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## SLATE OF OFFICERS READY TO PRESENT AT ANNUAL MEETING

A slate of officers to lead the Emeriti Association for the coming year has been proposed by the Nominating Committee, headed by Immediate Past President Alice Thompson.

The slate will be presented to the membership for action at the annual business meeting on April 12. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

The nominees are as follows:

PRESIDENT — Donald Mortensen, who served during 1982-83 as Vice President and President-Elect and served previously as Member-at-Large on the Executive Committee. He is Dean Emeritus of the School of Fine and Applied Arts and Emeritus Professor of Education.

VICE PRES. and PRES.-ELECT—Sidney Albert, who has served as a Memberat-Large of the Executive Committee since the Association was formed in 1977. He is Emeritus Professor of Philosophy. It was under his leadership, while he was still a full-time faculty member, that the Emeriti Association came into being.

TREASURER — Jack Heppe, who served as an administrator of the University from 1949 to 1977, holding the positions during those 28 years as Business Manager, Director of Financial Affairs and Director of Campus Development.

SENATOR — Donald A. Moore, Emeritus Professor of Economics and Statistics, who retired in Fall Quarter, 1982 after 26 years on the faculty. He was actively involved in the academic governance of the University over the years, chairing both standing and ad hoc committees, serving on the Academic Senate, and representing the University in important statewide posts.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE — John A. Greenlee, who served the University as Vice President for one year and President for thirteen years during the period from 1965 to 1979.

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## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING Luncheon Event Set for 1 p.m., April 12 at University-Student Union

The Emeriti Association's annual business meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 1983, in the University-Student Union, Room 215B, at 1 p.m. It will be a luncheon meeting.

Those attending should send in reservations no later than Thursday, April 7. The price of the luncheon will be approximately \$6.75, including tax and tip. Reservations should be made by writing Mike Grisafe at 921 South Leaf Avenue, West Covina, 91791, or by phoning him at (213) 919-3876.

The speaker for the annual meeting will be John Bedell, member of the Cal State Fullerton faculty now serving as Chairman of the Statewide Academic Senate. He will be introduced by Dr. Robert Kully, member of the Cal State L.A. Faculty and immediate Past Chairman of the statewide body. Dr. Bedell will report on important events currently taking place in the California State University system.

Also, Lois Wellington, vice president of the Retired Public Employees Association of California, will report on recent developments affecting retired state employees.

During the business session, the officers of the Association will make their annual reports and a new slate of officers for the coming year will be elected.

Persons not wishing to have lunch should arrive for the business meeting at 2 p.m.

# FIRST EMERITI WEEK IS SUCCESSFUL

The first celebration of Emeriti Week on the University campus, held during the second week of February in recognition of the fifth anniversary of the founding of the Emeriti Association, was rated most successful.

Reacting to all of the favorable reports, the Association's Executive Committee directed the President and President-elect at its March meeting to proceed with establishing a committee to plan the coming year's celebration.

The Emeriti Week observance for 1983 began at the meeting of the University's Academic Senate on Tuesday, February 8. The University President's resolution proclaiming the second week of February as Emeriti Week was read, and the Chair of the Academic Senate, Frieda Stahl, called for recognition by the audience of some 25 of the emeriti faculty who were present and who had served as members of the Academic Senate during their time as active faculty.

Also, University President James Rosser chose the occasion of this meeting to present his annual "State of the University" report to the faculty. He reported that the University faces severe restraints so far as state budgetary support is concerned, and said that he is encouraging the academic departments to redouble their efforts to attract funds from the private sector as well as grants from federal sources.

As for instructional programs, he said: "In the months ahead we shall be forced to make some very difficult programmatic

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## 3 Business/Econ Faculty Members Join Retirees

Three members of the faculty of the School of Business and Economics have been granted emeritus status upon their retirement. They are:

Philip B. Bergfield, Professor of Finance and Law and member of the faculty since 1966.

William A. Knoke, Professor of Marketing and a member of the faculty since 1970.

Donald A. Moore, Professor of Economics and Statistics and a member of the faculty since 1956.

## In Memoriam

## H. Lawrence Hall

Dr. H. Lawrence Hall, Emeritus Professor of Management, died February 14. Dr. Hall served on the faculty of the School of Business and Economics from 1961 to 1980. The family requests that anyone who wishes to remember Dr. Hall may do so by making a donation to the American Cancer Society.

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## Hearst Castle Excursion Canceled; Other Social Events Being Planned

The proposed overnight bus excursion to Hearst Castle during April has been canceled. Don Mortensen, chairman of the Welfare and Hospitality Committee, reports that a random telephone survey indicated an insufficient number would be interested to warrant chartering a bus for the trip.

The committee is at work on planning several other social events, and will be communicating with the membership when plans are completed.

## Copies of New Brochure Enclosed With Mailing

Enclosed with this issue of *The Emeritimes* is your copy of the newest publication of the Emeriti Association. It describes the Association, its history, purposes, and activities. We trust that you will enjoy reading it.

## PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL

## ZIMNAVODA ENGAGED IN GIVING LECTURES

Helen Zimnavoda reports that she will teach this coming August at the Elder Hostel of the Maritime Academy in Castine, Maine. Her courses: (1) "Saints and Sinners in English, French and Russian Fiction," and (2) "Famous and Infamous Characters in Russian History."

Also, Helen delivered an illustrated lecture at the January meeting of the University Women's Club on "Life Inside USSR." She gave a lecture on "Soviet Union Today" at Regency Park, Pasadena, on February 8, and an illustrated lecture on the Soviet Union at the Beverly Hills Book Club on February 10.

### GERHARD ALBERSHEIM WRITES FROM SWITZERLAND

#### Dear friends,

Life has been going on for me this year without many changes, although I have to spend more time on my early morning self-massage and exercises in order to keep fit. But this isn't bad considering that I was 80 last month. I was overwhelmed and happily moved by the

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## Additions and Changes In Emeriti Directory

Members wishing to keep their directory of emeritus faculty up to date should make the following additions and changes to the current (blue) issue published last September:

#### Additions to Emeritus Faculty

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## SLATE OF OFFICERS

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MEMBER-AT-LARGE — Saxon C. Elliot, Emeriti Professor of Health and Safety, who served as chair of his department for a number of years and also coached the varsity basketball team for extended period in the early history of the University.

The four Members-at-Large on the Executive serve two-year terms, with two elected each year. Continuing on the Executive Committee for the second year of their terms as Members-at-Large are Jane Matson, Emeritus Professor of Education, and Edward A. Nelson, Emeritus Professor of Finance.

Also serving the second year of his term of office as Secretary is George Mann, Emeritus Professor of Engineering.

Michael Grisafe will continue on the Executive Committee for the coming year as Immediate Past President.

## **EMERITI WEEK**

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decisions. It is possible that we shall have to cancel some classes and eliminate some services that would normally be retained."

The President concluded his report by stating that "we must turn economic adversity into an opportunity. The state of the University is strained, but I think it's healthy. By and large, Cal State L.A. is healthy, vibrant, alive, and we're going to succeed."

The session of the Academic Senate was followed by a reception in the University Club, attended by more than 100 guests. During this event, the honored emeriti faculty were greeted by University President James Rosser and two of his predecessors in office, President Emeritus Howard S. McDonald and President Emeritus John A. Greenlee. The program was presided over by Walter S. Beaver, recently retired Professor of Theatre Arts, and welcomes were extended by Frieda Stahl, Academic Senate Chair, and Michael Grisafe, President of the Emeriti Association.

On Wednesday of Emeriti Week, a team of five retired faculty members, led by Donald Mortensen, Emeritus Dean of Fine and Applied Arts, offered sage advice to a gathering of active faculty who came to hear about the pitfalls of retirement. Serving on the team were Emeritus Dean of Engineering Leslie Cromwell. Emeritus Professor of Industrial Studies Clifford Dobson, Emeritus Professor of Education Jane Matson, and Emeritus Professor of Finance Edward Nelson and Emeritus Professor of Education Fred Rhodes. Also sitting with the panel were David Riles, University Director of Personnel Services, and Margaret Hartman, Acting Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

The final event of Emeriti Week took place on Thursday afternoon at the University Club. A highly appreciative audience listened to a highly informative lecture by Emeritus Professor of Philosophy Sidney Albert on "Murray's Mother-in-Law: The Impact of a Shaw Play on Its Character Models." The lecture was presented as part of the University's Faculty Colloquim Series for 1982-83.

Throughout the week there was an exhibit in the John F. Kennedy Library of work by Emeritus Professor of Art Hudson Roysher and Emeritus Professor of English Richard Lillard.



EMERITI WEEK PROCLAIMED — University President James Rosser presents resolution proclaiming Emeriti Week to Sidney Albert (left), General Chairman for event, and Michael Grisafe (right), President of the Emeriti Association.

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wealth of good wishes and kindest appreciation I received from far and near, including all my house neighbors and a dinner party given for its oldsters by the community of Arlesheim. Inge (my stepdaughter) arranged a marvellous surprise party of 25 persons, including all of (Erna's) family, with literary, pantomimic, and musical contributions in which I also participated at the end! And my remaining sister of 78 called me from New York.

At the party I also said a few words about the blessings of my life showing that our greatest gifts cannot be claimed or earned by us, but are given us by a higher grace.

This year I didn't take a vacation, but I enjoyed the visit of several dear friends and also visited several friends in Germany and Switzerland. And I was stimulated by some good reading, fine concerts (outstanding among them the first half of a cycle of all Beethoven piano sonatas played by Alfred Brendel), a very impressive radio speech of George F. Kennan (given at his reception of the peace prize of the German bookdealers), and a radio lecture given by the philosopher Charles Popper at the occasion of his 80th birthday.

Fortunately, my professional work continues. I am teaching a little more than last year and have some interesting and rewarding pupils and I have played again a number of concerts as accompanist. I have also started writing again, this time on the subject of musical ear training.

In March, a young German musicologist sent me his doctoral thesis on listening experiments which proved some of my major theoretical findings of earlier publications. He said he sent me this book as a token of gratitude. I was very pleased because this also means that my ideas find an echo in the younger generation. From this initiative quite an interesting correspondence has developed.

In October (finally), also the first review of my latest book, "Die Tonsprache", appeared. It is just terrible, but so obviously written in resentment of my rejection of atonal music, and so biased and

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wrong in its major statements that I wrote a short but sharp reply for publication in the same musicological periodical because I don't want to see the dissemination of my ideas hampered. Reversals belong to life as much as blessings, and this one I took with assured equanimity.

Hoping to hear from you all, I close by sending you my warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Love, Gerhard

### SIX DAYS TO LENINGRAD By Ake Sandler

Last August Jane and I and some friends went on a 6-day cruise from Stockholm to Leningrad, a city Jane described as "the most grandiose prison in the world."

It was a Soviet ship named for Antonina Nazhdevova, a famous opera singer at the turn of the century, and almost as old as she — by American standards. Actually it was only three years old and this was its second voyage. During its maiden voyage it ran aground in the Gulf of Finland and was laid up for repairs for three years.

So this was not exactly an auspicious beginning. But it turned out all right. The cabin was small but clean and comfortable. The food was simple but good. No caviar, sorry. And even more astounding, no chess. On a Russian boat yet!

This was actually a luxury ship by Soviet standards. After it had finished with us, it would sail for the Canaries and then the South Seas. It had the shape of "Love Boat" but hardly its accessories! There were about 50 of us on board all late summer season vacationers — including a group of women in their 40's and early 50's, all belonging to the hierarchy of Socialdemokratiska Kvinnoforbundt, that is the leadership of the Swedish Social Democratic party. They had left their husbands and children at home and were having one helluva time!And we men — married men at that — tried to help them enjoy themselves. As it turned out, they proved to be the real entertainment on board

Leningrad is Paris by another name. The Nexa river is like the Seine and the Hermitage like the Louvre, only better. I could write a book about this city (and may) and what it has gone through and how it has been resurrected. Its Summer Palace (Peter the Great's favorite hangout) is more impressive than Versailles. But why go on? Read my book!