

retiree CenterNews

UC DAVIS RETIREE CENTER

In Davis (95616):

Buehler Alumni Center, Suite 110

Open to the public:

Monday – Friday
9 a.m. – noon and 1 – 4 p.m.

In Sacramento (95817):

Betty Irene Moore Hall
2570 48th Street, Suite 2500

Open to the public:

Tuesday: 1 – 4 p.m.
Thursday: 9 a.m. – noon
Fri.: 9 a.m. – noon and 1 – 4 p.m.

We are a two-person office, so please call before visiting to ensure that someone is available.

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Join us October 13th at 10 a.m. for the grand opening of the Betty Irene Moore Hall and the Retiree Center's Sacramento office.

Exciting Updates and Transitions!

The UC Davis Retiree Center was created to serve UC Davis retirees and to support the work of the associations — the UC Davis Emeriti Association (UCDEA) and the UC Davis Retirees' Association (UCDRA). Founded in 2006 the Retiree Center celebrated a tenth anniversary last year and we have a great deal of news to share in this current year.

New relationships and benefits

First, the Retiree Center has been, and continues to be, a unit of the Development and Alumni Relations department on campus. In the spring of 2016 the administration of the Retiree Center transitioned to the Alumni Relations unit (also under Development and Alumni Relations) and in early 2017 interim director Becky Heard was named as director of the Retiree Center.

The alignment of the Center as a unit of the Cal Aggie Alumni Association (CAAA) means additional benefits and values are available to retirees. First, retirees can participate in CAAA Aggie Adventures Travel, a world-class travel program providing Aggies with exciting group travel opportunities. Additionally, members of the UCDRA and UCDEA are eligible to access CAAA partner discounts such as PetersenDean's "Solar 4 America" program offering a 5% discount off a solar system, new roof or energy storage nationwide. Affiliates 50 years and older, military veterans, and first responders also receive an additional \$500 off. Other benefits and discounts available to UCDRA/UCDEA and CAAA members include insurance programs through Mercer (numerous insurance plans are available at a discount including, health, dental, major medical, disability, long term care

See "Center Updates" on page 2

Local and online events scheduled – see insert, pages 3 & 4

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insurance as well as pet insurance programs). Lastly, excellent discounts are available through CAAA's partnership with GEICO for home, auto, boat, and renters insurance. Please consider joining your UC Davis Retirees' Association/UC Davis Emeriti Association to learn more and to take advantage of these opportunities.

Active Aggies

Secondly, the Cal Aggie Alumni Association has recently established an exciting new program for alumni and retirees called *Active Aggies*. The *Active Aggies* program was designed by Director Ginger Welsh, to provide alumni and retirees with engagement experiences that are unique, healthy and invigorating, both physically and mentally. Participants provide their own transportation to and from experience locations. For more information, or to register for upcoming programs such as hikes or tours please visit the *Active*

Aggies website at <https://alumni.ucdavis.edu/get-connected/chapters/special-interest/activeaggies>. As the name implies, events will tend to require various amounts of walking/hiking on uneven ground and will generally require participants to be in good health and have no mobility challenges.

If you have access to a unique hike or experience, a behind the scenes tour, a novel suggestion for an *Active Aggie* activity, or would like to volunteer with this program, please contact Ginger Welsh by email at gwelsch@ucdavis.edu.

The Retiree Center opens a Sacramento office

Third, and perhaps the biggest news of 2017, is the realization of a satellite Retiree Center office at the Sacramento campus. The associations have worked with campus administration for the past three years to make a retiree presence in Sacramento a reality. The Retiree Center has a permanent home in the new Betty

Irene Moore Hall. The shared suite provides two administrative work spaces; numerous small, quiet meeting rooms for private consultations as well as larger meeting spaces providing access to retirees for administrative meetings. This presence will enable Retiree Center staff to better serve Sacramento campus employees, provide more Sacramento campus programming and host individual Fidelity retiree appointments. Please save the date of October 13th for the Grand Opening of the Betty Irene Moore Hall, more information will be coming in future weeks. In the meantime, we hope you will drop by to see this stunning new building on the Sacramento campus and to drop in to the Retiree Center's new digs. Our business hours are Tuesdays, 1 – 4 p.m., Thursdays 9 a.m. – noon, and Fridays 9 a.m. – noon and 1 – 4 p.m. The office is located at 2570 48th Street, Suite 2500, Sacramento, CA 95817. Please call ahead, (916) 703-2470 to confirm office hours as this is a one-person office.

Retiree Fall Meeting



Elizabeth Spiller was named the dean of the College of Letters and Science in 2017

Join the UC Davis Retirees' and Emeriti Associations for the annual fall meeting which will feature a keynote presentation by Dr. Elizabeth Spiller, as well as an Open Enrollment update by Gueren Solbach, Health Care Facilitator at UC

Davis. The fall meeting is generously supported by Paradise Valley Estates, a continuing care retirement community in Fairfield, California. Registration requested; see page 5 to register.

The keynote presentation will feature Dr. Elizabeth Spiller, newly named dean of the College of Letters and Sciences. Dr. Spiller joined UC Davis March 2017. As a distinguished scholar and accomplished administrator, Dean Spiller has a deep understanding of the history of the liberal arts and sciences and their place at the heart of the modern research university. She has been assigned to return the College back to a single-dean model. Dean Spiller will share her vision for the College at the Retiree fall meeting

A professor of English, Spiller came to UC Davis from the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences at Virginia Tech where she oversaw 12 academic departments and programs. She received a Bachelor of Arts in English at Amherst

College, and a Master of Arts and Ph.D. in English and American language and literature at Harvard University. She specializes in early modern literature and culture, with emphasis on the history of reading, and on literature and science.

Open Enrollment Updates

Open Enrollment for 2018 takes place from October 26 to November 21, 2017. As part of the Fall Retiree Meeting, Gueren Solbach will present a short summary of healthcare changes in coverage and the major impacts of the upcoming Open Enrollment. Mr. Solbach has been the Health Care Facilitator for UC Davis/UC Davis Health System since 2002. The Health Care Facilitator Program increases the value of UC health benefits by making them work for employees and retirees. Prior to becoming the Health Care Facilitator, Gueren served as a Benefits representative for UC Davis from 1996–2002 and is a UC Davis alumnus.

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Presentations for **UC Retirees**

Presentation: UC Retiree Medical Plans

- ▶ **Friday, October 27, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m.** in the Cancer Center Auditorium, Sacramento campus
- ▶ **Friday, October 27, 2017 @ 1:00 p.m.** in the Cancer Center Auditorium, Sacramento campus
- ▶ **Monday, October 30, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m.** in the ARC Ballroom, Davis campus
- ▶ **Monday, October 30, 2017 @ 1:00 p.m.** in the ARC Ballroom, Davis campus

Health Care Facilitator Guerren Solbach will provide a general overview of the medical insurance plans that UC offers to retirees and their dependents. UC's 2018 medical plans, with and without Medicare, will be compared and contrasted. UC's Medicare requirements will also be discussed. Seating for HCF Program Presentations and Help Desks is **first come, first seated**. Reservations are not required.

(Approximately 2 hours.)

Help Desks @

Guerren Solbach and Erika Castillo from the UC Davis HCF Program will offer **Help Desks** on **November 15 & 17, 2017 at the Retiree Center** (in the Alumni Center) to assist retirees with questions during Open Enrollment. Assistance is first come, first served; retirees are asked to arrive within the following time windows to reduce waiting times:

- ▶ **Last names A – E: Wednesday, November 15, 8 a.m. – noon**
- ▶ **Last names F – K: Wednesday, November 15, 12:30 – 4 p.m.**
- ▶ **Last names L – Rh: Friday, November 17, 8 a.m. – noon**
- ▶ **Last names Ri – Z: Friday, November 17, 12:30 – 4 p.m.**

If you cannot arrive during your suggested window of time, then come when you can within these time periods.

For **Help Desks**: If you have Internet access, it would be helpful if you could come prepared with your At Your Service Online user name/password. If you don't know your password, you can use **atyourserviceonline.ucop.edu** to reset it. (If you are locked out of your account call 1-800-888-8267, Mon. – Fri., 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. for assistance.)

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Davis: (530) 752-7840

Sacramento: (916) 734-8880

<http://hr.ucdavis.edu/hcf>

If you are eligible for less than 100% of the UC contribution toward medical insurance:

To see your rates for next year, log on to <https://atyourserviceonline.ucop.edu> **during Open Enrollment**, October 26 @ 8 a.m.—November 21 @ 5 p.m.

No access to the Internet?

For rates, **during Open Enrollment** call the UC Retirement Administration Service Center at 1-800-888-UCOP (8267) to speak with an Open Enrollment Customer Service Representative.

Open Enrollment booklets should be sent by mail beginning 10/20/2017

Streaming video:

Can't attend? For your convenience, presentation slides and streaming video of narrated slideshows will be available on the HCF Program website shortly after the scheduled presentations:

<http://hr.ucdavis.edu/hcf>



Parking for HCF Program Presentations

Parking for the **Activities & Recreation Center (ARC) and the **Retiree Center:****

Parking on the Davis campus requires a permit and will be first come, first served. If you do not already have a complimentary UC Retiree (RT) permit, daily permits can be purchased for \$9.



The Retiree Center is located in the Walter A. Buehler Alumni Center, in Suite 110, on the Davis campus.

Parking for the **Cancer Center Auditorium, 2279 45th Street:**

Parking on the Sacramento campus can be obtained by displaying a permit in surface lots. If accessing parking in any of the structures, the cost is \$2/hr. Permit parking in B lots is on a "first come-first served" basis. Retiree (RT) permits are eligible to park in any B lot. Parking in the structure adjacent to the main hospital is available on the lower level, level 1, level 2 or level 3 in the ungated area at \$2/hr. Parking in Parking Structure #2 adjacent to the Ellison Ambulatory Care Bldg., 4860 Y Street, is allowed on the 2nd floor or higher. Daily parking for \$6 is available in Lots 14, 16, 18, and 25. Shuttle service is available. Please visit the Parking website at www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/parking, then Parking, Maps and Directions to obtain a shuttle schedule.

For information on how to obtain a free RT parking permit:

<http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu> (click on Retiree Services) or call (530) 752-8277.

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Retiree Bike Ride

Date/Time: Thursday, October 19; 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Location: Retiree Center, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus

Registration: register by Oct. 12; online or call (530) 752-5182.

Plan to join fellow retirees on the first-ever retiree bike ride. Led by Fidelity representatives Spencer Richards and Rand Erickson, the ride will include a 12-mile ride for beginner-to-moderate riders and continue with a more extensive 25-mile ride for more advanced riders. Following the ride a complimentary luncheon will be sponsored by Fidelity.

Retiree Fall Meeting

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 24; 1 – 3 p.m.

Location: Vanderhoef Studio, Robert and Margrit Mondavi Theater for the Performing Arts, Davis campus

Registration: register by Oct. 18; online or call (530) 752-5182.

See details on page 2.

BrainFood Talk

Stem cells: separating hope from hype

Paul Knoepfler, Professor; UC Davis Genome Center

Date/Time: Thursday, November 9; 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Location: Founders Board Room, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus

Cost: free; no need to register. Bring your own brown-bag lunch. Use your RT permit in either Parking lot 1 or the Gateway Parking Structure

Campus Tour: Agricultural Machinery Collection

Date/Time: Wednesday, November 15; 10 – 11 a.m.

Location: UC Davis Airport Parking Lot off Hopkins Road, Davis campus

Cost: free; must be a member of UCDEA or UCRA

The Antique Mechanics Club collects, restores, and displays vintage agricultural equipment, focusing mostly on tractors of all kinds. A main theme is “Celebrating Mechanical Ingenuity in Early Agriculture.” Victor Duraj of the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering (B&AE) will guide us through a selection of tractors and equipment, including the prototype UC-Blackwelder tomato harvester, a replica of an 1831 McCormick Reaper, gasoline engines from the late 1800’s, a one-horse powered baler, and he will even attempt to start a 1918 CASE 20-40 gasoline/kerosene tractor by hand.

UCRA/UCDEA Holiday Luncheon

Date/Time: Wednesday, December 13

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: Activities and Recreation Center (ARC) Ballrooms, Davis campus

Cost: UCDEA/UCRA members & guests/\$20 ea.; non-members & guests/\$25 ea.

Registration: register by Dec. 8; online or call (530) 752-5182.



Join friends and colleagues at our popular holiday luncheon. Mix and mingle with a glass of sparkling cider followed by a buffet luncheon. This year’s event will feature entertainment by the Davis High School Madrigals as well as a keynote presentation by Distinguished Professor Emerita, Jessie Ann Owens. Professor Owens earned her Ph.D. from Princeton University in 1978. Her early work focused on archival research about Italian Renaissance music. Owens edited the thirty-volume series *The Sixteenth-Century Madrigal* with Garland Publishing, the first modern edition of a number of madrigal books. Festive holiday attire is suggested.

Do you have Questions?

We have Answers...

Questions about retiree ID cards, parking permits, library cards, Emeriti or Retirees’ Associations, or other retirement issues?

UC Davis Retiree Center

Telephone: (530) 752-5182

Email: retireecenter@ucdavis.edu

Website:

<http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu>



Issues with your UC health plans not resolved by your insurance company? New to Medicare?

Health Care Facilitator Program

Telephone: (530) 752-7840 (Davis) or (916) 734-8880 (Sacramento)

Website:

<http://www.hr.ucdavis.edu/hcf>



Questions about pension income, beneficiaries, change of address, or tax withholding?

Retirement Administration Service Center (RASC) – UC Office of the President

Telephone: (800) 888-8267 (extension 4)

Website: <http://atyourservice.ucop.edu>



Questions about the UC defined contribution plan, 403(b) or 457(b) plans?

Fidelity Retirement Services

Telephone: (866) 682-7787

Website: <http://netbenefits.com>



Dear Emeriti Colleagues,

I was sorry to miss the June UC Davis Retiree Center's reception celebrating this year's retirees and emeriti. A belated special welcome to the 758 "graduates" of the class of 2017. As you embark on this next phase of life's journey, I hope you enjoyed the summer and are refreshed and ready to set a new course for yourselves... one that includes the UC Davis Emeriti Association.

Affiliation with an academic institution always means that the new year starts in September for me. As I begin my second year as president of your UC Davis Emeriti Association, I hope you will join me in continuing to be active members of the UC Davis

community, including participation in the UCDEA activities. Many of our activities are planned in conjunction with the UC Davis Retirees' Association and UC Davis Retiree Center. These include monthly BrainFood Talks (second Thursday's at noon. Bring your lunch, we provide the coffee and cookies), field trips and socials. A new joint activity of both associations is to encourage contributions to the *Share Your Story* initiative, where you can submit a brief 250-word summary and picture explaining what brings you meaning and joy in your post- or continuing- UC Davis life. We would love to know yours, which are featured via our webpages.

I am thrilled that a satellite Retiree Center office has recently opened in the new Betty Irene Moore Hall on the Sacramento campus. Sacramento-based emeriti will be able to stop in and get their questions answered, meet with a Fidelity representative or just stop by to say hello. As the year progresses, Executive Committee members look forward to exploring ways to engage Sacramento emeriti with shared activities and opportunities on both sides of the causeway. We look forward to hearing your ideas through your representatives Gibbe Parsons and Roy Curry.

In addition to serving an advocacy role for emeriti through the Emeriti Welfare Committee and the UC Council of Emeriti Associations (CUCEA), UCDEA has several awards specifically for emeriti that recognize and honor your continuing work. Look for upcoming announcements.

One of our most active programs that is unique to UC Davis is the Video Record Project where we encourage you to sit down with a friend and tell the story of your career. These videos, accessible on YouTube, not only document your contributions to the campus, the university, and your professional endeavors, but give your family and friends a glimpse into your campus life. Our trusty videographers welcome your stories.

Please check out our website to learn more about UCDEA activities.

Jo Anne Boorkman
UCDEA President, 2016-2018

Calls for Distinguished Emeritus/a and Panunzio Awards

Fall brings the call for nominations for two prestigious emeriti awards, both of which are administered by the UCDEA.

UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award

The Distinguished Emeritus/a Award honors outstanding scholarly work or service (e.g., service in professional, university, Academic Senate, emeriti/ae, or departmental editorial posts or committees) performed since retirement by a UC Davis emeritus/a in any discipline.

The recipient will be recognized at the Emeriti and Academic Retirees luncheon in 2018, and will receive a plaque and a cash award of \$1,000.

The deadline to apply for this award is **October 30, 2017**

Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award

The Constantine Panunzio Emeriti Award is a UC system-wide award that honors outstanding scholarly work or educational service (e.g., service in professional, university, Academic Senate or departmental editorial posts or committees) performed since retirement by a University of California emeritus or emerita in the humanities or social sciences.

The award is announced in April of each year and the recipient(s) will receive a \$5,000 prize.

The deadline to apply for this award is **November 16, 2017**.

Nomination Process

Nominations for both awards should be submitted to the UCDEA Awards and Recognition Committee. Emeriti/ae may nominate themselves or colleagues. Nomination packets must include:

- a cover letter outlining the nominee's distinctive scholarly work or service since retirement

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UCDEA EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

2017-2018

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CUCEA Representative

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Members-at-Large

Roy Curry (2017-2018)

MRC Greenwood (2017-2019)

Gibbe Parsons (2016-2018)

Vicki Smith (2017-2019)

Dear fellow retirees,

I'm honored to serve as president of your UC Davis Retirees' Association. First as an undergraduate and many years later as a vice chancellor, I developed a great fondness for the UC Davis community. As a relatively newly-minted retiree (class of 2014), I enjoy maintaining my connection with those parts of the campus I so enjoy, including the Arboretum, the Mondavi Center, morning workouts at the ARC and women's basketball season. I also appreciate shedding those aspects of campus life that were less enjoyable: meetings, meetings, and, did I mention endless meetings?

A principal purpose of the Association is to develop many paths for individuals to maintain their positive connections with the campus. In partnership with the Emeriti Association and the Retiree Center, a variety of programs and activities are presented each year and we hope you will join those that interest you. Many of this year's programs are centered around themes to help illustrate the wide variety of resources and offerings available to you on campus.

The association also advocates on your behalf on matters of interest to retirees. Issues this upcoming year will likely include maintenance of retiree parking privileges and monitoring of health coverage benefits. Also of great interest is a new satellite Retiree Center on the Sacramento campus. This center should better and more conveniently serve not only those who have retired from the Medical Center, but those who live in the Sacramento area.

I will admit that I do not like the term retired. A term that includes "tired" does not reflect the lifestyle of most who served UC Davis. Results of a soon-to-be-released UC system-wide survey will report the extraordinary contributions retirees continue to make within their communities. As explained to graduating UC Davis students each spring, their graduation is known as commencement. I believe retirement is also a most notable commencement—the beginning of a new phase where you can better control your own time, pursue your interests and continue to contribute and help serve others.

Many of those who retired this year reflect the peak of the Baby Boom. These 700+ newly-minted retirees join the many others who have helped to build this extraordinary campus community. I look forward to seeing many of you throughout the upcoming year. Please turn your tassel to the opposite side of your cap and commence.

John Meyer

UCDRA President, 2017-2019



UCDRA Scholarship Winner

Jenna Wilkerson is this year's recipient of the annual UC Davis Retirees' Association Scholarship. Like many working professionals, Jenna has a busy life balancing a family and a full time job while also seeking a B.S. in Applied Management at Grand Canyon University. As a full time Pharmacy Technician at UC Davis Medical Center for the last five years, Jenna supervises and mentors colleagues while balancing the demands of the daily rigors of the pharmacy. She hopes that a degree in management (she plans to complete her degree next year) will help her to further refine her coaching and leadership skills.

Leadership has always been an important staple of Jenna's life. She served as the captain of her high school softball team, as well as a platoon squad leader in the Army (2002–2003). Currently

she participates on the advisory board of Carrington College's Sacramento campus, along with other elite pharmaceutical pros, helping to shape the future of Carrington's Pharmacy Technology Program. Jenna and her husband Matthew, who also works and recently graduated from UC Davis' Wildlife and Fish Conservation program, are home-schooling two of their four children.

The UC Davis Retirees' Association launched a campaign in the fall of 2014 to endow a scholarship fund for a UC Davis staff person pursuing his/her education while working. While the endowment has made great advances, the association has still to meet the final endowment goal of \$25,000. You can help fund the education of a future colleague by donating to the fund at <http://ucdra.ucdavis.edu/scholarship.html>.

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Maril Stratton
Second Vice President

Linda Vieira, Secretary

Diane Mundy, Treasurer

Janet Hamilton
Immediate Past President

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Karen Castelli (2016–2018)

Tom Compton (2015–2018),
UCDRA representative to UCDEA

Carl Foreman (2014–2018)

Marcia Kasabach (2016–2018)

Kathy Kelly
(Health Sciences, 2015–2019)

STAY CONNECTED: Mark your calendars for upcoming retiree events in **2018**

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IMPORTANT CAMPUS/
RETIREE CENTER
INFORMATION AND
EVENTS?**

**OUR PRIMARY
OUTREACH IS VIA
EMAIL; OUR BUDGET
DOES NOT ALLOW FOR
HARD-COPY MAIL!**

The UC Davis Retiree Center sends an email update every other Tuesday, September through June, and monthly in July and August. Please email the Retiree Center (retireecenter@ucdavis.edu) to be added to our email list. You may choose to receive the bi-weekly email, or simply quarterly updates.

We thank you for allowing us to communicate with you in this manner.

Share Your Stories

The UC Davis Retirees' and UC Davis Emeriti Associations have partnered with the Retiree Center to bring a series of retiree stories to the email update. The "Share Your Stories" concept looks to highlight faculty and staff in retirement. What joys, discoveries and experiences have shaped your life in retirement? Let us know in 250 words by emailing Share Your Stories editor Maril Stratton at mrstratton@ucdavis.edu.

UCDEA Awards

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- a curriculum vitae listing accomplishments since retirement
- the names of three to five references who could write supporting letters (Panunzio Award only)

Nominations should be submitted electronically to retireecenter@ucdavis.edu.

For additional information, visit <http://emeritiassociation.ucdavis.edu/awards>.

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The UC Davis Retiree Center would like to connect on Facebook. Please be sure to like us on Facebook so that we can keep you informed, provide quick access to campus news and information and to connect you with a network of retirees. Please search UC Davis Retiree Center and like us on Facebook!

Help us to be green
– If you receive a printed copy of the newsletter, we encourage you to switch to email distribution.
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STAY CONNECTED... Join the UC Davis Retiree Center for the following events in 2016–2017:
Oct. 24, 2017: Retiree Fall Meeting
Dec. 13, 2017: Holiday Luncheon
Feb. 8, 2018: UCRA Winter Meeting
May 10, 2018: UCDEA and UCRA Spring Meetings
June 21, 2018: New Retiree Reception
July 19, 2018: Retiree Resource day

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