

Tower Talk

U.C. Riverside Retirees and Emeriti/ae Associations

August 2013



*Please join us for the Fall Luncheon
Friday, September 20*

*Guest Speaker:
Lynn Voorheis*

*Museum Curator of Historic Structures & Collections
for the City of Riverside*

*Topic:
“National Historic Landmark Harada House”*

The National Historic Landmark Harada House is among the most significant and powerful civil rights landmarks in California. This site and the story of the Harada Family embody local, state, national, and international issues of civil and individual rights, democracy, immigration, assimilation, and citizenship. When the Haradas arrived in California at the turn of the 20th century they were among a myriad of Pan-Asian immigrants seeking the American Dream. Jukichi Harada, his wife, Ken, and their first son, Masa Atsu, after their arrival to the United States settled in Riverside, California in 1905. They soon were operating a rooming house and the Washington Restaurant, which featured "American-fare" and was decorated with pictures of United States presidents. Jukichi, following the death of his first American born son, sought a home with healthier conditions for his family. Aware of the 1913 California Alien Land Law prohibiting aliens from owning property, in December 1915 he purchased the house at 3356 Lemon Street in the names of his three American born children (Mine, Sumi, and Yoshizo).¹

Please join us for lunch to hear more about the Harada House and maybe a bit about other areas Mrs. Voorheis is responsible for; the Riverside Metropolitan Museum, Heritage House, and the Fox Theater.





Emeriti Faculty

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UCR Foundation
and mail to:

Allison Tavaglione
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Riverside, CA 92521



Retirees

Scholarship donations are always
welcome!

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

Mail to:

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Bridge Group Update



After many years of monthly bridge sessions and the warm fellowship that this has brought, the Bridge Group has been forced to disband. Due to our busy lives with all our commitments, inconsistent participation has become a problem. If there is an increased interest and support in the future, we may be able to reorganize another group. I have really enjoyed my part in this group and hope that we will be able to start again.

Marti Orth 951-242-5297

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Retiree Notes

Finishing my first year as your President, where have we come as I continue to get my feet wet... Here are just a few items...

Honoring, and saying 'Good-Bye' to our former President, Cliff Wurfel.

(A sad occasion, but remembering not only our past President, but the Associations first Historian and one of our founding members.)

We've filled some open Board Member positions to help guide our organization.

(Thank You to all that have volunteered)

We've successfully hosted the Annual Southern CUCRA/CUCEA Meeting last April.

(Thank You to all those who helped make it a success!)

We've awarded two student scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 each.

(Thank You to those who contributed a little extra!)

We've held an election to fill two expiring Board positions.

(Thank you George for continuing!)

(Notice I didn't mention that we still have an open position for Board Secretary... or did I...)

Continue to provide input & relay results of systemwide issues that affect retirees and our campus.

(Retaining the Health Care Facilitators positions on campuses)

And we had three great speakers, a wonderful presentation from the Children's Center, and four enjoyable luncheons where we get to see and catch up with some of our former co-workers.

Along with the above, your board has been working in the back ground to see what we might offer our association for the future... here are just a few..

Seeking space for a UCR Emeriti-Retiree Center

(A joint venture with the UCR Emeriti Association)

Updating our website

(Keep an eye on this one – like registering and paying for luncheons on line; providing additional association news/information)

Identify available and investigating discount or outing opportunities

(Hoping to provide a more comprehensive list for easy reference)

Seek additional Volunteer opportunities

(Campus Committees; Staff Assembly; external opportunities that may be of interest to you)

Providing for a Retirees' Association campus e-mail address

(A number of you have asked for this as just a way to maintain a more personal connection and demonstrate support for our campus)

Reviewing our current by-laws and considering proposals for update

(Last updated in June, 1997)

Survey – seeking your input on a variety of issues

(We would like to have your thoughts and desires for a successful organization)

Your Board will continue to seek whatever changes, updates, services, benefits, and overall opportunities that you might wish to have. We are here for you... and we would love to have your input!

Thank You and hope to see you at our September Luncheon!

D.L. 'Les' Martin



Birthday	Name
Sep. 3	Marcia McQuern
Sep. 4	Patricia Hatton
Sep. 6	Barbara R. Cleek-Hagen
Sep. 8	Joan D. Dillon
Sep. 14	Margaret T. Ramsay
Sep. 17	Diane E. Jackson
Sep. 17	Marilyn G. Voce
Sep. 20	Kevin J. Bianchi
Sep. 23	Margaret Silva Herrera
Sep. 27	Doris Rhine
Sep. 27	Marianne Slota
Sep. 29	Doris C. McNamara
Oct. 30	Roger Hayes
Oct. 4	Dericksen Brinkerhoff
Oct. 4	M. Jeanne Selufsky
Oct. 7	Greg Baughfman
Oct. 10	John R. Hyneman
Oct. 14	Connie Young
Oct. 20	Patricia Knapik
Oct. 20	Joan M. Ruth
Oct. 26	D.L."Les" Martin
Oct. 27	Rodolfo Ruibal
Oct. 28	I. Rosie Russell
Oct. 30	Billie L. Whelchel
Nov. 1	Judy Sims
Nov. 3	Ida Mae Minnich
Nov. 6	Joann J. Scott
Nov. 8	Patricia A. Roberts
Nov. 9	Eleanor W. Bartnicki
Nov. 9	Marion E. Kelley
Nov. 10	Joseph M. Norbeck
Nov. 17	Charles W. Coggins, Jr.
Nov. 22	Betty Morton
Nov. 22	Gloria Perez
Nov. 25	Venita Jorgensen
Nov. 26	Kathleen F. Shea
Nov. 30	J. Keith Oddson

In Remembrance

Virginia Bustamante
Dorothy Goodyear
Donald Johns
Jewell Meyer

**UCR Emeriti Faculty
Association
New Members – 2013-14**

Merrill Mason Gaffney

**UCR Retirees' Association
New Members – 2013-14**

Susan Beauchene
Marla Jo Booth
Frances Fernandes
Jayne Gales
Diana Lightfeldt
Geraldine Nezart
Francoise Van Horn
Marilyn G. Voce

**UCR Retirees' Association
New Life Members – 2013-14**

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EXPLORE THE WORLD

Attention Emeriti Faculty and Retirees: Join other retired staff and faculty from our sister campuses on trips around the world. A travel link is now up on our website! Visit <http://emeriti-retirees.ucr.edu>



Volunteer with the Alumni Association!

"Giving back to your alma mater isn't always about money--it's about caring about all aspects of the students who will continue the legacy of an innovative and diverse UC Riverside. Your participation as a volunteer will strengthen the network of support that is essential to the success of students now--and well into the future."

Barbara Brink, UCR Alumni Association Freshman, Scholarship Committee Chair

Every year, dedicated volunteers support the many programs offered by the Alumni Association. This year we are in need of volunteers to participate on the Re-Entry Scholarship Committee. The Alumni Association awards need-based scholarships to "reentering" students each year. The recipients of the Re-Entry Student Scholarship must have had an interruption in their education of at least two years, be over the age of 25, pursuing a bachelor's degree, attending UCR in the Fall, and have financial need. The Re-Entry Scholarship committee is responsible for reviewing the applications and making selections. The process generally begins in January and ends in May each year.

If you are interested in participating on a scholarship committee, please sign up on our Alumni Blog at <http://alumniblog.ucr.edu/scholarship-committee/>.

Health Care Facilitator Available to Help

Retirees and their dependents seeking assistance in resolving medical or dental issues such as claims, explanation of plan benefits, or help with service issues are encouraged to contact the Health Care Facilitator at their closest UC campus. Each campus has a designated person to assist current employees and retirees. That person is knowledgeable about the specific UC plans and has direct contact with each plan's customer service representatives to help resolve issues. UC Riverside's Health Care Facilitator, Mary Johnson can be reached at (951) 827-1425 or by email at mary.johnson@ucr.edu. To obtain a full list of Health Care Facilitators at each campus, contact (800) 888-8267 or visit <http://atyourservice.ucop.edu>.

**THE UCR EMERITI & STAFF RETIREE CENTER NOVELLA TIMELINE
OVER THE PAST 33 YEARS**

Chapter	DATE	CHAPTER TITLE	COMMENTS
<u>CHAPTER #1:</u>	~1980 - 2005	<i>"The dark period"</i>	No discernible effort was made.
<u>CHAPTER #2:</u>	Oct 21-24, 2012	<i>"Something could be possible"</i>	AROHE meeting in U. North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC ~140 delegates. AROHE = Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education. Ms. Sue Barnes is Director of the <i>Emeriti + Retired Staff</i> , UC-Davis Center; she is now the Incoming President of AROHE. Tony Norman attended this meeting.
<u>CHAPTER #3:</u>	April 23-24, 2013	<i>"How can we get started??"</i>	The UC Systemwide officers of each UC campus Emeriti and Staff Retirees spring meeting was held at UCR. Sue Barnes organized & led a 90 minute tutorial meeting on how to plan for and initiate the creation of Centers. UC-Davis' Center
<u>CHAPTER #4:</u>	Late February & June 25th , 2013	<i>"Small but possible crucial steps forward".</i>	Les Martin, President of our UCR Staff Retirees and I (UCR <i>Emeriti</i> , President) held a supportive meeting with Interim Chancellor Jane Conoley in late February. This was followed up by a second meeting on June 25 th , 2013. The Chancellor invited Provost, Dallas Rabenstein and Vice Chancellor for Development, Peter Hayashida,. The meeting lasted ~ 1 hour in the office of the Provost. The purpose was for Les and myself to 'make the case, for establishing a plan to develop a UCR Center for <i>Emeriti and Staff Retirees</i> '.
<u>CHAPTER #5:</u>	Friday 25 th meeting 2013	<i>"There now is some hope!"</i>	After 45 or so minutes of our meeting on Friday June 25 th , a small light of hope was turned 'on'. It was disclosed to Les and me that in the Orbach Science Library on the ground floor that there was a 'faculty reading room' that is greatly under utilized. It was proposed by the Chancellor, the Provost and the Vice Chancellor for Development that we should use it for Center-like meetings

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<i><u>CHAPTER #6:</u></i>	July 31, 2013	<i>"A site visit to your putative Center site?</i>	In order to obtain a key to the 'Reading Room' requires a library ID card. Mine was lost about 25 years ago! After acquiring a new UCR library card [They can be obtained on the 2 nd floor of the HUB if you have a \$20 bill.] I returned to the Science library and learned that besides the library card, I also needed to remember my six digit faculty ID number. I had that information phoned in from the Biochemistry Department. And then, at last, I was provided with THE key to use for admission to our putative CENTER. Fortunately I brought my camera and I have provided for this Tower Talk two photos. The space is approximately 1100 square feet. I believe it can accommodate a meeting of 30+ people, with planning.
<i><u>CHAPTER #7:</u></i>	Late September or early October 2013	<i>'Mark your Calendars!!'</i>	I propose we have a reception in our putative Center for our faculty <i>Emeriti</i> and Staff Retirees in the fall!!!

Orbach Science Library—Faculty Reading Room Photos



UC Emeriti & Retirees' Association Calendar of Coming Events**September**

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| 13 | Friday | ALL DAY | Deadline for Fall Luncheon Reservations |
| 20 | Friday | 11:30-1:30 | Fall Luncheon at the Alumni & Visitors Center |

October

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| 8 | Tuesday | 10:0—11:00 | UCREA/UCRRA Board of Directors Meeting |
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