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EMERITI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I step into the position of president of our Emeriti Association, anticipating the next two years with great enthusiasm and respect for all emeriti. We are 290 members strong, with varied talents, backgrounds and interests, but our years of service to Cal State LA connect us in many special ways.
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THE EMERITIMES

A New Look and a New Editorial Team

With this issue, *The Emeritimes* enters a new phase in its history, one that features a new look and will be the product of a more-fully engaged Editorial Board. This first edition makes the transition from a three-column format to a less-formal two columns layout, and we have adopted a policy that encourages contributors to submit articles of no more than approximately 500 words. Also, we have changed our publication schedule to twice yearly to be in sync with the semester calendar adopted by the campus several years ago.

We are grateful to have had the support of our Office of Communications and Public Affairs colleagues, who have helped us with the layout of this issue and are assisting us in making sure our publication complies with the guidelines described in Cal State LA's Accessible Technology Initiative. This will ensure that both the PDF and Web versions of our newsletter address the accessibility needs of all our readers.

Henceforth, the production of the newsletter will be led by a two-person editorial staff, with substantial input from the members of the Editorial Board. In addition to chairing the Editorial Board, Dorothy Keane has assumed the role of executive editor, and José L. Galván will serve as the copy editor.

While we were fortunate to receive the generous support of the Communications and Public Affairs staff in producing this issue, we have begun a search for a permanent graphic designer who can assist us with the layout of future issues of *The Emeritimes*. We have cast a wide net in search of a current or former student, or a current or retired faculty member, with expertise in graphic design, and we welcome all leads from you, our readers.

As in years past, we depend on submissions from all of you to provide content that is entertaining and

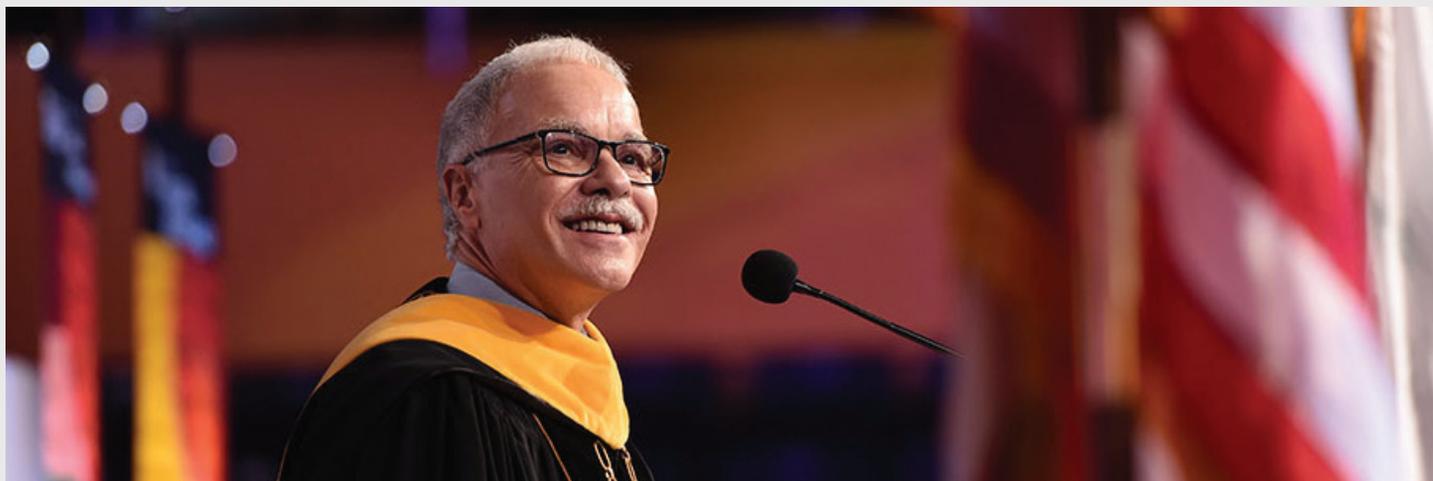
informative. We have maintained the sections of the newsletter that we feel will provide the information you expect. This includes the professional/personal activities notes, the president's message, campus news, and the in memoriam section that profiles recently-deceased colleagues. In addition, we will include articles on topics of interest to our readers. For example, in this issue we announce the recipients of our fellowships and scholarships, we report on the spring retreat and announce a new fall event dealing with the midterm elections, and present recent changes in how the Academic Senate meetings are conducted.

We welcome submissions from our readers and, with our new less-formal style, we invite you to submit articles to describe experiences from your lives as retired faculty. This could be a description

of a new adventure you may have had, an interesting trip you took, research you are involved with, or even a review you wish to share of a book, a theatre production, or a movie. Finally, we want to hear your suggestions on how we might improve *The Emeritimes* or with ideas for future issues. We hope you will continue to enjoy reading our newsletter, and it is important that we hear your ideas about the kinds of topics you would enjoy seeing.

We look forward to hearing from you, and we invite you to contact us by email at emeritimes@calstatela.edu.

Dorothy Keane, Executive Editor
José L. Galván, Copy Editor



CAL STATE LA PRESIDENT WILLIAM A. COVINO ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

Cal State LA President William A. Covino has announced his plans to retire at the end of the 2022-2023 academic year.

“I’m honored to have had the opportunity to serve as president of Cal State LA for 10 years,” Covino said. “To offer students a transformative education, one that forever changes their lives, the lives of their families, and their communities, is a high aspiration. At Cal State LA, we hit the mark day after day, year after year.”

The president’s retirement will be effective June 30, 2023. The California State University will soon launch a national search for Covino’s successor. CSU Interim Chancellor Jolene Koester thanked Covino for his service to the CSU and noted the university’s great strides over the years.

To read the full story, please visit the Cal State LA Newsroom.



EMERITI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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I will share the association news with you in the newsletters to follow. I will also be leading us toward a renewed commitment to our purposes: enhancing our status and privileges as emeriti faculty, serving students and the educational community at all levels of the university, encouraging our scholarly activity, and, finally, supporting the university's mission positively. We have already achieved so much in each of these areas over the years, especially in donating to student fellowships and scholarships. In just the years since 2014, we collectively contributed over \$90,000.

Now, after continuing to survive the challenges in our personal and professional lives from the pandemic, we ask how we will chart our course for the next few years. Most importantly, how would you like to chart your course as a member? To help answer these questions, we will be reconnecting and reacquainting with each other.

We will start with this newly formatted newsletter and continue with future events and activities. We have decided to postpone, once again, until next spring, our retreat, which was scheduled for October 27 at the Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens. Before we can convene in person, we want to be sure that any form of COVID-19 is as far behind us as possible. But we will celebrate our community with a kick-off Zoom event on September 29, featuring our wise and popular political commentator, Dr. Raphael Sonenshein, executive director of the Pat Brown Institute. He will share his keen insights into the political scene surrounding the upcoming

midterm elections. We will also have a chance to meet and greet each other in small Zoom breakout rooms following his talk. A save-the-date reminder appears elsewhere in this newsletter.

Let me start by answering the question, who am I? I served as associate dean in the College of Education at Cal State LA after 12 years at CSU San Bernardino, where I taught students in the master's program in school counseling and eventually became a department chair, working with faculty within my college and across the university. After arriving here, I immediately discovered the valuable accomplishments and expertise of the faculty across the varied disciplines at Cal State LA. I also witnessed the many ways in which everyone at the University was devoted to students, many of whom receive special attention and support outside of the classroom. When I retired in 2012, I attended the fall luncheon of the Emeriti Association, where the recipients of the fellowship awards were presented. I was deeply touched by the students' personal stories and the gratitude they expressed for being selected. So, I added the Emeriti Association's activities to my involvement in my retired life, along with professional connections in school counseling, travel, volunteering in the community, tennis and keeping up with five lively grandsons now ranging in age from 6 to 12.

I look forward to the next two years to serve, even better, the interests of both our current and prospective new members. Please join me as we all move forward together.



2022-2023 FELLOWSHIP/SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

The selection of students who will receive Emeriti Association fellowships and named endowed fellowships or scholarships was finalized in April. We are pleased to announce that 31 students are receiving financial support through our fellowship/scholarship program.

As we have in the past, the Emeriti Association will hold a recognition event to honor the student recipients and provide them an opportunity to introduce themselves to the association's members. The executive committee will host the event using Zoom, as it has been for the past two years, on Saturday, November 19, 2022, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. We hope that using Zoom will enable a broader audience to have the opportunity to hear the honorees. A save-the-date notice will be sent out soon, six weeks before the event, with registration information to follow.

The awardees in the various categories are listed in the following pages according to the specific award each was given, along with their department and college.

Alfredo Gonzalez
Chair of the Emeriti Fellowship Committee

Join the Emeriti Association

It's not too late to join the Emeriti Association, renew your Annual Membership or begin or upgrade to Life Membership. Current dues are \$30 for an Annual Membership and \$250 (one-time only payment) for Life Membership.

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. Dues checks payable to *Cal State LA Emeriti Association* may be sent to Marshall Cates, Treasurer, Emeriti Association, 1036 Armada Drive, Pasadena, CA 91103.

CAL STATE LA EMERITI ASSOCIATION

2022-2023 Fellowship and Scholarship Recipients

EMERITI GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP FUND AWARD RECIPIENTS

Amanda Ozuna, School of Social Work (HHS)
Amir Mohammad Kashani Javid, Accounting (B&E)
Ana Silva Carmona Aguilar, Communication Disorders (HHS)
Brooke Mero, School of Social Work (HHS)
Dalila Valdez Renteria, Latin American Studies (NSS)
Dana Abbou Abbas, Biological Studies (NSS)
Gloria Sosa Malacara, Anthropology (NSS)
Gregory Esparza, Chicana/o Latina/o Studies (CoES)
Irene Benitez, Special Education and Counseling (COE)
Jennifer Nazario, Economics and Statistics (B&E)
Makayla Shapiro, Psychology (NSS)
Michelle Hernandez, School of Social Work (HHS)
Molly Jimenez, Communication Disorders (HHS)
Sarah Rochelle Gervacio Rivera, Special Education and Counseling (COE)
Tamaraya Scheller, School of Social Work (HHS)
Tiffany Cendejas, Special Education and Counseling (COE)
Victor Pinzon Gonzalez, School of Social Work (HHS)

NAMED GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP FUND AWARD RECIPIENTS*

The Carol Smallenburg Emeriti Fund Fellowship
Karla Sanchez, Special Education and Counseling (COE)

The Sidney Albert Emeriti Fund Fellowship
Megan Donham, Anthropology (NSS)

The James M. Rosser Emeriti Fund Fellowship
Sean Lyon, Biological Sciences (NSS)

**The above-named fellowships honor the significant contributions to the Emeriti Association and/or the University made by the individuals whose names they bear.*

CAL STATE LA EMERITI ASSOCIATION

2022-2023 Fellowship and Scholarship Recipients

NAMED ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Bill Darrough, Eleni Pitsiou-Darrough and Athena Fellowship

Andrea Dominguez, Sociology (NSS)

Brodwin Family Scholarship in Rehabilitation Counseling

Helen Pineda, Special Education and Counseling (COE)

Costello Brown Fellowship in Chemistry/Biochemistry, Geology or Physics

Arianna Camarena, Geosciences and Environment (NSS)

David Cameron Fisher Memorial Scholarship

Stephanie Varghese, Biological Sciences (NSS)

Jane Matson Memorial Fellowship

Giovanni Bautista, Special Education and Counseling (COE)

John L. Houk Memorial Fellowship

Enrique Vasquez, Political Science (NSS)

Leonard Mathy Fellowship in Economics

Jennifer Nazario, Economics and Statistics (B&E)

Mary Gormly Memorial Fellowship

Nicolas De Leon, Latin American Studies (NSS)

Roland L. Carpenter Memorial Scholarship

Juliann Penhal, Physics and Astronomy (NSS)

Vicente Zapata Scholarship in Public Health or Nutritional Science

Israel Gutierrez, Public Health (HHS)

William E. Lloyd Memorial Fellowship

Maria Cortez, Political Science (NSS)



SENATE UPDATE

For the winter 2017 edition of *The Emeritimes* (Vol. XXXVIII, No.2), I wrote the article, “Reflections on Recent Changes in the Cal State LA Academic Senate.” Now, as you might imagine, there have been other senate changes to reflect upon, largely due to the pandemic, but also those that indicate cultural changes in the senate and the University.

That the Academic Senate has not met on campus since March 10, 2020, choosing instead to meet via Zoom, should come as no surprise. That there were challenges in setting up and managing these electronic meetings should also be familiar to many of us who are not computer savvy. In nearly all the fall meetings, the chair began by reviewing the protocols for speaking, voting and other topics covered in Robert’s Rules of Order, a la Zoom. The major concern was the location and use of the various icons in Zoom to signal the wish to speak, make or second a motion, answer a question or support (even “love”) a colleague’s argument. Perhaps the most crucial technological challenge was the voting process using I-Clicker, the online version of handheld clickers that senators had been using for voting before the campus was closed. To vote, each senator is required to go online to enroll, as a student, in an I-Clicker class led by the senate

secretary. Senators were asked to do this before each meeting to be sure they were ready to vote from the outset and also to be counted as present. At nearly every meeting, it seemed there were several senators who had not enrolled, risking the lack of a quorum and wasting time. It did not help when the I-Clicker program was modified at one point, but even more crucially, the program malfunctioned for one meeting, causing the chair to adjourn early before any second-reading items could be considered.

A more subtle change during this period might be the effect on engagement and participation during the meetings. In the early pandemic meetings, before the Zoom protocols had fully taken hold, there were occasional breaches, where senators unmuted themselves and spoke without being officially invited to do so. Some senators were also using the “chat” button feature to carry on private conversations. More seriously, on one occasion, while the chair was reading a statement, someone scribbled the word “lie” on the screen, which stopped the discussion. The culprit did not confess, but perhaps more important was what the act revealed about the element of anonymity in the Zoom meetings. The attendees were asked several

times to identify themselves in their screen box as either senator or guest, but there was no requirement that they be visible.

From time to time, I have scanned the windows to see who was letting themselves be seen, and it was rarely even half of the attendees. At one meeting, I counted the number of visible members during a rather tedious presentation, and only 9 of the 50 senators' images could be seen. Inattentiveness of various sorts is not new to Academic Senate meetings. In the back of the lecture auditorium in King Hall, one could often find senators grading papers or reading books. And with the arrival of the electronic age, senators, like some students in their classes, surreptitiously checked emails and texts or did a little shopping on their laptops when their interest lagged. Now, all such disengagements may be occurring invisibly, and the only measure of their significance is an apparent decline in the number and variety of speakers in the meetings.

While COVID-19 has had a more dramatic effect on the conduct of Academic Senate meetings, the 2018 change in senate membership to include lecturers, staff and more students may have an enduring effect. While the staff representatives have been mostly silent of late, the student and lecturer representatives have actively participated in senate debates and in raising issues to be addressed. The students, for example, developed a resolution endorsed by the Senate, calling in part to defund the campus police and instead to provide resources for badly needed counseling services.

Tenure hiring and other employment equity issues have been a recurring concern of the lecturer representatives, as well as the challenges faced by their students. While the usual matters of revising old policies, approving new ones and occasionally challenging administrators' overreach are still at the heart of the senate's business, various social justice issues are increasingly regular concerns as well.

During the past year, each meeting began with the reading of the Tongva Land Acknowledgement Agreement, an agreement that was negotiated by the current chair with Tongva representatives from this region. Much larger in significance, a task force that included the senate chair developed a major revision of the Equity and Diversity Policy in the Faculty Handbook. The name of the policy was expanded to include "inclusion" and "belonging," and the definitions of these and other terms were spelled out. Also, if this revision was approved, the intent is to establish a standing committee to address equity and diversity issues more proactively.

In sum, where the senate's role in the past primarily centered on power conflicts with the administration, it now also includes addressing the social ills of our time and culture.

John Cleman
Emeriti Association Senate Delegate

Moving?

If you change your physical and/or digital address, we ask that you please send us your new contact information so that we may continue to provide you with *The Emeritimes* and other notices from the Emeriti Association. Remember that we communicate with our members primarily by email—either with a Cal State LA or other personal email address—but on occasion, we will use the U.S. mail.

You may send us your updated contact information, via email, to emeriti.office@calstatela.edu or by U.S. mail to Emeriti Association Membership Chair, c/o Office of the President, SSB 8320, Cal State LA, 5151 State University Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90032.



EMERITI ASSOCIATION SPRING RETREAT ON MARCH 30

Due to ongoing COVID concerns, specifically the highly contagious BA-5 variant, the Emeriti Association Retreat, scheduled for later this fall, is being postponed until the spring. The venue will remain the same, the beautiful Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens. The new date is March 30, 2023.

Bea Yorker, the association's program director, who chairs the Ad Hoc Retreat Planning Committee, announced the postponement of the retreat. Other planning committee members include Association President Kathy Reilly, José L. Galván, Alfredo Gonzalez, Deborah Schaeffer and Bill Taylor.

The March 30 Spring Retreat will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 2:30 p.m. Participation in the retreat will include admission to the Huntington grounds and exhibits.

The purpose of the retreat is to gather with colleagues to share ideas and make suggestions about what we believe the association should be

doing better to meet the interests of all of our emeriti colleagues. While the retreat planning gets underway, the ad hoc committee welcomes your ideas for activities that will enhance the enjoyment of each other and of the venue and that will provide opportunities for creative expression. Ad Hoc Committee Chair Yorker has asked anyone who wishes to share ideas for activities to write to her at byorker@calstatela.edu.

In addition to admission to the Huntington grounds, registration for the retreat will include a continental breakfast and a boxed lunch. All association members in good standing are invited to attend at no cost. Non-members will be asked to pay an attendance fee of \$30, which will include an annual membership in the Emeriti Association for the 2023-2024 Academic Year. The plan is to finish the formal agenda at 2:30 p.m. and to invite participants to socialize at a no-host happy hour at the Huntington outdoor café. Participants will also have the option of enjoying the Huntington gardens, the library or the featured exhibits.



OUTSTANDING PROFESSORS ANNOUNCED

President William A. Covino announced the recipients of the President's Distinguished Professor, Outstanding Professor and Outstanding Lecturer Awards for 2022-2023 at the annual University Convocation ceremony held on August 18, 2022.

This year's President's Distinguished Professor is **Stephen McGuire**, a professor of management in the College of Business and Economics.

The four faculty that received the Outstanding Professor Awards are **David Blekhan**, a professor of technology in the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology; **Michael Calabrese**, a professor of English in the College of Arts and Letters; **Sara Carina Graef**, a professor of music in the College of Arts and Letters; and **Siyon Rhee**, a professor and director of the School of Social Work in the Rongxiang Xu College of Health and Human Services.

Finally, **Brenda Naimy**, a lecturer in the Division of Special Education and Counseling, which is a part of the College of Education, was named this year's Outstanding Lecturer.

Article Submissions

We invite our readers to contribute articles on topics that interest you or to submit ideas for topics that you think we should cover in future issues. Whether you wish to describe a trip you took, review a book or a play or share your research interests, we want to hear from you. We ask only that you keep it to approximately 500 words.

You may send your submissions to us at: emeritimes@calstatela.edu, ATTN: *The Emeritimes* Editor. Please include your contact information (email and phone) so we can reach you if we need further details.

Domnita Dumitrescu

Professor Emerita Domnita Dumitrescu, whose area is Spanish linguistics, continues to add to her distinguished accomplishments since the pandemic. She continues as a full member of the North American Academy of the Spanish Language, a corresponding member of the Spanish Royal Academy, and honorary president of Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society. She serves as book review editor of *Hispania*, the flagship journal of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, and is a collaborator on the forthcoming new edition of the *Gramática de la lengua Española*. She often evaluates articles for publication in several scholarly journals. Her faculty website (www.calstatela.edu/faculty/domnita-dumitrescu) includes two recent book chapters, two journal articles, two book reviews and a forthcoming one. She also presented papers and was a featured speaker at one national and two international conferences.

Konrad Aniol and Dimitri Margaziotis

We have learned from Professor Emeritus Konrad Aniol that he and the late Professor Emeritus Dimitri Margaziotis are among the many contributors to an article that presents important findings related to developing models of three-nucleon interactions. Aniol's graduate student, Sophi Iqbal, and his former undergraduate student, Nathaniel See, also participated in the research, supported by grants from the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Energy. Their work appeared in "Probing for high-momentum protons in 4He via the $4\text{He}(e,e'p)X$ reactions," *Physical Review C*, 105, 064003, June 22, 2022.



Janet Hoult (holding commendation).

Janet Fisher-Hoult

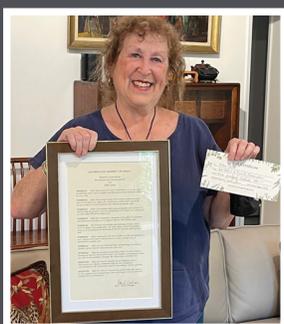
Professor Emerita Janet Cameron Hoult was presented with a commendation by the Culver City Council as the 2022 Senior of the Year at a ceremony on May 9, 2022.

Kevin Baaske

Kevin Baaske has joined the Emeriti Association Executive Committee as a representative to the CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty and Staff Association (ERFSA) for 2022-2023. He retired as a professor in the Department of Communication Studies and was awarded emeritus status in July 2022. He is an active member of the University community, having served previously as Academic Senate chair. He currently is also one of two Cal State LA faculty representatives to the Academic Senate of the California State University. He holds a B.A. and M.A. in communication studies from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, and a Ph.D. in communication arts and sciences with a focus in rhetorical studies from the University of Southern California. He served as the director of forensics, coaching the University's speech and debate teams for more than 20 years and has great memories of working closely with students as a mentor and coach in these competitive events. He intends to remain engaged while completing his FERP, then hopes to travel, read, and dote on a soon-expected first grandchild.

Lorie Judson

Lorie Judson, RN, Ph.D., has joined the Emeriti Association Executive Committee as an at-large member for 2022-2023. She has recently been selected for induction into the 2022 Class of Fellows of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN), one of the highest recognitions in the nursing profession. She is currently the executive director of the Chin Family Institute for Nursing at Cal State LA. She retired as the director of the School of Nursing and emerita professor in 2016. She holds a BSN degree from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, an M.S. in nursing from UCLA and a Ph.D. from the University of San Diego. Following clinical practice in emergency nursing, neonatal intensive care and pediatric intensive care, Judson began her career at Cal State LA in 1976 as a visiting professor for the Patricia A. Chin School of Nursing and served many years as an adjunct professor and lead pediatric instructor. In 1997, she joined the School of Nursing faculty on the tenure track. In 2017, she celebrated 50 years as a registered nurse. Judson's career path includes 21 years in the Army Nurse Corps, United States Army Reserve, where she retired as a lieutenant colonel.



Ellen Stein holding a commendation and gift certificate.

Ellen Stein

Ellen Stein was honored at the Emeriti Association annual meeting after serving 25 years as editor of *The Emeritimes*. She maintained a personal and professional network connected to many Cal State LA faculty and staff over the years. Her tribute included grateful recognition of her dedication to the association.



Leadership Change in ECST

The campus announced the retirement of Emily Allen, dean of the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology, in August 2022. She was appointed dean in November 2013. Professor Nancy Warter-Perez has been appointed as interim dean of ECST.



New Mary Levin School of the Arts in the College of Arts and Letters

Cal State LA President William A. Covino announced the creation of the new Mary Levin School of the Arts, the first named school in the university’s College of Arts and Letters. This was made possible by a \$10 million gift from Cal State LA alumna Mary Levin Cutler. The new school will house the departments of Art; Music; Television, Film and Media Studies; and Theatre and Dance, as well as the Ronald H. Silverman Fine Arts Gallery.



Los Angeles Innocence Project at Cal State LA launches groundbreaking new partnership to fight for the wrongfully convicted

A team of experienced post-conviction attorneys is establishing the Los Angeles Innocence Project (LAIP) at Cal State LA, bringing the fight to free the wrongfully convicted to the University.



Through the new partnership, the litigators will work alongside faculty and students in the university’s California Forensic Science Institute and School of Criminal Justice and Criminalistics to identify and investigate cases of individuals with credible claims of actual innocence, and to litigate those claims where new evidence supports overturning a conviction.

LAIP at Cal State LA will be the first innocence project in the Innocence Network to be attached to a forensic science academic program in the U.S.

To read the full story, please visit the Cal State LA Newsroom.



\$1 Million Grant from Mellon Foundation Supports New B.A. Program for Incarcerated Women

Cal State LA will launch a B.A. degree program for women incarcerated at the California Institution for Women in Chino. Since 2016, Cal State LA has offered a B.A. program for incarcerated men at the state prison in Lancaster. The women’s program will offer courses that will lead to a degree in liberal studies taught by faculty from anthropology, English and the natural sciences.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

The Emeriti Association Executive Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month. All association members are welcome to attend these meetings, currently being held via Zoom. Contact the association president at emeriti.office@calstatela.edu if you wish to receive the Zoom link for a particular month’s meeting.

September 29, 2022
 Fall Event on the midterm elections, featuring Raphael Sonenshein, executive director of the Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs, scheduled from 10 a.m. to 12 noon (see further details on page 19).

November 8, 2022
 Midterm Elections (Please cast your ballots!)

November 19, 2022
 2022-2023 fellowship/scholarship recipient recognition event from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. (See page 5 for more details.)

March 15, 2023
 Spring issue of *The Emeritimes* publication date.

March 30, 2023
 Emeriti Association Spring Retreat, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens (see details in the President’s Message).

May 2023 (date TBD)
 Election of Emeriti Association officers for vacant positions.

May 2023 (date TBD)
 Annual Meeting of Emeriti Association.



SAVE THE DATE

Special Fall Event
Thursday, September 29, 2022
10 a.m. - 12 noon

FORMAT: ZOOM
Featured Speaker: Raphael Sonenshein
Topic: "Election 2022: American Politics on the Edge"

Join us for a special presentation by our featured speaker, Professor Raphael Sonenshein, executive director of the Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs at Cal State LA, who will speak on "Election 2022: American Politics on the Edge." Following his presentation, attendees will be assigned to small informal Zoom rooms to discuss his presentation. These breakout sessions will provide an opportunity to hear about the spring retreat and to collect feedback on what is being planned.

The Zoom link will be sent to all emeriti on September 20 and, again, as a reminder, on the day of the event.

Recently Appointed Emeriti Faculty

The five faculty members listed below have been awarded emeritus status by Cal State LA President William A. Covino.

Taewon Kim (Finance, Law and Real Estate)
Ross Levinson (Music)
Lollie Ragana (English)
Kwok K. Kwong (Management)
Kevin Baaske (Communications Studies)

New Emeriti Association Members

We welcome the following three emerita professors who have joined the Emeriti Association in recent months.

Susan Kane (Music)
Lollie Ragana (English)
Lauri Scheyer (English)

New Emeriti Association Life Members

We welcome two emeriti faculty who have recently become Life Members of the Emeriti Association.

Robert Land (Education)
Margaret Moustafa
(Curriculum and Instruction)



IN MEMORIAM

A Note to Our In Memoriam Readers:

As part of the redesign of *The Emeritimes*, we are asking you, our readers, to contact us by email at emeritimes@calstatela.edu (ATTN: José L. Galván) to inform us whenever you learn of the death of a colleague. We welcome receiving any obituaries you or a loved one may have prepared, and we ask that you try to limit their length to approximately 500 words. Please include, at minimum, the following details for the deceased: work title(s), year hired/retired, area of expertise and department. High-resolution photographs are also welcome, if available.

Lillian Ruth Greenlee

Widow of Former Cal State LA President John E. Greenlee

Lillian Ruth Greenlee, the widow of the late John E. Greenlee, who served as Cal State LA's fifth president from 1966 to 1979, died on August 15, 2022, at the age of 95. Mrs. Greenlee was born in Hampton, IA, in 1927, and was a teacher following her graduation with a B.S. degree from Iowa State College. She was an active member of the Woman's Club of South Pasadena for more than 56 years. No local services will be held. Her remains will be placed next to her husband at Hampton Cemetery in Hampton, IA.

Carleton Barker Shay

Professor of Education, 1961-1989

This obituary was adapted from one that appeared in The Los Angeles Times on March 3, 2022.

Professor Emeritus Carleton B. Shay died on February 27, 2022, at the age of 98. During his tenure at Cal State LA, Professor Shay served as chair of the Academic Senate and as associate dean of the School of Education.

After graduating with a B.S. degree from UCLA, Shay taught math and served as a guidance counselor at Santa Monica High School until he completed a doctorate at UCLA in 1961, when he joined the Department of Educational Foundations, then changed to the Division of Educational Foundations and Interdivisional Studies. He retired in 1989 and was a proud member of the Emeriti Association. Shay was a generous donor to the association's fellowship endowment.

Born in Berkeley, he was raised in Burbank by his mother and grandparents. He graduated from Burbank High School shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. After a single semester at UCLA, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. Following his discharge, he completed his B.S. degree at UCLA, where he met his wife, Hanna. On a personal level, Shay had a lifelong love of hiking and camping in the San Gabriel, San Bernardino, and Sierra Nevada mountains. As a member of the Sierra Club, he completed the club's "Hundred Peaks" section by reaching the summit of all 277 peaks in the club's list of mountains above 5,000 feet and doing so 10 times each. Also, he was an avid photographer and traveler, visiting all of the western National Parks with the full family as well as exploring parts of Europe, Central and South America, and the Far East.

Shay was a veteran of World War II and the recipient of a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart.

He is survived by his children, Cathy Shay Miller and Ken Shay, as well as by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was pre-deceased by his wife, Hanna.

Elba Torres de Peralta

Professor of Latin American Literature, 1968-1992

Dr. Elba Torres de Peralta, a professor of Latin American Literature in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, died on January 27, 2022, at the age of 91. Peralta began her career at Cal State LA in 1968 and retired in 1992. The obituary that follows was submitted by her friend and colleague, Domnita Dumitrescu.

Elba Torres de Peralta was born in Córdoba, Argentina, on March 28, 1930. In 1958, her husband Manuel was hired by NASA to join the group of engineers working on the design of the first satellites. Although already the mother of two children, she entered the University of Southern California and obtained her Ph.D. degree in 1968. That same year, she was hired by Cal State LA as an assistant professor. At a time when most of the faculty members were men, the fact that she was hired for a tenure-track position evinces her excellent academic abilities. It came as no surprise that in 1988 she was distinguished with the Outstanding Professor Award, one of the highest recognitions that Cal State LA bestows upon its most remarkable teachers and scholars.

Peralta stood in the field of Latin American Literature as one of the first critics who developed a new theoretical approach to women's writing. Thus, in her first book (*La temática de Malvina Rosa Quiroga*, 1970), she rescued the work of an Argentinian poet not included in the literary canon mainly constructed from a masculine perspective. On the other hand, although Olga Orozco was an acclaimed poet in Latin America, only a few critical articles had been written about her poetry, usually described as "highly philosophical" and "difficult

to understand.” Confronting these intellectual difficulties, Peralta embarked upon the challenging task of writing a much-needed book in 1987, *La poética de Olga Orozco: Desdoblamiento de Dios en máscara de todos*.

In many ways, Peralta was a pioneer in what would later become Women’s Studies. In 1976, she was the organizer of the Conference on Latin American Women Writers held at Cal State LA, which attested to the high prestige in the profession she enjoyed from the beginning of her career. This was quite a successful event with more than 100 attendants, and it marked the beginning on the American continent (Canada, the U.S. and Latin America) of a series of Latin American women writers conferences in the years since.

Apart from being an outstanding teacher, she presented scholarly papers at numerous conferences in Latin America, Europe and the U.S., and the high quality of her work, based on a wide range of authors and different historical contexts, gave Cal State LA prestigious visibility both at the national and international levels.

Peralta was also a distinguished poet. In her books *Preludios* (1984), *Ausencias* (1985), and *Monólogo infinito* (1997), she offers, through a highly artistic elaboration, a profound message about love, life and death.

She retired in 1992, after 25 years of work at this University, which she loved so much that, a few years later, overwhelmed with emotion and excitement, she volunteered to teach a seminar on her area of expertise without compensation. She always loved and, later, missed her colleagues and her students, who, in turn, and without exception, adored her and remembered her with admiration and affection. She was a wonderful human being, generous and selfless, and one colleague of hers in particular, who earned a Fulbright Award in Argentina, will always be grateful for the way how Peralta helped her prepare for this endeavor.

Peralta died on January 27, 2022, and is survived by her two sons, Manuel and Ricardo, and her grandchildren, Michael, Amy, Steven and Daniel.

Roy Hembrus Walden

Professor of Graphic Design, 1968 – 1992

Roy Hembrus Walden, husband of Professor Emerita Olga Termini, died on January 16, 2022. An informal Celebration of Life was held for him on April 9, 2022. The biography that follows was submitted by Professor Termini.

Roy Hembrus Walden was born in Jacksonville, FL, on August 12, 1928, to Bertha and Hembrus Roy Walden. The eldest of five children, Roy started working at an early age to help support his family. His high school art teacher encouraged him to pursue his artistic talent. He was able to study at Howard University on a scholarship, graduating in 1950 with a B.A. degree.

He was drafted to the U.S. Army during the Korean War, where he contributed his graphic design skills. After military service, he relocated to California to attend graduate school at

UCLA and received his M.A. degree in 1954. That same year, he married Lena Posey. They had three children, Moira, Ronald and Carl.

Walden worked as a freelance artist and fashion photographer in 1952. He became the art director and editor for the magazines, *California Stylist and Elegant*. Among the honors he received was the National Association of Schools of Art and Design's Outstanding Achievement in Fashion Editing in 1965. As creative director for Motown Records, one of his proudest projects was the album cover art for the Jackson 5's third record in 1970.

In 1960, Walden bought a Gregory Ain-designed house in Altadena, one of the 28 homes in the modernist architect's Park Planned Homes development built in 1948. This is where his children spent their childhood and teenage years. He was also an avid car buff and collector, with an emphasis on vintage Japanese cars that had their rearview mirrors mounted on the front fenders.

In 1967, Walden accepted a one-year teaching appointment at Los Angeles Trade Tech College and discovered his talent as a teacher. Encouraged to apply for a faculty position in the Art Department at Cal State LA, he was hired in 1968 to teach classes in graphic design, illustration, lettering and product design. Beginning in 1982, he also taught continuing education art classes at 11 universities throughout the U.S. Walden retired from the university in 1992, after a 24-year career.

While both Walden and Professor Termini both taught at Cal State LA, he in the Art Department and she in the Music Department, having taught music history and foreign language diction, they knew each other only from a distance. They met socially later as part of a group of retired friends and former colleagues, and in 2004 they married.

In addition to his wife, Walden is survived by his daughter Moira and son Ronald, four grandchildren and a great-grandson, and his two sisters.

David Jesus Godoy

Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs

Long-time Student Affairs administrator, David J. Godoy, died on February 25, 2022, at the age of 75. Godoy worked in various Student Affairs roles at Cal State LA for about 35 years and served as assistant vice president for student affairs when he retired from the University.

Godoy maintained productive professional relationships with individuals across disciplines and administrative areas, including both faculty and administrators, primarily through his work in managing a number of federal and state grants that focused on the educational needs of underrepresented school students. He was instrumental in bringing to the campus the Upward Bound program that worked to prepare high school students for college study. He later helped the campus secure the GEAR UP program that targeted middle school students for success in college-preparatory coursework.

Pre-deceased by his wife of 42 years, Maria Godoy, he is survived by two children and five grandchildren.

Pamela Rene Harman

Part-Time Instructor, Psychology

We received word that Pamela Rene Harman, part-time instructor in the Department of Psychology, died on April 16, 2022. She was born on August 4, 1961, in Columbus, Ohio, and lived in Glendale at the time of her death.

No further details were available at the time we published.

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