

# Tower Talk

U.C. Riverside Retirees and Emeriti/ae Associations

November 2014



Happy Holidays!  
The UC Riverside Retiree &  
Emeriti Associations  
wish you and yours  
the very best  
this holiday season!

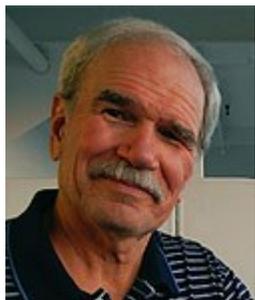


We hope you can join us for  
the Holiday Luncheon on  
December 12, 2014



## UCR Retiree Association President's Report

Bob Daly, Interim UCRRA President



### *Officer Update*

As many of you have heard, Les Martin has been having some serious health problems. He has, therefore, decided to resign as President of the UCR Retirees Association. Les has made significant contributions for UCRRA. I will terribly miss his leadership and friendship. Let's all hope that Les has a speedy recovery.

The UCRRA board members held a special meeting to decide how to assign Les's duties to the other board members. Since then association's by-laws state "In the absence of the President, the 1st Vice President shall preside over meetings and otherwise act for the President," the board asked me, the first vice president, to become the Interim President until the next election for UCRRA officers. I accepted and will try to follow Le's excellent leadership.

In this month's report, I want to provide you with some important campus event and information. These are below.

### *Homecoming*

This year's Homecoming has some exciting events that retirees and emeriti may find very interesting. In particular, the lectures and presentations being offered by UCR's colleges and schools should be of particular interest for retirees and emeriti. I am particularly interested in the lecture by Philosophy Professor Fischer title "Would you choose to live forever". This fascinates most people, but perhaps retirees and emeriti have most at stake! Be sure to check the complete list of Homecoming events, online, for the exact times and locations. View the events and register to attend at [www.homecoming.ucr.edu](http://www.homecoming.ucr.edu).

### *Christmas Luncheon*

The UCRRA and UCREA Christmas luncheon will be held on December 12<sup>th</sup> in the Alumni and Visitors Center. The annual campus Christmas buffet will not be held this year due the late start of fall quarter classes. But our campus chef has promised a special holiday menu just for Retirees and Emeriti. Also, as with previous years, we will be treated with the holiday performance by the children from the Child Development Center. The Christmas luncheon reservations are now available. The Christmas luncheon reservations are now available. Please fill out the attached luncheon flyer and send it in via US Mail, or go online to [retirees.ucr.edu](http://retirees.ucr.edu) and click the Luncheon link to register.

### *CUCRA Meeting*

The semi-annual joint meeting of the Council of University of California Retiree Associations (CUCRA) and Council of University of California Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) held its semi-annual meeting on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at UC Berkeley. Campus CUCRA and CUCEA representatives and presidents attend this meeting to get updates on our health benefits and other issues of concern to retirees. At this meeting, there were three significant topics that I wish to report.

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## Retirees President's Report Continued...

The first is that Adrian Harris, retired Vice Chancellor of Planning and Budget at UCLA, is stepping down as the chair of the CUCRA/CUCEA Joint Benefits committee. Adrian served as chair for 20 years and was exceptionally effective in communicating retiree and emeriti concerns and issues to the Office of the President. Anyone who knows Adrian (I first met Adrian over 35 years ago) has no doubts that he was a strong and tireless advocate for all retirees and emeriti. I hope that he will continue to contribute and advocate for all of us in another capacity.

The second topic that caught my attention is the presence of retiree centers at the other campuses and the number of retirees and emeriti joining their local associations. Les Martin and Tony Norman worked very hard to get a retiree center for UCR. We have the physical space, but we have a ways to go to have a fully functioning retirees center similar to those at other campuses. Tony Norman and I will be continuing the quest to make this happen. I also noticed that the other campuses, younger than UCR, have many more members in their retiree associations. During the next few months, I want to explore ways to increase the number of UCRRA members. I believe a larger membership will increase the health of the association and improve its visibility on campus. If you have ideas or suggestions to add more members to UCRRA, please let me know.

The third topic of interest was the increase in our health care costs. By now, you should have received your open enrollment packet and may have noticed the increases. A couple of plans had a small decrease while others, such as the Blue Shield High Option, doubled in price. Be sure to review you're the health plan options carefully and contact UCR's Benefits office (951-827-4766 or [benefits@ucr.edu](mailto:benefits@ucr.edu)) if you have questions.

### *Happy Holidays*

The holiday season will soon be here. I certainly hope that all retirees and emeriti have wondrous holidays. My wife and I will be having a very special holiday season since our first grandchild arrived on October 27<sup>th</sup>. She is a beautiful little girl arriving at 8 pounds and 3 ounces. Everyone is doing well, and the very proud grandfather is eager to show you scores of photos!

### **Emeriti Faculty**

**Make your donation now to the  
Emeriti Association Scholarship  
Fund!**

Remember they are tax deductible!

Make your check payable to  
**UCR Foundation**  
and mail to:

Alyssa Cotter  
2203 Alumni & Visitors Center  
Riverside, CA 92521

### **Retirees**

Scholarship donations are always  
welcome!

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

#### **Mail to:**

George E. Groty  
24041 Forsyte Street  
Moreno Valley, CA  
92557-5007

By supporting the UCR Retirees and Emeriti Faculty scholarships, you are helping undergraduate students achieve their educational goals! Scholarship recipients will be announced at the 2015 Summer luncheon.

# Happy Birthday!

Birthday	Name
Dec. 2	Chris Deviny
Dec. 8	Borden A. Bizzelle
Dec. 8	Teresa Mullens
Dec. 9	Catherine A. Casseday
Dec. 11	Juanita I. Kindinger
Dec. 13	Robert Daly
Dec. 15	Shirley A. Christiansen
Dec. 21	John dePillis
Dec. 27	Helen Zylman
Dec. 28	Bernd Magnus
Jan. 5	John Husmann
Jan. 11	Beverly J. Palmer

Birthday	Name
Jan. 23	Kathy Jones
Jan. 24	Alan R. Beals
Feb. 3	Jackie Adkins
Feb. 4	George E. Grotty
Feb. 11	Eloise P. Ryan
Feb. 12	Jayne Gales
Feb. 13	Wilma L. Printy
Feb. 18	Patricia Skotty
Feb. 19	Stephen T. Cockerham
Feb. 19	William H. Okamura
Feb. 19	Thelma L. Otto



## *In Memoriam:*

Atlee Good  
John Letey  
Wilbur Mayhew  
Raymond Palmer  
David Peterson

## Insightful Learning for Ageless Minds

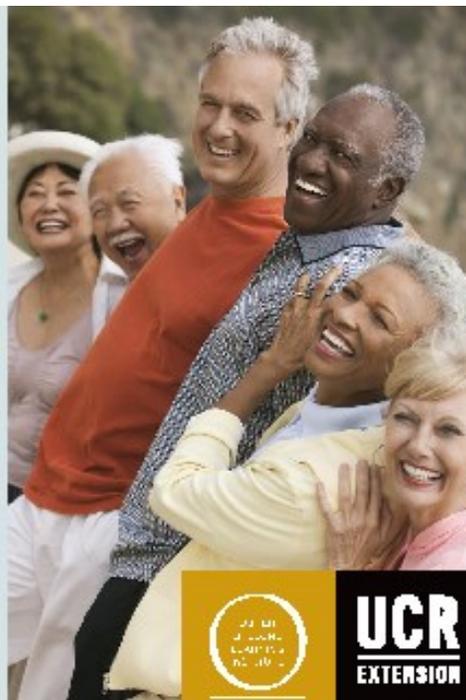
### Who we are

UCR Osher Lifelong Learning Institute is an educational program for lifelong learners, 50 years and older. We received funding to create our program in 2003 from The Bernard Osher Foundation, and we are proud to be a part of a network of educational institutions across the country dedicated to providing noncredit, academic courses and lectures for mature learners. The program is offered in Riverside, Rancho Mirage and Palm Desert.

### A community for lifelong learners 50 years and older

Learning takes place in a peer environment with learners whose common bonds are intellectual curiosity and the experience of their generation. There are no tests, grades or minimum educational background restrictions—the only requirement is a love of learning.

- University-Level Courses
- LIFE Lecture Series
- Computer Workshops
- Special Events
- Field Trips
- Study Groups
- UCR Library Privileges
- Student Rates and Discounts



**UCR**  
EXTENSION

Winter program begins January 7, 2015. Call (951) 827-7139.

[www.extension.ucr.edu/osher](http://www.extension.ucr.edu/osher)

## Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment is your annual opportunity to review your benefits and make changes. This year's open enrollment period is from October 30 – November 25, 2014, all changes are effective January 1, 2015.

You should have received the Open Enrollment booklet from UC Office of the President in the mail during the last week of October. If you do not want to make any changes to your current plans, you need to do nothing. However if you have questions about the medical, dental, vision or legal plans or are considering changing plans and need some assistance, visit the At Your Service website to make selections.

Even if your medical plan is continuing, Open Enrollment is a good time to review your plan and your other benefits to be sure your plans meet your needs.

Visit [UCR's Open Enrollment website](#) for more information.

Visit the [At Your Service website](#) to make your Open Enrollment selections.

## UCR Emeriti Faculty Association Report by President, Professor *Emeritus* Tony Norman

### UCR PRINCIPLES OF COMMUNITY

By Former Chancellor Tim White (2012); Endorsed by Present Chancellor Kim Wilcox

The University of California Riverside is committed to equitable treatment of all students, faculty, and staff. UCR's faculty, staff, and students are committed to creating an environment in which each person has the opportunity to grow and develop, and is recognized for his or her contribution.

There are three objectives that our campus must strive toward in order to achieve these goals.

- \* First, we must ensure that we have an environment that nurtures the intellectual and personal growth of our students, faculty and staff.
- \* Second, we must ensure that our campus sets an example of respect for all people.
- \* Third, we must ensure that our campus is a safe and welcoming environment for everyone.

We take pride in the diversity of the campus community and in ourselves by using the campus environment as a place, committed to academic integrity, where all members are encouraged to use their unique talents to enrich the daily life of the community in which they live, work, teach and learn. Respect for differences and civil discourse must become the hallmark of how we live and work together to build our community of learners at UCR.

We as members of the University of California-Riverside affirm our responsibility and commitment to creating and fostering a respectful, cooperative professional and courteous campus environment. Implicit in this mutual respect is the right of each of us to live, study, teach, and work free from harassment or denigration on the basis of race/ethnicity, age, religious or political preference, gender, transgender, sexual orientation, nation of origin, or physical abilities. Any violation of this right by verbal or written abuse, threats, harassment, intimidation, or violence against person or property will be considered a violation of the principles of community that are an integral part of the University of California's focus, goals and mission. (and subject to sanction according to University Policies and procedures).

We recognize that we will all need to continually work together to make our campus community a place where reason and mutual respect among individuals and groups prevail in all forms of expression and interaction.

## Emeriti Faculty President's Report Continued...



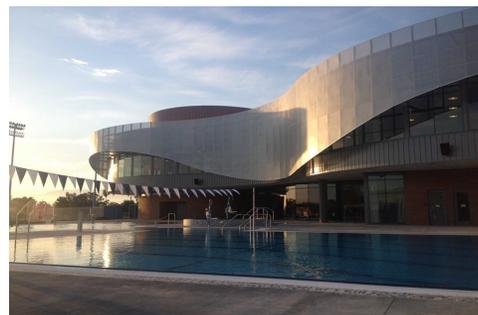
### New campus goal

Chancellor Kim Wilcox on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 announced a new campus goal of hiring 300 new faculty by 2020. As UCR grows its student population from the present 24,000 to 35,000 (anticipated by 2020), that the creation of a Multidisciplinary Research Building will provide important spaces for research and teaching resulting in a significant increase in the size of the faculty. *This rendering of a newly-completed research building at UC San Diego is illustrative of the concept for the new building.*

### New Student Recreational Center

Another important goal for students was fully achieved three weeks ago on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014. Some years ago, the students held a referendum and they have contributed significant financial support to the construction fund for the Student Recreational Center. After nineteen months of construction, the new, \$35 million dollar Student Recreation Center (SRC) officially opened on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014. The new facility is immediately adjacent to the existing Student Recreational Center and will be connected to this building via a second floor enclosed passage.

The new Recreational Center facility includes cutting edge fitness areas, and locker rooms, weight training an indoor track, a multi-activity gymnasium, including a climbing wall, classrooms, and an indoor full-size basketball court that is also useable for indoor soccer and administrative offices. Outdoor amenities include 8 new tennis courts, a recreational and lap swimming pool, and a sand volleyball court. (See two photos of the new UCR Student Recreational Center & Pool.)



### What Makes UCR so Great ? By Chancellor Kim Wilcox

It's not just the world-class faculty and facilities that make UC Riverside the place to be — it's also the thriving arts community in the city of Riverside, the one-of-a-kind special collections and lecture series that attract experts from around the world. It's the concerts, film festivals, dazzling dance performances and thought-provoking theater. It's the beauty of our Botanic Gardens and famed 22-acre Citrus Variety Collection. It's the Campus Store and KUCR, our own non-commercial radio station playing cutting-edge music. And, of course, it's the UCR Libraries, with over two million volumes and home to the world's largest cataloged collection of science fiction and fantasy.

### Appointment of UCR's new Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor

Paul D'Anieri ["dan-YERry"]. is UC-Riverside's new Provost/Executive Vice Chancellor and Professor of Political & Public Policy. He serves as chief academic and operating officer, providing academic leadership to the campus, overseeing resource allocation and serving as a member of the UCR senior leadership team. From 2008 to 2014 he was Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Professor of Political Science at the University of Florida. He received his undergraduate degree at Michigan State University in 1986 and a MS and Ph.D. in government at Cornell in 1991. He spent the majority of his career on the faculty and in leadership positions at the University of Kansas.

Dr. Paul D'Anieri is a political scientist with extensive expertise on the former Soviet Union. He won a Fulbright Scholarship to Ukraine following the collapse of the Soviet Union. He has published six books and twenty articles on Ukraine and its relationship with Russia.

## Emeriti Faculty President's Report Continued...

**Other key appointments by the Chancellor:**

Vice Chancellor for Administration, Ron T. Coley hired from UC-Berkeley,  
Vice Chancellor of Planning & Budget, Maria Anguiano hired from UC Office of President  
Dean of School of Education, Professor Tom Smith from Vanderbilt University

**The Edward A. Dickson Emeritus/a Professorship (Academic Senate Awards)****Background of the Dickson Award 1913-1946 & 1955-2008**

Edward A. Dickson served as a regent of the University of California from 1913-1946, the longest tenure of any Regent. His vision is credited with helping to make the Los Angeles campus a reality. In 1955 Mr. Dickson presented the University with an endowment to provide for annual special professorships for retired faculty. The 1955 gift document describing this award states:

*For the support and maintenance of special annual professorships in the University of California to which shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Regents persons of academic rank who have been retired after service in the University of California and who shall receive such awards in addition to their retirement or pension allowances. Awards shall be made upon such conditions of service, research or teaching as the Regents may require. Professorships so awarded shall be known as the Edward A. Dickson Emeriti Professorships.*

The Edward A. Dickson *Emeritus/a* Professorship Award at the Riverside campus began being awarded annually at the level of \$6,000 beginning with the 2008-2009 academic year and annually thereafter. Each award to one or more *emeritus* professors for teaching, research, or public service activities must be in accordance with the intent of the donor. The awardee(s) shall be known as the Edward A. Dickson *Emeritus/a* Professor for the duration of the award. Starting in 2014 the cash award was \$6,000 with the possibility of an additional \$3,000 for travel or research support depending upon the stock market investments.

**Previous annual Dickson Emeritus/a Professorship awards of \$6,000 at UCR:**

2008: Mir S. Mulla, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Department of Entomology  
2009: Frederick K. Gable, Department of Music  
2010: Prasanta Pattanaik, Department of Economics  
2011: Edward Platzer, Department of Nematology  
2012: George Slusser, Department of Comparative Literature & Foreign Languages  
2012: Ben Stolzhus, Department of Comparative Literature & Foreign Languages

**Current Edward A. Dickson awards:****2013-14: The Edward A. Dickson *Emeritus/a* Professorship Award:**

Kathleen Montgomery, Professor, Department of Organizations Management.

**2014-15 The Edward A. Dickson *Emeritus/a* Professorship Award:**

Irwin M. Wall, Professor of the Graduate Division, History  
Michael Pollak, *Professor Emeritus, Physics and Astronomy*  
Ronald H. Chilcote *Professor Emeritus, Economics*

**\*\*\* Proposed UCR Emeritus/a Lecture Sessions \*\*\***

The UCR *Emeritus/a* Organization plans to schedule two Lecture Sessions to be held in our retired (faculty) and staff (retirees) CENTER of the Orbach Library.. Each Session will accommodate two speakers. The speaker's lecture will utilize one of the two available ~35-40 minute lectures and will focus on their research accomplishments which then resulted in the speaker(s) receiving the Edward A, Dickson Professorship Award. The four current Dickson Awardees who will give a talk are above on Page (6).

At this time, specific dates for the two meetings in our CENTER have not been identified. The First Group should happen sometime between Thanksgiving and the first two weeks of December 2014. The Second Group should meet sometime in the month of January 2015. We are hoping to have Chancellor Wilcox present to introduce each of the two speakers in at least one of the two Groups. The time blocks could be from 3:45 PM to 5:30 PM with two 35 minute lectures [3:45 >> 4:20 PM, talk #1] followed by [4:25 >> 5:00 PM talk #2]. This will be followed by a reception with wine (we hope) and hors d'oeuvres reception.

## UCRRA and UCREA Calendar of Coming Events

### December



3	Wednesday	ALL DAY	Luncheon Reservations Due
12	Friday	11:30-1:30	Holiday Luncheon—Alumni & Visitors Center

### January



6	Tuesday	10:00	Board Meeting—Alumni & Visitors Center Conference Rm.
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### March



20	Friday	11:30– 1:30	Spring Luncheon
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