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PRESIDENT ROSSER TO ADDRESS EMERITI AT FALL LUNCHEON ON OCTOBER 12

The Emeriti Association will hold its traditional fall luncheon on Friday, October 12 in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. President James M. Rosser will be the keynote speaker, and has titled his talk, “The Legacy Thrives.” Association past president Barbara Sinclair will recognize new emeritus faculty members present and give a brief talk, “The Emeriti Association: A Benefit to All.” Fellowship Fund chair Janet Fisher-Houl will introduce the 2007 winners of the several fellowships sponsored by the Association.

The initial gathering has been set for 11:00 a.m., and the formal program will begin at 11:45 with an introductory welcome by the Association president, Harold Goldwite. Food service is set for noon, after which the talks and fellowship recognitions will follow.

In his May 8 address at the Academic Senate, the President cited a number of recent developments that were predominantly positive, including a significant increase in both state funding and external support. Partially offsetting these gains were the stagnation in student services support and the backlog of about $85 million in deferred maintenance.

Despite steadily increasing student charges, enrollment rates rose to an average of 11.4 quarter units per student in the past year, a strong improvement over the 8.8 recorded a few years past. The enrollment goal for the current academic year is an increase of 2.5 percent. However, the newest fee increase, enacted over much protest by students and faculty, may counteract some of that growth.

Campus construction activity is high after many years of little change. The Hertzberg-Davis Forensic Science Center at the south end of the campus, built entirely with bond support, was dedicated in mid-May and is now in use. It is a joint partnership between the Los Angeles

Emeriti Welcome at Annual Return

The Fall 2007 term begins with the annual Fall Faculty Day on Monday, September 17, for which emeritus faculty members have a standing invitation. The event opens with a general meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Luckman Theatre, at which President Rosser always presents his outlook for the coming year. Judging from his State of the University address at the Academic Senate meeting of May 8, the prognoses are appreciably more positive than in recent preceding years.

The general meeting culminates with the introduction of the 2007 recipients of the Outstanding Professor and President’s Scholar awards. Following adjournment, the entire faculty will proceed to the Golden Eagle and enjoy the catered brunch. At the college and department meetings that follow, emeriti are welcome to attend and enjoy reunions and other aspects of nostalgia.

Emeriti Association Marks its 30th Anniversary; Early Documents Now in CSULA and CSU Archives

The Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association will observe its 30th anniversary during the 2007-08 academic year, having been founded on February 9, 1978. During the mid-1970s, Sidney P. Albert, now an emeritus professor of philosophy, faced his impending retirement by devising an organization of emeritus faculty members that could provide avenues for maintaining their activities, friendships, and vigor. At that time, retirement at age 70 was the official rule, and Sidney was not about to let the door of his professional life close on him.

Sidney’s chronology of the events that led to the establishment of official policy on emeritus status and to the creation of the Emeriti Association has been reprinted, and is enclosed with this issue of The Emeritimes. The saga does not end there, however, since he exhorted other CSU faculties to follow suit as he went on to found the systemwide organization in 1985. Initially known as the Association of Emeriti Professors (AEP), it is now established as the CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA). Campus associations are now independent affiliates of CSU-ERFA, and are represented on its State Council.

Sidney retired in 1979 and never stopped working toward the goal he set for a professional life beyond the technicality of termination. Over the years, he compiled a detailed collection of documents pertaining to each association, and maintained it until this past spring. He has given those papers to Leon Schwartz and Judson Grenier, the archivists of our campus association and of CSU-ERFA, to be deposited in the respective archives. The L.A.

Choice of entrée: penne pasta primavera, chicken marsala, herb-crusted salmon filet with lemon herb sauce.

Send check, made payable to the Emeriti Association, along with choice of entrée, to Hildebrando Villarreal, 1915 Las Lunas Street, Pasadena, CA 91107 no later than October 3. For more information, call Hildebrando at 626-793-8975 or email him at hvillar@calstatela.edu.

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President’s Message

As the incoming president of the Emeriti Association, I want first to thank the outgoing president, Lou Negrete, and other outgoing officers of the Association, including Bill Darrough, secretary, and Herminia Cadenas, vice president for programs, for the exemplary service they have given the Association — and that means you, its members. Lou Negrete continues on the Executive Committee as immediate past president, and I will be availing myself freely of his wisdom and experience during the coming year. In addition, we welcome Marty Roden as vice president, administration; Hildebrando Villarreal as vice president, programs; and Dorothy Keane as secretary. I will be announcing the appointment of a third member-at-large of the Executive Committee, to be confirmed by the Committee, shortly.

Your executive committee meets monthly to discuss Association activities and plans for the future, and I have been impressed by their dedication and enthusiasm during the time I have been involved in the Association. At the recent retreat that the Executive Committee arranged during last spring, there was general agreement that we need to refocus some of our activities on more programming of direct benefit to emeriti and those expecting to enter the emeriti ranks in the near future. As you can read elsewhere in this issue of The Emeritimes (and I must applaud the work of our Emeritimes Editorial Board chair, the indefatigable Frieda Stahl), the Association’s fall luncheon will feature President James M. Rosser, speaking on issues of importance to Cal State L.A., and Emeriti Association past president Barbara Sinclair, speaking on what it means to be in our ranks.

It is conventional for incoming organization presidents to set out their goals for the organization during their terms of service. This organization has been functioning very well, and serves its members admirably. If you haven’t visited our website recently (kudos to Demetrious Margaziotis, our webmaster), do so; you’ll be impressed by what it offers. But there is always room for improvement in any organization. I want to see the Emeriti Association of California State University, Los Angeles develop programming that will attract more members and make it (almost) unthinkable that any faculty member of our University who joins the group of emeriti would not be a member. Your Executive Committee is considering plans for social and cultural events, and for voicing concerns of importance to emeriti in appropriate arenas. To be effective, we need to involve a wider group of members than simply those who serve on the Executive Committee. We are reviewing our bylaws to see if they need modification to enhance our range of activities and effectiveness.

I also need feedback from you on what you want to see from your Association. Please let me know at hgolzhw@calstatela.edu what your impressions are of how the Association works, how interesting and useful past programs have been, and what you want us to be doing in the future. I look forward to an active and constructive year serving your Association.

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Sheriff’s Department, Los Angeles Police Department, and Cal State L.A. Progress continues apace on the University-Student Union, expected to be occupied in the spring quarter, and on Wing A of the Multidisciplinary Sciences Complex. The groundbreaking for Wing B should proceed later this academic year.

Several forthcoming developments were outlined in the President’s spring presentation; one of these projects is a second high school, the Marc and Eva Stern Math and Science School, which broke ground on September 10 at the south of parking lot 2 (near the intersection of Circle Drive and Campus Road). All parking has been redesignated as well, and emeriti will soon need maps when they visit the campus. Longer-range plans include expansion of student housing, added faculty housing, and even a campus hotel.

Reservations for the fall luncheon may be made by contacting Hildebrando Villarreal, the association’s Vice President for Programs, as shown in the information box. As noted in a separate article, 2007-08 marks the 30th anniversary of the Association’s founding, and its celebration begins with this event.

Don’t Forget the Fellowship Fund!

Your contributions to the Emeriti Fellowship Fund keep working for Cal State L.A. students! The Emeriti Association now manages six scholarships, five for graduate students and one for undergraduates. Recipients are selected each year, around Commencement week. They greatly appreciate these awards, now more than ever in fiscal hard times. Tax-deductible donations are welcome year round, and may be sent to us at the University’s address.

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California’s community colleges and their supporters have qualified an initiative that would amend the California state constitution to provide minimum levels of state funding for community college districts, amending Proposition 98 and giving the community colleges a separate funding guarantee. Community college fees would be locked in at $15 per unit per semester, and future fee increases would be limited.

The impact is substantial – some $135 million more than the existing budget in 2007-08 (presumably in the second half of the fiscal year), $275 million more in 2008-09, and $470 million more in 2009-10. The impact thereafter is officially “unknown.”

At this point, most of the state budget has been locked in by propositions and initiatives, the most substantial being Proposition 98, which guarantees the public schools and community colleges a minimum of the state budget. Other propositions limit tax increases or set aside funds for things like anti-smoking campaigns, transportation projects, and after-school projects. Federal rules regarding health programs, in particular Medi-Cal, mandate certain expenditures and rules in order for a state to receive federal reimbursements for its expenditures (for every dollar California spends on Medi-Cal, the federal government contributes another dollar).

What is left consists of two parts of the budget: higher education and corrections. Corrections seems so poorly funded for the number of inmates now incarcerated in California that federal judges have threatened to take over all or part of the corrections system, so it is not likely that it will be the source of the needed funds. In the early 2000s, the CSU lost approximately $500 million of its base budget through budget cuts, resulting in increased class sizes, continued extensive use of part-time faculty, and a lack of support for faculty development throughout the system. The compact with the governor that would partially restore those funds over several years would seemingly become increasingly difficult to honor with the passage of this initiative. Student fees, already increased substantially since 2000, would increase even further. Making the CSU a more difficult hurdle for students at a time when both students and employers need the degrees and training that the CSU provides is a disservice to both groups and to the state.

The justification for this initiative is good: the community colleges are not well funded, and support services, in particular, badly need increases. But locking in a formula for funding them into the state constitution is just another bad idea that keeps resurfacing in California. We sympathize with our community college colleagues, but taking money from the UC and CSU is not the answer. We urge you to vote against this initiative.

Emeriti Association Awards Five Fellowships for 2007-08

The Emeriti Association has awarded fellowships to five students, four graduate and one undergraduate, for 2007-08. Two of these are Emeriti Fellowships; the others include the William E. Lloyd Memorial Fellowship, the Jane Matson Memorial Fellowship in counseling, and the David Cameron Fisher Memorial Fellowship for an undergraduate student in biology. There were no candidates who met the criteria for the John L. Houk Memorial Fellowship this year. The Fellowship Fund Committee had a difficult task making decisions, with many well-qualified candidates.

Recipients of Emeriti Fellowships are Myla Castillo (Nursing) and Karla Padron (Chicano Studies). The recipient of the Jane Matson Memorial Fellowship award is Silva Shakaryan (Counseling). The William E. Lloyd Memorial Fellowship (History/Political Science) was awarded to Mark Steckler. Christine Do (Biology) is the recipient of the undergraduate emeriti fellowship, established in memory of David Cameron Fisher, son of Janet Fisher-Houl.

Myla Castillo, studying for her M.S. in the entry-level master’s program in nursing, is on her way to becoming an adult primary nurse practitioner. A summa cum laude graduate of Cal State L.A. in psychology, Myla decided to return to school after trying her hand in other fields and discovering, while volunteering in a convalescent home, that she wanted to be a health professional. She credits her strong undergraduate background from Cal State L.A. and the insightful journey she is now beginning here as providing her with the tools she needs to become an effective, helping professional.

Karla Padron, completing her M.A. in Chicano Studies, is currently working with children in an after-school program. Many of them lack role models for higher education and have not encountered a Latina college graduate. She connected with her favorite fields, sociology and women’s studies, at Santa Monica College, and was encouraged to continue for her B.A. at UCLA. Karla plans to apply to a doctoral program in education or sociology and become a professor and role model for first-generation college students.

The recipient of the Jane Matson Memorial Fellowship in Counseling, Silva Shakaryan, an immigrant to the U.S. from Armenia in 1999 and speaker of English as a second language, has an outstanding academic record. She began teaching in Armenia, working in a school for children with speech disorders, and teaching language and literature. A wife and mother of two young children, Silva began her studies in the U.S. at Los Angeles City College (LACC). She mastered English so well that she was named Professional and Personal

Ted Anagnoson (Political Science) is the lead author of the newly published Governing California in the Twenty-first Century (W.W. Norton, 2007). The tone of the book can be seen from the working title, Are California’s Politics Broken?”


Donald Dewey (History) served as vice chair and parliamentarian of the Academic Senate during summer quarter. He has represented the Emeriti Association in the Senate for nearly a decade, and continues as the alternate for 2007-08 as Ted Anagnoson (Political Science) assumes the position of emeritus senator.

Martin Epstein (Physics) and William Taylor (Physics) received $88,000 from the U.S. Department of Education Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program for the first year of a three-year continuation of the University Preparatory Program. Established in 1989, the program enrolls approximately 450 students at Lincoln and Garfield high schools.

Robert Fiedler (Art) is the author of a new book, Money, Murder and Madness (Universe, Lincoln, Nebraska, Shanghai, London), about money laundering. See PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL, Page 6
Desdemona Cardoza Appointed Provost and VP, Academic Affairs

Desdemona Cardoza was named provost and vice president for academic affairs, effective July 1, 2007. Cardoza, a professor of psychology who joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1988, most recently served as dean of the College of Natural and Social Sciences. Prior to becoming dean in 2001, she was vice president for information resources management for eight years. Earlier, she held several positions in the Division of Information Resources Management, including director of analytical studies and director of academic support services. As provost, Cardoza is the University’s chief academic officer, guiding policy formation for Cal State L.A.’s instructional program and overseeing its six colleges. She also is responsible for the University Library and the Division of Extended Education.

Gary Novak Named Interim Dean, Natural and Social Sciences

Gary Novak was appointed interim dean of the College of Natural and Social Sciences, effective July 1, 2007. In this role, he provides leadership in implementing the academic activities and mission of the College, including oversight of all college resources. He also supports and encourages research, creative and scholarly activities, and University community service. Novak, who is returning from retirement temporarily to assume this position, served as associate dean of the College from fiscal years 2003 through 2006. Prior to his service as associate dean, he was acting associate dean. He joined the University in 1970 as an assistant professor in the Department of Geology.

Rennie Schoepflin to Serve as Acting Associate Dean, NSS

Rennie Schoepflin was named acting associate dean of the College of Natural and Social Sciences, effective July 1, 2007. Schoepflin assists the interim dean in the management and support of the College. His most recent appointment was as chair of the Department of History, beginning in fall 2005. He came to the University in September 2005 as a professor and chair of the Department of History.

Ethan Lipton Appointed Associate Vice President, Academic Affairs

Ethan Lipton was appointed as associate vice president for academic affairs/planning and resources, effective January 1, 2007. In that role, he continues to provide leadership in strategic and tactical planning, resource management, enrollment management, facility utilization, and fiscal compliance with system requirements. In addition, in his position as dean, educational support services, he provides oversight to educational support services and serves as lead in the development and use of academic technology. A professor in the Department of Technology, Lipton has served as the assistant vice president for academic affairs/planning and resources since 2003. His past service includes eight years as associate dean of the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology.

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to the Dean’s List and the LACC President’s Honor Roll. She will become a school counselor upon completion of her Pupil Personnel Services credential program.

Mark Steckler, the William E. Lloyd Memorial Fellowship recipient, graduated magna cum laude from Cal State L.A. with a major in history. His graduate studies emphasis is on recent U.S., European, and Latin American history. Mark plans to pursue a Ph.D., and will focus his research on queer and sexuality studies, specifically the attitudes toward homosexuality in pre-colonial regions of the world and how those attitudes changed with the arrival of the Europeans.

Christine Do, the recipient of the David Cameron Fisher Memorial Fellowship as an undergraduate student in biology, skipped high school to join the Early Entrance Program. A biology major, she is focused on becoming a medical doctor. Christine is the youngest of five children born to parents who were evacuated from Vietnam in 1975 with nothing in hand. Her father worked many low-paying jobs to support his family, took evening classes at Cal State L.A., and earned a degree in electrical engineering. Christine has returned to Vietnam for visits and was struck by the people living on the streets, malnourished and ill. She decided to become a doctor to help those who are suffering and in need. Christine volunteers at Huntington Memorial Hospital every week in an intensive care unit.

This year saw the fruition of a five-year effort by the Emeriti Association’s Fellowship Fund Committee to reorganize the evaluation procedures for these awards. Committee members worked closely with staff members under the direction of Kyle Button, Cal State L.A. vice president for institutional advancement, to develop criteria statements and a rating sheet to be used in the comparative evaluation of the numerous applicants for each award. After review by deans and department chairs, the initial forms are now merged into a single document; this criteria/rating sheet is now being used throughout the University, and it has enabled all scholarships to be awarded in a timely fashion, before financial aid packages are finalized.

During the screening process for the fellowships administered by the Emeriti Association, a number of emeritus faculty members assist the committee whenever they are available to do so. Although the Financial Aid staff adds some faculty members at this screening stage of the process, additional readers are welcome. Interested emeriti may reach the Fellowship Committee chair, Janet Fisher-Houtl, at HOULight@aol.com, preferably in March of each year.
A Physicist Teaching English in China
By Harold Cohen

On March 6 of this year, I followed Columbus’ dream of reaching the Orient by traveling west. I boarded an Air China flight to China for the purpose of teaching a course at Shandong University in Jinan, a city about 500 kilometers south of Beijing. It is the provincial capital of Shandong Province. The University sponsors foreign, English-speaking teachers to conduct classes for the purpose of helping their students improve their speaking, reading, and writing skills in English.

China has based a significant part of its educational program on the realization that English is the most widely used international language, and if they are to compete successfully in the international arena, the population must have some level of fluency in English. All students in China begin to learn English in the third grade, so that by the time they attend college, everyone has some level of competence in the language. As such, I was able to communicate with many Chinese people, even though my skills in their language are quite limited, so much so that I cannot hold a conversation in Chinese.

Each English course like the one I taught is sponsored by a specific academic department, catering to students of that academic discipline. My course was sponsored by the physics department, and all of my students were graduate students in physics (with a mathematician or a chemist occasionally attending a class meeting). Because of this, I was able to discuss several topics of interest to physicists, as long as the discussion was in English. During my stay, I met three or four other English language teachers from other parts of the English-speaking world. Each was teaching an English course out of a different department, yet all of them were doing the same basic things in their courses that I was doing in mine.

My course was four weeks long, and during that time, in addition to topics in physics and mathematics, I discussed things about the United States. I was surprised to learn that there is the general belief among the Chinese that most Americans support President Bush and the war in Iraq. There are approximately 20 Chinese people who now know that this is not true. I was also surprised to hear that most of my students believed that all Jews are very rich. I was able to convince my students of the fallacy of that myth as well, using myself as exhibit A.

The students were particularly interested in the structure of the U.S. government and in the American judicial system. I talked at length about the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the U.S. government, and contrasted our government’s structure with the structure of the Chinese government. In one discussion, I had a fairly difficult time explaining the difference between “not guilty” and “innocent” in the American justice system. In the Chinese system, there is no difference.

I traveled to China for the first time in 1993. It was on that trip that I developed a strong sense of familiarity with many of the Chinese people that I met. I feel that there are significant similarities between the Chinese culture and the Jewish culture in which I grew up. Among other things, both cultures have strong family structures, there is a great emphasis on money (acquiring it, but not spending it), and they stress the importance of a good education for their children.

At the beginning of the Nazi era, many Jews left Europe to escape the brutal expansion of Hitler’s regime. Most of the countries of the world refused to allow the escaping Jews entry. The nations that did admit some Jews placed significant restrictions on those who would be accepted as immigrants. There was only one country where Jews were allowed to enter in large numbers without restrictions: China. About 30,000 of the Jews who came to China settled in Shanghai. The rest dispersed throughout China. Many migrated to Harbin, in northern China, which already had a large Jewish population. Harbin’s community had been established prior to World War I by Jewish businessmen and their families.

On another trip to China, in 2005, my family and I spent a week in Shanghai. We devoted one afternoon to a visit to an old synagogue that is now designated the Old Temple Moshe Oheil Museum. On that occasion, I met a young Chinese girl also visiting the museum. I asked her how she became interested in the Shanghai Jews. She told me that her roommate at Harbin University had written her master’s thesis on the Jews in China during the World War II years. When her thesis was finished and her degree awarded, she gave the books about Judaism and the Jews of China to this young girl. These books sparked her interest in the Jews who had settled in China and how they had thrived in the Chinese culture.

In the course of our conversation, I told her of my sense of the similarities in the Chinese and Jewish cultures. She said she also recognized such similarities. In addition to the reasons I had mentioned, she said she also believed that there was a bond forged because both peoples had survived a holocaust in the years before and during that war.

I had brought along a DVD of Fiddler on the Roof, and during the last week of the course, I showed the movie to the class. The soundtrack was in English and there were no Chinese subtitles on the video. Isaac Stern was the violinist on the soundtrack. I told the class about a radio interview with Stern that I had heard on NPR.

Billie Jean King Fundraiser to be Held October 6

Billie Jean King and friends will be returning for their 10th annual fundraising event on October 6, with proceeds from the event benefiting the Cal State L.A. Student-Athlete Scholarship Fund. Many tennis luminaries will attend, including Billie Jean King, former Cal State L.A. student, and Rosemary Casals; Pam Shriver, celebrated auctioneer; and Mary Carillo, renowned tennis commentator and celebrity emcee. In addition, the Shapiro Award, recognizing “individuals who display exemplary characteristics of humanitarianism, leadership and vision,” will be presented to Maria Shriver, award-winning journalist, best-selling author, and First Lady of California.

The event will be held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Pasadena, with a reception and silent auction beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner, program, and the live auction beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The Emeriti Association has made arrangements for its members to purchase specially priced tickets for $150 per person (limit two tickets per member). Checks made payable to the CSULA Emeriti Association, along with the name(s) of those person(s) who will attend, should be sent to Bill Taylor, Treasurer, CSULA Emeriti Association, 130 Pinewood, Glendale, CA 91740 before September 25. Reservations will be confirmed shortly after payment is received. Tickets will be held at the door on the night of the event. Every effort will be made to seat emeriti together.

Additional individual tickets to the reception and the dinner are $250 and may be obtained through the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics (323-343-3080).
Caregiving: One of Life’s Major Challenges

By Marilyn Friedman

Increasingly, we read about the growing importance of caregivers in providing the array of health care needed for our aging population. Ten years ago, it was estimated that one out of every four Americans provided or would provide informal care to their elderly or disabled family member(s). Experts now believe that about 46 million American adults (or one in six) are caregivers, and predict those numbers will surge in the coming decade, as the baby boomers become seniors, expected life spans lengthen, and institutional care becomes more expensive. As emeriti, our experience with caregiving is very common – of parents, spouses, siblings, disabled children, and friends. I recall when I was thrust into this role, and I well remember both the exhausting burden and the positive experiences of doing the best job I could to comfort and assist my loved one.

There is growing concern by the health community about the negative effects of caregiving on the caregivers themselves. Research documents the fact that many caregivers are adversely affected, both in terms of family income and their mental and physical health. One 2003 study found that family members caring for a patient with dementia suffered suppressed levels of immunity and raised their risk of developing a chronic disease for three years following their caregiving experience.

Other studies have shown additional hazards, especially among caregivers with intensive caregiving demands and those in fair to poor health. These caregivers are less likely than their non-caring peers to attend to their own health care needs, less likely to exercise or visit a doctor regularly, and more likely to eat poorly and drink alcohol excessively. Elderly spousal caregivers with a history of chronic illness were shown to be 63 percent more likely to die during the caregiver experience than those without caregiving responsibilities. Depression also was seen to be very common. In recent studies, more than half – up to 90 percent – of family caregivers appeared to suffer from depression. Feelings of isolation, sleep deprivation, lack of privacy, lack of time to pursue meaningful personal activities, and divided loyalties are among the hardships caregivers cite.

In spite of all these stresses, strains, and adverse effects, there are also positive elements to this experience. Doing a good job for a loved one certainly increases one’s self-esteem and permits an individual to provide the help and support to a family member whom the caregiver loves. In the case of caring for a terminally ill family member, the act of caregiving appears to shorten the period of grief and depression after the death. This is probably because the caregiving process prepares the caregiver for the eventuality of death and represents an end of suffering for both parties. The bonds between family members can also be strengthened when care of a disabled or ill family member becomes a “family affair.”

Caregiving need not be an overwhelming, isolating experience. There are many places to receive help for caregivers today. The federal government has created the National Family Caregiver Support Program. In California, 11 nonprofit Caregiver Resource Centers are in operation. Although both the federal and state resources are available, only a tiny fraction of caregivers are receiving help from these sources, mainly due to a lack of information and availability. However, at the local level, there is a wide range of caregiver support services available. Agencies dealing with seniors and disabled clients should have information about the array of caregiver support programs in their communities. Many of these caregiver support programs also deal with placement issues and respite care.

When serious, intensive, and long-term caregiving is needed, caregiver support services have been found to be significantly helpful. One study illustrating this finding was reported in the November 2006 issue of Annals of Internal Medicine. The team of researchers in this study tested an in-home visit and telephone session program for caregivers of dementia patients. The rate of depression among the caregivers in this experimental program was nearly cut in half.

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Ann Garry (Philosophy) and Sharon Bishop (Philosophy) have created a feminist philosophy lecture fund through an endowment of more than $13,000. The lecture series will be named for Bishop and Garry, who were pioneers in the field of feminist philosophy and who, between them, chaired the Philosophy Department for 24 of the past 30 years.


Arthur Smith (History) is the co-author of a new book, The Nazi Party and the German Foreign Office, published in June 2007 by Routledge Press. The other co-author is Hans-Adolf Jacobsen, who has been a Distinguished Visiting Professor in the Cal State L.A. Department of History.

Frieda Stahl (Physics) is the author of two entries, and co-author of a third, in the new Biographical Encyclopedia of Astronomers (Springer, 2007). These articles are on Hermann Weyl (1885-1955), Sarah Whiting (1846-1927), and Fred Whipple (1906-2004), respectively.

Emil Wroblicky (Physical Education and Athletics) was honored as 2006 Citizen of the Year at a banquet sponsored by the Palisadian-Post on May 24 in Pacific Palisades. Award presenter Roberta Donohue, the paper’s publisher, noted that the award was the most prestigious honor that can be bestowed on a resident. “Emil fits the ‘Citizen’ criteria like a glove – ‘an individual who, through unselfish efforts, has made a lasting contribution to Pacific Palisades in the previous year that ideally promotes the town’s environment and character and inspires and encourages a great interest in civic affairs.’”

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Cal State L.A. Emeriti Active in CSU-ERFA Governance

The systemwide organization of retired faculty and academic staff members, known by the acronym from the initials for California State University Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association, has a number of Los Angeles emeriti involved in its governing State Council and its committees. The Council meets twice annually, in October and April, but committee members pursue assigned responsibilities throughout the busy year. Electronic communication has become indispensable.

Donald O. Dewey (History) was re-elected president of CSU-ERFA by the State Council on April 27, and will serve through June 2008. Ted Anagnoson (Political Science) was re-elected editor of The CSU-ERFA Reporter for 2007-08, and will also serve as chair of the Publications Committee. The editor’s position was included on the list of officers named in the constitution, so that the annual election or re-election of the editor is required. The 2007-08 academic year is Ted’s first full term; he was initially elected in January 2007 following the death of the previous editor.

Louis Negrete (Chicano Studies) has been re-elected as a member of the Council for a second two-year term. The following Cal State L.A. emeriti are serving on CSU-ERFA committees, some newly appointed or reappointed and others continuing in multi-year positions: Rosemarie Marshall-Holt (Microbiology), Membership; Barbara Sinclair (Nursing), Health Concerns; and Frieda Stahl (Physics), Executive Committee. Frieda served most recently on the ad hoc committee on bylaws revision, whose recommendations are now on the Council’s agenda.

Continuing on the State Council as delegates from the Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association are Harold Goldwhite (Chemistry), Leon Schwartz (French and Spanish), and Barbara Sinclair. Delegates represent the campus emeriti associations, which are affiliates of CSU-ERFA but are separately organized and governed.

Harold is also the Statewide Academic Senator, representing all retired faculty, having succeeded Leonard Mathy (Economics) in that position. In that capacity, he is an ex officio member of the State Council, without vote; however, as a campus delegate he is a voting member. Len is now a Life Member of CSU-ERFA, an honor conferred for exceptional service, and is a voting member of the Council. Sidney Albert (Philosophy), founder of both the Emeriti Association and CSU-ERFA, also holds Life membership. Robert Kully (Speech Communication) serves as ERFA’s executive director, also ex officio nonvoting, the second one in the quarter-century history of the organization, which benefits from that continuity.

Five New Emeriti Named

The following recently retired faculty members have been awarded emeritus status:

- **GIORGIO CANARELLA**
  (Economics, 1973-2007)

- **GEORGE N. ENGLER**
  (Finance, 1975-2007)

- **JOHN L. CLEMAN**
  (English, 1971-2007)

- **RICHARD W. HURST**
  (Geological Sciences, 1978-2007)

- **MAJEDIN MIRMIRANI**
  (Mechanical Engineering, 1981-2007)

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

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papers will be deposited in the archives maintained for the Emeriti Association in the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library. The CSU-ERFA papers will go to the CSU Archives, located at CSU Dominguez Hills, to be processed as a subset of the existing CSU-ERFA collection already housed there.

The CSU Archives also houses 40 other manuscript and photographic collections relating to the CSU, including the records of the Chancellor’s Office, the statewide Academic Senate, the Board of Trustees, the Association of California State College Professors, the Women’s Council of the State University, newsletters of the California Faculty Association and California State Employees Association, and some personal papers, such as those of former Chancellor Glenn Dumke and late faculty leader Nicholas P. (Perk) Hardeman of CSU Long Beach.

Sidney’s records were maintained for decades in a large file cabinet, which his sons transported to the home of Leon Schwartz during the Memorial Day weekend. Leon and Judd then transferred the papers into acid-free storage containers, and Judd carried five of those cartons to the CSU Archives.

The majority of the Albert collection deals with the establishment of the AEP in January 1985 and subsequent early meetings of the Executive Committee and State Council of that organization. Sidney served as the first president, and some early Executive Committee meetings were held at Cal State L.A. Much of the early collection—agendas, minutes, notes for presentations—is handwritten, although Sidney used his typewriter for most of the very extensive correspondence.

Establishment of the AEP was not without controversy. Some local campus emeriti were skeptical that a systemwide group could function. And the Chancellor’s Office, despite providing the site for campus representatives to gather for the organizational meeting, was reluctant to grant the group official recognition or status. The Albert papers contain extensive correspondence on both matters, and provide evidence that Sidney fought battles on many levels to maintain AEP’s credibility and endurance.

Another major section of the collection deals with Sidney’s campaign to win rights and privileges for emeriti generally. He was an officer in the California Conference of the American Association of University Professors, and in 1980 drafted a Bill of Rights for Emeritus Faculty that was published in that organization’s newsletter. The Bill of Rights was further adapted for national use, and, more specifically, for adoption by the systemwide Academic Senate for application in the CSU. Sidney was a motivator and committee member for a series of resolutions by the Senate on emeritus faculty. In 1989, the CSU Trustees approved a resolution recognizing the title “emeritus faculty” and providing a standard list of privileges that Sidney originally had proposed. About 25 percent of his papers detail all of those assignments.

Beginning with its organizational meeting, the AEP sought representation on the CSU Academic Senate for emeritus faculty. Folders in the collection delineate the many ups and downs over two decades of this effort. The AEP and its successor, CSU-ERFA, also proposed legislation on such matters as abolition of mandatory retirement that were later adopted by the Senate.

About 10 percent of the Albert papers donated to the CSU archives are copies of publications or newsletters of other emeriti organizations throughout the country, and another five percent are duplications of materials in the existing CSU-ERFA collection. But the overall impact of his donation is major. University faculty emeriti throughout the country, with rare exceptions, have organized only in recent decades of this effort. The AEP and its successor, CSU-ERFA, also proposed legislation on such matters as abolition of mandatory retirement that were later adopted by the Senate.

Judson (Judd) Grenier (CSU Dominguez Hills) contributed to the information presented in this article about the contents of the Albert papers and the CSU Archives.
In Memoriam

LAIRD ALLISON
Professor of Management, 1956-1983

Laird Allison, emeritus professor of management and former associate dean in the School of Business and Economics, died on May 21 after a long decline in health. His funeral was held on May 23 at Oakdale Cemetery, Glendora.

Laird served on the faculty from 1956 to 1983. Over several years, he served as associate dean and as director of the School’s Advisement Center. He taught courses in operations management and related areas, such as time and motion studies.

A Navy veteran of World War II, Laird retired from active duty in 1951 after more than 15 years of service, having enlisted in 1936. He was trained in electrical technology, and after the end of the war, he taught it until he was reassigned to a naval construction battalion that was stationed in Guam.

During the war, he was stationed on the USS Astoria, a large cruiser, which saw much action in the Pacific including the Battle of Coral Sea in May 1942, the Battle of Midway in June, and the bombardment of Guadalcanal in August. On August 9, the Astoria was severely damaged and sank, losing more than 200 seamen. Laird survived uninjured, and was rescued after a long and harrowing immersion. The full story was included in the series of emeriti wartime recollections published in The Emeritimes to observe the 50th anniversary of the war’s end.

After the end of his military service, Laird went on to earn a B.S. at USC in 1956 and an MBA at UCLA in 1958. He became noted among faculty and students alike for an abiding serenity, since no academic misadventure could match the physical perils he had survived.

Following his retirement, Laird became active in the Cal State L.A. Emeriti Association, CSU-ERFA, and the Retired Public Employees’ Association (RPEA). He served the Emeriti Association as vice president for programs, 1986-87; vice president for administration, 1987-88; president, 1988-89; and immediate past president, 1989-90. After two years of at-large membership on the Executive Committee, he was elected treasurer in 1992 and re-elected to that office thereafter through the 1999-2000 academic year. He ended his service to the association in 2004, as he developed problems with his vision.

Laird is survived by a number of family members, who could not be reached.

CHARLES E. BRINKLEY
Librarian, 1961-1991

Charles Brinkley, librarian emeritus, died at the age of 79 on June 3, in Phoenix. He underwent heart surgery on May 31 that turned out to be more extensive than anticipated, and he did not rally.

Charles was born on January 28, 1928 in Valdese, North Carolina, and attended the area’s schools. He received an A.B. at Wake Forest College in 1950, after which he taught high school English and history. From 1954 to 1956, he served in the U.S. Army, assigned to counter-intelligence units, after which he received the National Defense Service Medal. Following his discharge, he earned an MSLS degree at Columbia University, and then pursued additional graduate study at Harvard while working there as a reference librarian. He relocated to California in 1961.

For 20 of his 30 years of service at the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library, Charles directed the Circulation and Limited Loan departments. During many of those years, he was also facilities coordinator. Earlier, he was fine arts librarian and, much later, humanities/social sciences librarian. He ended his tenure as special collections librarian.

Over these years of service, Charles reorganized the library’s collections for improved access, and was especially proud of having downsized and streamlined a very large limited loan collection. He oversaw the introduction of automation. He supervised the installation of many exhibits as well as the staging of opening-night receptions. He selected materials in many subject areas and, for special collections, organized and processed over a thousand linear feet of books, documents, musical scores, and memorabilia. He also developed and implemented a plan for handling the public official papers of several noted Los Angeles figures, including Richard Alatorre and Mervyn Dymally. Back in the early years, he starred in the library’s innovative orientation program, a series of four lectures delivered via closed-circuit television.

Charles was active beyond the library. He served on several CSU systemwide committees as well as many University groups, including the Academic Senate, its Executive Committee, and each of its standing committees. He chaired the Outstanding Professor Award Selection Committee. For the community, he chaired the Performing Arts Network of Greater Los Angeles (PALNET) and coordinated a series of lectures in affiliation with the California Center for the Book.

A few years after his retirement from Cal State L.A., Charles moved to Sedona, Arizona, and eventually began detailed research on his own genealogy. He is survived by his partner Daniel Prado, three sisters, a brother, and several nieces and nephews, as well as his two beloved greyhounds.

MATILDE O. CASTELLS
Professor of Spanish, 1969-1986

Matilde Castells, emerita professor of Spanish, died on March 24 of pancreatic cancer. Although she retired from Cal State L.A. in 1986, she never really retired from the profession. She continued to teach at Middlebury College for a few years and she continued publishing. Her last book was Mosaicos, which, according to her husband Rodolfo, kept her going...
during her illness. It was a race against time completing the last edition, but she was able to finish it and actually received a copy shortly before her death.

Matilde’s career at Cal State L.A. began in 1969 in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, where she taught language, conversation, culture and civilization, literature, and linguistics. During her tenure at this campus, she published three books: *La Lengua Española, Lengua y Cultura*, and *Ya Comprendo*. The first book garnered many accolades and enjoyed immense popularity as a college-level text during the 1970s and 1980s. Whenever her books were used here, she donated those royalties to the Department. One of her proudest moments came in 1975 when she was awarded the University’s Outstanding Professor Award. According to her family, the plaque she received always occupied a prominent place in her home.

Her contributions to the University were many. Matilde was active in academic governance and served on many committees at the university, college, and department levels. Through her publications, she represented the University in an exemplary way, both locally and nationally. Matilde was also a longtime member of the College Entrance Examination Board, and in this capacity, she worked on the development, review, and evaluation of Spanish language examinations for use in the Advanced Placement and Admissions Testing programs.

Originally from Sasa del Medio, Cuba, Matilde Castells grew up in rural surroundings where her father was a country doctor. They moved to Havana when she was eight and she studied at El Sagrado Corazón (Sacred Heart), an all-girls school. Matilde first came to the United States after graduating from high school to study and learn English at Mount Aloysius Junior College in Pennsylvania. Little did she know that this country would later become her permanent home, and that she would meet her future husband at the Washington, D.C. train station during a semester break. She returned to Cuba to continue her studies at the University of Havana. Then, in 1952, a very significant year in her life, she married Rodolfo Castells in January, received her B.A. in June, and gave birth to her oldest son, Rodolfo, Jr., in November. The next few years were to be just as important: her son Ricardo was born in 1954, and in 1956 she received her Ph.D. in Arts and Letters. In 1957, her youngest son, Rafael, was born.

The entire family came to the United States in 1961 after having to leave Cuba with little more than a few belongings. Matilde and Rodolfo deeply loved and appreciated the country that took them in. Thanks to their personal effort and perseverance, they started a new life that was to be blessed with much success. They first lived in Trenton, New Jersey, where Matilde started her career as a Spanish teacher at Morrisville High School, just across the state line in Pennsylvania. Matilde never complained, but she did laugh later at the 1940s jalopy Rodolfo bought her for $25, which she drove to work for two years. After a stint as a high school teacher, she was able to find a position as an assistant professor of Spanish at Rutgers University, where she collaborated on her first book, *Lengua y Lectura*, with Phyllis Zatlin.

In 1969, the family moved to Los Angeles, where Rodolfo’s job with Avianca Airlines had taken him. Because of his position as a regional manager of Avianca, they traveled frequently, and whenever they traveled to Spanish-speaking countries, Matilde would always look for “authentic materials” for her textbooks. In many ways, their jobs complemented each other. In the early 1980s, she and Rodolfo built a house in southern Spain where they could spend vacations together with their family.

Many colleagues still remember her fondly. Her son Ricardo says that although his mother isn’t around, in some ways she isn’t gone. His daughter Victoria is attending Duke University, thanks to her grandmother’s book royalties. She is majoring in English, and her favorite author is Jane Austen, who was one of the authors Matilde studied for her comparative literature dissertation.

Matilde used to say that she loved her sons dearly, but it was her grandchildren that she embraced even more enthusiastically. She was also very proud also that one of her sons, Ricardo, had decided to follow in her footsteps and pursue a career as a university professor. He now teaches Spanish literature at Florida International University in Miami. Matilde is survived by her husband Rodolfo, her three sons, and their families.

**JEANINE GAUCHER-MORALES**

*Professor of French and Spanish, 1965-2000*

Jeanine (Gigi) Gaucher-Morales, professor emerita of French and Spanish, passed away unexpectedly at the age of 69 on May 20 of cardiac arrest at her home in San Gabriel. She was laid to rest at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Glendale, where her mother is also buried.

Born in Paris, Gigi was the only child of Max and Suzanne Gaucher. After finishing preparatory school, she completed a year of study in political science in France before receiving a scholarship to continue her education in the United States. She received her B.A. at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, majoring in French and Spanish, with a minor in English. Subsequently, she earned both an M.A. in French with a Spanish minor and a Ph.D. in French and Spanish at the University of Southern California. After her retirement, she participated in the Faculty Early Retirement Program until 2005.

Her entire teaching career was spent at Cal State L.A., where, first, as a member of the French faculty, she specialized in French literature, especially 20th-century theater. In collaboration with Abdallah Beddawi, she introduced literature courses on Francophone writers of the former French colonies: African, Caribbean, and Canadian. Midway in her career, she had the opportunity to teach Spanish literature as well, specializing in 19th- and 20th-century poetry and theater. Together with her husband, Alfredo Morales, Cal State L.A. emeritus professor of Spanish, she was the co-founder, director, and adviser of *Teatro Universitario en Español* (TUE). It was her passion, and she dedicated all her time and energy transmitting this enthusiasm to her students.

At the time of its founding, the TUE was the only university program of its kind producing plays in Spanish; it brought national and international acclaim to Cal State L.A. The main purpose of TUE was to offer students the opportunity to act, learn how to put on a play, and offer the Spanish-speaking public of Southern California a venue where they could see the best in Spanish American and Spanish theater. They invited renowned guest directors such as Emilio Carballido and Luis de Tavira from Mexico, Rodolfo Tosto from Argentina, and Eduardo Almeida from Ecuador. Their productions included works such as *Bodas de sangre* (Blood Wedding) and *Las torres y el viento* (The Towers and the Wind). Gigi and Alfredo also enlisted the collaboration of Maris Uhans and Gay Manifold from the Department of Theatre Arts and Dance, and Rene Aravena.

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from the Department of Music, on several occasions to produce some outstanding plays. Over the years, TUE and student actors were the recipients of several awards from the Pan-American Theatre Association.

Gigi and Alfredo had another love – Mexican literature of the 20th century. This particular period was one of the most productive in Latin American letters, and in Mexico, Miguel N. Lira made a significant contribution to modern Mexican literature. Gigi, together with Alfredo, had published four volumes of Lira’s works on fiction and poetry and were in the process of completing two volumes of his dramatic production. Her desire was to bring to light Lira’s literary contribution to Spanish-American literature.

Gigi was a woman of diverse interests. Although she was never aggressively vocal about feminist causes and equality for women, throughout her life, in her own way, she supported these movements. She loved to travel, and she and Alfredo went to Mexico and France on almost a yearly basis. Their literary and cultural interests also took them to many Central and South American countries, in addition to Europe. She enjoyed fine dining and films of all genres. Only recently, she and Alfredo finished remodeling their house and she was reveling in the satisfaction of having made it more comfortable and appealing for them.

Since the University and her academic interests defined her life, Gigi made it a point to participate in many University activities. As a member of the French faculty, she sponsored the installation at Cal State L.A. of the national French honor society, Pi Delta Phi, for which she was honored by the French government. She was also active in and a generous contributor to the Spanish honor society, Sigma Delta Pi. Much appreciated by her students and faculty colleagues, Gigi was a recipient of the 1991-92 Outstanding Professor Award.

She regularly attended functions for and donated to the Emeriti Association, Phi Kappa Phi, Sigma Delta Pi, and many other groups. At her funeral service, Alfredo also mentioned that it was her desire to establish a fund to benefit TUE so that it would continue indefinitely.

Gigi is survived by her husband Alfredo, her loving stepchildren Patricia and Rene, and her beloved granddaughter, Angelica Ruby Martinez.

HAROLD D. HALL
Professor of Education, 1956-1980

Harold D. Hall, emeritus professor of education, died on July 4, following a long illness. A specialist in educational administration, he was a member of the faculty in the former School of Education for 24 years.

Prior to his academic career, Harold served as a radio specialist in what then was the Army Air Corps during World War II, assigned to a bomb squad flying B-24s in the European Theater of Operations (ETO). Based in Italy, his group attacked oil fields that were supplying fuel to German military forces and industry. His assignment was jamming German ground radar to disable their anti-aircraft artillery. Harold completed 35 combat missions over Germany, Austria, and Italy, and earned the ETO Ribbon with three Battle Stars, the Air medal, and three Oak Leaf Clusters.

A native of Charleston, Illinois, Harold received a B. Ed. in 1942 from Eastern Illinois State College, and then went into military service. After his honorable discharge, he returned to his studies and received an M.A. in 1949 and an Ed.D. in 1956 from the University of Illinois. By that time he was married, and he and Mildred relocated to California for what became his permanent position.

Harold is survived by his wife of 67 years, Mildred, and two sons and their families, including their grandchildren, whose ages range from one year to 16. He was interred in Charleston.

ROSE BALL

Rose Ball died in February in Bellingham, Washington, of undisclosed causes. She was the wife of Jerry Ball, emeritus professor of physical education. He had devoted all of his time to her care for the past several years.

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their ninth year.

Hertzberg-Davis Forensic Science Center Dedicated

The Los Angeles regional crime laboratory, formally named the Hertzberg-Davis Forensic Science Center to acknowledge the key efforts of former Governor Gray Davis and California Assembly Speaker Robert M. Hertzberg, was dedicated on campus May 11.

The Center houses the Los Angeles Police Department’s Scientific Investigation Division, the L.A. County Sheriff’s Department Scientific Services Bureau, Cal State L.A.’s School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics, and the California Forensic Science Institute at Cal State L.A. Many of the area’s police chiefs and other leading professionals in criminal justice are graduates of Cal State L.A. programs, including L.A. County Sheriff Leroy Baca, California Highway Patrol Commissioner Michael Brown, and L.A. County District Attorney Steven Cooley.

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in half, the caregivers’ self-care was improved, and the caregivers’ perceptions of social support and less burden increased. Among other studies, quality of life of caregivers improved and health care costs decreased. This latter finding is due to the fact that with caregiver support, patients were able to stay in their homes longer before going to a more expensive nursing home. Most caregivers try to “go it alone” without professional support, but I believe they are making the role even more difficult and challenging than it needs to be.