

Campus Connections

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Regents approve changes to UCRP, health programs

Changes to the UC pension and retiree health programs, required by the need to address UC's \$21 billion underfunded liability for its retiree health and pension programs, were approved by the regents at a special meeting December 13. Most of the changes affect current employees and those who join UC on or after July 1, 2013. Pension benefits for current employees and retirees will not be affected by the changes, as earned pension benefits are protected by law and cannot be revoked or reduced. Current faculty and staff, as well as UC, will contribute more to the pension program, and roughly half of current faculty and staff will come under new eligibility rules for retiree health care.

The Post-Employment Benefits Task Force submitted its recommendations to UC President Yudof at the end of August. Over the following two months, the president and senior UC leaders consulted extensively about the recommendations with Academic Senate leadership, faculty, staff, and campus administrators. According to UC Davis' Professor Emeritus Charles Hess, who was a member of the task force steering committee and the team leader for retiree health programs, considerable discussion focused on the recommendations regarding UCRP for employees hired after 2013.

"Some believed the task force recommendation would place UC at a competitive disadvantage compared with other universities and employers," said Hess, "while [recommendation] supporters believed not enough value was being placed upon the fact that the University of California has a defined benefit instead of a defined contribution retirement program." A defined

UCDRA/UCDEA Winter Meeting

Monday, February 28

MIND Institute Auditorium

UC Davis Health System: Sacramento

Social Hour/Refreshments

2 to 2:30 p.m.

Program

2:30 to 4 p.m.

Protect Yourself from Common Fraud and Scams

Dave Edwards, Yolo County District Attorney's Office

Learn how to protect yourself from identity theft and other common frauds and scams at a fun and informative presentation by Dave Edwards, enforcement officer in the Elder Protection Unit in the office of the Yolo County District Attorney.

The MIND Institute is located at 2825 50th Street, in Sacramento. You may use your retiree parking permit to park in the MIND Institute parking lot. For those who prefer not to drive, complimentary shuttle transportation from Davis to the MIND Institute is available. Bus seating is limited, however, and registration is required. Register online at <http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu>. If you do not have access to the Internet, contact the Retiree Center at (530) 752-5182 to register for the shuttle bus.

If you do not yet have your *AggieCard*, representatives from the employee ID program will be available from noon–2 p.m. See story on page 6 for more information about the *AggieCard*.

benefit program, explained Hess, guarantees retirees' payments, and the university assumes the risks (or benefits) resulting from stock market fluctuations. A defined contribution program, on the other hand, is similar to a 403(b) plan, in which employer and employee make contributions, but the employee assumes any risk caused by fluctuations in the stock market. Many people with 403(b) plans experienced significant losses in their plans with the stock market decline in 2008. Another concern, raised by campus administrators, was that the increasing costs of the retirement plan would be passed on to the campuses, resulting in further cuts to the operating budget.

The consultation process led to a new retirement plan design that modified some Task Force recommendations, and it was this plan that the regents approved in December. Taken together, the changes approved by the regents put UC's retiree health and pension benefits on a path toward affordability while slowly reducing the unfunded liability.

For more information, visit "The Future of UC Retirement Benefits" at <http://universityofcalifornia.edu/sites/ucrfuture>. A fact sheet with more details about the changes is available at <http://tinyurl.com/2e75vq2>.

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UCDRA Treasurer's Report

Bank of America checking account	
Balance 12/1/2010	\$17,208.60
Credits	\$250.00
Debits	\$288.00
Balance 12/30/2010	<u>\$17,170.60</u>

President's Message



Getting old is not for sissies! Getting old sucks, if you let it ...

These are not my quotes, but their message is so true. We have all worked through the best physical years of our lives. Now that we have retired, it is a little more difficult to get out of bed, stretch, and feel like getting something accomplished during the day.

One of the reasons I agreed to serve on the UC Davis Retirees' Association Board is to reconnect with former staff that I knew and had served with on past committees. We all look a little different now and

may not move quite as fast, but we recognize and appreciate each others' collective knowledge and life experiences. In a group like this, there is a wealth of information to be shared. Most of us started our UC Davis careers in entry-level positions and worked our way up. Now, we can call upon our past experiences to serve and help others. I would like to extend an invitation to you to consider volunteering to serve on one of our committees.

I hope that you have received, filled out, and returned your UCDRA survey. Yvonne Marsh and her committee have put in a lot of effort to make this survey meaningful. We hope to accumulate data that can be used to benefit all retirees. Look for a summary of the survey results on page 5 of this issue.

I would like to thank the UCDRA board members, committee chairs, and Retiree Center staff Sue Barnes and Marjorie Ahl for their support of our association.

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending our next joint general membership meeting on February 28, to be held at the UC Davis Health System in Sacramento. I wish you health and well being until our next gathering.

 Ted Hillyer, President, UCDRA

Quick takes Ted Hillyer, UCDRA president, answers a few quick questions ...

- Q: *When did you retire?* A: June 30, 2005
- Q: *How long did you work at UC Davis?* A: 31 years full time
- Q: *What department(s) did you work in?* A: Engineering; Applied Science
- Q: *Favorite spot(s) on campus?* A: Gazebo and west end of Arboretum
- Q: *Thing you miss most about work and/or campus?* A: My interaction with the students
- Q: *And miss the least?* A: Campus politics
- Q: *What's surprised you the most about retirement?* A: Wondering how I ever got anything done at home while working full time. My days fly by ...
- Q: *What other volunteering do you do, on campus or elsewhere?*
A: I'm involved in several services within my church and the American Legion.
- Q: *Why are you a UCDRA board member?* A: I feel that I can represent all retired staff to our administration and work to keep them informed on matters that affect them through *Campus Connections*. Please contact me with any questions or concerns and I'll do my best to get you an answer; trhillyer@ucdavis.edu.

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EMERITI ASSOCIATION

From the President

It has been a very busy fall. The UCDEA Awards Committee, co-chaired by Al Harrison and Ed Rhode, had their hands full reviewing nominees for two awards offered by the Emeriti Association and the UC system. The effort was particularly gratifying this year due to the large number of nominations received for both awards. I am pleased to announce that the UCDEA has awarded the UC Davis Distinguished Emeritus/a Award to Professor Emeritus Charles E. Hess. This is a very well-deserved honor for a person who has served the Davis campus and has advocated for retirees on a statewide level with energy and success. Congratulations, Charley! The UC systemwide Panunzio Award call produced a number of strong nominees from our campus and the UCDEA Awards Committee has forwarded its recommendation to the statewide Committee.



It is with sadness I inform the membership of the passing of Shirley Goldman. Shirley served as treasurer for the Emeriti Association for a number of years. She was a dedicated member of the Association and of the campus. She will be missed.

The social scene has been very active. The Retiree Center staff have organized and led a number of fully subscribed off-campus trips. Sue and Marjorie have accomplished these tasks while meeting the many administrative demands of the Retiree Center and the Retirees' and Emeriti Associations.

The noon luncheons continue to be held monthly, on the second Thursday. I encourage all retirees to attend.

I want to wish all of us a happy and successful New Year.

Bill Rains Bill Rains, president, UCDEA

Dickson professors emeriti named for 2010/2011

Edward A. Dickson served as a regent of the University of California from 1913 to 1946, the longest tenure of any regent. In 1955, Mr. Dickson established an endowment to support and maintain special annual professorships to be awarded to retired Academic Senate faculty members on each campus. The award grants the holder the title "Edward A. Dickson Emerita/us Professor" for one year and financial support for that period. This year there was a large pool of highly qualified candidates. In early October, four of our emeriti were named Edward A. Dickson Professor Emerita/us for 2010/2011. The recipients and their project titles are as follows:

- **Robert M. Derlet, M.D.**, Professor Emeritus of Emergency Medicine, and **Charles Goldman, Ph.D.**, Professor Emeritus of Environmental Science: "Analysis of Microbial and Planktonic Communities in Small Sierra Nevada Lakes and Streams."
- **Karen M. Reiser, M.D.**, Professor Emerita of Neurological Surgery, School of Medicine: "Diagnosis of Skin Cancer Using Second Harmonic Generation Imaging: Ancillary Data."
- **Robin W. Thorp**, Professor Emeritus of Entomology: "Franklin's Bumble Bee, *Bombus franklini* (Frison): Research Needed on This Species of Special Concern."

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UCDEA Treasurer's Report

Bank of America checking account

Balance 8/20/2010	\$19,466.11
Credits	\$4,125.54
Debits	<u>\$724.22</u>
Balance 12/20/2010	<u>\$22,867.43</u>

Influenza's impact topic of noon talk

The November 9 joint association noon talk, given by PhD candidate Jessica Schwind, MPH, CPH, was a fascinating introduction to the epidemiology and history of influenza worldwide and how researchers are pursuing its prevention. Some highlights of her presentation:

Influenza is an infectious disease that affects birds and mammals. The ability of influenza viruses to continually mutate necessitates continual updating of vaccines. Entirely new subtypes can be created when two types infect a host simultaneously or when there is direct transmission from birds or other animals to humans.

Seasonal influenza tends to occur cyclically and annually. Pandemic influenza, resulting in many deaths, occurs when a strain is introduced, novel to an exposed population, and has occurred at least six times in the past 120 years.

Presently, influenza causes approximately 36,000 deaths a year; more

than 90 percent of them are among those aged 65 and older. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention now recommends that everyone receive an annual influenza immunization. While immunizations may not completely protect from all strains of the flu, those who have been immunized usually experience milder symptoms if they become ill.

The challenge for researchers is to understand all aspects of the influenza virus, the hosts and their response, and the virus's global impact, so that the world may be better prepared to face the inevitable next large influenza pandemic.

Researchers around the world learned several lessons from the 2009 pandemic:

- Pandemic influenza immunization rates were low across all nations, even among healthcare workers.
- Distinct national and cultural differences were apparent in attitudes toward the pandemic.

- Convincing the public of the threat posed by pandemic or seasonal influenza is often a difficult task; many individuals and countries perceived the last pandemic warnings to be a false alarm.

Much research is now focusing on the avian influenza virus (AIV), which can cause a range of disease symptoms, from sub-clinical to highly virulent. Previously, the incidence of avian influenza in humans was extremely low and therefore was thought to have limited human health implications. However, in 1997 the H5N1 virus broke the species barrier, and in 2010 this subtype caused 382 deaths.

New vaccines are in constant development to effectively protect against mutating strains of influenza. However, despite advances in virology and vaccine technology, there may be logistical and legal obstacles that slow the production and distribution of new vaccines. It seems unlikely that large amounts of vaccine will be available during a first pandemic wave. Given that effective vaccines may not always be available, everyone should practice techniques for preventing the spread of disease, including washing hands frequently, staying home when sick, and avoiding direct contact with those who are ill.

Joyful, gala, and delicious holiday luncheon



Wade Brant and Hans and Salome Abplanalp enjoyed the joint association holiday lunch and Madrigal performance.

Bright poinsettias, small golden trees, candy canes, balloons, the scent of hot apple cider, all well-seasoned with conversation and laughter, set the stage for a filled-to-the-brim holiday luncheon held December 8 in the Walter A. Buehler Alumni and Visitors Center's AGR room. Ninety retirees enjoyed a festive lunch of scrumptious sandwiches and salads from Pluto's, which disappeared quickly. The carrot and chocolate cakes were delish!

Then, the music! Sung by an octet from the award-winning Davis Senior High School Madrigal Choir, it was a glorious conclusion to an enjoyable occasion. The singers invited the audience to join them in a few songs, and we did—full voice. The number of those who lingered to talk after the program's conclusion was evidence of what a warm, festive event it was. Turn your 2011 calendar to December and make a note not to miss the next one!

Program Chairs Sandy Filby and Tom Rost wish to extend thanks to volunteers Ada Coe, Aggie Costantini, Phyllis McCalla, and Norma Rice for helping set the festive mode.

In Memoriam

These members have died in recent months.

Retirees' Association

Norman B. Akesson

Georgina Kratzer

Emeriti Association

Norman B. Akesson

Harry W. Colvin

Shirley Goldman

Georgina Kratzer

Georgina McKercher

Retirees' Association awards scholarships

The Retirees' Association awarded three scholarships in 2010 to UC Davis staff members who are pursuing their educations while employed. Each winner received \$333. Pictured center, left to right, are Wendy Stoltz, UC Davis Extension; George Robertson, Graduate School of Management; and Donna Van Dolah, Seed Biotechnology Center. Also pictured are Yvonne Marsh and Ted Hillyer, immediate past president and current president of UCDDRA.



UCDDRA survey committee says ...

"Thank you!" to all who completed the UCDDRA's recent survey of retirees' volunteer and work activities and their hobbies and interests. Everyone who completed the survey and provided their contact information was entered into a drawing to win one of two \$50 American Express gift cards. The lucky winners were Kathy Bennett from Sacramento and John Neves of Davis.

The survey was sent to all UCDDRA members, as well as to an additional 400 non-member retirees for whom the Retiree Center has e-mail addresses. The survey did not include emeriti, as the UCDDRA already conducts a biennial survey of emeriti. The association conducted the survey in hopes that the resulting information will help it to better advocate on behalf of UC Davis retirees and to plan programs of interest to retirees. Survey committee members Yvonne Marsh, Sandy Westfall, Bob Halferty, Bill Wagman, and Ed Costantini will follow up on the survey by preparing a report of findings for the UCDDRA executive board. The board will review the results to determine the most effective use of the data to enhance services to retirees.

A total of 373 retirees completed the survey, for a 29.5 percent return rate. The majority of them (74 percent) retired from the Davis campus, with

22 percent retiring from the Sacramento campus and 4 percent retiring from other campuses.

Some results of interest

Many respondents reported visiting the campus regularly, with 44 percent going to the Davis campus at least once a week and 20 percent visiting the Davis campus six or more times a week. Another 20 percent go to the Sacramento campus at least once a week. Twenty-one percent volunteer on either the Davis or Sacramento campus. The majority of volunteers work for the department from which they retired. Retirees also report volunteering with fund-raising activities, serving on a committee or board, and ushering at events, among other activities.

Respondents are also very active with other volunteer endeavors, with 52 percent reporting that they volunteer within their communities, the majority for community or service organizations and religious organizations. Caring for family is another significant retiree responsibility, with 38 percent of respondents reporting that they provide care for family and/or friends, the majority for parents and grandchildren.

Some retirees continue to participate in the workforce, with 22 percent of respondents reporting that they cur-

If winter comes ...

... spring can't be far behind. So, it isn't too soon to save Monday, May 16, 2-4 p.m., for the UCDDRA Spring Meeting. Featured speaker will be Greg Voelm, instructor with the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, who will reveal "The Hidden History of Northern California." You won't want to miss this stimulating and fun presentation. There will be more information to come in the next issue of *Campus Connections*.

The Emeriti Association will hold its Spring Meeting, which is also its annual business meeting, on Thursday, May 19, from 2-4 p.m. at International House, Davis. Again, details will be in the spring issue of *Campus Connections*.

rently work in a paid position, with the majority working 20 hours or less per week.

In terms of personal interests and hobbies, the most popular activity among respondents is spending time with family and friends (81 percent), followed by travel (77 percent), reading (75 percent), dining out (60 percent), watching television and movies (60 percent), computer activities (60 percent), attending theater/performing arts (56 percent), and gardening (55 percent).

While the majority of respondents (61 percent) reported that they are members of the association, many of those who are not members stated that they would like to learn more about the association. Many retirees expressed thanks for the work of the UCDDRA, especially for its advocacy regarding complimentary retiree parking permits. Several suggestions were made for future UCDDRA programs and activities.

The survey results will be very useful for the association as it continues to advocate on behalf of all UC Davis retirees.

Publication Information

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Want a new retiree *AggieCard*? Here's where to get one

New UC Davis ID cards, called *AggieCards*, are now being issued to retirees, employees, and students. Retiree ID cards may be used for a variety of on-campus privileges, including retiree parking permits, library access, and discounts at several campus units. Additionally and optionally, those with a U.S. Bank account may use the new *AggieCard* as an ATM/debit card. The cards aren't required for retirees, so unless you plan to use it for the privileges mentioned here, you don't need to get one.

If you want the new *AggieCard*, you can get it Monday, February 28, from noon to 2 p.m., at the MIND Institute Auditorium on the Sacramento campus, before the Retirees' Association and Emeriti Association winter general meeting, which begins at 2 p.m. in the same location.

If you already have a retiree ID card and want the new *AggieCard*, bring your current retiree ID card and exchange it for the new card. You won't need to have a new photo taken. If you don't already have a retiree photo ID card, you can get the *AggieCard* at this time. Bring your temporary pink retiree ID card or a current statement of direct deposit from UCRS and a photo ID. If you have a library card, bring that as well.

If you're not able to attend this carding event, you may get your card at the new *AggieCard* office on the first floor of the Memorial Union, across from the information center. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about the *AggieCard*, visit <http://employeeid.ucdavis.edu>, call (530) 754-7766 or e-mail employeeid@ucdavis.edu.

Hess named 2010-11 Distinguished Professor Emeritus



Charles E. Hess, professor emeritus in the Department of Environmental Horticulture, has been named the 2010-2011 UC Davis Distinguished Professor Emeritus. Since his retirement in 1994, Dr. Hess has remained an active member of the UC Davis community and has made valuable contributions to his college and the campus, to his profession, and to the community at large. He facilitated the USDA Western Human Nutrition Center's move from San Francisco to UC Davis, was appointed Special Assistant to the Chancellor for 2003-2004, and

chaired the Department of Nutrition while it was in transition from 2007-2009. From September 16 to November 10, 2010, he served as UC Davis' interim vice chancellor for research.

Dr. Hess has a long history of promoting the welfare of retired faculty members through his service as the first chair of the Retiree Center Advisory Committee and as a president of the UC Davis Emeriti Association. He was a member of the UC President's Task Force on Post-Employment Benefits and a team leader on the Retiree Health Work Group.

Throughout his retirement Dr. Hess has worked ceaselessly for the development of international collaborations and programs. Since 2006 he has served as chair of the USAID/National Academies Review Panel for the Pakistan-US Science and Technology Cooperative Program.

Dr. Hess's post-retirement contributions were recognized at the Chancellor's Emeriti luncheon held in January.

On your mark (your calendar), get set (for winter programs), and go!

Think winter time is hibernation time? Think again! It may be chilly and damp, but we're not snowed in, so get out that new 2011 calendar and fill in those empty squares with these Retiree Center activities. Lots to choose from; read on ...

Mind Body Wellness Challenge

Adopt a new healthy habit and keep it up for seven weeks.

- **Dates:** Friday, January 21, to Friday, March 11
- **Deadline to Register:** Thursday, January 20

A significant number of this nation's adults suffer from at least one chronic condition that affects their ability to lead an active life. Three behaviors—poor diet, lack of exercise, and smoking—are the primary causes of the leading chronic diseases: heart disease, cancer, diabetes, and stroke. Changing any of these behaviors greatly reduces your risk of developing or worsening a chronic disease. After eliminating the “big three,” it is important to adopt healthy habits in all aspects of your life.

The Retiree Center's Mind Body Wellness Challenge encourages you to adopt at least one new healthy habit and keep it up for seven weeks. The Challenge can be just the start of a commitment to improving your health in the seven dimensions of wellness—physical, emotional, intellectual, environmental, social, occupational, and spiritual wellness.

The Challenge emphasizes the importance of paying attention to all of these dimensions to achieve optimal health. The Retiree Center has developed a flyer that describes the dimensions, lists healthy habit suggestions within each dimension, and outlines steps for joining the Challenge. For additional details about joining the Challenge or to download the flyer, visit the Challenge website at <http://wellnesschallenge.ucdavis.edu>. If you do not have access to the Internet, call the Center to request a flyer.



The 4th Annual Retiree Center Wine Tasting on March 5 will be held in the AGR Room of the Walter A. Buehler Alumni Center.

4th Annual Retiree Wine Tasting

- **Date/Time:** Saturday, March 5, 5–7 p.m.
- **Location:** Walter A. Buehler Alumni Center, Davis campus
- **Suggested Donation:** \$20 per person, UCDEA and UCDDA members and guests (\$25 for non-members and guests)
- **Deadline to Register:** Wednesday, February 23

Retirees and their guests are invited to sample several local wineries' favorite vintages and enjoy a variety of tasty appetizers at this special evening event. Participating wineries are Vino Noceto, in Plymouth; Turkovich Family Wines, in Winters; and Rominger West, in Davis. For more details or to download a registration form, visit <http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu/activities>. If you do not have access to the Internet, call the Center to request a form.

A special feature at this year's wine tasting will be an “Aroma Table” featuring an aroma wheel designed by Professor Emerita Anne Noble. The table will also have 6-8 individual aroma components from a white and a red wine. These can be sampled individually to assist in identifying the aroma components of wine varieties and in addition, a blend of aromas representing a particular varietal will be available to test your knowledge of wine aromas.

UC Davis Wine/Food Institute tour

- **Date/Time:** Tuesday, March 29, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
- **Location:** Robert Mondavi Institute for Food and Wine Science
- **Cost:** \$22 per person, UCDEA and UCDDA members and guests (\$27 non-members and guests)
- **Deadline to Register:** Tuesday, March 15

The Robert Mondavi Institute for Wine and Food Science (RMI) has opened a new era of opportunity for UC Davis' widely acclaimed wine and food programs. The state-of-the-art facility features a sensory theater as well as a variety of classrooms, laboratories, offices, and meeting space. Most recently, the August A. Busch III Brewing and Food Science Laboratory & Teaching and Research Winery opened in August 2010, and includes a winery, brewery, milk processing lab, and the California Processing Tomato Industry Pilot Plant. Our special tour will introduce retirees and their guests to the facilities as well as to the programs housed within the Institute. Gourmet box lunches from Stones Catering will be served and an optional beer tasting is included in the cost. Early registration is advised, as only 40 people can be accommodated. For details or to download a registration form, please visit <http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu/activities>. If you do not have access to the Internet, call the Center to request a form.



Visitors enjoy the teaching garden within the RMI which first opened in October 2009 with the brewery and winery completed in 2010.

Upcoming Events of the Joint Program Committee

The UC Davis Emeriti Association and Retirees' Association work together each year on a slate of informational meetings and programs. Please mark your calendars for these upcoming programs.

Day, Date	Time	Program	Location
Thursday, Feb. 10	11:30–1:00	Vice Chancellor Fred Wood: "Status of Student Affairs at UC Davis"	International House, Davis
Monday, Feb. 28	2:00–4:00	General Membership meeting, UCDRA and UCDEA Speaker: Dave Edwards, Yolo County District Attorney's Office, "Protect Yourself from Common Fraud and Scams"	MIND Institute, Sacramento
Thursday, Mar. 10	11:30–1:00	Andrew Ward, historical novelist: book discussion on his latest book, <i>The Slave War; the Civil War in the Words of Former Slaves</i> .	International House, Davis
Thursday, Apr. 14	11:30–1:00	Prof. Andrew Waterhouse: "Wine and Aging"	MIND Institute, Sacramento
Thursday, May 12	11:30–1:00	Prof. Liz Applegate: "Nutrition and Aging"	AGR, Alumni Center, Davis
Monday, May 16	2:00–4:00	UCDRA Membership and Annual Business Meeting Speaker: Greg Voelm: "Hidden History of California"	Ballroom B, ARC, Davis
Thursday, May 19	2:00–4:00	UCDEA Membership and Annual Business Meeting Program: TBD	International House, Davis

Note: Speakers and topics subject to change. Check <http://retireecenter.ucdavis.edu> for latest information.

Noon Talks (Feb. 10, Mar. 10, Apr. 14, and May 12): Please bring your own lunch; the associations will provide coffee, tea, and cookies. Use your retiree parking permit.

Shuttles from Davis to the MIND Institute in Sacramento for the February 28 General Meeting and the April 14 Noon Talk will be arranged by the Retiree Center. Bus seating will be limited and registration will be required. Bus registration will be available approximately one month prior to each event.



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