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# FALL "OPENINGS" MEETING—SEPTEMBER 19

## Luncheon Event Marks Beginning of New Year for Association

The Emeriti Association's annual Fall meeting will be held on Monday, September 19, 1983, in the University-Student Union, in the Monterey Park room (formerly Room 215-B), at 1 p.m.. It will be a luncheon meeting.

Those attending should send in reservations no later than Wednesday, September 14. The price of the luncheon will be approximately \$6.50, including tax and tip. Reservations should be made by writing Don Mortensen at 1080 Medford Rd., Pasadena, 91107 or by phoning

him at (213) 351-0464.

The speaker for the meeting will be James Semelroth, former professor of Spanish at Western Michigan University, active in AAUP, and now bargaining specialist for SFA. He will be introduced by Harold Goldwhite of CSULA faculty. Dr. Semelroth will discuss the recent collective bargaining agreement, especially as it relates to retirement.

The luncheon will begin at 1:00 p.m., the business meeting at 1:45 and the speaker will be introduced at 2:00. Per-

sons not wishing to have lunch should arrive at 1:45 or at 2:00.

The major item on the agenda for the business meeting will be action on amendments to the constitution and by-laws, proposed by the Executive Committee. The changes provide for the addition of the offices of Vice President-Program and Membership Secretary, and a revised definition of the classes of membership in the Association.

#### Opportunity for Emeriti To Visit and Participate

The annual Fall meeting of the Association is scheduled as a part of the full day's program of activities connected with the opening of the University for the Fall Quarter. This traditional gathering of faculty prior to the beginning of classes provides a special opportunity for retired faculty to visit the campus and participate in school and department meetings.

The opening day activities begin with President James Rosser addressing the assembled faculty at 9:00 a.m., followed by school and department meetings and a number of special luncheon gatherings. The day concludes with the annual President's Reception, which will be held this year from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Alumni Room of the University Union.

### **Publication of Directory Delayed Until December**

The publication of a new edition of the Directory of Emeriti Faculty, usually included with this issue of the newsletter, has been postponed. The delay was authorized by the Executive Committee at its August meeting, in order that the names and addresses of some 50 faculty members retiring in late summer could be included.

The new directory will be sent out with the December newsletter mailing.

#### President's Message

### **GOALS FOR YEAR: TO EXPAND** MEMBERSHIP, AND INCREASE PARTICIPATION AND SERVICES

In the best tradition of Michael Grisafe and our previous presidents, I assure you, the members of the Association, that I will make every effort to strengthen our organization and to provide increased service to all of our members. We have an outstanding Executive Committee this year and we have the potential of greatly increased membership.

My general goals are threefold: Expand the membership, increase participation in Association activities and increase the service to the members and to the University.

The operation objectives for 1983-84, approved by the Executive Committee, are: (1) To continue to publish the Emeritimes four times during the year. (2) To stimulate better fellowship by holding five Association events. (3) To work with Academic Vice President's office and Personnel office to develop a retirement manual for faculty. (4) To complete an appropriate service project for the University. (5) To extend association membership status to spouses of all emeriti faculty. (6) To recruit recent retires (over fifty) to membership in our Association. (7) To hold at least ten Executive Committee meetings. (8) To maintain functioning committees. (9) To amend the Constitution and By-laws to provide for another Vice President for programs and hospitality and another Secretary for memberships. (10) To find office space for the Association.

We extend an open invitation to all members to attend our Executive Committee meetings which are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the President's Conference Room from 10 a.m. to noon.

At our Annual Fall meeting on September 19, we will seek your approval of the proposed amendments, make appointments to committees and provide a tentative calendar of meetings and activities for the year.

Don Mortensen, President

# NEW TEAM OF OFFICERS ASSUMES LEADERSHIP

The new team of officers for 1983-84, elected at the annual meeting in April, assumed leadership of the Emeriti Association on July. 1

Donald Mortensen has taken over as President, after serving last year as Vice President/President Elect and two prior years as a member of the Executive Committee.

The new Vice President/President Elect is Sidney Albert, who has served on the Executive Committee ever since the Association was founded five years ago.

Jack Heppe is the new Treasurer, and John A. Greenlee and Saxon C. Elliot have taken their places as new Members-at-Large of the Executive Committee. Donald A. Moore is the new Association representative to the University's Academic Senate.

Serving his second year as Secretary is George Mann, and continuing as Members-at-Large of the Executive Committee are Jane Matson and Edward Nelson. Continuing on the Executive Committee as Immediate Past President is Michael Grisafe.

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#### Now Is the Time for All Good Emeriti to Pay Their Dues for 1983-84

This is a new year in the life of your Emeriti Association. It's the time for all good emeriti faculty to get out their checkbooks and send in their membership dues for 1983-84 (to June 30, 1984).

There's one exception — those who've joined as Life Members. Otherwise, everybody owes \$10 in annual dues.

Send your check to Treasurer Jack Heppe in the special envelope addressed to him, and enclosed with this mailing.

P.S. If you paid your dues last year, you will find enclosed with your mailing a receipt from Treasurer Al Tuohino showing the date and amount of your payment.

# 50-PLUS MEMBERS OF FACULTY RETIRING

More than 50 members of the University's faculty, according to latest available figures, are taking advantage of the State's latest "golden handshake" offer of two bonus years of retirement credit and are retiring this year.

The exact number actually retiring will not be known until the beginning of the Fall Quarter, since some of the retirees are dealing direct with Sacramento, and there have been some who have changed their minds after first indicating intentions to retire.

A complete listing of faculty retirees will be published in the December issue of *Emeritimes*. As the end of August, there are 14 members of the faculty who have been granted emeritus status by

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#### In Memoriam

## Frederick B. Shroyer

Frederick B. Shroyer, Emeritus Professor of English who taught English and American literature at the University for 25 years until his taking retirement in 1975, died August 24. He was 66.

In addition to his career as an outstanding teacher, Professor Shroyer was also the author of more than a dozen books, including a series of novels set in the Indiana locale where he grew up. A prolific writer, his articles and reviews appeared in many publications. He was literary editor of the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner newspaper for a number of years.

During the 1960s he became involved in television as moderator, panelist and literary consultant for shows which received awards for their excellence. He was the lecturer in Cal State L.A.'s pioneering efforts in college teaching by television.

A winner of numerous awards and honors during his illustrious career, Professor Shroyer continued to receive recognition after his retirement from teaching. One of the latest was his election to membership in the exclusive British club, The Atheneum.

He is survived by his wife, Pat, daughter Madeline and two grandchildren.

A scholarship fund in his name will be established at the University.

## Franz Adler

Franz Adler, Emeritus Professor of Sociology, died on May 21. A member of the University faculty from 1960 to 1974, he earned his Dr. Jur. at the University of Vienna in 1933, his M.A. at American University in 1942, and his Ph. D. at the University of Wisconsin in 1953.

# Homer D. Fetty

Homer D. Fetty, Professor Emeritus of Industrial Studies, died at age 84 on April 13.

A member of the faculty from 1950 until retirement in 1964, Professor Fetty was a pioneer in the development of both academic programs and physical facilities of the University from its beginnings on the Vermont campus to its relocation on the present site. He spent more than half of his years on the faculty as Chairman of the Technical Sciences Division which included the Departments of Engineering, Home Economics, Industrial Arts, Nursing, and Police Administration.

Professor Fetty earned a B.A. degree from UCLA and M.S. and Ed. D. degrees from USC. A retired U.S. Air Force colonel, he is survived by his wife, Archine V. Fetty, Emerita Professor of Arts at UCLA.

## **Judith Diamond**

Judith Diamond, who retired from the Counseling and Testing staff in 1979, died July 7 of a heart attack.

A specialist in career counseling for women, Judy was the wife of Harry Diamond, Emeritus Professor of Criminal Justice. They had resided in Santa Barbara since their retirement in 1979.

# Professional and Personal Doings

By Richard Lillard, Associate Editor

SOL DIAMOND, settled in Brentwood, has pulled himself away from jigsaw puzzles long enough to do at least two strictly professional things. One is to complete a note, "Wundt, Buckle, and Psychology's View of History," and have it accepted for publication in ISIS. The other is to accept an invitation to deliver a "Distinguished Lecture" on "The Word 'Psychology': Changing Content from 'Psichiologia' (1524) to 'Psycheology' (1683)" at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association in Anaheim August 26-30.

Sol finds these historical researches to be more difficult (and more fascinating?) than obsessive game puzzles stamped out in a factory and packaged in a box. The manufactured product is finite and the solution is final. In historical research there are always some pieces missing "at least along the edges, leading one on interminably."

BOB HAHN, a determined Quaker, keeps vigil once a week at the town clock in Santa Cruz with a banner that declares: "Peace on Earth: No Nuclear Weapons." He continues his literary support of the author of the Lanny Budd series by publishing the UPTON SINCLAIR QUAR-TERLY. He has donated his complete collection of Sinclair materials, appraised at \$15,000, to the UC Santa Cruz Library in order to make it available for research, his own included. He has been reviewing books on education for Random House. Together with his wife, Genevieve, he serves on the board for the Bear Republic Theatre, for which Gen has designed a set for "Waiting for Godot."

EMERITIMES seeks news from emeritus faculty members in all schools and departments about professional activity after retirement—performing, consulting, doing research, writing, reading to keep up with the field, taking courses, serving as a volunteer in public-service organizations, holding down a part or a full-time job . . . whatever. If you have items that can set examples for all of us, or astonish us, please send them to Bill Lloyd, 1011 Park Ave., South Pasadena 91030 or Dick Lillard, 1629 Sunset Plaza Drive, Los Angeles 90069.

BILL LEARY, a born polymath, is ensconced in the house that Bill built on the Santa Cruz coast. For more than a year he has been playing the role of what John Le Carre calls "The Honorable Schoolboy." He has been studying what he labels four new grammars: the grammars of conversational French, of computer "BASIC," of the medieval, Renaissance, and baroque art of Western Europe, and of music. This last means he is learning to identify and name the parts, and since he has listened to music most of his life he thinks he is succeeding. He is not so sure about learning the French and remembers what a fabled president of Princeton once wrote to a concerned mother: "Madame, we guarantee results, or we return the boy!"

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DICK LILLARD has ended two years as president of the Los Angeles Grand Jurors' Association, a sort of alumni group, but continues with functions in the California Grand Jurors' Association, a new statewide group. In July the University Press of America (Washington, D.C.) published his nature book: "My Urban Wilderness in the Hollywood Hills: A Year of Years on Quito Lane."

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JOHN NORBY and his wife Isabel, of Whidbey Island, Washington, are active in the Friends of the Library. He has been chairman, appointed by the mayor, of the Library's Board. The Norbys are busy, too, in the South Whidbey Good Cheer Thrift Shop, of which, like a good economist, he is treasurer in charge of thousands of dollars. The shop has a food bank and distributes free butter and clothes and other surplus commodities. Norby writes: "I attend city council and planning commission meetings to keep them honest. I was appointed mayor for a few months after our mayor and council resigned."

Isabel is busy, too, in a women's clinic and belongs to a recorder group. John belongs to the volunteer fire department and served as chairman in a school bond drive that failed on the first two tries but succeeded on the third try. He is chairman of the Review and Allocation Committee of Island County United Way and is busier, he thinks, than a cat on a hot tin roof, with little time left for golf or pool or for catching up on his reading.

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FRED SHROYER, steadily based in Monterey Park, wrote and/or appeared on 6 of the 30-program TV series' "The Humanities Through the Arts," which has been shown all over America for a total of well over 100 times. He served in Louisville as senior professor-lecturer at a symposium sponsored by the Jessee Stuart Foundation and affiliated universities. He has written numerous articles for Scribner's and Salem Press reference

Ed. Note: This report of communication with Fred Shroyer was prepared prior to his death on August 24.

works. He wrote an introduction to the 1826 Gothic novel, "The Abbot of Montserrat" (Arno Press, 1977), and contributed to Arthur F. Kinney's biography of Dorothy Parker. Fred has completed the final revision of a novel, "A Day After Dying", which he thinks is his best, but since it's about "some rather decent people" he's afraid he's "going to have a hell of a time selling it!"

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HELEN TRUHER, based in South Pasadena and loyal to Elementary Education, continues to be as loyal to literacy as when she "did work on the UCLA Daily Bruin only 51 years ago" and was "also indispensable on the L.A. Times, taking a few classified ads on phones in the society section." She is working with two co-authors and a publisher to develop a book of short plays for disabled readers in junior high school. During the past two years she has arranged for two scholarships of \$500 each and one continuing scholarship of \$150 to be awarded to Cal State L.A. credential candidates.

TONY HILLBRUNER presented a paper on "Reagan Observed: British Criticism of the NAACP Address" at the Western Speech Communication Association convention in Albuquerque, NM. He was a critic of conference papers at the Rhetorical Criticism Conference at Cal State Hayward, where he also discussed "The Large Scale Enthtymeme in Criti-

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# The Year in Review

By Michael Grisafe, President, 1982-83

Ed. Note: This summary report by the outgoing president covers the activities of the Emeriti Association for 1982-83.

The Emeriti Association continues to move forward, as the only organization of its kind in the entire California State University system. The Association's activities and accomplishments during 1982-83 included the following:

- (1) A major new event on the Association's calendar was the first annual celebration of Emeriti Week on the University campus on the fifth anniversary of the Association in February. Events honoring retired faculty included a special Academic Senate meeting recognizing former Senators and Faculty Council members, a faculty reception for emeriti, a colloquium lecture by Emeritus Professor Sidney Albert, a pre-retirement seminar conducted by Donald Mortensen, and exhibitions of work by Emeritus Professors Hudson Roysher and Richard Lillard.
- (2) Two general (luncheon) meetings for the membership were held during the year, one at the opening of school in Sepetmber, and the other (the annual business meeting) in April. Robert Kully, the first faculty member appointed to the CSU Board of Trustees, was the speaker at the Fall Meeting, and John Bedell, president of the Statewide Academic Senate, spoke at the annual business meeting. Also addressing the April meeting was Lois Wellington, vice president of the Retired Public Employees Association, who reported on legislative actions relative to the Public Employees Retirement System.
- (3) For social activities, two successful and delightful playnights, featuring dinner and attendance at plays on campus, were held in December and May. Also, a number of emeriti attended and enjoyed the performance of "The Marriage of Figaro", presented by the Music Department at the San Gabriel Civic Auditorium in January.
- (4) The Executive Committee held a most successful meeting with the Execu-

tive Committee of the Academic Senate, for the purpose of clarifying relations between the Association and the Senate. Also, members of the Executive Committee met with President James Rosser to formulate plans for the first Emeriti Week.

- (5) In March, five appointed members of the Executive Committee met with the Faculty Policy Committee of the Academic Senate to clarify the rights of retired faculty to part-time teaching in early retirement and regular retirement.
- (6) During May EA Vice President Don Mortensen participated in two preretirement seminars which were held for members of the University faculty and staff who were planning to take advantage of the "golden handshake" retirement proposal for 1983.
- (7) The "Directory of Emeriti Faculty" was updated and expanded to include telephone numbers, and a brochure giving the history, purposes, organization, and activities of the Emeriti Association was published. Both publications have been most useful to members and prospective members.

Other Association activities include: (8) endorsement of the plan to provide lifetime guest parking decals for all emeriti faculty; (9) support of the Theatre Arts program with a \$100 contribution; and (10) inauguration of a data file of emeriti advisors for undergraduate students.

Assisting the officers and members of the Executive Committee throughout the year were the four standing committees, which planned Association activities and made proposals to the Executive Committee.

As the year ends, there are still things to be accomplished, such as the establishment of an Emeriti Center on campus, development of a demographic data bank of the Association membership, and adoption of University policy for inclusion of emeriti faculty on University committees.

#### Lillard Named Associate Editor of Newsletter

Richard Lillard, Emeritus Professor of English who has continued active in his professional field and in civic affairs since his retirement in 1976, has been named Associate Editor of *Emeritimes*. He is the author of "Personal and Professional Doings", appearing on page 3 in this issue.

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President Rosser, on recommendation of the faculty, the Dean of their School, and the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Named Professor Emeritus from the School of Education are Dan Cappa (1956-83), John A. Dahl (1955-83), Earl W. Denny (1959-83), Edythe Rodriguez (1952-83), Elfleda J. Tate (1966-83), and Edwin Wandt (1954-83).

From the School of Business and Economics, those named Professor Emeritus of Economics were Leonard G. Mathy (1950-83), William B. Simpson (1958-83), and Gene B. Tipton (1957-83).

Granted Professor Emeritus rank from the School of Fine and Applied Arts were John Cornish (Art, 1954-83), Ben C. Gmur (Health and Safety Studies, 1956-83), David Jacobsohn (Health and Safety Studies, 1960-83), and Warren Reeves (Physical Education, 1950-83).

Granted Emeritus Professor status from the School of Engineering was Bernard Epstein (1957-83).

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cism." He presented a research study entitled "A Structuralist Approach to Biography" at the annual conference of the California American Studies Association at Stanford University.

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HELEN ZIMNAVODA spoke on "Life in the U.S.S.R." before the Cal State University Women's Club; on "Russian People" at Regency Park, Pasadena; on "Old, But Happy, Successful Aging" before the American Association of Retired Persons in Los Angeles; and on "Theatre in the U.S.S.R." at Southern Oregon College in Ashland.