

One mission, two locations

In Davis (95616):

Buehler Alumni Center, Suite 110

Open to the public:

Monday – Friday

9 a.m. – noon and 1– 4 p.m.

530-752-5182

In Sacramento (95817):

Betty Irene Moore Hall

2570 48th Street, Suite 2500

Open to the public by appointment:

Monday – Wednesday:

9 a.m. – noon and 1– 4 p.m.

Thursday:

9:30 a.m. – noon and 1– 2:30 p.m.

916-703-2470

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University of California, Davis

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Website

<http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu>

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MISSION STATEMENT

The UC Davis Retiree Center's primary mission is to help our retired faculty and staff continue a strong connection to the university. The Center will facilitate a role for retirees in the campus community and enhance the quality of life in retirement by providing access to professional resources specific to the needs of retirees.



Retirees joined with alumni at a San Francisco Giants baseball game in August 2018.

Important Retiree Health Benefit Update

John Meyer, President, UC DRA and member of the Retiree Health Benefits Group provides a briefing

The Retiree Health Benefits Working Group began meeting in January and submitted an interim report to UC President Napolitano on July 3. We received the President's response to the report on July 20th. Both the Interim Report and President Napolitano's response are available on the associations' websites (see page 6 and 7). As you will note, given the projected very low rate of cost increase for health plans in 2019, few changes are recommended for next year. In addition, the Working Group will continue its deliberations into the next academic year as such a low rate of cost increase is unlikely in the long-term. Clearly, this benefit is of great importance to retirees, and we will continue our efforts to represent your interests as our work continues.

—John Meyer

Additional detailed information is posted to the associations' web pages.

2017 – 2018 Center Highlights and Review

The Retiree Center opened an office at the UC Davis Health campus in the summer of 2017. The office is staffed Monday through Thursday to provide retirees and current employees considering retirement with services, information and the opportunity to meet privately in our suite with Fidelity representatives. Additionally, a new School of Medicine emeriti group has been formed to engage Health System emeriti in social and programming opportunities several times a year. (If you are a School of Medicine emeritus/a and would like to be included in future event announcements, please send an email to us at retireecenter@ucdavis.edu).

A new staff position was created at the Health System to serve retirees. We are pleased to introduce Bernadette Abucayan, who staffs the Sacramento office. Bernadette joined the Retiree Center staff in March of this year. Bernadette joins Director Becky Heard and Program Coordinator Marjorie Ahl. While Bernadette will primarily

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Bernadette Abucayan, Program Coordinator at the Health System campus.

be based at the Sacramento office, she will also support campus tours, day trips and other programming. Bernadette has worked at UC Davis for more than 13 years. During the past 11 years, she served as the Faculty Senate Analyst in the School of Medicine's Dean's office. In addition, Bernadette served as an executive member of Staff Assembly and as vice chair of the Asian Pacific American System-wide Alliance (APASA) at UC Davis Health. She is co-founder of a "Christian Faith at Work" group as well as co-founder of "The Pantry" at UC Davis Health.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Partnership

This past year, the Retiree Center partnered with Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) to offer two classes to UC Davis retirees and to introduce them to the many programs available to them through OLLI. The first class, taught by Peter Kazaks (a retired theoretical physicist, author and adventurer), provided an overview of Peter's trip of a lifetime — a summer-long canoe trip in sub-arctic Canada. The second class, taught by Bill Baxter, retired Cal Fire deputy chief, focused on the on-going symphony of different fuels, weather and topographic conditions that interact to create conditions for wildland fires. Baxter also focused on efforts and strategies in fire containment and management.

Fidelity Partnership

Last fall, the Retiree Center partnered with Fidelity to provide the first-ever retiree bike ride. Participants chose between a 7-mile loop through campus and around Davis or an extended 20-plus-mile loop.

Fidelity Market Updates Offered

Fidelity will provide two quarterly updates for retirees in the coming year. The first will take place on Wednesday, November 14th, from 2 – 4 p.m. at the MIND Institute at the Health System campus. The spring event will take place on Thursday, March 21st, at the AGR Hall, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus (time TBD). In these updates, you will learn:

- The driving forces behind recent developments influencing the financial markets and the U.S. economy;
- The factors affecting the performance of domestic and international equity markets; and
- What drives changes in bond-market interest rates and valuations.

We hope you will plan to join us for these complimentary presentations. You will have the opportunity to speak directly with Fidelity representatives to learn how to help position yourself to reach your lifetime financial goals.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

A group of retirees, in conjunction with Cal Aggie Alumni Association alumni, attended a SF Giants baseball game at AT&T Park on August 12th. This marked a departure from the annual Fall Fest event, but provided an opportunity for retirees and alumni to network, enjoy a hot dog and take in a baseball game. Bus transportation was provided by Paradise Valley Estates.

Spectacular Summer Recap

On Wednesday, June 20th, the Retiree Center, in conjunction with the UCDEA and the UCORA, hosted the annual New Retirees Reception. This event celebrates the many years of service for retiring staff and faculty from the Davis and the Health System campuses. Several of the attendees present had 35 years or more of service to UC Davis. Nearly 200 new retirees attended and enjoyed champagne and hors d'oeuvres (compliments of University Retirement Community). This year also marked the



Chancellor Gary May addresses the audience at the New Retirees Reception.

first time that the UC Davis Chancellor attended the event and recognized new retirees. Chancellor May thanked retirees for their countless impacts and invaluable contributions to UC Davis. He urged the retirees to remain engaged and to enjoy the hundreds of activities and treasures on campus that they may not have previously had the time or opportunity to explore.

Overnight trip to Monterey

A morning whale-watching trip was the highlight of the Retiree Center's September excursion to Monterey. The two-day trip — a first-time offering — featured options to visit Cannery Row, the wharf and the aquarium.



Open Enrollment Support For UC Retirees

Open Enrollment for 2019: October 25–November 20, 2018

Open Enrollment booklets should reach mailboxes beginning October 20.

Rates for retirees who get less than 100% of the UC contribution

To see your rates for next year, log on to atyourserviceonline.ucop.edu during Open Enrollment.

Or, during Open Enrollment call the UC Retirement Administration Service Center at 1-800-888-UCOP (8267) for your health plan rates.

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UC Retiree Medical Plans presentations

Attendees will learn about the medical plans that UC offers to retirees and their dependents, including any changes for 2019. Plans for those with and without Medicare will be discussed. All presentations run approximately two hours.

Davis Campus—ARC Ballroom

Tuesday, October 30 | 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Sacramento Campus—Cancer Center Auditorium

Friday, November 2 | 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Presented by Health Care Facilitator Gueren Solbach. Seating is first come, first served. Reservations are not required.

Watch the Presentation Online!

For your convenience, a streaming video version of the presentation will be available on the HCF Program website shortly after the presentations.

Contact Information

Davis: (530) 752-7840

Sacramento: (916) 734-8880

hr.ucdavis.edu/hcf

**Open Enrollment for 2019:
8 a.m., October 25–5 p.m., November 20, 2018**

Retiree (RT) Permit

Find out how to obtain a retiree (RT) parking permit at retireecenter.ucdavis.edu, under Retiree Services, or by calling (530) 752-8277.

UCDAVIS
Health Care
Facilitator Program

Open Enrollment Help Desks

HCF Program staff will answer questions about Open Enrollment. We ask retirees to please arrive during the following time slots to reduce waiting times.

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

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Last names A–E: 8 a.m.–noon

Last names F–K: 12:30–4 p.m.

Friday, November 16, 2018

Last names L–Rh: 8 a.m.–noon

Last names Ri–Z: 12:30–4 p.m.

Help Desks will be located at the Retiree Center in the Alumni Center on the Davis campus.

Parking for HCF Program Presentations and Help Desks

Davis Campus

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

Sacramento Campus

Parking for the Cancer Center Auditorium, 2279 45th Street, in a surface lot, requires a permit. UC Retiree (RT) permits are eligible for first come, first served parking in any B Lot.

Parking in any of the structures costs \$2/hr. 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 Building, 4860 Y Street, is allowed on the 2nd floor or higher. Daily parking is available in Lots 14, 16, 18, and 25, for \$6.

On-site shuttle services are available, with the schedule posted online at ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/parking/courtesy.

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Joint Fall Meeting and Retiree Health and Open Enrollment Update

Date/Time: Friday, October 26, 1 – 3 p.m.

Location: Ballrooms, UC Davis Conference Center, Davis campus

Registration: Register by October 19, online or call 530-752-5182.

“UC Davis’ Big Ideas,” by Shaun Keister, Vice Chancellor, Development and Alumni Relations; Retiree Health Benefits Working Group Update by John Meyers, UC DRA President; and “Open Enrollment Highlights,” by Gueren Solbach, UC Davis Health Care Facilitator.

Campus Tour: Engineering Student Design Center

Date/Time: Friday, November 2, 10 – 11 a.m.

Location: The Engineering Design Center (ESDC), Bainer Hall, Davis campus

Cost: Free; must be a member of UCDEA or UC DRA

Registration: Register by October 29, online or call 530-752-5182.

This event is open to members of the UC Davis Retirees’ Association and UC Davis Emeriti Association only.

Fidelity Market Update

Date/Time: Wednesday, November 14, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Location: Auditorium, Cancer Center, Sacramento campus

Holiday Luncheon

Date/Time: Thursday, December 13, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: AGR Hall, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus

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

Registration: Register by December 5, online or call 530-752-5182.

Joint Winter Meeting

Date/Time: Thursday, February 14, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Location: Auditorium, MIND Institute, Sacramento campus

Registration: Register by January 31, online or call 530-752-5182.

Fidelity Market Update

Date/Time: Thursday, March 21, time TBD

Location: AGR Hall, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus

Registration: Register by March 14, online or call 530-752-5182.

Day Trip: Crystal Hermitage Gardens

Date/Time: Thursday, April 18, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (exact times to be confirmed)

Location: Nevada City (bus departs Lot 2, Davis campus)

Registration: Register by March 18, online or call 530-752-5182.

Joint Spring Meeting

Date/Time: Thursday, May 9, 11:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Location: AGR Hall, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus

Registration: Register by April 26, online or call 530-752-5182.

Monthly BrainFood Talks

Date/Time: November 8, January 10, March 14, April 11; 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Location: AGR Hall, Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus

Registration: not required, all guests welcome

Join colleagues for networking and coffee from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon followed by programs on various topics of interest presented by faculty and other campus experts from noon to 1 p.m. Check the Retiree Center’s website for details and speaker information.

Do you have questions?

We have answers...

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

UC Davis Retiree Center

Telephone: 530-752-5182

Email: retireecenter@ucdavis.edu

Website:

<http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu>



Questions about your UC health plans? 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,

Welcome to all you newly-retired faculty. We hope you enjoyed the celebration of your new status in June. The atmosphere that night reminded me of a commencement — a time where everyone is happy for the new lives that await them.

Now that you are retired, you, too, have the opportunity to reshape your life in many different ways. A sizeable number will continue doing more or less what you have been doing — continuing research, writing, teaching — and you will not be alone. A survey of all ten UC campuses resulted in a report titled *A Virtual Eleventh Campus*, written in 2016 by

John Vohs, documents the fact that the collective output of scholarly work by UC emeriti is equivalent to UC having one additional campus.

Many others of you will take up an old interest that you had been putting off until you had time — painting, brushing up on your French or writing a history of your home town or family. Now you have time and still have the resources of the campus to help you. Others will travel, take care of grandchildren, see every Major League ballpark or finally take up golf. This is the time to do any or all of these things and likely more.

The role of the Emeriti Association, working with the Retiree Association and the Retiree Center, is to help all of you to make these years as valuable as possible. We provide a way to make the collective needs of emeriti heard at the campus and the statewide level. (Biggest example: With all the other associations, we took positions against the proposal to raise healthcare premiums.) We also provide a whole array of activities, from trips all around northern California, to retiree get-togethers, to monthly Brainfood talks on each second Thursday. To find out all we do, visit our website. Search “Emeriti Association UC Davis.”

In order to better serve the growing number of Med Center retirees, the Retiree Center has established a satellite center in Suite 2500 of Betty Irene Moore Hall. This comes just in time to help the School of Medicine celebrate its 50th anniversary. (I recall the founding of the school and was quite surprised to learn how fast 50 years had gone.)

We also try to keep you abreast of campus initiatives, so the joint Fall Emeriti/Retiree Associations meeting will feature Shaun Keister to talk about Chancellor May’s Big Ideas initiative and its implications for the future directions of the campus. He will be followed by our favorite annual speaker, campus Health Care Facilitator, Gueren Solbach, who will provide his usual very informative Open Enrollment and Health Benefits Update.

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Calls for Distinguished Emeritus/a and Panunzio Awards

Fall brings the call for nominations for two prestigious emeriti awards, both 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 2019, and will receive a plaque and a cash award of \$1,000.

The deadline to apply is **October 19, 2018**.

Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award

The Constantine Panunzio Emeriti Award is a UC systemwide 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/a 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 is **October 19, 2018**.

Nomination Process

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

- cover letter outlining the nominee’s distinctive scholarly work or service
- 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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Dear fellow retirees,

I'm honored to serve as president of our UC Davis Retirees' Association. First as an undergraduate, soon thereafter married in the Arboretum 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 attending women's basketball games. 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.

The association also advocates on your behalf on matters of interest to retirees. Last year, we worked with campus administrators to explore ways to lower the cost of retiree parking permits, while also keeping this treasured benefit — one that allows retirees to continue contributing to the campus.

Also of great interest this year was our contribution to the UC work group studying retiree health insurance. While there is still much work to be done, the interim report of this work group not only described the importance of this benefit to retirees and the university, but preserves this essential program without radical change.

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. As I write this letter, I am packing for a backpacking trip into the Desolation Wilderness. The trip will be midweek — that parallel universe of activity that many of us have discovered post-employment. I encourage you to discover, or re-discover, the passions that keep you active. The UC Davis Retiree Center (with locations both in Davis and Sacramento) is a good place to start.

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 in which you can better control your own time, pursue your interests and continue to contribute and help serve others.

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UCDRA Scholarship named Lorena Herrig Award

A \$25,000 gift by the late Lorena Herrig has given the UC Davis Retirees' Association Staff Scholarship Fund a welcome boost, enabling it to be endowed.

“This wonderful gift permits the Association to achieve its long-held objective to establish an endowment supporting staff members’ academic goals,” said UCDRA President John Meyer. “What a wonderful legacy for Lorena to show support for current staff and, of course, future retirees!”

Herrig felt having an education was very important, said long-time friend Mary Ann Morris, professor emerita of Textile Science. “She hadn’t had the personal opportunities that she hoped her gift would help provide to staff in the future.”

Herrig served UC Davis for 42 years, including 24 years as an administrative

assistant within College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, and 18 years as executive assistant to Chancellor James H. Meyer. She also served as a housemother for the Theta Xi Fraternity from 1957 to 1970.

In retirement, she was a generous benefactor and volunteer. She was an active member of the Friends of UC Davis Presents, Friends of the Mondavi Center, UC Davis Center for the Arts Campaign, University Farm Circle, the Prytanean Alumnae Association, and the UC Davis History Project. Herrig died on August 25, 2016, at the age of 98.

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. You can continue to help fund the education of a future colleague by donating to the fund at <http://ucdra.ucdavis.edu/scholarship.html>.

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<http://ucdra.ucdavis.edu>

**ARE YOU MISSING
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.

**UCDEA President's
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Should you have questions about navigating retirement, drop by the Retiree Center in the Buehler Alumni Center. In addition to retiree resources and information, the Retiree Center provides numerous social activities, such as day trips and campus tours. The Retiree Center is open daily. You can reach their offices by calling 530-752-5182.

Welcome to retirement. You are going to love it.

Tom Sallee
UCDEA President, 2018-2020

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Many of those who retired this year reflect the peak of the Baby Boomers. These 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. And to those who "turned their tassel" however many years ago — carry on and be well!

John Meyer
UCDRA President, 2017-2019

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 Barbara Anderson, the *Share Your Stories* editor, at retireecenter@ucdavis.edu.

Help us to be green
— If you receive a printed copy of the newsletter, we encourage you to switch to email distribution. Please let us know your preferences for Center communications.

Fall Membership Meeting
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