President’s Message

As we prepare for the Emeriti Association spring luncheon and annual meeting on May 16, we urge each of you to attend. We will be holding the election of officers and reporting on the work of the officers and our subcommittees. This is an opportunity to give your voice in the election process and to connect with colleagues and friends. There will be an excellent presentation on the library of the future given by our University Librarian, Alice Kawakami. We also invite you to contact two or three colleagues to encourage them to attend. Remember, we welcome emeriti spouses and partners.

Cal State L.A. has been a very busy campus, planning for the semester conversion, with faculty involved in reworking general education and modifying the undergraduate and graduate curriculum to the semester schedule. John Cleman, our emeriti representative, reported on the lively and challenging discussions of faculty and students. The Academic Senate is to be congratulated for its dedicated work.

On March 4, the Academic Senate invited emeriti to attend and share their current interests. It was most impressive to hear how emeriti are enjoying retirement and how they are still involved in their disciplines. It was also an opportunity to hear the discussion on the proposed general education program. It was truly déjà vu! As you might know, the Academic Senate no longer meets in the lecture halls in King Hall, but in one of the Golden Eagle ballrooms.

Our executive committee had the pleasure of meeting with President Covino to hear about his plans for Cal State L.A. He has been emeriti Association Nomination Committee Report

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President Covino’s Investiture Set for May 9; Emeriti to Participate in Historic Occasion

On May 9, following a week of special events and activities, William A. Covino will be invested as Cal State L.A.’s seventh president. “Engagement, Service, and the Public Good” is the theme of the ceremony at the Luckman Fine Arts Complex that will mark the formal installation of Covino as president.

The University’s emeriti faculty have been invited to participate in academic regalia. Delegates from other academic institutions have been invited to march in the inaugural procession as well. The ceremony will be comprised of a formal induction, an address by Covino, and a keynote address.

Week of Special Events Planned

To participate in the long-standing academic tradition and to usher in a new era in the University’s history, active and emeriti faculty, students, staff, alumni, and community members have been invited to attend multiple events throughout Investiture Week that will celebrate the University’s engagement with the

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UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN ALICE KAWAKAMI TO SPEAK AT MAY 16 SPRING LUNCHEON

Alice Kawakami, University Librarian, will be the guest speaker at the annual spring luncheon and meeting on May 16 in Golden Eagle Ballroom 1. The title of her talk is “CSU Libraries of the Future: Championing Student and Faculty Success in the 21st Century.”

LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL MEETING
FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2014
11:30 A.M. TO 2:45 P.M.
GOLDEN EAGLE BALLROOM 1
COST: $34 PER PERSON

Send check, made payable to the Emeriti Association, and your entrée choice (grilled honey-roasted chicken breast with caramelized Maui onion sauce, grilled salmon filet with mango chutney, or penne pasta with homemade basil tomato marinara and parmesan), to T. Jean Adenika, P.O. Box 2105, Chino Hills, CA 91709 no later than Friday, May 9.

For more information, call Jean at 909-393-7916 or email her at tjadenika@att.net.

CSU libraries have been on the forefront of innovation, delivering shared digital library services for many years. Kawakami is a member of the CSU task force of the Los Angeles Basin pilot group of campuses that aims to re-envision the CSU libraries. Continued innovation is essential for effective academic and student success programs, particularly in points of collaboration in collection management, transformation of library facilities, assessment of the impact of library services on student success and graduation, and expansion of shared services through technology. She will give an overview of the LOFT (Libraries of the Future) project as a member of the task force and the recently appointed project leader for implementation.

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moving forward, implementing his vision to give greater visibility to Cal State L.A. while emphasizing community engagement and service. He presented a clear picture of the state of higher education, with limited funding and the need to increase external support. The Emeriti Fellowship program is one indicator of how we can all help. We are proud of the number of fellowships we award annually, and hope to even increase that effort.

President Covino’s investiture is scheduled for May 9, but there will be many activities during Investiture Week, May 5 through May 9, that celebrate the campus, some of which will include emeriti faculty. As President Covino acknowledged, the contributions of emeriti have made Cal State L.A. what it is today. The challenge is to get word of the outstanding contributions made by our University out to the community at large. We have started discussions on how we emeriti can be ambassadors for the University—how we can assist in making the community more aware. President Covino’s words were received with great enthusiasm. More details on the investiture activities are given elsewhere in this issue.

There are a couple of things I would like to bring to your attention. I invite you to visit our webpage, http://www.calstatela.edu/emeriti. We are so appreciative of Dimitri Margaziotis, our webmaster, for the work he puts into our site. It has information on our upcoming luncheon, along with the menu of entrées. Pictures of our last luncheon are also on the site. You can see that the fall luncheon was well attended; many colleagues had the opportunity to connect. Dimitri has recently added a link that includes all of the obituaries that have been published in The Emeritimes. When I looked through them, I found that I became aware of great memories of colleagues whom I’ve known over the years. It is situated within the Emeriti Biographies link, which reminds me to ask each of you to take a look at our Biography Project and download the questionnaire that will assist you in writing your short biography for inclusion on our website. Dimitri and Ted Anagnoson have coordinated efforts to make the biographies available. I must admit that I have this on my own to-do list, as I haven’t submitted my biography yet.

One other reminder I wish to give. Look at the Lifelong Learning Program link. Peter Brier does an outstanding job of coordinating the lectures at four different sites: Griffith Park Adult Community Center, South Pasadena Senior Center, Hollenbeck Palms Retirement Community, and Villa Gardens in Pasadena. If you wish to be involved in offering a short course/lecture, contact information can be found on the site. If you wish to attend, check the site for current offerings.

There is one last thing I would like to mention. Our Fellowship Committee is busy examining financial aid applications to select the awardees who will be recognized at our Fall 2014 luncheon. Please consider including a donation in the envelope you received with this publication. Last fall we awarded nine fellowships of $1,000 each. Students were so appreciative, and all who heard their acceptance speeches were very impressed. This initiative of the Emeriti Association is one in which we take great pride.

Enjoy this issue of The Emeritimes. If you have suggestions for articles, feel free to contact the editor, Ellen Stein (erstein25@gmail.com).

Till next time...
Domnita Dumitrescu (Spanish) gave the keynote address, “El cambio de código como estrategia de imagen en el discurso hispanoindígena,” at the 6th International Colloquium of EDICE (Estudios sobre el Discurso de la Cortesía en Español), Monterey, Mexico, September 30 to October 4, 2013. She presented a paper, “El español en la obra de Junot Díaz,” at the Fall 2013 meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese Southern California chapter, UCLA, on October 26, 2013. She was organizer and chair of the panel, “English-Spanish Code-Switching in Literary Texts: Is it Still Spanglish as We Know It?,” at the 129th Modern Language Association Annual Convention in Chicago, January 9-12, 2014. Recent publications include “La búsqueda de la poesía plural y plurilingüe en Octavio Paz,” in The Willow and the Spiral: Essays on Octavio Paz and the Poetic Imagination, edited by Roberto Cantú (Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2014); “Lo que es y lo que no es: Una nota sobre el Spanglish,” in Revista de la Academia Norteamericana de la lengua española (RANLE), vol. 2. nr. 4 (2013); and “La alternancia de lenguas como actividad de imagen en el discurso hispanoindígena,” in Pragmática sociocultural/Sociocultural Pragmatics 2 (2014). Her recent book, El español en Estados Unidos: E Pluribus Unum? Enfoques multidisciplinarios, edited with Gerardo Piña Rosales, was selected as book of the week in the “Portal del hispanismo” of the Cervantes Institute. In addition, she was appointed to the editorial boards of two new electronic journals, Journal of Spanish Language Teaching and Sociocultural Pragmatics/Pragmática sociocultural, and her contract as book/media review editor of Hispania has been renewed for three years.

Demetrios J. Margaziotis (Physics) is a co-author of an article published in the February 6 issue of the journal Nature, titled “Measurement of Parity Violation in Electron-Quark Scattering.” The article describes experimental work done at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility in Newport News, Virginia (Jefferson Lab) by an international collaboration of physicists, under the leadership of X. Zheng, of which Margaziotis is a member. The experiment scattered very high speed electrons off individual quarks within nuclei of deuterium and showed unambiguously that quarks (the fundamental constituents of protons and neutrons) violate the reflection or “parity” symmetry of nature (just like a mirror’s image has right and left swapped) when they interact through the so-called weak force. That is, right-handed quarks (referring to the direction of their spinning as they move along) interact differently than left-handed quarks. Though this is a very small effect, it is a fundamental property that will impact future studies of parity-violating forces in nature, and it is the first time that the effect has been isolated and measured. The only other previous measurement was a 1978 experiment at SLAC (Stanford Linear Accelerator Center) in Menlo Park, California that was considerably less precise to unravel this small effect. This is the latest of more than 50 published peer-reviewed journal articles that Margaziotis has co-authored as a member of Jefferson Lab collaborations since his 2003 retirement from the full-time faculty.

Frieda Stahl (Physics) wrote a biographical article on Sarah Frances Whiting (1846-1927), the first professor of physics and astronomy at Wellesley College, which was published in the November 2005 issue of American Journal of Physics. The article, “Sarah Frances Whiting: A Foremother of American Women Physicists,” has been selected for inclusion in a new anthology, Women in Physics, which will be published by the American Association of Physics Teachers in May.

Gaucher-Morales Memorial Conference Celebrates Rudolfo Anaya

By Roberto Cantú

The 2014 Gigi Gaucher-Morales Memorial Conference, which will be devoted to Mexican-American writer Rudolfo Anaya, will take place on May 2 and 3 in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. Entitled “Rudolfo Anaya: Tradition, Modernity, and the Literatures of the U.S. Southwest,” the conference will include 12 keynote and featured speakers from Germany, Mexico, and the United States, plus two panel discussions.

Included in the list of speakers and novelists are Ana Castillo, Mario Acevedo, Reyna Grande, Ramón Gutiérrez, Enrique Lamadrid, Monika Kaup, José Limón, and Rosaura Sánchez. The entire conference will be moderated by Cal State L.A. faculty and members of the Emeriti Association.

The 2014 conference on Rudolfo Anaya continues a long-term partnership with the Emeriti Association. This year the Emeriti Association appears prominently in the organization and direct participation in the conference’s activities, with Louis Negrete, emeritus professor of Chicano studies, as one of the conference’s co-organizers. Emeriti Domnita Dumitrescu and Theodore Cavello will be moderating a session on Chicano literature and a lecture by Horst Tonn (University of Tübingen, Germany), respectively.

The Gigi Gaucher-Morales Memorial Conference Series is funded by the Morales Family Lecture Series Endowment in memory of the late Jeanne (Gigi) Gaucher-Morales, who died in 2007. Born in Paris, Gaucher-Morales was a professor emerita of French and Spanish at Cal State L.A. She taught from 1965 till 2005, devoting four decades of her academic life to our campus where her friends, students, and colleagues knew her as Gigi.

The conference is free and open to the public. All emeriti—and the campus at large—are invited to this University event. For an updated conference program, visit: http://rudyanayaatcalstatela.blogspot.com.
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community and define new aspirations for Cal State L.A.’s future.

On Monday, May 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, President Covino will launch the week-long celebration with the official opening of the Center for Engagement, Service, and the Public Good, reaffirming his commitment to create a “university of place” that works in partnership with the Los Angeles region. It will be sponsored by Grifols. A student festival will be held in the afternoon in the University-Student Union Plaza, with sponsorship from Wells Fargo.

Groundbreaking for the Rosie Casals/Pancho Gonzalez Tennis Center, the first major construction project for the Billie Jean King Sports Complex, will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Tuesday, May 6. Speakers will include President Covino, alumna Billie Jean King, tennis Hall-of-Famer Rosie Casals, and Greg Gonzalez, founder of the Pancho Gonzalez Youth Foundation. From 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Golden Eagle Ballroom, Maria Elena Durazo, executive secretary-treasurer of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, will deliver the Academic Senate’s inaugural Distinguished Lecture on Engagement, Service, and the Public Good. A reception will follow.

The grand opening of the Hydrogen Research and Fueling Facility is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the facility on Circle Drive. Part of the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology, the new facility will be utilized for research, teaching, and advancing clean transportation technologies, as well as dispensing fuel to hydrogen fuel cell vehicle users. Later that day, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in Student Affairs 101, will be the naming of the Charon D’Aiello Sandoval and David Sandoval Student Services Center. Charon and David are both Cal State L.A. alumni and retired employees. This event recognizes their service to Cal State L.A. and celebrates their generous support of Student Affairs, the Educational Opportunity Program, and the Summer Bridge Program. The unveiling of new signage will be followed by music and light refreshments.

Three events are slated for Thursday, May 8. At Garfield High School in Los Angeles, Cal State L.A., East Los Angeles College, and the Los Angeles Unified School District will announce a partnership to create a “cradle to career” initiative for the young and families of East Los Angeles, called GO East L.A.: A Pathway for College and Career Success. The event, sponsored by Grifols, will begin at 10:00 a.m. on campus, Eagle-Con 2014, a two-day event that brings together indie comics, superheroes, critical thinking, and an insider’s view of this industry, will be held from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the University-Student Union, continuing on Friday, from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. It is sponsored by the Art Directors Guild. In the Golden Eagle Ballroom, Day of the Educator, which recognizes Cal State L.A. Charter College of Education students, scholarship recipients, and outstanding local school district partners, will run from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m., with a reception from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Investiture Ceremony Day

On Friday, May 9, the activities commence at 9:00 a.m. with the President’s reception in the Luckman Gallery. The investiture ceremony will take place in the Luckman Theatre, beginning at 11:00 a.m. with a procession of the University’s current and emeriti faculty, deans, and distinguished guests. The keynote address will be delivered by former U.S. Secretary of Labor Hilda Solis. A lunch reception sponsored by Barnes & Noble will follow in the University-Student Union Plaza at 1:00 p.m.

Emeriti who would like to participate in the procession are asked to arrive in regalia by 10:00 a.m. For further information, contact Maria Magolske at 323-343-3055.

Five New Emeriti Named

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

RICK STEPHAN HAYES
(Accounting, 1990-2014)

GEORGE K. HONG
(Education, 1990-2014)

LIN-MIN HSIA
(Mechanical Engineering, 1983-2014)

DANG TRAN
(Economics and Statistics, 1987-2014)

ANDREW J. WINNICK
(Economics and Statistics, 1996-2014)

We congratulate them and hope to welcome them into the membership of the Emeriti Association.
BERNARD CODNER
Professor of Marketing, 1953-2002

Bernard Codner, emeritus professor of marketing, who developed and ran Cal State L.A.’s prestigious Retail Institute, died on August 22 at age 84. The cause of death is unknown.

Born in New York City on September 10, 1928, Bernie started his career from extremely challenging academic beginnings and went on to make major contributions at Cal State L.A. Following degrees from City College of New York (CCNY) (BSS, 1949) and Columbia University (M.S., 1950), he labored on his dissertation at CCNY despite a hostile member of his committee who disagreed strongly with the directions and guidance of his committee chair. When his chair finally deemed his dissertation ready for defense, he received an offer from Cal State L.A.’s Marketing Department to begin at the start of the new school year. His committee was unable to be constituted until the end of the summer break, but his chair advised him that, because openings as a professor were hard to come by, he should take the job in California and fly back in the fall to defend his dissertation. He departed New York City, which he had left only once previously to serve in the Army in Korea during the Korean War.

Thus began Bernie’s teaching career at Cal State L.A. He never was able to defend his dissertation the following fall, as his chair died suddenly, replaced by the hostile and disgruntled committee member, who advised him to return to New York to start over again with a different dissertation subject. Bernie consulted with his new Cal State L.A. department chair, who wanted him to continue teaching and advised a break in research, perhaps to pick it up again after a few years, as he was badly needed and already had a tenure-track position at Cal State L.A. Full-time professors without terminal degrees were not uncommon at the time, and Bernie stayed.

The years went by and Bernie was given one project after the other for the School of Business and Economics, all of which were highly successful. As a result, he never returned to his research and never returned to complete his doctorate.

Colleague William Cohen recalled that Bernie, always an active leader, had led numerous efforts that boosted the school and its reputation. At the time they met, Bernie was a full professor and director of the School of Business and Economics executive education unit, which was running at high velocity and in which professors from all departments were participating. Bernie previously had been a leader in the efforts of professors in various disciplines from around the country to assist in attaining peace between the Arab countries and Israel. This herculean effort preceded former and current U.S. State Department efforts and involved visits to many countries, but was equally unsuccessful.

Individual school efforts at executive education ceased after a time and were folded into Extended Education. Bernie then began perhaps his greatest Cal State L.A. accomplishment. His frequent speaking and contacts for the retailing industry in the L.A. area revealed that there was a real need for a retail institute to encourage students to enter careers in retailing. Most professors would insist on release time to pursue such an endeavor, and so did Bernie. But budgets were tight and no one thought he would succeed, as UCLA and USC had both tried to organize such an institute unsuccessfully in the past. But Bernie didn’t give up so easily. Continuing to teach a full load, he wrote literally hundreds of letters and had individual interviews with dozens of retail executives.

It took him almost two years and all of his non-teaching time, including summers and holidays, but he succeeded in getting the financial commitments and satisfying Cal State L.A. academic and legal requirements, and he found himself head of Cal State L.A.’s Retail Institute. It was extremely successful. The Institute found many jobs for Cal State L.A. students, raised large sums of money, and sponsored an annual luncheon for hundreds of attendees from the industry, each paying for tickets costing as much as $100 to attend. In 1999, attendance reached 1,000. It was probably the largest Cal State L.A. event of its kind at the time.

After Bernie’s success and several years after he had started Cal State L.A.’s Retail Institute, a professor of retailing at USC was given a large sum of money with instructions to start a retail institute at that campus. After two weeks, he wanted to know how Bernie had done it. He had called executive after executive and was told the same thing again and again: We already have our retail institute at Cal State L.A. Why would we need a second one at USC? He returned the money and USC didn’t attempt to start a retail institute again.

Services were held on August 28 at Eden Memorial Park in Mission Hills.

IRVING KETT
Professor of Civil Engineering, 1971-2009

Irving Kett, emeritus professor of civil engineering who was instrumental in developing the survey course, a core course in the curriculum, died on December 30, at the age of 90. The cause of death is unknown. He was known internationally as an expert on transportation.


Irving spent a total of 39 years in the U.S. Army, serving during World War II and participating in the invasion of Okinawa. He spent five years in Israel as chief engineer of the Israeli Highway Department. As a U.S. Army colonel, he oversaw the construction of air bases built in Israel by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for three years, under the Camp David Accords. His eight years in the Middle East also included time spent in Jordan, Lebanon, and Egypt. He retired in 1982, after the Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon.

A renowned expert on transportation, Irving served on the transportation committee of Mobility 21, a state, county, city government/industry collaboration. He wrote four civil engineering textbooks, one of which (Engineered Concrete: Mix Design and Test Methods) was published in a second edition. His depth and breadth of knowledge, having worked in both industry and academe, provided him with insights on the ramifications of the Los Angeles Metro system. He was the recipient of Ford Foundation and Eisenhower Faculty Transportation fellowships.

In addition to teaching at Cal State L.A. and publishing articles and books on engineering, Irving was an independent writer with a specialization in Middle East studies. His article, “Strategic Challenges Confronting U.S. Interests and Policies in the 21st Century Middle East,” appeared in the military magazine, The Officer, in June 2004.

A memorial service was held on January 12 at Temple Valley Beth Shalom in Encino.
Arthur H. Niehoff, an emeritus professor and chair of the Anthropology Department at Cal State L.A., died on August 25 at his farm home in Escondido. He had been in reasonably good health until six months before his death, and would have turned 92 in December. True to his love for higher learning, he volunteered to participate in the UC Irvine 90+ Study on Aging. His remains were taken to UC Irvine for extensive examination to enhance knowledge of the effects of aging.

Art was born and raised in Indianapolis, and had begun college courses until World War II, when he joined the Army Air Corps and served as a radio operator in England and France. After the war, he completed his B.A. in linguistics at Indiana University and later entered the anthropology Ph.D. program at Columbia University. After an unconventional doctoral career, completing his dissertation prior to passing his prelims, he was awarded the Ph.D. in 1957.

His professional career began at the Milwaukee Public Museum, where he was assistant curator of anthropology from 1951 to 1959. He managed the museum’s collection of ethnological artifacts, doing outreach to community groups and responding to location of Native American artifacts in the Wisconsin area. He was awarded a Fulbright scholarship in India, where he did the research for his Ph.D. dissertation on Indian factory workers, and later had a leave for follow-up research on Indian immigrants in the West Indies. Both the dissertation and the West Indies monograph were published by the museum.

In 1959, he shifted toward applied anthropology. He served for nearly three years as a State Department regional USAID (U.S. Agency for International Development) officer in Laos, helping to administer U.S. foreign aid in that key Southeast Asian country. He next accepted a position with the Human Resources Research Organization for research on planned change projects in various countries. This research included an extensive assessment of the effectiveness of the Peace Corps and various agricultural improvement programs in third-world countries. He helped launch an agricultural extension program in the eastern region of Nigeria that was directed by Michigan State University.

During this period, he co-authored a book on using anthropological insight to promote technical projects, Introducing Social Change, and a companion volume, A Casebook of Social Change. In addition, he published several books and some 80 articles in various professional journals on applied anthropology and other topics. He published Case Histories in Technical Assistance while at Cal State L.A.

In 1969, after having taught part-time at the university level for several years, he accepted a position at Cal State L.A. as professor, from which he retired in 1989. He was Anthropology Department chair upon arrival, and served until 1975. He taught both undergraduate and graduate courses, and especially enjoyed reaching out to college students for whom his Anthropology 101 course might be their only exposure to the discipline.

Toward the end of his career, Art reflected that he was very fortunate to have “found” anthropology, as it had given him an interesting and varied set of intellectual experiences. During his 24 years as an emeritus professor, he published six books, spending at least an hour daily at his desk or out on the deck writing essays, books, and, later, blogs. He traveled extensively during his lifetime, both for work and for pleasure, always wearing the anthropologist’s hat.

He purchased the five-acre farm in the early 1980s while still teaching at Cal State L.A., spending many enjoyable days tending to his 300 avocado trees, exotic fruit trees, vegetable garden, and assorted flowers. Bicycling was another interest, and he took long morning rides in north San Diego County, as well as occasional long bicycling/camping trips across the country and Japan with his son. His wife Jessica describes “a long, basically healthy life, full of exercise, mainly vegetarian eating habits, good books, and the afternoon martini to top off the day.”

He is survived by Jessica, son Justin, a fellow anthropologist, three grandchildren, and a sister.

Joseph E. Soldate, emeritus professor in the Department of Art, died on February 25 at the age of 76, from the complications of Parkinson’s disease. He was both an influential educator and well-known artist, whose innovations are part of the California historic ceramic arts movement.

Born in Blythe, California in 1937, Joe spent his childhood in Corona. He earned his B.A. degree in art at CSU Long Beach in 1959 and his MFA at Claremont Graduate School in 1964.

Joe began teaching at Cal State L.A. in the Department of Art in 1966 and continued until he retired in 2004. He served as program head in both the sculpture and ceramics areas, and was twice elected department chair by his colleagues. He spent time as a visiting artist/professor in Texas, Idaho, Canada, and California between 1984 and 1989.

His ceramic work was stimulated by the influences of revolution in the 1960s, and was sustained by his willingness to push boundaries and test limits, as well as his fearlessness as an artist. Much of Joe’s work centered on the transient nature of material, such as earth, water, fire, and the night sky, and his focus was on the creative process more than the conclusion. His work was exhibited in formal galleries internationally, in installations and performances, and in site-specific pieces. He is broadly known for Soldate 60, the clay body formula that has broad application and is used extensively in the U.S.
generous mentorship Joe provided during his tenure at Cal State L.A. Former colleague and office partner, Susan Cash, stated that Joe’s influence as an artist, teacher, colleague, and friend have had far-ranging and continuing impact on students and those who worked with him. His leadership in both the studio option and as department chair was marked by his true sense of collegiality and openness.

Joe is survived by his wife Christine and son Lakin.

MICHAEL LOUIS WAPNER
Professor of Psychology, 1968-2009

Michael Louis Wapner, a professor in the Psychology Department from 1968 to 2009, was a native Californian, born in Boyle Heights. He found his intellectual grounding at Reed College in Portland, Oregon, from which he graduated in 1957. After obtaining an M.A. from then Los Angeles State College in 1961, he earned his Ph.D. at UCLA in 1966, remaining there for a two-year internship at the Brain Research Institute. While at Cal State L.A. in 1974, Michael broadcast a weekly 15-minute commentary on psychologically significant aspects of current events on radio station KPFK, ending only when he found that the preparation for it interfered with teaching; he was replaced by Linus Pauling. From 1978 to 1985, he completed a clinical internship at the Sepulveda Veteran’s Administration Hospital and took advanced training in family therapy at the Los Angeles Family Institute, where he also became a faculty member, an association that ended when he became department chair at Cal State L.A.

As chair, he instituted changes that revitalized the intellectual climate within the department and restored relationships among a previously divided faculty. To improve advisement, he created a Peer Advisement office staffed by students and supervised by a graduate student who reported to him. He encouraged the revitalization of Psi Chi, the honorary society for undergraduates in psychology, and supported the establishment of an annual Psi Chi banquet that was well attended by students and faculty. He supervised a weekly department colloquium that highlighted faculty and student research, and established an invited speaker program that featured eminent scholars in the field.

In 1986, Michael established a graduate teaching program that he continued until his retirement in 2003. In this program, graduate students completed a year-long series of courses and experiences culminating in the teaching of a section of introductory psychology under his direction. Over 200 graduate students went through the program, and approximately two-thirds of them obtained employment teaching at community colleges, as teaching assistants in doctoral programs, or as part-time instructors in the Psychology Department at Cal State L.A.

He taught a full load of classes every year that he was department chair.

During his tenure as chair, both the state and the CSU system went through a difficult financial period. Many departments cancelled classes, and some state universities were on the verge of violating obligations to faculty under the Faculty Early Retirement Program. Michael did not cancel one class. He was able to achieve this by using funds liberated by his own teaching and by the classes taught by graduate students in the teaching program. During this period, he also was able to continue to support the department activities previously mentioned and to hire new undergraduate and graduate assistants to support classroom instruction.

Michael’s commitment to intellectual honesty extended to arenas beyond the classroom. In addition to promoting more strictly academic activities, he organized teach-ins during the Vietnam War to discuss the psychological impact of the war. Similarly, he organized and led a series of support groups for people traumatized by the Northridge earthquake. In each of these, as well as in more traditional academic settings, he worked to enable students to see themselves and their world in new ways.

Michael is survived by his wife Nancy Cobb, a psychology emerita; their son and daughter, Joshua and Jenny; his son from a previous marriage, Daniel; four grandchildren; two sisters; and loving nieces and a nephew to whom he was a father figure.

EMIL WROBLICKY
Professor of Physical Education, 1956-1987

The Emeriti Association received word at press time that Emil Wroblicky, emeritus professor of physical education, died on March 22 in Pacific Palisades. An obituary will appear in the fall issue.
EMERITI ASSOCIATION NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT

MAY 2014 NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICES AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Elections for Emeriti Association officers and Executive Committee members for the 2014-2015 year will be held at the emeriti annual meeting and spring luncheon, May 16, 2014. All Emeriti Association members in attendance at the meeting are eligible to vote. The offices to be filled, the nominees, and the term of office, as proposed by the Nominations Committee (John Cleman, Dorothy Keane, and William Taylor) are:

Officers
The following officer slate will be presented to the attendees at the spring luncheon. Additional nominations can be made at that time, followed by the elections.

President .................................................................Dorothy Keane (2014-2015)
Vice President for Administration .........................John Cleman (2014-2015)
Secretary .................................................................Hildebrando Villarreal (2014-2016)
Membership Secretary ...........................................Rosemarie Marshall-Holt (2014-2016)

Continuing Officers and Executive Committee
The following officer slate was approved by the Executive Committee at its April 10 meeting. Nominees approved are bolded.

Immediate Past President ........................................William A. Taylor
Vice President for Programs .................................Diane Vernon (2013-2015)
Corresponding Secretary .................................Marilyn Friedman
Historian-Archivist ..................................................Stanley M. Burstein
Chair, Fellowship Fund Committee ..............Raymond E. Garcia
Chair, Fiscal Affairs ................................................Marshall Cates
Database Coordinator ...............................Harold Cohen
Webmaster ......................................................Demetrios Margaziotis
Lifelong Learning Program Liaison ................Peter Brier
                                             William A. Taylor (2017)
                                             Alfredo González (2016), Nancy Hunt (2015), T. Jean
                                             Morrow Adenika (2017), Barbara Sinclair (2016)
The Emeritimes Editorial Board ..................Donald O. Dewey, Harold Goldwhite (chair), Joan D.
                                             Johnson, Vilma Potter, Frieda A. Stahl
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