President’s Message

This is my first column as president of the Emeriti Association, and I want to take this opportunity to thank my predecessor, John Cleman, for two years of devoted and effective service as president. I also want to thank him for generously agreeing to continue to serve the Association as its representative to the Academic Senate at a time of great change for the University.

When I joined the faculty of the History Department in 1968, the University had just changed the previous year from the semester to the quarter system. Enrollment was growing, reaching about 25,000 two years later, and new faculty were being added. Within a few years, however, everything changed. Enrollment dropped by almost a quarter and hiring slowed to a crawl. Crisis seemed the norm for the rest of my career almost a quarter and hiring slowed to a crawl.

Crisis seemed the norm for the rest of my career until I retired and became emeritus in 2004.

Ted Anagnoson to Speak at September 8 Fall Luncheon

Ted Anagnoson, Cal State LA emeritus professor of political science, will be the featured speaker at the emeriti fall luncheon on Friday, September 8. His talk, titled “Understanding the Trump Administration,” is sure to be illuminating.

Anagnoson taught at Cal State LA from 1983 to 2010 while living in Goleta. He also taught at UC Santa Barbara (UCSB) and at the University of Canterbury and University of Waikato in New Zealand. He took two years off from teaching, from 1995 to 1997, to work for the federal government as a health policy analyst and acting director of health financing policy under the assistant secretary for planning and evaluation at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

On campus, Anagnoson was the recipient of the Outstanding Professor Award in 1991 and the President’s Distinguished Professor Award in 2005. He received the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration’s Harry Scoville Award for Academic Excellence in 2006. Over the course of his career, he was awarded 20 grants, including four from the National Science Foundation. He was chair of the Emeriti Association Fellowship Fund, which exists thanks to regular donations from emeriti faculty and friends. This year, a special contribution to this fund was made in memory of the named individuals.

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13 Students Receive 2017-18 Emeriti Association Awards

An ad hoc committee of emeriti faculty reviewed applications and selected 11 graduate students to receive fellowships and two undergraduate students to receive scholarships for the 2017-18 academic year. Twelve of the awards are for $1,000; the Leonard Mathy Fellowship in Economics is for $2,000.

Eight of the fellowships are funded by the Emeriti Association Fellowship Fund, which exists thanks to regular donations from emeriti faculty and friends of the Emeriti Association. This year, a special contribution to this fund was made in memory of emeritus professor Edward Nelson by his family, for an award to a graduate student in finance.

Four of the awards—the David Cameron Fisher Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship/Graduate Fellowship in biology, Neda Fabris Undergraduate Scholarship/Graduate Fellowship in mechanical engineering, Jane Matson Memorial Fellowship for a student in counseling, and Vicente Zapata Undergraduate Scholarship for a student in public health or nutritional science are supported by endowments created by the named individuals (and/or their friends) or in memory of the named individuals. The Leonard Mathy Fellowship in Economics is supported by a generous gift from Leonard Mathy.

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http://www.calstatela.edu/emeriti
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Now it seems literally that we are back to the future. The semester system has returned, and with it, a new curriculum and GE program created by years of hard work from the faculty. Enrollment has exploded to approximately 28,000, a new downtown campus is up and running, and the University is hiring new faculty at a rate not seen since the late 1960s. Your Emeriti Association is also changing and expanding its services to the University and its members.

During the past two years under President Cleman’s leadership, the Association continued to offer its members successful luncheons with interesting speakers. It also held its first fundraising program, raising over $37,000 for its fellowship fund, which will enable it to continue annually to offer the largest number of fellowships to students of any CSU Emeriti Association. The Emeriti Association has partnered with the School of Kinesiology and Nutritional Science to offer exercise and physical rehabilitation programs to its members. It has also become the University sponsor of the successful Lifelong Learning Program, which brings retired faculty speakers to community centers and senior living residences throughout the University’s service area.

My goal as president, together with the executive committee, is to continue to offer such services to the Association’s members and the University. To that end, I encourage our members to communicate with me and the members of the executive committee and suggest ways in which the Association can better serve you, its members.

Thank you.

Help Select Emeriti Fellowship Recipients

Want to get involved in the selection of Emeriti Fellowship scholars? Each spring, members of the Emeriti Association select the recipients of the upcoming year’s Emeriti Fellowships. We welcome your participation in this worthwhile and rewarding experience. Most of the work is done online, with just one or two brief meetings. For more information, please contact Alfredo González, chair of the Fellowship Committee, at alfredo@calstatela.edu.

On October 21, the 20th Annual Billie Jean King Gala will be held at the Langham Huntington Hotel in Pasadena. This year, Tam O’Shaughnessy, former tennis player, children’s science writer, and co-founder of the science education company, Sally Ride Science, will receive the Joe Shapiro Humanitarian Award in recognition of her humanitarianism, leadership, and vision. Labor leader, civil rights activist, and co-founder of the National Farmworkers Association Dolores Huerta will receive the President’s Medallion.

The evening will also include an auction of trips and other unique items. Event proceeds benefit Cal State LA student-athlete scholarships.

For information, contact Cal State LA Athletics, 323-343-3080.

Emeriti Association Gains 12 New Life Members

Twelve current members have recently become Life Emeritus/a Members of the Association:

RICHARD S. BALVIN
PETER BRIER
IVAN CURY
SIN FONG HAN
YOUNG C. KIM
JACK LEVINE

DANIEL MAHONEY
ELLIOTT ORING
JAIME REGALADO
SIDNEY RICHMAN
JANET SEAMAN
MILTON STERN
Remember When? Cal State LA’s Show of Shows

Walter Askin (Art) is part of an exhibition at Union Station by 12 artists that features their unique interpretations of Los Angeles neighborhoods. Each work focuses on a particular neighborhood or city in Los Angeles County and highlights special facets of the communities. Askin’s poster (above) depicts the parades and festivals of his hometown Pasadena as a whimsical procession of characters. His and several other posters have already been displayed on Metro trains and buses throughout Los Angeles. “Journeys: L.A. Communities through the Eyes of Artists” also features artist-led tours, including one that was led by Askin and two other artists on July 22. The exhibition is in the Metro Art Passageway Gallery that connects Union Station East and West.

Gary Best (Education) and his wife Shirley spent almost three weeks in India in February and went on an extended road trip in May, up the eastern side of the Sierra to Oregon, west along the Columbia River Gorge, down the Oregon coast to the Redwoods, and on to Napa-Sonoma wine country before heading home. Gary will be going on a solo trip to Europe in September on a site research trip of World War II battlefields in the European Theater. He and Shirley will take a nine-day trip on a paddle steamer down the Mississippi in December. He has written six books since retirement, four of which have already been published, with a fifth to be released in the fall and the sixth awaiting the publisher’s decision. He is starting on his fifth novel, a follow-up to the first two. He will also have a chapter coming out sometime this year in an anthology about World War II military history, a creative nonfiction work on the war in the China-Burma-India Theater.


Dorothy Keane (Education) has been elected president of the League of Women Voters, Pasadena Area, covering 13 cities in the San Gabriel Valley.

Ed. Note – As historian-archivist of the Emeriti Association, Don Dewey assembled a number of old photographs from the Library Archives early last year, with the help of Azalea Camacho, University Library archivist, for eventual publication in The Emeritives, as space became available. Regrettably, he didn’t get to see them published, though earlier finds have been printed in previous issues. The first of this group appears in tribute to Don’s diligence as archivist and newspaperman at heart, as well as his sense of fun. Those of you who attended the Extravaganza may well remember Don dancing across the stage with JoAn Kunselman in 1993 as part of “The Andrews Sisters Revisited.”

McQueen, Koos Named Associate Deans, NSS

Nancy McQueen was appointed permanent associate dean in the College of Natural and Social Sciences, effective July 1. She has served as acting associate dean for the past three years, directing the college advisement center and coordinating the college’s quarter-to-semester conversion. She directs the clinical laboratory scientist and clinical genetic molecular biologist training programs, and co-leads the summer training program in biometrics for local high school students at Grifols. McQueen served as chair of the Department of Biological Sciences for five years and associate chair for seven years. She came to the Department of Microbiology in 1989.

Cheryl Koos was named associate dean in the College of Natural and Social Sciences, effective July 1. A professor of history, she served as chair of the Department of History for seven years and as the interim chair of the Department of Political Science for two years. She also served as special assistant to the provost for leadership development for one year. Koos received a National Endowment for the Humanities summer stipend in 2011 and just completed a 2016-17 American Council on Education Fellowship at Cal Poly, Pomona. Her research and teaching have focused on the intersection of gender, the family, and politics in modern European and French history. She joined the Cal State LA faculty in 1999.

Ahmanson Foundation Makes $1.5 Million Gift to Cal State LA

The Ahmanson Foundation has awarded Cal State LA a two-year, $1.5 million gift to renovate the State Playhouse. The renovation will include new seating, floor finishes and paint, and state-of-the-art audio, video, sound, and lighting equipment. Built in 1958 as a student performance venue, the 360-seat State Playhouse is one of the oldest buildings on campus. During the tenure of theatre arts professor Maris Ubans in the 1980s, the University community enjoyed attending the many musicals.

Reminder: Your Dues Year

The Emeriti Association’s fiscal year extends from July 1 to June 30. Dues paid between June 1 and June 30 are credited for the coming fiscal year starting July 1. Dues paid on or before May 31 are credited to the current fiscal year.


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Marilyn Bueno, and Michael Duong. The awards to Campos, Kolo, Bueno, and Duong are named in honor of James M. Rosser, Carol J. Smallenburg, Sidney Albert, and Edward Nelson, respectively.

Jocelyn Acosta is pursuing an M.A. in anthropology with a focus on Mesoamerican archaeology. Her goal is to earn a Ph.D., teach, and continue her research. One of three children raised by a single mother, Jocelyn is the first in her family to attend college. Her community service at the Central American Resources Center, extracurricular activities at the Autry Museum of the American West and other locations, work as a graduate assistant, and 2016-17 presidency of the Society for the Advancement of Mesoamerica Studies reflect both her interests in supporting her community and her professional goals. She has earned a number of awards, including several scholarships, travel grants, and the Future History Maker award from Hispanics Organized for Political Action, in 2015.

Mahsa Tayer Farahani earned a bachelor’s degree in information technology engineering from Azad University of Qazvin, Iran, which is well known in computer science development and robotics. She is pursuing her M.S. in information systems. Her current areas of interest are mainly related to networking, such as routing and switching, ad-hoc wireless networks, and networking and data communication. Mahsa has faced many challenges as an international student, but remains undeterred in her desire to achieve her goal to earn a Ph.D. She has submitted a paper for publication to MRS Quarterly and made several presentations in 2017. In March 2017, she was inducted into the Beta Gamma Sigma honor society.

Maria Beltran is pursuing an M.A. in Latin American studies. Born and raised in El Salvador during a very turbulent period in the 1980s and 1990s, she came to the United States when she was 19 years old, knowing no English. For almost three years, she attended classes Monday through Friday from 5:45 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., sometimes even on weekends. She began at a community college, eventually transferred, and earned her degree in health care administration from CSU Northridge. After graduation in 2011, Maria joined the U.S. Air Force Reserve, where she served for five years as a health care manager. Through the Latin American studies graduate program, she has developed an immense interest in migration history, socioeconomic and sociopolitical immigration development, research, advocacy, and activism. Her advocacy and activism are clearly demonstrated by a class project she led that resulted in a three-year grant to open a Cal Fresh Operating Center and food pantry to provide support for food-insecure students. She has been an active member of the Cal State LA Latin American Studies Society and related activities off campus while maintaining a 4.0 grade-point average.

Pursuing an M.A. in sociology, Ralph Pioquinto writes, “In order to avoid being ostracized by my peers while growing up, I had to study secretly because it was ‘not cool’ to study.” After earning his M.A. in spring 2018, he plans to earn a second master’s degree in statistics before pursuing a social science Ph.D. Coming from an interracial Native American, Latino, and Pacific Islander ethnic background, Ralph writes, “I have come to better appreciate the educational and income inequalities in minority populations. The challenging socioeconomic environment in which I grew up has served to fortify my internal resolve to keep striving for the highest level of education I can attain, and use such position of influence to potentially create new, useful knowledge that can benefit others [like myself].” Since 2012, he has been the logistics coordinator for the San Gabriel Mission Christian Service Center, helping to coordinate, organize, and transport non-perishable food items to various civic organizations in order to aid the homeless population and low-income individuals in the Los Angeles area. He is a member of the Golden Key International and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies.

The recipient of the James M. Rosser Emeriti Association Fellowship for Academic Excellence is Cinthia Campos, who is pursuing an M.A. in anthropology. A first-generation college student born to Mexican immigrant parents, Cinthia would spend a quarter of each year on her grandparents’ farm in Mexico and attended a Spanish-only elementary school in Inglewood until the fourth grade. She began college at CSU Monterey Bay as a pre-med student, but soon realized that this was not her passion. After several courses, she changed her major, was “enthralled with anthropology,” and her grade-point average reflected it. She received her B.A. with distinction and presented her undergraduate thesis on ritual sacrifice in ancient Mesoamerica at the 112th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association in Chicago. Her performance in the special topics graduate course gained her an invitation to participate in James Brady’s very competitive Sacred Landscape Archaeological Project in Belize in 2014. Marilyn gained experience she could not have obtained in the classroom. “In the field,” she writes, “I conducted surveys, helped to map the site, and dug pits to uncover the mysteries below the jungle surface. In the laboratory, I analyzed artifacts and helped process more than 10,000 ceramic sherds recovered from the site. I was away from home for three weeks and the heat was bearable.”

The Sidney P. Albert Emeriti Association Fellowship for Academic Excellence for 2017-18 is awarded to Marilyn Bueno, who is pursuing her M.A. in anthropology with the goal of earning a Ph.D. in the field. While working on James Brady’s Sacred Landscape Archaeological Project in Belize in 2014, Marilyn gained experience she could not have obtained in the classroom. “In the field,” she writes, “I conducted surveys, helped to map the site, and dug pits to uncover the mysteries below the jungle surface. In the laboratory, I analyzed artifacts and helped process more than 10,000 ceramic sherds recovered from the site. I was away from home for three weeks and the heat was bearable.”

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Department of Political Science for nine years and the Academic Senate, from 2002 to 2004. During his retirement, Anagnoston has been the editor of the CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association newsletter and has taught several courses at UCSB. He also has taught several courses for seniors through the Lifelong Learning programs at Cal State LA and UCSB, as well as through the VISTAS Lifelong Learning program in Santa Barbara. Most recently, he taught a three-credit course on the initiative process and the initiatives on the Fall 2016 ballot (Fall 2016) and “Campaign Finance and Political Polarization” (Winter 2016). A two-section class, “Public Policy Implications of Arctic Warming,” is upcoming in Fall 2017. He is the 2016-18 president of VISTAS Lifelong Learning.

The emeriti and their guests will gather at 11:30 a.m., with lunch served at noon. Following dessert, this year’s fellowships will be presented. Anagnoston’s talk will begin after the awards, closing with a question-and-answer session to end no later than 3:00 p.m.
index was over 110 degrees every day, but it was
the greatest experience of my life.” Her positive
and impactful experience speaking at a local high
school about her fieldwork led her to volunteer
with 826LA, a nonprofit organization that works
with students of various ages to promote growth
through education. Marilyn has served as president
and treasurer of the Society for the Advancement
of Mesoamerican Studies at Cal State L.A. She has
received numerous awards, including travel grants
to professional meetings, the Morales Family En-
dowed Scholarship, Graduate Equity Fellowship,
and Golden Eagle Award of Excellence.

A gift from the family of Edward Nelson, emeritus
professor of finance, made possible the 2017-18 Edward Nelson Memorial Fellowship, which is awarded to Michael Duong, who is pursuing an M.S. in finance. Michael was raised by a single mother, whom he credits with making him all that he is. He expresses that his goal and aspirations are “to appreciate and embody who she is to me. I will be the best student, employee, friend, and son to the people who I love and find
dear to me. Because my mother made the decision . . . to live not only for herself but for her family and children, I have done the same.” This commit-
ment is reflected in his many years of volunteer
work with AIDS Walk (2007 to 2013), Food Bank
Department of Public Health, Office of the Public
Guardian, writes that Michael is “a leader in the
unit, is good at problem solving and thinking out-
side the box, and his work is exemplary.”

Emeriti Association Endowed Scholarships and Fellowships

The 2017-18 David Cameron Fisher Memo-
rial Graduate Fellowship in biology is awarded to
Kathlyn Franco, who is pursuing her M.A. in
environmental studies. Her passion and commit-
tion to her field of study are evident in her personal
statement: “I stood in the middle of the [UC] Santa
Cruz Forest Ecology Research Plot, surrounded by
temperate forest flora. I looked down at my hands
soaked in rat urine and realized I wanted to protect
wildlife.” Raised in a low-income neighborhood
in Los Angeles, Kathlyn had a life-changing ex-
prience at UC Santa Cruz while interning for a
research project studying small mammal ecology.
Ever since then, she has been driven to pursue as
many opportunities as she can to broaden her sci-
entific scope. As an intern, she eventually became
a trainer and led groups; she has also served as a
 teachings assistant for an environmental ecology
class, worked with a professor doing plant path-
ology research, and worked every three months for
Younger Lagoon Reserve doing small mammal
surveys on coastal populations. Two years ago,
Kathlyn learned how to build wetlands for amphib-
ians. After having successfully created a suitable
habitat for the endangered California red-legged
frog, she was convinced that constructing and
restoring wetlands is the best way to rebound
decaying amphibian populations. This experience
gave her direction and purpose in the conservation
field and led to her applying to graduate school.
She has received numerous awards in recognition of
her contributions and supporting her work. The execu-
tive director of Save the Frogs writes that Kathlyn “has done such an outstanding job that
she is now the Save the Frogs wetland coordina-
tor, and is fully in charge of our wetland program.
Kathlyn has created 25 wetlands and plans to build
17 more this summer.”

The 2017-18 Jane Matson Memorial Fel-
lowship for a student in counseling is awarded to
Tuong Tran. Tuong is a graduate student in rehabilit-
ation counseling with an emphasis in higher
education and career counseling. As a low-
income, first-generation college student from Viet
Nam, he knows the many challenges that face
students as they enter and negotiate the higher
education system, including dealing with family
and the workplace while going to college. In high
school, he volunteered as an English translator
for Vietnamese students who needed assistance, was
a teaching assistant for his ESL classes, and also
translated for the parents of his fellow students. In
all of these efforts, he attempted to help students and
parents better understand the American edu-
cational system and the requirements that needed
to be met and why. Tuong continued to be active
in helping students in similar ways while attending
Pasadena City College and after transferring to Cal
State L.A. Since entering the graduate program,
he has been trained as a peer health advocate and
works with youth in the community. He is the
diversity chair for Students United to Reach Goals
in Education (SURGE) and is an intern at the Erika
Glazer Dreamers Resource Center. He is a member
of the Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society.

Dea Flores Zuniga, working toward her B.S.
in mechanical engineering, is the 2017-18, and first
recipient of the Neda Fabris Undergraduate Schol-
sarship in Mechanical Engineering. One of her
goals after earning her degree is to become an
engineer for the City of Los Angeles. Despite some
significant challenges, Dea remembers leading
“a rather uncomplicated childhood, in large part
thanks to my parents, who worked hard to make
life as easy as possible for my brother and me. They
pushed me to work hard in school and celebrated
my academic accomplishments.” The challenges
confronting her became more daunting toward
the end of high school as she prepared to apply to
colleges, as well as during her first year at Cal State
L.A. Since that time, circumstances have changed,
and she has been able to pursue her studies and
related activities with few encumbrances. Dea is
the treasurer for the Physics and Astronomy Club,
where she works to make physics more fun. She is
also involved in a student project sponsored by the
American Society of Civil Engineers, called Con-
crete Canoe, where students design, build, and race
a concrete canoe. She has been awarded a number
of scholarships, including the Los Angeles Depart-
ment of Water and Power Alex Radin Scholarship.

Clara Lauw, pursuing a B.S. in public health,
is the 2017-18, and first ever, Vicente Zapata Un-
dergraduate Scholarship recipient. A medical
experience as a child was a major influence in
Clara’s deciding to pursue a nursing degree and
become a nurse practitioner after completing her
degree in public health. She would also like to teach
nursing at some point so that she can encourage and
inspire students in pursuit of their educational and
professional goals. In his letter, a professor praised
her contributions in two of the most difficult pre-
nursing courses she teaches. “A determined student,
team player, and patient teacher are just some of the
qualities that come to mind as I write this letter of
recommendation. Overall, I would rank Clara in
the top one percentile of all students I have taught
here at Cal State L.A.” Clara has provided service
through the Educational Participation in Commu-
nities Program (EPIC) and volunteered more than
200 hours at Arcadia Methodist Hospital.

The 2017-18 Leonard Mathy Fellowship in
Economics is awarded to Hazina Cau-Houston,
who is earning her M.A. in economics. Interested
in obtaining her undergraduate degree in some area
of international business, Hazina took classes in
virtually every area in the business school while at
the University of Alabama, looking for her niche.
During a term of exploration, she took two courses,
computer-based economics and econometrics, that
finally helped her determine the facet of economics
to which she wanted to dedicate the rest of her life.
These courses introduced her to using mathematics
to predict seemingly qualitative outcomes and
to creating statistical models and graphs in widely
used professional software. She writes about how
exhilarating it was to “finally [discover] exactly
what one wants to do in life.” Motivated by a
strong interest in being able to apply knowledge,
Hazina chose Cal State LA to pursue her M.A. She
feels that every day at Cal State L.A. she comes
closer to reaching her goal because of the resources
and opportunities available on campus and in the
community. For her thesis, she plans to study the
financial value of foreign language acquisition,
melding her desire to work in the international
arena and her interest in languages. One of her
professors writes that she is “a brilliant, diligent,
and motivated student. Her academic strengths
include having excellent data analytical skills [and]
good oral communication skills as well as strong
intellectual curiosity.” Hazina serves as a writing
consultant in the Cal State LA Graduate Resource
Center, has extensive community service, and has
earned numerous honors and awards, including a
Presidential Scholarship at the University of
Alabama and an Eli Lilly and Company National
Achievement Scholarship.

Special thanks to the following members of the
Emeriti Association who reviewed applications
and selected the award recipients: Alan Muchlin,
Barbara Sinclair, Carl Selkin, Janet Fisher-
Houtl, Jerry Beer, Joe Casanova, John Cleman,
José Galván, and Martin Huld.
DONALD O. DEWEY
Dean, School of Letters and Science/College of Natural and Social Sciences, 1970-1996 and Professor of History, 1962-1996

Donald O. Dewey died on June 25 at his home in La Cañada-Flintridge as a result of a fall. In two weeks, he would have celebrated his 87th birthday. Beginning with his appointment as a member of the History Department in 1962, he devoted 55 of those years to service to Cal State LA as faculty member, academic senate, dean, and finally, emeritus professor. His path to the University was long and varied.

Don was born in Portland, Oregon in 1930 to Leslie H. Dewey, an electrician, and Helen O. Dewey, a teacher. His childhood was spent during the hard years of the Depression and his teenage years, during the boom times of World War II and the tense years of the early Cold War, graduating from Franklin High School in Portland in 1948. Like many historians of his generation, he did not immediately settle on history as his career, serving even a stint as a fireman on a railroad locomotive.

Journalism was Don’s first love, and he began his college career at Lewis and Clark College in 1948-49, receiving his B.A. in journalism from the University of Oregon in 1952. Two years of real life experience followed as editor of local papers in Condon and Ashland, Oregon. In the end, the desire to become a better journalist led him to history, so he returned to college for graduate work in history. After work at Brigham Young University and the University of Utah, where he received his M.S. in history in 1956, he completed his Ph.D. at the University of Chicago in 1960 with a thesis titled The Sage of Montpelier: James Madison’s Constitutional and Political Thought, 1817-1836.

After two years as an adjunct instructor at the University of Chicago and an associate editor of the first three volumes of the monumental critical edition of The Papers of James Madison, Don accepted an appointment at L.A. State College of Applied Arts and Sciences in 1962, where he remained as an active faculty member until the end of his participation in the Faculty Early Retirement Program in 2002. Although he used to say that the smog was so thick when he arrived that he couldn’t see the mountains for six months, his affection for the campus is obvious on every page of That’s A Good One!: Cal State L.A. at 50, his gift to the University on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

Don was the epitome of the teacher-scholar. He moved quickly through the ranks, being promoted to full professor in 1969, while teaching a variety of lower-division surveys, graduate seminars, and early U.S. history lecture courses, including his beloved History 479: Constitutional History of the United States. In 1964, he also began the first of his remarkable 44 consecutive years of service in the Academic Senate, the last portion of which he served as representative of the emeriti. The course of his career changed radically in 1970, however, when he accepted President John Greenlee’s request that he accept a deanship, a position he would hold for a record-setting 26 years—first as founding dean of the School of Letters and Science and then of the College of Natural and Social Sciences—until his retirement in 1996.

Published extensively during his career at Cal State LA, Don established himself as a nationally recognized authority on the constitutional history of the Early American Republic with his numerous articles in journals and historical encyclopedias, and his two books, Marshall Versus Jefferson: The Political Background of Marbury v. Madison (New York, 1970) and James Madison, Defender of the Republic (New York, 2009). His publications also included significant works on the teaching of his love, constitutional history, which he taught every year, even when he was dean. These books included Union and Liberty: Documents in American Constitutionalism (New York, 1969) and four volumes of lesson plans edited by him and colleague Kenneth Wagner that were based on the work of teachers in six successful summer workshops sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities that were held between 1984 and 1995. His teaching even extended to his enthusiasm for ballroom dance and resulted in a charming book: Invitation to the Dance: An Introduction to Ballroom Dance. Colleague Linda Trevillian recalls, “His ballroom dancing skills were widely known, and he even danced a beautiful ‘duet’ with [former Library head] JoAn Kunselman for one of our Faculty-Staff Vocal Extravaganza programs.”

One of the most distinguished and honored professors at Cal State LA, Don received an Alumni Award of Merit in 1975 and an Outstanding Professor Award the following year. Recognition did not stop with his retirement. He served as vice president for academic affairs at Trinity College of Graduate See DONALD O. DEWEY, Page 8

Richard S. Balvin, emeritus professor of psychology, died peacefully at his home in Bellingham, Washington on July 4 at the age of 90.

Born to Emil and Regina (Kadlubowska) Balvin in New York City in 1927, Richard was largely self-taught as a child. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy while still a teenager and served in World War II. Upon his return, he earned his B.A. from what was then Los Angeles State College in 1951, followed by his doctorate in psychology from UCLA in 1956. His postdoctoral experiences included teaching at the UCLA Brain Research Institute and in Mexico at Universidad Veracruzana Centro de Investigaciones Cerebrales.

Richard’s early career was spent at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Los Angeles and the Juliana-Maria Institute in Copenhagen, with Margaret Lennox. He consulted in Sweden, England, Italy, and Iran, and lectured at the Wright Institute Los Angeles and Pacific Oaks Center. He also served as consultant in a legal case involving the effects of aircraft noise in the city of Santa Monica.

In 1956, Richard became professor of psychology at L.A. State, where he was extremely popular for his openness and approachability. Many years later in life, he was always thrilled when former students would connect with him online and tell him how much he inspired them academically as well as personally. He authored a book, Inhibition and Choice (with S. Diamond, 1963), which is still often cited today for its groundbreaking approach to neural plasticity.

During a sabbatical, Richard ended up at the Tewa pueblo in Taos, where he was embraced by the people there and lived among them off and on from 1963 to 1978. Befriending and studying with the indigenous people, he learned about their approach to health and medicine, and life in general. Carl Jung, a visitor to this same area decades...
Richard is survived by his wife of 28 years, Julie, daughter Dhari from a previous marriage and son-in-law Dan, and three grandchildren.

RICHARD T. KEYS
Professor of Chemistry, 1959-1996

Richard T. Keys, professor emeritus of chemistry, died of natural causes on April 19 in Pasadena.

Dick received a bachelor’s degree in chemistry from Harvard University in 1953 and his doctorate in chemistry from what was then Iowa State College in 1958. This was followed by the completion of a postdoctoral fellowship at Caltech. He then joined the Cal State LA faculty in 1960.

Dick was known as a superb teacher, specializing in courses in general and physical chemistry, and quantum mechanics. He was extraordinarily supportive toward both students and faculty. A long-time principal adviser, he gave generously of his time to the many students he advised and

Carol Jean Numrich, Former University Development Director

Carol Jean Numrich, director of the University Development Office for more than 30 years, died on April 25 at the age of 82.

Born in Aurora, Illinois to Frederick and Jessie Numrich, Carol moved with her family to Southern California in 1948 and was a resident of the San Gabriel Valley for the remainder of her life. She graduated from Montebello High School and Cal State LA.

As the director of University Development, Carol established the institutional advancement program and was instrumental in establishing the Cal State LA Foundation. Fundraising was her passion, and she applied those skills as a volunteer and board member of numerous local organizations, including the Solheim Lutheran Home for the Aged, Zonta Club of Pasadena, San Gabriel Valley Medical Center Foundation, and College Women’s Club of Pasadena. A member of the College Women’s Club since 2006, Carol worked on its Scholarship Foundation throughout the years, serving in various capacities, including as president, secretary, and treasurer, and was instrumental in assisting with the Foundation’s changeover to the Pasadena Community Foundation. As a longtime member of the congregation of historic First Lutheran Church of Pasadena, she made significant volunteer contributions to the church, including serving as its financial secretary.

Carol’s greatest joy came from being a mentor to many throughout her career, and from her close relationships with her family and friends. Jacqueline Williams, senior director for planned giving at Cal State LA, attributes much of her fundraising success to years of mentorship from Carol long before Jacqueline came to Cal State LA. Carol spent many summers in Yosemite National Park with her family, and loved the opportunity to bring her nieces, nephews, and goddaughter along with her. She enjoyed going to the theater and museums, playing cards, and having weekly dinners with friends. She is also remembered for her love of flowers, especially the beautiful roses she grew in her garden.

Carol is survived by her sister Sandra, many cousins, nieces, nephews, grandnephews, and grandnieces. Carol’s sister Diana died a week after her, on May 2. Her brother David predeceased her. A memorial service was held on May 13 at First Lutheran Church.

JAMES GARRETT
Chair, English Department and Professor of English, 2003-2017

James Garrett, chair of the English Department and a cherished member of the Cal State LA family, died suddenly on June 4.

Cal State LA was Jim’s academic home for more than 20 years. He was a proud alumnus of Cal State LA, having obtained his master’s degree in English in 1993 following a B.A. from UCLA in 1982. He received his Ph.D. in English and American literatures and cultures from the University of Southern California in 1999.

Jim was an authority on British romantic literature and on the works of William Wordsworth. His Wordsworth writings, including an extensive digital archive, papers, and conference presentations, contributed to the discourse about the poet and his work. His oeuvre also included hundreds of brilliantly crafted emails. These literary masterpieces on everything from conversion to literary scholarship reflected both Jim’s keen
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that he directed. The theater now serves more than 25,000 students and members of the surrounding community, including as the home of the Mariachi Summer Nationals, Angels Vocal Art Summer Festival, and Grammy Summer Camp. Over the past 30 years, the Ahmanson Foundation has donated more than $3 million to University projects, including the Luckman Theatre, the Honors College, music programs, and the arts.

Spring Admission Closed Again to Transfer Students

For the third year in a row, Cal State LA has closed spring admission of community college transfer students, due in part to the large increase in applicants for fall semester who met admission requirements. CSU Dominguez Hills and CSU Northridge have also closed their spring admission. According to Lynn Mahoney, provost and vice president for academic affairs, the number of fall semester applications increased from the 40,000s to more than 60,000, eliminating openings for spring.

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Studies in Anaheim from 2000 to 2006, president of the Cal State LA Emeriti Association for 2002-03, and president of the CSU Emeritis and Retired Faculty Association from 2006 to 2009. He was also the Emeriti Association’s historian-archivist and member of the Editorial Board of The Emeritimes. Colleague Ellen Stein, editor of The Emeritimes, recalls, “I valued greatly Don’s expertise in and devotion to his first love, journalism, including his occasional contributions of stories about campus personalities like Dorothy Parker and Paul Zall, as well as story ideas.”

Don was a good friend and generous colleague, always ready with a friendly greeting or an encouraging word, even for many a beginning professor struggling with his or her first classes. Colleague Alan Bloom attests, “I am grateful for his kindness, wise counsel, and generosity. His impact on so many lives is immeasurable and profound.” Former administrative assistant Judy Lane [McDaniel], who worked for him from 1977 to 1987, remembers, “He was the best boss I ever had; almost 30 years later, I can still say this without reservation. He was smart, efficient, calm, logical, reasonable, and had a great sense of humor.” That sense of humor was one of Don’s hallmarks, whether recalling anecdotes for That’s A Good One!, livening up a gathering, or exchanging jokes in person and via email with colleagues. Frequently seen on campus in tennis garb with racquet in hand, Don was an active tennis enthusiast whose regular tennis comrades included colleagues Rich Romano, Rosemarie Marshall, Anne Hess, and Martin Sandoval.

Don embodied Cal State LA to many: “a University legend,” states colleague Dimitri Margaziotis; “a pillar of our academic community,” according to colleague John Kirchner. The line to enter his retirement party stretched from the location of the former University Club far down the campus’ main walkway. Colleague Alfredo González asserts, “Don was a major asset to the University throughout his years of active service, as well as in retirement to the Emeriti Association. His legacy is immeasurable.”

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Charlotte; daughter Catherine; and son Scott.

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intelligence and sharp sense of humor.

For 12 years, Jim served as director of the Writing Proficiency Examination and was a key figure in the University’s writing program. He was the director of the University Writing Center and, for many years, served on its advisory committee. He was actively involved in faculty governance and served on the Academic Senate, Educational Policy Committee, General Education Revision Committee, and many others. “He was much liked and widely respected, one of the best and most valuable of colleagues,” says colleague John Cleman.

Jim is survived by his wife Laura, an alumnus and long-time lecturer in the English Department, and their two children.

Also Remembered:

ROBERT H. MORNEAU, JR.
Professor of Criminal Justice, 1977-1988


BRIAN ROBERTS

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

Jim Newman, Former Head Basketball Coach

Jim Newman, head basketball coach at Cal State LA for four seasons during the 1980s, died on July 1 in Los Angeles at the age of 83. He was a state basketball player of the year at Harbor College and later went to Arizona State University, where he was inducted into the sports Hall of Fame. During 1969-70, he coached Compton College to a 33–0 record season and was named California basketball coach of the year.

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The Emeriti Association received word at press time of the death of Ken Ryan, STEM librarian and former library administrator, on July 11 while on vacation at his summer home in New York. He was 75. A full obituary will appear in the winter issue.

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