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Open to the public:

Monday – Friday

10 a.m. – noon and 1– 4 p.m.

530-752-5182

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Open to the public by appointment:

Monday, Wednesday – Friday:

10 a.m. – noon and 1– 4 p.m.

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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.



Retiree Center events went virtual in March. We will teach you Zoom so that you can join us.

**Times are challenging, but we’re still here for you**

The world looks different than it did six months ago due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the UC Davis Retiree Center is still here to serve you and your needs, albeit virtually. In these unprecedented times, we’re still offering a full schedule of Retiree Center events online via Zoom video conferencing and invite you to join the hundreds of UC Davis retirees who’ve met us online over the past few months. Our staff members remain reachable via both phone, (530) 752-5182, and email ([retireecenter@ucdavis.edu](mailto:retireecenter@ucdavis.edu)). We are doing all we can to find ways to enrich your connection to the UC Davis campus while operating remotely.

In February 2020 we were thrilled to welcome Juliane Crowley to the Retiree Center team as the Program Coordinator for the UC Davis Sacramento campus. She joins Davis Program Coordinator Marjorie Ahl and Retiree Center Director Kyle Urban to round out your Retiree Center team. Juliane joins the Retiree Center after a long stint at the UC Davis Office of Continuing Medical Education. She brings years of experience from the Sacramento campus along with her. While we’re operating remotely for the time being, rest assured, Juliane will be

a valuable and visible presence at the Sacramento campus when we resume in-person operations sometime in 2021.

In the months ahead, we’ll continue to virtually offer the programming you’ve come to enjoy, including BrainFood talks, joint association meetings, guest lectures, presentations and more. Additionally, we’re excited to have added our new Retiree Center book club and Zoom trainings to the fold. We’re always looking for new and innovative opportunities to engage you, so please feel free to reach out to us if you’ve got a suggestion for programming that we should consider.

You’re encouraged to read the entirety of this newsletter to get the latest information on both the UC Davis Retirees’ Association and Emeriti Association, awards from the past year, upcoming events, and other valuable information. We appreciate you and your continued patronage, and wish you the best in the months ahead. We look forward to “seeing you” virtually over the next few months, and we’re looking forward to gathering in-person again when we return to in-person operations in the future.

*Kyle Urban*  
Director, UC Davis Retiree Center



Dear Emeriti Colleagues,

I send my greetings and best wishes as president of the UC Davis Emeriti Association and a fellow retiree. Before I discuss the UCDEA, permit me a few personal words. Many of you and/or your friends and family members have suffered losses and illnesses during the COVID-19 pandemic and I send my heartfelt commiserations to you and yours. Let's hope that some months down the road we will return to some degree of normalcy. Be safe and healthy.

Our UCDEA has had to modify our traditional events since last March, leveraging Zoom virtual events as the new medium for connecting with one another.

The UCDEA Executive Committee has made good use of Zoom meetings over the summer to make plans for the coming year in these extraordinary times. Upcoming events are shared in this newsletter and can be found online at <https://retirecenter.ucdavis.edu>.

Executive Committee members elected this past year can be found in this newsletter and on our association website (<https://emeritiassociation.ucdavis.edu>). Congratulations to Jo Anne Boorkman, immediate past president of the UCDEA, who has been elected to assume the Chair of the Council of UC Emeriti Associations (CUCEA) in 2022. The elected group and our various committee members are a joy to work with. Let me know if you have interest in getting involved in the UCDEA leadership and committee groups; we are looking to enlist some recent retirees especially to add some current spark to our group.

We made several awards to distinguished emeriti: Linda Morris garnered the outstanding emerita award; Suad Joseph and Robert Rucker shared the Dickson research award, and John Vohs was the recipient of the Charles Hess award for an outstanding retiree. Please read this page for more information about making nominations/applying for upcoming prizes and awards.

## UCDEA EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

2020 – 2021

### Officers

- Barry Klein, President  
CUCEA Representative
- MRC Greenwood, Vice President
- Bob Flochinni, Secretary
- Roy Curry, Treasurer
- Buzz Houghton, Archivist
- Jo Anne Boorkman  
Immediate Past President

### Members-at-Large

- Suad Joseph (2020 – 2022)
- Mau Stanton (2020 – 2022)

<https://emeritiassociation.ucdavis.edu>

## Calls for Distinguished Emeritus/a and Panunzio Awards

Fall brings the call for nominations for two prestigious emeriti awards, both administered by the UCDEA. The deadline to apply is **November 2, 2020**.

### 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.

### 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 certificate and cash prize.

We continue to advocate for more effective service from the UCRAYS and RASC (UC Retirement Administration Service Center) web and telephone service. We know this major software and web transition impacted many, especially new retirees and those dealing with a change of life status such as the passing of a spouse or partner. Please contact the Retiree Center if you need help related to RASC or UCRAYS.

Finally, we urge emeriti to consider joining the UCDEA. Your support allows us to continue to work to provide the best benefits, health care, and all that effects your quality of your retirement life. In addition, your membership supports our activities such as providing major prizes and awards; travel, event and OLLI discounts; and more. The \$200 lifetime membership is a great deal (or use the \$25 annual membership). Emeriti get free parking on campus but be assured that the strength of our organization is important for us making the case to continue the free parking benefit for emeriti that is funded by the UC Davis administration. You can join on our web page.

Once again, be safe and healthy and join us in continuing to work for a fulfilling life as emeriti.

*Barry Klein*  
UCDEA President, 2019–2021

Good day, fellow retirees.

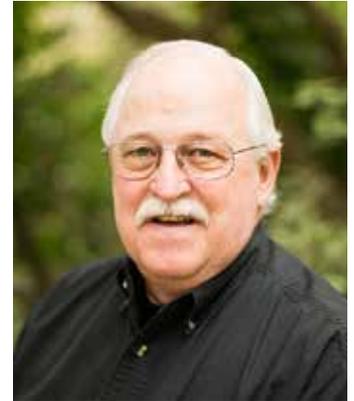
It gives me great pleasure to have the opportunity to share with you a few things about the UC Davis Retirees' Association. We are an association that both helps as well as advocates for retirees.

Regarding advocacy, your Executive Board is constantly working to provide all retirees with benefits that otherwise might not be available to you. For example, for many years now we have worked with the UC Davis Provost's office to secure free parking for retirees, a benefit not offered by all campuses. We have also been working with the Office of the President to secure financially beneficial healthcare insurance coverage for retirees. If you recall, you were given the option of joining United Healthcare last year at a much lower cost. This was due to our advocacy for all retirees and the work of UC Davis retiree John Meyer, Immediate Past President of your Association.

For members of the Association, we offer all the above benefits, plus we schedule monthly educational seminars, known as BrainFood Talks. We also offer members-only tours of campus venues, discounted prices on UC Davis Retiree Center events and trips, as well as discounts through the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) for the 2020–2021 year. Furthermore, the Association awards members by honoring them in the Picnic Day Parade as well as recognizing an outstanding member with the Founder's Award. The Association also financially helps UC Davis staff members with our annual UC Davis Retirees' Association Lorena Herrig Career Enhancement Award.

As you can see, the Association is both active and busy helping retirees live a productive life. However, we have been successful only because of your generosity in joining the Association. Your membership dues help cover the cost of expenses associated with many of the programs we offer. Therefore, I respectfully ask that each retiree seriously consider becoming a member of the UC Davis Retirees' Association through either an annual membership of \$15 or a lifetime membership of \$125. Your generosity will insure that we are able to continue to offer the benefits, services and advocacy that we so proudly pursue.

Thank you for your time and please enjoy your retirement.



*Mike Chandler*  
UCDRA President, 2019–2021

## UCDRA Scholarship named Lorena Herrig Award

A \$25,000 gift by the late Lorena Herrig gave the UC Davis Retirees' Association Staff Scholarship Fund a welcome boost, enabling it to be fully endowed. This award was established by the UCDRA to provide continuing education and training for current UC Davis staff employees.

Stephanie Zarate is the 2020 recipient of this award. Ms. Zarate currently holds a position as Student Services Assistant in the Mathematics Department at UC Davis. Ms. Zarate's personal and professional goal is to become an education administrator who bridges the gaps between communities, policies, and academia. She plans to enroll in the Higher Education Leadership Program at CSU Sacramento, and obtain her Master's degree. Ms. Zarate has a BS from UC

Davis. During her time as a student, she participated in many campus units involved with retention, perseverance, and successful graduation of undergraduate students. In her role with the Mathematics Department graduate program she provides support in planning of Colloquia, Distinguished Lecture Series, and the Graduate Student Welcome.

Ms. Zarate's family immigrated from a small village in Mexico, moving to the town of Riverbank in California. She learned the values of hard work and perseverance to meeting goals from her family. Being a planner, problem solver and leader are the rewards that she uses in her pursuit of a Master's degree in education administration.

Best wishes Stephanie, and we are happy to support you in your career efforts.

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Vacant, Second Vice President

Vacant, Secretary

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Karen Castelli (2019 – 2021)

Carl Foreman (2020 – 2022)

Marcia Kasabach (2019 – 2021)

<https://ucdra.ucdavis.edu>

## Retiree Center information on Open Enrollment

We know you turn to the UC Davis Retiree Center for assistance with Open Enrollment. Open Enrollment is really a function of Human Resources and the RASC. We are happy to assist when and where we are able.

Open Enrollment 2020 will be from Thursday, 10/29/2020 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, 11/24/2020. Booklets are typically mailed the last week in October.

Watch for information in the November issue of "New Dimensions, the benefits newsletter for UC retirees" scheduled to be mailed 10/30. A systemwide "virtual Benefits Fair" will be available 24x7 for all of Open Enrollment. Information as to its virtual location will be included.

Guerren Solbach, the UC Davis Health Care Facilitator, will update his annual online presentation, *UC Retiree Medical Plans*, with streaming video available 24x7 at <http://hr.ucdavis.edu/hcf>.

Due to the present campus closure, no in-person presentations or Help Desks are planned. Questions about the health plans should be directed to the insurance companies themselves using the toll-free numbers posted in the Open Enrollment booklets. If you still have questions after talking to the insurance companies, or if you are not sure how to coordinate Medicare with the UC coverage, call the HCF Program directly; contact information for the HCF site is listed above.

## Fidelity Investments

Retirees continue to have benefits with Fidelity Investments and can schedule an appointment at any time with the Fidelity Workplace Consultant, Spencer Richards. To meet with Spencer, please call him at (916) 759-6835 or email [spencer.richards@fmr.com](mailto:spencer.richards@fmr.com)

### Tax Efficient Investing Workshop

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, November 10,

**Time:** 2 – 3 p.m.

**Location:** Please register to receive the Zoom link

Many other workshops are available through the MyUCRetirement website: <https://myucretirement.com/>.

## STAY CONNECTED: Mark your calendars for upcoming retiree events in 2020

### Retiree Meetings

We have the following retiree association membership meetings scheduled. To participate, please register with instructions from the Retiree Center website or you may call the Retiree Center. The Fall and Winter meetings will be held virtually by Zoom. We will assess the situation before determining the format and location of the Spring Annual Business meeting.

#### Joint Fall Meeting: Retiree Health and Open Enrollment Update

**Date:** Thursday, October 15, 2020

**Time:** 11 a.m. – noon

**Location:** by Zoom

#### Joint Winter Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, February 14, 2021

**Time:** 11 a.m. – noon

**Location:** by Zoom

#### Joint Spring Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, May 9,

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

**Location:** To be announced

### ARE YOU MISSING IMPORTANT CAMPUS/ RETIREE CENTER INFORMATION & EVENTS?

The UC Davis Retiree Center sends an email update every other Tuesday. Please email the Retiree Center to be added to our email list. ([retireecenter@ucdavis.edu](mailto:retireecenter@ucdavis.edu)) 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.



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.

- Thursday, October 15, 11 a.m. - noon
  - Registration required for Zoom link
- ### Fall Membership Meeting

University of California, Davis - RETC  
One Shields Avenue  
Davis, CA 95616

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