Enjoy the lazy days
Bridge Group Update

Now that the holiday season has passed, it's time to rev up the bridge group to full speed. In February, we only had two tables, but returned in March and April for our customary three tables. In February, Juanita Kindinger took 1st place and Irene Coggins came in 2nd. In March, Irene Coggins continued by taking 1st, Thlema Otto came in 2nd place and SAL MARTINO nailed 3rd place. In April, we once again had three + tables with Betty Howe taking 1st, Naomi Hildreth (sub) coming in 2nd, and Juanita Kindinger showing her skills by taking 3rd. Now that we're back up to speed, we're ready to deal and bid. WE MISS YOU SAL!!
-Marti Orth

Cliff's Notes

Some 67 retirees attended the Spring Luncheon March 19 and heard Dr. Jodie Holt, professor of botany, give an illustrated talk about her advisory role on the film Avatar. I heard only positive comments about the talk.

Now we are looking forward to our June 18 luncheon which is a joint meeting of staff and emeriti retirees. The speaker will be Ward Beyermann, professor of physics, who is the recipient of this year's award for innovative teaching.

Two scholarships have been awarded this year, one to Caitlin Charles; she is majoring in creative writing and has kept up a 3.92 grade average along with outreach activities in the community and tutoring. The other to Casey Adams who intends to go into the medical field either as a doctor or a psychologist. He has also done community work both on campus and in the local setting. He has a 3.27 grade average.

It is a pleasure to know that our scholarship fund has helped students in the past few years.

Scholarship donations are always welcome! Remember they are tax deductible!

Make your check payable to UCR Foundation and forward to our Treasurer for application to the UCRRRA Scholarship Account

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The Council of UC Emeriti Associations, CUCEA, met at UCSB April 28, and then convened with the Council of UC Retiree Associations, CUCRA, April 29. CUCRA then had its separate meeting the afternoon of the 29th. Such a format allows CUCEA and CUCRA chairs, the head of the Joint Benefits Committee, and directors of campus retirement centers to attend the sessions of both groups. The fall meeting the last Wednesday and Thursday in October will follow the same arrangement and probably will become the norm. Lew Cohen and I represented UCREA, while Cliff Wurfel did the same for UCRRRA at CUCRA, and we all carpooled in a university Honda hybrid, covering 392 miles on a single tank of gas.

CUCEA’s biennial Bio-Bib Survey, 2007-2009 was distributed. It showed that emeriti continue leading productive lives and contributing to UC, their professions and their communities, including those at UCR, who also established a fine record of reporting, over 42%. Copies of current and past surveys will be available in the library of the campus Alumni & Visitor Center. They make for a most heartening read.

Several representatives commented on the difficulty of engaging the newly retired. One said that such individuals are not unwilling to engage, but want to do so on their terms, without, alas, defining the terms. Another was more specific, comparing the difficulty of engaging recent retirees to the plight of dwindling bowling teams, as chronicled in the book, Bowling Alone. And I pointed out that Elks, Moose, and other creatures were experiencing like problems in the face of mounting demands upon people’s time.

As usual, variety distinguished emeriti association campus reports. Berkeley’s executive committee has applied “for non-profit status as a California corporation (501[c][7]).” When it inquired of campus risk management about its possible liability, it was informed that it was not covered by the campus. Readers might like to know that UCREA was told liability coverage was “at the pleasure of the chancellor.” Davis now emulates our Tower-talk in having a joint EA/RA newsletter. Irvine’s multiple activities include seven lectures, perhaps an EA record. At UCLA in conjunction with an exhibit at the LA County Museum of Art, “Late Renoir,” had a successful dinner and talk entitled “Renoir: His Art and His Arthritis.” Their emeriti have an annual Art and Crafts show. UCSDEA formed an Emeriti Health Care Committee, serving as an information resource and organizer of programs. Let me point out that at UCR our Health Care Facilitator Mary Johnson in Human resources fulfills our needs admirably and her unit matches San Diego’s committee in presenting comparable programs. Riverside’s report stated that unhappily they must now access the chancellor through their campus sponsor, Alumni & Constituent Relations, whose tradition of nurturing UCREA and UCRRRA continues unblemished, however.

Too late for our campus report was the news that happily the demise of the chancellor’s fall lunch at which our EA recognizes our outstanding emeritus of the year has been succeeded by a new joint ceremony in spring. The chancellor now recognizes both our distinguished achiever and welcomes those about to attain emeritus status. Our past awardees chose emeritus professor of history Henry Snyder, who retired and became head of the UCR Center for Bibliographical Studies & Research (CBSR) until his second retirement in December, 2009. Henry and those on the verge of retiring were feted handsomely at the Alumni & Visitor Center May 11. Those who did not attend missed a fine occasion and I hope more emeriti will join in next year. There were many sociable and lively conversations between emeriti, those retiring, and administrators, plus good food and beverages including wine. Following a convivial half hour, our chancellor summarized some personal and campus achievements, and advances in spite of difficult conditions, and then presented the award and congratulations to Henry Snyder for his achievements. The latter then gave a fascinating account of his career touching on history, managing an opera company, persuading the Mellon Foundation to make its first donation supporting a public university, searching for English and Spanish bibliographical material worldwide, and much more.

In conclusion I welcomed new emeriti to UCREA were automatically enrolled gratis in UCREA their first year (like UCRRRA), continuing efforts to increase membership.
Happy Birthday!

Jun. 9  Donald Johns
Jun. 9  Vernal B. Norris
Jun. 13 John Letey, Jr.
Jun. 13 Jim Sims
Jun. 17  Ken Kido
Jun. 17 Chester N. Roistacher
Jun. 29 Sarah H. Day
Jun. 30 Barbara Gable
Jul. 1 Volker O. Herbert
Jul. 5 Janet M. Sandell
Jul. 5 Lewis G. Weathers
Jul. 6 John H. Coleman
Jul. 10 Clifford N.(Ken) Robson
Jul. 12 John Pollock
Jul. 14 Eden M. Luntao
Jul. 21 Phyllis L. Morton
Jul. 30 Susan Chiuminatta
Jul. 31 Nancy E. Douglas
Aug. 7 Richard A. Morandi
Aug. 9 Dorothy Cruz
Aug. 12 Wilma G. Lansing
Aug. 20 Bibi Z. E. Khan
Aug. 20 Evelyn P. Sadler
Aug. 20 F. Elleta Wild
Aug. 21 Robert C. Neuman
Aug. 22 Esperanza Delgado
Aug. 24 Beverly Guidero
Aug. 29 Virginia L. Field
Aug. 30 Dennis Focht
Aug. 30 Elizabeth A. Johnson

*Thanks for the Memory*

Once again I want to express my appreciation for all the “Get Well” wishes I received. I realize it was a repeat performance on my part but I will do my best to make it the last. Next time I will be a “wisher” rather than a “wishee”.

Thank you all.

Sal

Welcome!

The UCR Retirees’ Association welcomes its newest members:

Doreen Alewine
Robert Daly
King Henderson
Billie M. Houston
Maggie Kimberly
Donato C. Vela
Connie Young
You are invited to the:

UCR Campus Memorial
Wednesday, May 26, 2010
4:00PM
Botanic Gardens

Visit the website to RSVP and to see the names of those that will be remembered this year

www.memorial.ucr.edu

In Remembrance........

Ora Ol. Brawner
Louis Pedrotti
Marion Walters

Though the voice is quiet, the spirit echoes still.

Summer Film Series

Ultra Star University Village movie theater and the LIFE Society will offer a summer film series starting Tuesday, June 15, at 1:30 p.m. Classic films and foreign films will be featured.

A flyer listing the films will be available by the end of the month and can be picked up at the front desk at the Extension Center or the Theater.

The films will be every Tuesday for 10 weeks with a single admission price of 7.00 or a 10-week pass for 40.00, a five-film pass for 25.00.
Be a Part of Commencement

Volunteers make a good day better for UCR graduates

It takes seven ceremonies and a countless number of volunteers to make sure that each of the more than 3,000 students who represent the Class of 2010 has a memorable moment when walking across the stage during UCR’s 56th commencement ceremonies.

Volunteers receive a commencement t-shirt and will be honored at a reception held following Commencement weekend. To participate, contact Virginia Lerer at 951-827-3287 or Virginia.lerer@ucr.edu or call (951) 827-3144.

For more information, visit: www.commencement.ucr.edu.

April Computer Workshop

Featured Dana Morita presenting the new Apple iPad. An absolutely fantastic presentation and no wonder Apple’s stock is going up. The iPad is quite a machine and Dana’s presentation was enjoyed by all.

Please join us at the next computer workshop on Thursday, May 21 in Room 122 at the Science Library.
The University Club’s 56th Barbeque

Members and Guests Invited

Saturday, June 5th, 2010  11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Ortega Park
(Ag Operations off Canyon Crest Drive—follow signs)

Pit Barbeque and all the trimmings
Your favorite beverages

Games for children and adults

Many raffle prizes including prize for best decorated table
(don't forget to bring your own table service-table cloth, dishes, utensils)

Members $12.00 each, children 5-11 $5.00 each
Spouses and adult guests $13.00 each
Children under 5—FREE

Make your check payable to “The University Club” and mail reservation with name to:
University Club
University of California, Riverside
900 University Avenue
Riverside, CA  92521
UCRAA Calendar of Events

11 Friday ALL DAY Deadline for Summer Luncheon Reservations
15 Monday 12:30-3:30 Bridge @ Janet Goeske Center
17 Thursday 1:00—3:00 Computer Workshop (Macintosh) Rm. 122 Science Library
18 Friday 11:30-1:30 Summer Luncheon at the Alumni & Visitors Center

15 Thursday 1:00-3:00 Computer Workshop (PC) Rm. 122 - Science Library
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Tower Talk

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The UC Riverside Retirees’ and Emeriti Associations cordially invites you to its

Summer Luncheon

June 18 2010
at the Alumni & Visitors Center
Rooms A & B
Social gathering: 11:30am - Lunch at noon

Menu

$15.00 per person
Five-Spice Chicken & Orange Salad
Dessert: Citrus Mousse

Speaker:

Ward Beyermann
Associate Professor of Physics
And
Recipient of the 2009-10 UCR Innovative Teaching Award

$15 per person ~ $1 Raffle Tickets ~ Post Luncheon Drawing

Please mail this reservation form by June 11, 2010
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Number for lunch:____ Name(s): _______________________________________

☐ Check here if you’d like a vegetarian lunch.