delighted with our new website. It provides an informative, high-quality, easy way to obtain current information that was developed through the efforts of many and the strong leadership of our new webmaster, Demetrius Margaziotis. The website can be reached at http://www.calstatela.edu/emeriti; you owe it to yourself to visit this most edifying locale. Emeriti are invited to send news, announcements, and professional activities to Demetrius, who adds information on an ongoing basis. We believe that the website will function as a great adjunct to The Emeritimes, which continues to be so ably guided by Ellen Stein and Frieda Stahl. Oh yes, if you want your contact information to appear on the web’s listing of emeriti, please email us at webmaster.emeriti@calstatela.edu.

Also of great interest is the $100,000 Osher Foundation grant awarded to establish an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). The Institute’s goal is to offer a series of ongoing learning opportunities to persons 50 years of age or older. A second and third year of funding can be anticipated, at which time we would be eligible to apply for a million-dollar endowment to maintain the Institute. The OLLI is directed by Connie Corley, assisted by Kim Miller; President’s Message, Page 2

EMERITI WELCOME AT FALL CONVOCATION; GOLDWHITE TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL LUNCHEON

The University faces Fall 2004 with extensive misgivings over financial setbacks. The emeritus faculty will share those apprehensions as well as celebrate the start of a new academic year by joining in the annual Fall Faculty Convocation on Monday, September 20, beginning at 9:00 a.m. As is customary, the event will feature brief addresses by President James M. Rosser and others, including the chair of the Academic Senate, which will undoubtedly convey their assessment of the troubled fiscal climate. The program will culminate in the presentation of the 2004 Outstanding Professors and Presidential Scholar. Immediately following, the faculty will enjoy reunions during the traditional brunch, and then disperse to college and department meetings.

Emeriti Association Awards Five Fellowships for 2004-05

The Emeriti Fellowship Fund Committee recommended awarding fellowships to five students—four graduate and one undergraduate. Two Emeriti Association fellowships were awarded, as well as a John L. Houk Memorial Fellowship, a Jane Matson Memorial Fellowship in Counseling, and a David Cameron Fisher Memorial Fellowship for an undergraduate in biology. There were no candidates for the William E. Lloyd Memorial Fellowship. Funds available are not as great as in years past due to the lower interest rate on the endowment. However, the Committee decided to award as much as possible to the students, although the individual awards will not quite cover tuition, even with an augmentation from the Emeriti Association budget. With more than 30 well-qualified candidates, the Fellowship Fund Committee had a difficult task making decisions.

Fall LUNCHEON
TUES., NOVEMBER 5, 2004
11:30 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M.
GOLDEN EAGLE BALLROOM
COST: $20 PER PERSON
Send check, made payable to the Emeriti Association, to Clem Padick, 1849 N. Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001 no later than November 1. For more information, call Clem at 626-798-9702.

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President’s Message (Continued from Page 1)

both are associate directors of the Roybal Institute of Applied Gerontology. Emeriti have been strong supporters of the grant and I now sit on its Advisory Board. You are invited to attend various functions (some will start this fall) and also are invited to teach some of the classes. You will be hearing more, but if you are interested or want more information, please contact Connie Corley at 323-343-4746.

Extending kudos is always a pleasure and I want to recognize two of our colleagues. First, I received a note from a graduate student member of the TESOL Society (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) who commented on the generous support provided by Kazumitsu Kato. She mentioned a number of specific contributions in addition to the fact that he has “served as a mentor and inspiration” to the members of the group. How nice to be thanked for one’s kindness and also recognized for a job well done.

Kudos also to Carol Smallenburg who, throughout her career and retirement, has provided charitable gifts in support of our students, and continues to do so. Carol was recognized for her generosity by the Office of Public Affairs in its recent publication, Cal State L.A. Today. She is a former president of the Emeriti Association and is a current member at-large of the Executive Committee. The scholarships that she has created bring honor to emeriti and financial assistance to students. We appreciate her efforts and salute her insight.

Speaking of scholarships, I attended the University’s scholarship luncheon, where I was joined by one of our student recipients, Victoria Byczkiewicz (you can see us in the accompanying photo). We had a very special time together and it was nice to be among student recipients as well as representatives of individuals and groups that provide the scholarships. Even better, it was wonderful to be the ambassador of the Emeriti Association, an organization recognized for its ever-increasing scholarship endeavors. Needless to say, Cal State L.A. has more than its share of students in financial need, so if you are thinking of contributing to a worthy cause, let me urge you to consider the Emeriti Scholarship Fund. Any amount is gratefully accepted and the committee, adroitly chaired by Janet Fisher-Houl, does a superb job in reviewing applications and awarding funds.

The University has a significant number of new retirees; approximately 25 colleagues selected the “golden handshake” and another 10 decided to FERP. They will be invited to join the Emeriti Association and I ask that you encourage any of your friends in the group to do so.

There are advantages to emeritus status, such as parking, library and computer lab access, and attendance at campus musical, dramatic, athletic, and scholarly functions. To take advantage of various benefits, most of which are free, it is necessary for emeriti to have a Golden Eagle identification card. If you do not have one, please go to The Golden Eagle One Card office now located in the basement of King Hall, Room D146, and identify yourself as an emeritus. Some additional form of identification is required, e.g., license or passport. If there is a problem with your emeritus status, you can handle it with Esmy Morales in Human Resource Management, 323-343-3668.

Last, but certainly not least, I invite you to attend our fall luncheon on November 5. You will enjoy a delicious lunch, hear our speaker Harold Goldwhite (who is also a new retiree), and meet the students who received scholarships.

The general arrangements are being handled by Clem Padick, who is so good at such planning that I wonder if he is in the wrong field. I would appreciate hearing from you if you have items for the agenda or if you have general comments or questions. Hopefully, you will be able to take advantage of this pleasant opportunity to enjoy some scholarly and social interaction and visit the campus. I look forward to seeing you there.

Barbara Peterson, President

Emeriti Association president Barbara Sinclair and fellowship winner Victoria Byczkiewicz at CSULA scholarship luncheon.
Profile

Paul Zall: They Call This Retirement?
By Donald O. Dewey

I helped to publicize the classic and humorous gibe at retirement by novelist and emeritus English professor Fred Shroyer: The only problem is the insomnia. I keep waking at 11 a.m. and just can’t get back to sleep.

And then there’s scholar and English professor emeritus Paul Zall. In a presidential column in The Emeritimes three years ago, I referred to his amazing productivity of published books since retirement from Cal State L.A., but that was just the beginning. Since then, he learned word processing and now is running an assembly line.

With some embarrassment, I had learned of his productivity years before his retirement. He felt some responsibility for my becoming dean in 1970, which visibly slowed down my own publications. He kept proposing projects to get me back to the Huntington Library. Most appealing was co-authorship of Abe Lincoln Laughing. By the time I had bought and read some books, made a few notes, and reported for work, the book was already in press.

Paul retired in 1986 and taught briefly under the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP). He soon discovered that even part-time teaching interfered too much with his time at the Huntington. He withdrew from FERP and, after 40 years as an institution at the Huntington, he at last became full-time. In addition to daily research, he had for many years been Santa Claus for staff parties and demigod to the docents on all matters literate.

Since retirement, he has doubled his impressive list of book titles. Fifteen of 30 books have appeared during his emeritus status. Because this was written four months before press time, the tie may have been broken by the time you read this. Ben Franklin Laughs Again is currently making the rounds. He describes it as “40 years chasing the kite.”

Paul probably would have already published his 16th post-retirement volume if he had not turned James Madison over to me for a different presidential series. Poor Jimmy Madison is moving along slowly compared to the early presidents entrusted to Paul’s computer!

In his first year of retirement, Paul provided a reminder that he is still a scholar of English literature as well as American studies. Wordsworth’s Descriptive Sketches, with his former student Eric Birdsall, was published by Cornell University Press.

George Washington Laughing (Archon) and Franklin’s Autobiography: A Model Life (Macmillan) were published in 1989. The Founding Mothers (Center for the Study of the Founders) followed in 1991. His readers would find it interesting to examine it just before Cokie Roberts’ book of the same title to see if Paul doesn’t merit much more than a brief note in her acknowledgments.

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Sidney P. Albert: On the Occasion of His 90th Birthday

Following are remarks made by Sidney Albert, founder of the Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association, during a recent celebration in honor of his 90th birthday.

Welcome to the birthday party of my son Larry and the 56th wedding anniversary of my sister Shirley and her husband, Manny Luxenberg. As for my part in the matter, I am amazed that so many of you chose to come; also at being deluged with greeting cards, including some that are imprinted “Happy Ninetieth Birthday.” Evidently there are also cards for those 95 and 100 years old. That being the case, reaching four score and 10 is not that unusual, nor is it an achievement. All you need to do is stick around long enough. It also helps to have selected the right parents. Isaac Stern attributed the following quotation to George Bernard Shaw: “The greatest thing in life is to die young, but to delay it as long as possible."

On the occasion of what I believe was his 80th birthday, Victor Borge mused that he did not know how to act at that age, since he had never been 80 before. The same could be said about being 90: it is uncharted territory. Having grown accustomed to being an octogenarian, Io and behold I am now a nonagenarian. Actually I don’t feel a day over 88. Incidentally, one can’t help noticing that the first two letters of “nonagenarian” spell “no,” although it is unclear what is being said “no” to.

Near the end of Shaw’s play, Heartbreak House, Ellie Dunn, the heroine, says, “Life with a blessing; that’s what I want.” That’s what I have had in my life—indeed, many blessings, among them my gifted children, their splendid spouses, precocious grandchildren, caring sisters and their progeny, and my surrogate Amromin family, headed by Elaine. Even more, there are the innumerable colleagues and friends with whom I have been joined in varied causes and in diverse spheres of action. Among you tonight are philosophy professors, distinguished Shaw scholars, emeriti leaders, solicitous neighbors, and my valuable assistant. You, and others unable to attend, compose a truly extended family, and I cherish my longtime association with you.

I sing the academic life and afterlife. Notwithstanding all the travails involved, I think that there is no better profession than that of an academician. It is still a wonderful life, one in which one can keep learning, and in addition get paid for doing so.

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Emeriti Website Now Fully Operational

The emeriti website is fully functional, thanks to the good work of our webmaster, Demetrius Margaziotis. You are cordially invited to check it out at http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/emeriti.

There are many items of interest to emeriti faculty on the website, including news of upcoming events, information about the association and its objectives, details about our student fellowship program, and links to many other useful websites, such as PERS, Medicare, ERFA, and Social Security. We urge emeriti to contact the webmaster (webmaster.emeriti@calstatela.edu) with information about recent professional activi-
**Health Briefs**

**Health Care Management Tips**

By Marilyn Friedman

At the July meeting of the Executive Committee, Barbara Sinclair mentioned some salient health care tips found in the National Health Council’s newly published booklet, “How to Bring Out the Best in Your Health Care Team.” We thought these tips could be helpful to all of us struggling to get the best possible health care for ourselves and our families. First and foremost, the Council’s philosophy is that “it’s your health and you (the client) call the shots. The health team needs a captain and that should be you.” Here is my brief summary of the eight easy ways the Council advocates that we take charge of our own health.

1. Ask questions of your health care providers.  
   Plan your questions in advance, write them down, and be prepared to ask the questions and to write down the provider’s responses (either right away or immediately after the visit).

2. Tell your doctor everything. Provide complete information about everything you are feeling, thinking, and doing regarding your health, including medications you are taking and your health habits.

3. Keep your health team connected by telling each health care provider about the other provider you are seeing. Coordination of care is most essential in today’s world of specialists and generalists in different health professions and different agencies.

4. Network with others who have the same condition or illness. There are national, nonprofit health organizations out there to help persons with practically all health problems. These organizations can be both supportive and educational.

5. Educate yourself and become informed. Being informed will give you the capacity to evaluate the care you are getting and the care you need, as well as become a more active member of your health team.

6. Take someone with you on your appointments or to the hospital. Not only will this help your comfort level, but will also be another ear to listen and to ask important questions.

7. Second opinions make sense. Second opinions are standard in medical practice, and patients and families should not feel constrained to seek second opinions, especially when health conditions are serious, ambiguous, or involve surgery or other treatment options. Call your health insurance plan to determine if the health insurance plan will cover second opinions.

8. Take charge of your team. You need to let team members know what is working for you and what is not. This is especially relevant in terms of living with a chronic health problem. This means talking openly to your providers. If you cannot talk openly and honestly, it’s probably best to make a change in providers.


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**She Became a Movie Star at Age 90**

By Leon Schwartz

When Jeanne and I visited Paris in fall 2003, we had a huge surprise. In the front of many of the movie houses were prominent posters advertising a new prize-winning film, *Depuis qu’Otar est parti* (Since Otar Left), whose principal character, Eka, was, to our amazement, Madame Esther Gorintin, a 90-year-old former neighbor of Jeanne’s in Besançon, France, when I met both Jeanne and her in 1948. Madame Gorintin, a non-practicing dental technician by training and wife of Monsieur David Gorintin, one of the local dentists, was, like Jeanne, a survivor of the anti-Jewish persecutions and deportations after the Nazi invasion of France in World War II, and had become a close friend of hers after they returned from their respective places of refuge in the Swiss Alps and the Pyrenees. I met Esther Gorintin and her husband, an ex-POW in Germany, at our engagement party in December 1948. The Gorintins attended our wedding in 1949 and our son’s wedding in France in 1977, and remained good friends of ours until David’s death in the mid-80s. Who could imagine that, with no acting experience at all, the dentist’s widow at age 85, because of her knowledge of French, Yiddish, Polish, and Russian, would be selected to play the title character in a documentary film *Le Voyage* about a homeless Jewish survivor of the Holocaust, a film that won prizes at Cannes and led to Esther’s being asked to act in several other documentaries, and finally, at age 90, to star as Otar’s mother Eka, in a full-length feature film that has been playing all over the world?

While we were in Paris, Jeanne called her friend the movie star, who immediately recognized her voice and invited us to visit her at the little coffee shop beneath her apartment in the heart of Paris. There, aided by two cups of coffee and two croissants, the winsome nonagenarian, whose face has by now been seen on movie screens from Paris to Pasadena and from Moscow to Miami, regaled us with the incredible story of her geriatric rise to international fame and, we presume, fortune. It makes one think that if this simple, former provincial housewife could do it, who knows what glories Madame Bovary might have lived to enjoy had she just been more patient and less reckless.
Recently, a taxi driver pointed out to me that one of the many similarities between the U.S. and Singapore was that Lee Kwan Yu’s son was set to take over the position of prime minister in Singapore the same way that George W. Bush took over the presidency from his father. In both cases, there was an incumbent between the two: Goh Chok Tong and Bill Clinton, respectively. The more I thought about it, the more interesting the comparison became.

One can hardly compare the impact of Lee Senior and Bush Senior on their countries. Senior Lee is the founding prime minister of Singapore. He led the country away from Britain to be part of Malaysia in 1963. Within two years, his actions and the actions of the other representatives from Singapore so enraged the Malaysians that they “divorced” Singapore. Lee Senior did the impossible. He took a small country with no natural resources that no one had ever imagined would survive and created the only first-world country in Southeast Asia. If he were to be compared to a U.S. president in his impact, he would be more of a Washington than a Bush. Bush Senior, on the other hand, rode into office on the coattails of a very popular president but failed to win reelection for a second term, one of only four presidents in the 20th century who failed to win a second term in office after completing a first full term.

The current roles of Bush Senior and Lee Senior could not be more different. Since Bush Senior has left the presidency, he is seldom in the news, and when he is, it is a human-interest story, like parachuting on his birthday, rather than for his take on current events. The reality in Singapore is that Lee Senior still runs the country. He resigned as prime minister in 1990 and took the title of “senior minister.” However, he is usually in the papers daily, if not weekly, and his pronouncements have a major impact on what happens in the country. He is routinely quoted about current events and gives opinions on anything and everything, including how the U.S. can win the war on terrorism.

When he thinks action is needed, he steps in and acts without the need to get authorization to do so. Two examples come to mind. The decline in travel to this part of the world, first of all from the general decline after the 9/11 attacks and then as a result of SARS, led to Singapore Airlines posting major monetary losses in 2002. It negotiated with its five unions for employees to take salary cuts. By agreement, these cuts were to be restored, with an additional 15 percent bonus, if the airline recovered in the next two years. Two quarters ago, when the airline announced its profits, a number of the pilots expressed concern that their representatives had “rolled over” too easily to management demands. They voted to oust their leadership in preparation for a new round of bargaining, which was legally allowed to do under Singapore law. None of this was surprising to me, given an American cultural belief in the way unions operate.

However, Senior Minister Lee gave a scathing denunciation of the pilots, and came charging out to meet with them and “set them straight.” The papers gave major space to Lee Senior’s meeting with the pilots’ union and with SIA management and how he was getting them to work things through. The ringleader among the pilots was identified, stripped of his permanent residency status and given two weeks to get out of the country. The official report in the media was that his permanent residency had been revoked, but that he could appeal that decision. I doubt that anyone was surprised when the appeal was denied.

An interesting side note was a letter to the editor questioning whether Lee Senior’s rush to deal with the pilots’ union indicated a lack of faith in the current and future government leaders. I was surprised that it was published, given that it was more critical than the newspaper usually gets about the government. Lee Senior was uncharacteristically silent for about a week before his response. He then took to the media to explain how the airline had always been his special project, and how he had thought he had made the pilots’ union see sense in negotiating the “Singaporean way” in an earlier labor dispute and saw its current actions as his failure. In other words, it was unfinished business and as he was the one who started it, he ought to be the one to have to finish it.

Another example was Lee Senior’s trip to Souzhou for the 10th anniversary celebration of the joint Chinese-Singapore industrial park venture in China. At the time of the trip, Lee Senior mentioned, and it was reported in the newspaper here, that Singapore needed to de-

### Campus News

**Two CSULA Faculty Honored with CSU Excellence Awards**

Martin G. Brodwin (Education) and Stanley M. Burstein (History) were honored as two of only four CSU faculty members selected this year for the $20,000 systemwide CSU Wang Family Excellence Award. Brodwin’s award is in the category of Education and Professional and Applied Sciences; Burstein’s award is in Social and Behavioral Sciences and Public Service. The awards were presented during a formal ceremony at the CSU Trustees meeting in Long Beach. Brodwin, an honored alumnus, is noted for his work in rehabilitation counseling. Since joining the faculty in 1988, he has served as coordinator for the undergraduate program in rehabilitation services and graduate program in rehabilitation counseling. His book, *Medical, Psychosocial, and Vocational Aspects of Disability*, published in 1993 and 2002, has been used as a textbook in over 80 colleges and universities. Brodwin’s strong support of, and lifelong ties to, his students are evidenced by the fact that almost half of the four dozen articles and chapters he has published and the 48 professional presentations he has delivered since joining the University have been coauthored by students and alumni.

Brodwin received the 1996 Outstanding Rehabilitation Educator Award from the National Association of Rehabilitation Professionals in the Private Sector and, in 1997, he was named Cal State L.A.’s Distinguished Alumnus for the Charter College of Education. He was also a 1996-97 CSULA Outstanding Professor.

Burstein, who joined the faculty in 1968, was most recently chair of the Department of History until his retirement and subsequent designation as emeritus this year. He was advisor for Cal State L.A.’s social science teacher preparation major and the faculty advisor for Perspectives, a Department student journal. Burstein was instrumental in developing the upper division General Education theme, “Ancients and Moderns,” which helps students understand the connection between classical civilization and the mod-
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able to cope with the Hindi language barri-
ers.” she realized that she was moving to-
wards a career as a teacher. Lee Anne is a
member of the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor
society and, while in high school, was the
Soroptimists’ “Girl of the Year,” a delegate
to California Girl’s State in Sacramento, a
Presidential Classroom delegate to Wash-
ington, D.C., and a member of Governor
Deukmejian’s staff for the Teenwork Con-
vention. She currently does volunteer work
with Jefferson High School’s Garden/Envi-
ronmental Club and has assisted in raising
funds for the school program.

Victoria Byczkiewicz, recipient of an
Emeriti fellowship for the second year in a
row, is a student in the Teachers of English
to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
graduate program. Victoria is a founding
member and current president of the TESOL
Society at Cal State L.A. While in Germany
for six years, she developed her skills in
teaching English as a Foreign Language and
intercultural communication. Her work in
counseling developmentally disabled teens
devoting and administering health pro-
grams for the homeless and people with
AIDS also influenced her ultimate goal: to
complete a doctoral degree in clinical and
educational psychology.

Kerri Rivas is a student in the social work
master’s program with an emphasis on ger-
ontology focused on aging and families. She
is currently a foster care social worker who
coordinates and monitors visits with foster
children and their birth families. An active
volunteer, Kerri has completed the Citizen’s
Academy program with the Covina Police
Department in order to be better serve
her clients. She has volunteered at the LAMP
homeless shelter and the David and Marga-
ret Home, a group home for girls in LaVerne,
as well as mentored a troubled sixth grader
through the Cougar Pals Program. After com-
pleting her MSW, she plans to work in the
field before pursuing a Ph.D.

The recipient of the Jane Matson Memo-
rial Fellowship in Counseling, Maria Palmieri,
is pursuing a master’s degree in school
counseling, with an emphasis on child
welfare and attendance. A summa cum laude
graduate of Cal Poly Pomona, she is plan-
ing to pursue an Ed.D. in educational lead-
ership and a school administration credential.
Born in Caracas, Venezuela and an
immigrant to the U.S. at a young age, Maria
has always wanted to help those in
need. She is a state-certified advocate for
domestic violence victims and volunteers
regularly at a shelter for battered women.

Andre Petrokovets, the recipient of the
David Cameron Fisher Memorial Fellowship
Award, immigrated when he was five years
old to the United States from Kazakhstan,
formerly part of the Soviet Union. An un-
dergraduate student in biology, Andre’s ca-
career objective is to become a medical doctor.
At the age of 15, Andre was accepted into
the Cal State L.A. Early Entrance Program.
He is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and the
Golden Key Honor Society, and is a co-
founder of Hillel on campus. He is a volun-
teer with Jewish Big Brothers and is on the
board of the L.A. chapter of the Hebrew
Immigrant Aid Society. Andre also currently
volunteers at Cedars Sinai Medical Center
and has completed student internships in ob/
gyn at Tarzana Medical Square.

Six New Emeriti Named

The following recently retired faculty
have been awarded emeritus status:

T. JEAN ADENIKA-MORROW

NANCY COBB

LU ELROD
(1990-2004)

JO AN KUNSELMAN

G. ROY MAYER

ROLANDO A. SANTOS

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

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ties that you would like to share with others
who will browse the site. We are also begin-
nning a detailed listing of the home address,
phone number, and email address of emeriti
career faculty who are eager to establish contact
with some of their colleagues. Once again,
be forewarned that with publication of this
information on the website, the information
is available for anyone to access. This could
lead to unwanted contacts or spam.

It is even possible to read past issues of
The Emeritimes online at our website if you
have misplaced your print copy.

Annual Luncheon (Continued from Page 1)

Instead of the traditional luncheon on the
day after the faculty’s return, the Emeriti
Association’s executive committee posponed it to Friday, November 5 for this year, to
follow the committee’s retreat on October 29.
The purpose of the retreat is strategic planning
for the association’s future development.
The resulting recommendations will be
announced at the luncheon and published in the
Winter 2005 issue of The Emeritimes, with
responses invited.

The luncheon will be held in the Golden
Eagle Ballroom, beginning at 11:30 a.m. The
guest speaker will be Harold Goldwhite, emeritus professor of chemistry and former
faculty trustee on the CSU Board. His ad-
dress, titled “Through a Glass, Darkly,” will
describe the fiscal crisis and its historical as
well as political context. In his advance sum-
mary, Harold writes, “We can only speculate
on the long-term effects of current and pro-
jected budgets. Comparisons with earlier cri-
es of the ’80s and ’90s help sharpen our
expectations of how the CSU will weather the
coming decade.”

The “golden handshake” for faculty of two
years’ service credit produced 25 new retir-
ees, including a few academic administrators.
In addition, 10 colleagues entered the Faculty
Early Retirement Program (FERP) ranks. The
Emeriti Association looks forward to their at-
tainment of emeritus status and hopes to wel-
come them as members thereafter.

Note: Emeriti who attend the fall luncheon
on November 5 are invited to be part of a fo-
cus group for the Osher Lifelong Learning
Institute (OLLI), the $100,000 grant described
elsewhere in this issue. Project staff would
like to query you regarding your interests as
prospective students in OLLI and prospective
teachers for OLLI. The group will meet for a
short while at the conclusion of the regu-
lar program.

Also note a comment in this issue of The
Emeritimes from our president, Barbara
Sinclair, about the development of a focus
group among emeriti faculty for the Osher
Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) on cam-
pus. We plan to feature developments in this
Center on our website under “Emeriti Colle-
ge.”

If you have general comments about the
site, please contact the webmaster at the ad-
dress above.
MARY GORMLY

Humanities and Social Sciences Librarian, 1962-1983

Mary Gormly, well-known as a Cal State L.A. humanities and social sciences librarian, whose active service years ran from 1962 to 1983, died on July 19 at the age of 84. She had suffered from kidney failure and related disorders for several months.

She was widely knowledgeable about the cultures of many Native American peoples, particularly those of the North American West. Her collection of art objects and her personal library were extensive. She came to this campus after a career that encompassed naval service in World War II, study in both the United States and Mexico, and employment in curatorial and library positions related to Native American cultures.

Mary was born on October 14, 1919, in San Francisco. The family’s roots, however, were in the Seattle area, and they settled in a house on the property of a family-owned business in Earlington. She had a twin brother, Jerry, now deceased, and a younger brother who survives them both, M. J. (Joe) Travers, a retired Navy commander.

The Depression years led to the sale of the business property and loss of the house, and the family moved to Seattle, where they lived with their maternal grandparents. In 1934, Mary graduated from Seattle’s Holy Names Academy; she then went to live with an aunt, her mother’s twin, and attended Franklin High School, where she graduated in 1938.

Her undergraduate education at the University of Washington was interrupted by World War II. Coming from a Navy family, she opted for military service in the WAVES, in which she served from 1943 to 1946. After her initial training at Hunter College in New York, and advanced training at Oklahoma A&M, she was stationed in Washington, D.C. as a yeoman (petty officer). There she worked in the Navy Department’s Judge Advocate General’s office, in a building located on Constitution Avenue (which now is the northern boundary of the Mall). Following her honorable discharge, she completed her program at the University of Washington with a B.A. in anthropology in 1947. She received an M.A. from Mexico City College in 1948 and served there as an instructor in 1948-49, concurrently studying further at the Escuela Nacional de Antropologia e Historia.

On her subsequent return to the University of Washington, Mary continued her advanced studies and served as a teaching fellow and research assistant in anthropology from 1949 to 1952. During her second stay in Mexico, she taught English in Mexico City from 1953 to 1955. Her interests then led her to employment as a librarian at the Washington State Museum, from 1955 to 1959, and in 1959 she received a master’s degree in librarianship from the University of Washington. She went on to a position as librarian and assistant curator at the Amerind Foundation, in Dragoon, Arizona, in which she served until 1961.

In 1962, she was appointed to the professional staff of the Cal State L.A. Library. There she became a major reference resource for both students and faculty on ethnohistory as well as the art and anthropology of the indigenous cultures in the areas in which she had lived and worked. She also served as an editorial consultant for several faculty colleagues, whose books dealt with Central America, the American West, and early U.S. foreign relations. On several occasions she taught art history, covering Latin American, Native American, African, and Oceanian art.

Mary’s life was thus marked by her military service, her professional expertise, and her artistic preferences. She shared those interests with many friends, through many organizational memberships, including the American Legion, where she was a post commander. She was a member of the Navy League, the U.S. Air Force Association, and the Civil Air Patrol, in which she was particularly active around the height of the Cold War, holding the rank of lieutenant colonel. She also was active in the American Society for Aerospace Education, the Westerners, the support groups of both the Southwest Museum and the Autry Museum (now merged), the Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association, and CSU-ERFA.

She held offices and other leadership positions in all. In the Emeriti Association, she served as president, vice president in both categories, secretary, and a member of the Editorial Board as well as the Executive Committee at large. For ERFA, she was a member of the State Council and later a Cal State L.A. delegate to the council.

Mary was a member of many professional societies, including the American Anthropological Association, Western Historical Association, International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, International Congress of Americanists, and Western Social Sciences Association. She was an active participant in the Seminar on Acquisition of Latin-American Library Materials, and was interviewed for their oral history project. Her honors include election to Beta Phi Mu (Library Science), Phi Alpha Theta (History), and Phi Kappa Phi; she is listed in Who’s Who of American Women and Who’s Who in California. She received the Exceptional Service Award of the Air Force Association for her contributions to the American Society for Aerospace Education.

The Emeriti Association has established a graduate fellowship in her name, as proposed and initiated by Carol Smallenburg, emerita professor of education. It will be designated the Mary Gormly Fellowship, for which the association’s fellowship committee will consider outstanding master’s degree students whose programs have a concentration in courses or a research project covering interests of, or issues concerning, indigenous peoples of the Americas. After Mary entered the skilled nursing facility where she ultimately died, while she was still able to communicate, she was informed of the proposed fellowship and was delighted by it.

Mary was buried on July 30 at the Riverside National Cemetery, as she wished, following a Requiem Mass at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Monrovia. After the mass, a delegation from the American Legion conducted the full panoply of military honors, with the folded flag presented to her brother. Also surviving her are two nephews, a niece, and two cousins.

Gerald Andrew Prindiville
Professor of Education, 1949-1976

Gerald Andrew Prindiville died on April 20 at his home in Gardnerville, Nevada, aged 94. Born in San José three years after the great San Francisco earthquake, he acquired a B.A. degree at San José State College and an M.S. at San Francisco State College, and earned a Ph.D. in education at the University of Southern California.

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KEITH SNYDER
Professor of Music, 1953-1976

Keith Snyder, whose life and career were profiled in The Emeritimes in 2000, died on May 29 at the age of 94 following the onset of congestive heart failure. He is remembered as an outstanding musician and teacher in a career marked by educational and administrative leadership.

Keith was born in Lincoln, Nebraska on May 16, 1910, the son of a Methodist minister. His musical roots were in church music, but he began piano lessons as a child and later also took trumpet lessons. In high school, choral music was the main emphasis, and in college he developed further interests in conducting ensembles and teaching. He received a bachelor’s degree in music education in 1931 from Nebraska Wesleyan University.

His first teaching job was at a high school, and there he became aware of the problems that music teachers face besides teaching itself, namely, the problems of administration. He followed his mentor from that school to a small college in Newbury, South Carolina, and became his assistant, teaching choral and instrumental music as well as piano. During the four years in that position, Keith realized that his professional goal was to teach at the college level in order to prepare public school music teachers. He went on to graduate study at Syracuse University, where he received a master’s degree in music education and composition in 1937, adding a new interest in music psychology.

Keith’s ensuing career included eight years as supervisor of music at a public high school in Sayville, New York, followed by seven years at the Boston University College of Music. There he taught music education courses and supervised student teachers. He received an Ed.D. from Columbia University in 1953, and subsequently expanded his dissertation on music administration into an important book in that field, at that time unique.

Following interviews in New York, Keith joined the faculty of Los Angeles State College in 1953, appointed as professor of music and head of the new Music Department. He was very successful throughout the many challenges facing the rapidly growing college, moving from the Vermont Avenue campus to the present site, and then from temporary bungalows into the permanent building. In the early sixties, he was instrumental in the establishment of the new School of Fine and Applied Arts, and he was appointed associate dean in 1965. A further challenge arose in the change from the semester to the quarter system, when he was responsible for rewriting all the courses in the school. In 1973, Keith asked to return to his faculty position in the Music Department, where he resumed teaching music education courses and supervising student teachers. His graduate course in music administration became his specialty.

In addition to department and school committees, Keith served on many university committees, notably the Educational Policies Committee. In the late sixties, he was elected president of the California Music Educators Association. He retired in 1976, but his dedication to service did not end. He responded with enthusiasm to Sidney Albert’s organizational efforts in establishing the Emeriti Association, and served as its first president.

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the University of Idaho. He joined the faculty of Los Angeles State College in 1949. In the Department of School Administration and Supervision, he taught courses in principles and practices of curriculum development and supervision of instruction and curriculum.

Prindiville traveled extensively during his career and brought his expertise to schools in El Salvador, Peru, Spain, and Germany. At Cal State L.A., he established the first federally funded institute to train student personnel workers and created a community college curriculum scholarship. He also served in the Academic Senate.

After his retirement in 1976, he retired to Carson City, Nevada, where he was president of the Nevada Retired Teachers Association and helped raise more than $20,000 for teacher education scholarships. He was also active in such community organizations as AARP and Common Cause.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy, to whom he was married for almost 62 years, and five children: Dennis, Catherine Kreuter, Michael, George, and Linda Conti.

WILLIAM K. (BILL) SCHATZ
Campus Minister, University Ombudsman, and Director, Advisement Center, 1966-1991

William K. (Bill) Schatz, who served Cal State L.A. from 1966 to 1991 as a campus minister, university ombudsman, and organizing administrator of the Advisement Center, died at his home in South Lake Tahoe on June 4. He had celebrated his 73rd birthday with family and friends, but succumbed to colon cancer the following week after more than a year’s struggle.

Bill was born on May 26, 1931 in Evansville, Indiana. He received an A.B. degree from Elmhurst College in 1953, and both bachelor’s and master’s degrees in divinity from Eden Theological Seminary in 1957 and 1969, respectively. In June 1957, he was ordained as a minister by the St. Lucas United Church of Christ (UCC) in Evansville. During the sixties, which were marked by rapid population growth in Southern California, he became the founding minister of two new UCC churches, in Torrance and in Simi Valley.

In 1966, Bill came to Cal State L.A. as a campus minister with the United Campus Ministries in Higher Education. Because of his extensive background in counseling, he was appointed university ombudsman in 1968, at a time when many campuses were experiencing disruptive activities. Longtime friend and colleague Tom Laffey called him “the best ‘red tape’ cutter I have ever known.” He subsequently served as the organizing administrator of the campus Advisement Center, integrating services previously spread among departments. Beginning in 1978, Bill and his wife, Judith (Judi) Grutter, founded G/S Consultants, and trained counselors and human resource specialists in the use of psychological tests. He retired from the University in 1991.

Bill served his community wherever the Schatz family resided. In Southern California, he chaired the Alhadena Town Council, the Foothill Area Community Services Board of Directors, and the Southern California Confer-
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Becoming American (Shoestring) was named one of the “100 best books for youth” in 1993. Paul returned to Lincoln in 1994 with Lincoln’s Legacy (Huntington) and then to whimsy in 1996 with Wit & Wisdom of the Founding Fathers (ECCO) and Blue & Gray Laughing (Battlefield Preservation Organization).

Eight books in 10 years isn’t a shabby record, but then Paul mastered word processing, and new scholarly vistas (and presidents) were opened to him. He has produced a book per year in the six years since then. Lincoln on Lincoln (University of Kentucky Press) was aptly described in 1999 by our greatest current Civil War historian, James McPherson, as the autobiography that Lincoln would have written if he had not been assassinated.


Completing the list are revised editions of Benjamin Franklin’s Autobiography, the first “authoritative text” for general readers, by Leo Lemay and P. M. Zall. It was first published in 1986, the year of Paul’s retirement, and is based on their “genetic text” that was published in 1981 and intended for research scholars. Of course, he has also published numerous book chapters and encyclopedia entries.

What’s next? How about the wit and wisdom of that other George W.? 

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Costello L. Brown Named Acting Dean, Graduate Studies and Research

Costello L. Brown was appointed acting dean of graduate studies and research, effective July 1. In that role, he provides leadership in planning and development in graduate and postbaccalaureate study, all aspects related to research and sponsored programs, and international academic programs, presidially chartered centers, institutes, and campus clinics. Brown will also continue to serve as acting director of faculty affairs, providing leadership in the implementation of the faculty collective bargaining contract, grievance investigations, and disciplinary actions for the University.

A faculty member in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry since 1969, Brown previously served as associate dean of graduate studies and research for 10 years, and as the first director of the CSU statewide Sally Casanova California Predoctoral Program at the Chancellor’s Office.

Don’t Forget the Fellowship Fund!

Your contributions to the Emeriti Fellowship Fund keep on working for you and Cal State L.A. students! The Cal State L.A. Foundation now allocates endowment earnings — those in excess of funds made available for scholarship support — back to the account principal. In this way, account balances can grow from year to year and generate larger scholarship distributions to students.

César Caballero Appointed Acting University Librarian

César Caballero, associate university librarian since April 2003, was named acting university librarian, effective July 1. In this capacity, he provides leadership in planning and implementing strategies to enhance the services and collections of the library, provides effective management for the library’s resources, and makes creative use of modern technologies in the provision of recorded knowledge and information resources to students and faculty. He replaces Douglas Davis, who retired in June.

Distinguished Women Honored at May 25 Reception

Ten faculty, staff, and administrators were recognized as Distinguished Women of Cal State L.A. on May 25 for their academic accomplishments and other special achievements. The awards, initiated by the Cross-Cultural Centers, are presented annually to 10 women in faculty, staff, and administrative positions for outstanding achievement. Recognized this year were Judith Washburn (Education), Helen Boussalis (Electrical Engineering), Sharon Bishop (Philosophy), Doris Christopher (Information Systems/Business and Economics), Carol Selkin (Public Affairs), Karin Elliott Brown (Social Work), Lena Chao (Speech Communication), Maria Godoy (Upward Bound), Jean Cruz (Biological Sciences) and Janet Lever (Sociology).

Previous awardees have included emeritae Fleur Yano, Margaret Hartman, Karen Johnson, Janet Fisher-Houlit, Rosemarie Marshall, and Frieda Stahl.

CSULA Students Win Alternative-Energy Vehicle Competition

Carrying on Cal State L.A.’s tradition of national #1 award-winning student-built alternative-energy vehicles, the Super Eagle—the University’s newest competitive super-mileage car—beat 39 collegiate teams from the U.S. and Canada in the Society of Automotive Engineers international Supermileage competition in June. Besting cars from UC campuses to a specialized technology institute, the superbly engineered car achieved a record of 1,615 miles per gallon. Stated associate dean of the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology Martin Roden, “You could get to Las Vegas for 29 cents and Sacramento for 55 cents on that kind of mileage!” The project’s faculty adviser, James Ettaro, teaches and conducts research in power, energy, and transportation and manages the Power-Energy Transportation program housed in the college.
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velop a cadre of future businessmen who understood doing business in China. Within two weeks, the Singapore government unveiled a plan to give scholarships to 200 students per year to study Chinese language and culture as a way to meet the off-the-cuff comments of Senior Minister Lee.

The most striking similarity is the remarkable rise to success in politics of both of the sons. Bush Junior was born in 1946, graduated from Yale University in 1968, and then went into the Air National Guard. After getting an MBA from Harvard, he went into the energy business in Texas. His first political experience was working on his father’s presidential campaign (1988). His second experience in politics was as governor of Texas in 1994, and from there he went directly to president. The various newspapers each have their own view of Bush Junior’s success in his endeavors.

Lee Junior was born in 1952 and in 1974 graduated from Cambridge University. He joined the Singapore Armed Forces in 1971 to get a scholarship to Cambridge and stayed in the service after graduation. By 1984, he held the rank of brigadier general. (As a point of reference, in the U.S. Armed Forces, it takes about 25 years to go from a new college graduate to brigadier general). In 1984, he left the Armed Forces and entered politics, winning election as a member of Parliament. The next year, he was appointed minister of trade and industry, and in 1991, he was also appointed deputy prime minister.

Unlike Bush Junior, however, Lee Junior has been carefully prepared to step into the role of leader of the country. He has been deputy prime minister for 13 years, and during that time has been given opportunities to work in almost all areas of the government. In October 2003, a comment was made in the newspaper that Lee Junior didn’t have much experience in foreign affairs. Immediately after that, he was off on some diplomatic or trade mission to another country about every other week. The English-language newspaper, which happens to be government controlled, indicates that Lee Junior has been very successful in all his undertakings.

The structure of the political system in the United States and Singapore leads to its own differences. The United States, of course, has separate elections to determine executive and legislative branches and which party controls each. Singapore has a parliamentary form of government and the party that wins the election determines who will lead the country.

Both countries have allowances for many political parties. The United States has two main ones and the elections that are held every four years are fights between two similarly matched parties for control of the presidency and the Congress.

Although there are also several political parties in Singapore, the People’s Action Party (PAP) has won every election in the country since its foundation. Several modifications that were introduced soon after independence assure that the PAP will never have a serious challenge from another party so long as it keeps its compact with the people. The modifications that PAP was able to introduce included complete governmental control over the media (newspaper, television, and radio), the Internal Security Act (which allows the government to arrest people suspected of subversive activity and hold them for two years without trial), and an Industrial Relations Act that makes the government an equal partner with union and management in resolving collective bargaining disputes. Members of the opposition can be and are sued by PAP leaders for remarks made in the heat of the campaign, and they always seem to lose in court. Most importantly, the PAP assures that it continues to draw the best and brightest students into the civil service through scholarships, and works on the best of them to interest them in politics—as members of PAP, of course.

Singaporeans who are not politicians are discouraged from engaging in political commentary. People here are still talking about how a well-known Singaporean novelist who made some comments critical of the government was attacked verbally and vehemently by the government for stepping out of her role as an author. She was told, in effect, that if she wanted to criticize the government, she should go into politics.

Of course, the biggest difference is that Bush Junior had to win the electoral vote to become president. On the other hand, Mr. Goh announced on behalf of the Central Committee of PAP in January that Lee Junior would be the next prime minister. As a special nod to eventually broadening the political process here, the members of Parliament were asked if they supported Lee Junior as the next prime minister. The support for him was unanimous, which surprised no one. The only question is when the changeover will occur. Mr. Goh appears to be having fun keeping everyone guessing.

Note: The date of the government turnover from Goh to Lee was announced on July 17. The turnover date was August 12.

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In his drama, Back to Methuselah, Shaw maintained that 100 years is much too short a time for us to attain wisdom, and that we need to live a lot longer. In many ways, that is happening already. It appears that there may be a time when 90 will be considered middle aged.

Here are a few quotations from Back to Methuselah, “It is not the number of years we have behind us, but the number we have before us that makes us careful and responsible and determined to find out the truth about everything.” Another passage: “We are not made wise by recollection of the past but by the responsibilities of our future.”

When I was campaigning for emeritus policy reform, I used as argument a kind of credo about life in retirement. You have probably not seen nor heard it before:

“We need to recognize the period of retirement as an integral part of an academic career. Far from signifying the end of all professional activity, it is really a further stage, and potentially an interesting and productive one. It is in fact a time of liberation, when one is “free at last”—not to loaf, nor to wrestle with boredom, but to devote oneself to activities of one’s own choosing, pursued at one’s own tempo. It is a season of freedom from requirements, obligations, and commitments; from official demands upon one’s time and energies; from being at the beck and call of others. It affords an opportunity for unhampered concentration on what one wants to do, rather than what one is compelled or expected to do. It affords the luxury of leisure—for travel, reflection, learning, and exploring new horizons.”

Finally, there is a passage in a letter Shaw wrote to one of his biographers that I think is pertinent here:

“I can be as young for five minutes as you can be for a week. There are things that I cannot do that I could do years ago, but there are also things that I was never clear about that I am quite clear about now. I am still growing while I am decaying. It is the physical decay with its reduction of my powers of endurance in every department that is beating me and will presently kill me. When a man dies of old age, he kills a lot of mental babies with which he is pregnant.”

Shaw was 65 when he wrote that letter. He lived 29 years longer, to 94.

I think the important thing is not to look back too much, but to keep looking forward. I too am pregnant with mental babies. My love of learning, research, and most of all writing, continues. My work is not yet done. Essentially, I’ll keep doing what I’m doing, as long as I can.

Thank you for coming. Bless you all.