Communications

Along with the Retirees’ Association, we continue to publish a quarterly newsletter.

https://www.hr.ucsb.edu/sites/www.hr.ucsb.edu/files/docs/Newsletter%20FALL%202019%20FINAL.pdf

Spring 2019 Get-Together

The annual Spring Get-Together was held at the Mosher Alumni House on April 9, 2019, in conjunction with the UCSB Retirees’ Association, with 45 emeriti and retirees attending. Following a social hour Marc McGinnes, Professor Emeritus and a founding member of UCSB’s Environmental Studies Program spoke about his new book, “In Love with Earth: Testimonies and Heartsongs of an Environmental Elder.” From the time he saw the 1969 Apollo 8 Earthrise photo, Marc McGinnes has been a champion for the planet. In the aftermath of the 1969 Santa Barbara oil blowout and spill, he organized the first Environmental Rights Day in 1970 that led to the first Earth Day observances. He co-founded the Community Environmental Council, The Environmental Defense Center, the Peaceful Resolutions Institute and the Community Mediation Council. Since 1971 he has won numerous teaching awards as a faculty member of the Environmental Studies Program at UCSB. Marc will be the after-dinner speaker at the CUCEA/CUCRA meetings at UCSB in Spring 2020.

UCSB Emeriti Association Research Awards

Thanks to the generosity of our members, the UCSB Emeriti Association has long supported undergraduate research. Such support was again channeled through the UCSB Undergraduate Research slam, held on May 9, 2019. The Slam offers students the chance to give dynamic, three-minute oral presentations of their research or creative activity to a panel of judges. After the preliminary round with 50 participants, 15 finalists were selected to present at the final round. The Emeriti Association funded two $1000 awards. The Emeriti Award went to Hillary Ta, a biology major in the College of Letters & Science. The People’s Choice Award went to Aaron Nguyen, a mechanical engineering major in the College of Engineering. Professor Emerita Merith Cosden was among the judges.

http://www.duels.ucsb.edu/research/colloquium

UCSB Emeriti/Retirees Center Presentation and Discussion groups

In response to interest expressed in the survey of our membership conducted in 2015-16, the Emeriti/Retirees Center continues to sponsor a program of monthly
presentation/discussion groups focused on practical issues of interest to our members. Recent topics have included:

- General Security and Hygiene for the Internet Age
- Strategies for Drawing Income in Retirement; Preserving Your Savings for Future Generations
- Long Term Care: Planning Ahead & Planning for Now
- Santa Barbara Senior Living Consultants

**Chancellor’s Reception for 2019 Retirees**

The fifth annual Chancellor’s Reception for 2019 Retirees was held on May 20, 2019. An initiative of the UCSB Emeriti and Retirees Associations, this festive event is cosponsored by the associations and the office of the Chancellor. Chancellor Yang honored some 50 guests.

https://www.hr.ucsb.edu/retirees/chancellors-reception

**11th Campus Report**

Emeriti Association leadership met with senior campus administrators, including the Chancellor and the Executive Vice Chancellor, as well as the Chair of the SB Division of the Academic Senate, to present the 11th Campus Report and the UCSB infographic and to discuss ways in which the Emeriti Association might help the campus. INCLUDE LINK TO UCSB INFOGRAPHIC?

https://www.hr.ucsb.edu/sites/www.hr.ucsb.edu/files/docs/Emeriti%20Activity%20Survey%20Infographic%20pdf.pdf

**Spring 2020 CUCEA/CUCRA Meetings**

A joint committee has been meeting monthly to plan for the Spring 2020 meetings at UCSB.

**Renewal of UCSB Emeriti Association**

The revised Bylaws of the UCSB Emeriti Association have been approved by the membership. The next step will be election of new board members.

**Awards**

- Duncan Mellichamp, a professor emeritus and a founding faculty member of the Department of Chemical Engineering at UC Santa Barbara, is a 2018 recipient of the Oliver Johnson Award for Distinguished Leadership in the Academic Senate.
- HispaUSA, an association of Chicano literature scholars in the United States and Spain, where it is based, has presented Francisco Lomelí, professor emeritus of Spanish and of Chicano Studies, the Luis Leal Award “for his inestimable contribution to the recognition of Hispanic culture in the United States.”
• Distinguished Professor Emeritus of geography Richard Church received the 2018 Isard Award from the North American Regional Science Council.
• Professor emeritus of Religious Studies, Wade Clark Roof, was presented a lifetime achievement award by the Association for the Sociology of Religion.

**Membership**

We currently have 152 paid members from among 475 emeriti (32%).

Respectfully submitted

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UCSB representative to CUCEA