



Emeriti Center Newsletter

Celebrating 26 Years

1978-2004

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Greetings from the Executive Director

Happy New Year to each of you!

You never cease to amaze me with your spirit, dedication, achievements, activities, and compassion. Whether running for President or quietly helping a neighbor, you demonstrate the immeasurable contributions that are possible.

Indeed, one of you is running for President. Professor Emeritus Robert H. Linnell is a Democratic candidate for U.S. President in the New Hampshire primary because he wants a chance to be heard. For the last four years, in an attempt to understand and develop solutions to issues facing the nation, Dr. Linnell has published online over 200 opinion papers. He writes, "At 81 my greatest concern is for those who will come after me. We should leave a heritage better than we received but sadly the opposite is true. My idealistic goals will not be achieved in one generation, but I want to be part of a sustained effort extending to the next generation."

At the opposite end of visibility, one of you "adopted" a former colleague with progressively failing health and no caregiver. In collaboration with a current staff member, he has sorted through years of paperwork and two storage facilities of accumulated possessions, helped to unravel a difficult financial and legal situation, and located an assisted living facility into which he physically helped her move. We would do this for our parents, but this retiree did it for a former colleague. Is this not the embodiment of the Trojan Family?

The USC Emeriti Center's motto is "Commitment to Service"—not just service to you as retirees, but encouragement, inspiration, and opportunities for you to continue your invaluable service to others. We are all enriched through our association with each other. I invite you, whenever possible, to join us in this new year, with new challenges and new rewards! Best Wishes for 2004!

*Elizabeth (Betty) Redmon
Executive Director, Emeriti Center*

Special 25th Anniversary Thanks

On behalf of all retirees, we thank Mitzi Tsujimoto and her steering committee for providing a truly elegant 25th Anniversary Celebration. Our retirees also enjoyed the Los Angeles Central Library Lecture Series.

The anniversary activities were made possible through some very special gifts. Personal contributions from Phil Rapa and William Faith supported the Lecture Series, with the B.E.S.T. Friends of the Library hosting the reception. Sponsors for the Silver Anniversary Luncheon were obtained through the efforts of Phil Rapa, Mitzi Tsujimoto, and Elizabeth Redmon, and our sincere thanks go to HealthNet of California, (who also sponsored the video "Connecting for Life"), TIAA-CREF, Fidelity Investments, AIG Sun America, USC Credit Union, USC School of Pharmacy, USC Auxiliary Services, and individual gifts from members of the Emeriti Center Advancement Board: Sandra Lash of the accounting firm Green, Hasson & Janks, Karen Malkoff-Hatton of Financial Security Solutions Corp., and Richard and Mitzi Tsujimoto.

Colleagues Honored through Benefactor Program

The Emeriti Center wishes to thank each of you who sent in a contribution during our annual campaign. The work of the Center is dependent upon donations, and your gift is greatly appreciated.

A small chain reaction of gifts to the Emeriti Center began when an Emeritus Dean made a donation in honor and memory of several of his colleagues. Some of these Emeriti professors or their families, when notified of this honor, designated their contributions in honor of others, who in turn became donors.

For gifts of \$500 or more, names of donor and honoree are engraved on a plaque at the Emeriti Center, listed on the USC website, and published on Emeriti Center list of donors. The following honorees will be added for July 2003 - January 2004:

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Eli Glogow	F. F. Sheldon
Ann (Chris) Goodman	Norman Sigband
William Himstreet	James Stancil
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Anthony Lazzaro	Richard Tsujimoto

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Emeriti Center Benefactor Program

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New Emeriti Center Associate Director, Faculty Liaison

By Robert R Scales

As a new retiree, July 2003, I have accepted the responsibility of Faculty Liaison with the Emeriti Center beginning those duties around the middle of November 2003. I was not interested in taking on this role, but I had a teacher in college whose influence I was not able to escape, so I accepted this responsibility.

For my undergraduate degree I attended Oklahoma Baptist University where I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education with a secondary teaching certificate in 1958. When I entered college in 1954, we were all required to take physical education classes. The track coach of this small liberal arts school was our instructor. He faced a class of some 100 or so Freshmen boys giving us a number 1, 2, 3, or 4 and grouped each number together creating four 'teams' that would be working together and competing with each other during the semester. Once the groups were formed he asked each group to select a leader to represent the group. My group selected me, but I said I didn't want to be the leader. Coach Hirt looked me right in the eye and said, "You don't have a choice, you were selected by your group as their leader and that's it."

I felt he was very harsh and would be insensitive to even hearing my reasons for not wanting to be the leader. I did not question him and accepted the role as the leader of the group. That one encounter has had a lasting influence in my life and I have been a sucker for accepting responsibilities when called upon. So here I am trying to learn about this job and looking for ways to provide better communication between those of us who are retired faculty, the faculty who will someday retire, and our institution.

In each Emeriti Newsletter I plan to let you know what I'm learning. I also invite any suggestions from anyone on what would be good to know or interesting to do as it relates to USC and us.

Senior Day

The Division of Geriatric and General Internal Medicine of the Department of Internal Medicine is pleased to present its new Geriatric Assessment Program. This unique program has been established to meet the needs of the senior members of our community in attempt not only to uncover problems that might exist, but also to prepare the individual participant for his/her new activities in their retirement period. It has become clear that a multi-dimensional evaluation of their health serves an invaluable role in revealing opportunities for improved long term health and well-being. To this end a half day session with assessments by academically oriented practitioners is offered. Participants will be evaluated by USC clinicians representing Geriatric Medicine, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Nutrition and Social Work. There will be appropriate breaks between interviews to ease the rigors of the overall session. A comprehensive verbal assessment will be presented at the conclusion and subsequently mailed to the patient within one week.

The first Senior Day will occur on Friday, February 27, 2004 at the Ambulatory Health Center, 1355 San Pablo Street (corner of San Pablo and Eastlake Streets), first floor. Call 1-800-USC-CARE to schedule an appointment. Please note that there is availability for only 10 patients on this day.

The charge for this service will vary depending on your insurance coverage. For billing questions, call 626/457-5801.

~David A. Goldstein, MD

Chief, Division of Geriatric and General Internal Medicine
& Vice Chair, Clinical Affairs
USC Department of Medicine

USC Health is a quarterly magazine produced by USC Health Sciences Public Relations & Marketing. The magazine showcases the faculty physicians and programs of the university and promotes the Keck School of Medicine's outstanding medical care and builds on the reputation of USC as a premier research institution in the fields of genetics, neurogenetics, cancer and transplantation.

Current and back issues of USC Health may be accessed online at <http://www.usc.edu/hsc/info/pr/hmm/hmm.html>. To receive a free subscription, fill out the form at <http://www.usc.edu/hsc/info/pr/hmm/hmmreq.html>, or send your request to USC Health, Subscription Request, 1450 San Pablo Street, Suite 2510, LA, CA 90033.

New Video Features USC Retirees

"Connecting for Life," a new video featuring USC Retirees and their continued involvement at the University, premiered at the Silver Anniversary Luncheon on October 25, 2003. Copies are available in either VHS or DVD. A \$10 donation will be accepted by the Emeriti Center.

USC Emeriti Center Participates in National Conference

Elizabeth Redmon, Executive Director of the Emeriti Center and Executive Director of AROHE, will present a session on "Employer-Based Services to Retirees: Best Practice Models at Universities" at the 2004 Joint Conference of the American Society on Aging and The National Council on the Aging in San Francisco in April. Ms. Redmon will be joined by Shelley Glazer, her counterpart at the UC Berkeley Retirement Center. The presentation will include a showing of the new video "Connecting for Life," featuring USC retirees and highlighting various programs of the USC Emeriti Center.

Staff Retirement Association

At our December Holiday Luncheon and Program, members and guests of the USC Staff Retirement had an opportunity to renew their holiday spirits and national pride when we watched the video presentation of "A 100 Years of Hope." Mort Lachman and William Faith, Author of "BOB HOPE, A Life in Comedy" shared some of their experiences while working with Bob Hope.

October was a busy month for SRA. On October 9th some enthusiastic staff retirees and friends took a two hour guided walking tour of Historic Downtown LA followed by a lunch at Cliftons Cafeteria. The Emeriti Center 25th Anniversary Celebration was the highlight of the fall activities and in November SRA joined with RFA during the USC Homecoming festivities.

March 17, 2004 marks another important event, the Annual Retiree Recognition Luncheon. Members of SRA will be receiving invitations to this lunch in Town and Gown where retirees gather to honor those fellow staff retirees of the year 2003.

A Day Trip to the Southwest Museum will take place on April 7, 2004 SRA members will receive a flyer in the mail a flyer with registration information about the trip. A General Meeting and Luncheon will be held on June 7, 2004. The SRA E-Letter is gaining circulation popularity. If you want to receive the e-letter please send an email message to Leonard Wines at the following address: wines@usc.edu.

Harriet Servis, SRA President

RETIREE MEMBERSHIP IN THE USC STAFF CLUB

As a USC retiree, why not consider a membership, or renew your membership, in the USC Staff Club! Membership in the Club will allow you to maintain the many friendships you made while working at the university. Formed and organized in 1977 by staff members, the USC Staff Club provides contributions of dollars, knowledge, and enthusiasm to the Trojan family. As the first university staff support group of its kind in the USA, the Club is recognized as one of USC's major support organizations.

On-going support includes: The University Staff Recognition Program, USC Staff Club Person of the Year Award, Staff Member of the Month Award, Annual Staff Club Graduate Student Scholarships, Staff Club Student Emergency Loan Fund.

Popular social gatherings include: Annual Dinner, Holiday Party, Fall Luncheon, Informal Parties, Major Theater Events.

Dues for retirees are reasonable, \$50 annually. Retired Family Membership (Member and Spouse) is \$75 annually. If you would like an application sent to your address, please contact Veronica Pete, Parliamentarian and Membership Chair, at (213) 740-6305, Denise Wiegel, Staff Club President, at (213) 740-8108, or Fred Dear, Vice President and Communications Chair, at (213) 740-3705.

2004 LEIBOVITZ STAFF AWARD *for distinguished volunteer service to seniors*

Nominee

(USC staff member for 10+ years and not currently on the USC regular payroll)

Current Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

School/Department/Unit _____

Please provide a summary of nominee's volunteer service to seniors—at the University, in the community, and/or to society. Provide names and dates of organizations or individuals served, nature of service, and significance of contribution. Supporting material may be submitted with the nomination or separately, including endorsement, news articles, letters, etc.

Nominator _____ Telephone _____

Title _____

Endorser (may be on separate form) _____ Telephone _____

Title _____

Nominations must be received by February 16, 2004, in the Emeriti Center, GER 220, 3715 McClintock Avenue #220, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0191. Fax (213) 740-7120. emeriti@usc.edu

**PETER BERTON IS PINCH-HIT
INAMOTO LECTURER**

“Japan’s Territorial Dispute With Russia” was the topic Peter Berton chose when he stepped in at the eleventh hour to deliver the Emeriti Center’s sixth Noboru Inamoto Lecture in the Leonard Davis Auditorium on December 4, 2003.

Berton, a Distinguished Professor Emeritus of International Relations, graciously agreed to deliver this year’s Inamoto lecture – his second honor in this series – on the morning of the event when the scheduled lecturer, Dr. Robert Singer, was called to his mother’s hospital bedside. Singer, who is curator and head, Japanese Art Department, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, will present “The Study of Japanese Art History: Past, Present and Future” as the 2004 Inamoto Lecture.

Peter Berton’s connection with his lecture topic has been a long and fascinating one. The territorial dispute involves the rightful possession of islands between Russia and Japan, which was the subject of Dr. Berton’s masters thesis in 1951 and which has continued to be one of his scholarly pursuits through the years. His White Paper *The Japanese-Russian Territorial Dilemma* became the basis for a report by a trilateral commission of American, Japanese and Russian scholars presented to the leaders of Russia, Japan and the United States in 1992.

The Inamoto Lectureship was established in the Emeriti Center in 1997 by friends and family of deceased Professor Noboru Inamoto as a means of fulfilling his lifetime ideals of supporting closer ties between individuals and institutions in the United States and Japan and other East Asian countries. The lectures are now sponsored by a generous gift from Dr. Inamoto’s wife Barbara.

**2004 BORCHARD LECTURESHIP HONORS
THREE EMERITUS SCHOLARS**

Three emeritus faculty whose continuing high level of scholarship and publication brings luster to their retirement years will share the Emeriti Center’s 10th Borchard Foundation Lectureship honors this year in a special presentation at the main campus Faculty Center on March 11, 2004 at 1 p.m.

Jay Martin, Bing Professor of Literature Emeritus, Dorothy Soule, Research Professor of Marine Biology and James Warf, Emeritus Professor Chemistry will illuminate the work that has characterized both their active and retired scholarship. Martin will speak about the nature of historical research in his much admired biographical studies, Soule will discuss her work as Director of Harbors Environmental Projects at USC and global warming, and James Warf, acknowledged expert in nuclear science will summarize his studies of war and peace in the nuclear age.

Supported by a grant from the Albert and Elaine Borchard Foundation, this annual lecture and reception honors professors Emerita or Emeritus who have achieved distinction through continuing scholarly production of a high order. The lectures, published in booklet form, will be available to those who attend and others by special request.

**Big Medicare Premium Erodes Cost-of-Living
Hike in Social Security**

*Data from “A Double-Digit Whammy,”
AARP Bulletin Jan 2004, p6.*

Social Security checks increased in January - but so did the cost of Medicare. The Social Security cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) is supposed to keep beneficiaries on an even keel when prices rise, but health care costs are going up at double-digit rates. Therefore, much of the 2004 Social Security increase of 2.1% has been eaten by the 13.5% rise in the Medicare Part B premium, one of the largest in history.

Monthly checks for the 47 million Social Security beneficiaries are rising by an average of \$19 (2.1%) this year, compared to \$13 (1.4%) last year.

Monthly Medicare premium, which is deducted from Social Security, increased by \$7.90 to \$66.60, up from last year’s \$58.70.

*“Age is only a number, a cipher for
the records. A man can't retire his
experience. He must use it.
Experience achieves more with less
energy and time.”*

-- Bernard Mannes Baruch (1870-1965),

Emeriti College

SILVER THREADS THAT LEAD TO GOLD

William R. Faith, Director, Emeriti College

I suppose it's true that people think a golden anniversary celebration is more impressive – has more stuff – than a silver. But it has to be said that the 25th anniversary celebration of the Emeriti Center was a truly remarkable event in so many ways.

Let me count one or two of those. On that Saturday, some 250 retired staff and faculty thought enough of the Center and its years of being a helping hand that they came to applaud. After all they knew first hand our efforts to develop the catalogue of benefits they receive, and also they wanted to savor the warm friendships that were made during active years and, importantly, have continued since retirement.

Then there were the evidences of what our so-called retirees – both faculty and staff – have managed to keep busy and in some cases busier with. There were paintings, sketches, sculpture, photographs, books, monographs on display that made us proud to be associated with such.

In fact, with so much talent -- so many stories being told, so much scholarship being continued, so many evidences of personal expression -- it caused me to wonder why there weren't more of you willing to share your thoughts and feelings with others.

Of course, you know I'm referring to our Emeriti College and our lecture program. We have opportunities out in the L.A. communities of older audiences to talk with them about what we know, what we do and - you know what? – those audiences love it.

We want to tap into the USC expertise and share it with these audiences. There must be among you the talent to go out to these senior audiences and inspire them to tell their stories. People ought to be encouraged to tell their life stories to pass their experiences on to others and for satisfaction, for entertainment. Every life is a novelette.

MENTORING

And while I am on the subject of sharing expertise, we have opening and opportunities for mentoring emerging leaders on the USC campus. It takes only a small amount of your time and energy to give so much to young people who are inspired by your experience and, yes, your wisdom.

STEPPING UP

If you think you would like to join the Emeriti College Faculty as a regular or occasional lecturer on a topic you think others of your age or older might enjoy, or if you would like to mentor – please call (213) 821-1614 or (213) 740-8841.

DOWNEY ADULT SCHOOL

12340 Woodruff Avenue, Downey, 90241

Contact: Harriett Paine (562) 940-6200

Spring 2004

Mondays, 4:00 p.m.

April 5 *What Happens in Live Theatre that the Audience Shouldn't Know About*

Robert R. Scales, Professor Emeritus and Former Dean School of Theatre, Associate Director, Emeriti Center

MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION FUND

23388 Mulholland Drive

Woodland Hills, CA 91364-2792

Contact: Meris Ficks (818) 876-1512

Tuesdays, 10:30 to Noon

February 10 *Hollywood Then and Now*
Malvin Wald, Professor Emeritus, USC School of Cinema

February 17 *What Happens in Live Theatre that the Audience Shouldn't Know About*

Robert R. Scales, Professor Emeritus and Former Dean School of Theatre, Associate Director, Emeriti Center

OASIS AT THE HARBOR

Harbor Terrace Retirement Center

435 West 8th Street, San Pedro

Contact: Dr. Althea Clark, Coordinator (310) 547-0090

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

March 16 *Some Reflections on the Impact of Technology on Society*

Robert L. Mannes, Emeritus Dean, Emeritus Professor

OASIS LAKEWOOD

5100 Lakewood Boulevard, Lakewood, CA

Robinsons-May Basement

Contact: (562) 601-5041

Tuesdays 1:00 p.m.

March 2 *Media and War*
William R. Faith, Associate Professor Emeritus, Journalism; Director, Emeriti College

March 9 *Foreign Policies of the Bush Administration*
Paul E. Hadley, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, International Relations

March 16 *Terrorism: Can We Live Through This?*
John G. Mohler, M.D., Emeritus Professor of Medicine, Retired Colonel, U.S. Army Medical Corps

March 23 *Geopolitics at the Beginning of the 20th and 21st Centuries*
Peter Berton, Distinguished Emeritus Professor,
International Relations

OASIS IN THE VALLEY
Los Angeles Pierce College
6201 Winnetka Avenue, Woodland Hills, CA 91371
Contact: Dawn Muroff (818) 710-4163
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

March 2 *Preservation of Food By Irradiation*
James Warf, Emeritus Professor, Chemistry

March 9 *Iraq*
Vasisht Malhotra, Professor, International Relations

March 16 *Going From Conflict to Conversation in Family and Business Relationships*
Norman B. Sigband, Distinguished Emeritus Professor, Management Communication

March 23 *Immigration*
Paul E. Hadley, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, International Relations

March 30 *Terrorism: Can We Live Through This?*
John G. Mohler, Professor Emeritus, Keck School of Medicine,
Retired Colonel U.S. Army Medical Corps

April 13 *India*
Vasisht Malhotra, Professor, International Relations

April 20 *Geopolitics at the Beginning of the 20th and 21st Centuries*
Peter Berton, Distinguished Emeritus Professor, International Relations

April 27 *The Impact of Globalization in Latin America*
Paul E. Hadley, Distinguished Professor Emeritus,
International Relations

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March 11 *Terrorism: Optimizing your Chances for Survival*
John G. Mohler, M.D., Emeritus Professor of Medicine, Retired Colonel, U.S. Army Medical Corps

March 25 *Immigration Issues*
Paul E. Hadley, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, International Relations

April 1 *Ethics and Cultural Differences: Areas That Globalization Forgot*
Norman B. Sigband, Distinguished Emeritus Professor, Management Communication

April 8 *Media and War*
William R. Faith, Associate Professor Emeritus, Journalism Director, Emeriti College

April 15 *Update on Iraq*
Vasisht Malhotra, Professor, International Relations

April 22 *Geopolitics at the Beginning of the 20th and 21st Centuries*
Peter Berton, Distinguished Emeritus Professor, International Relations

April 29 *Electoral College: Is There a Cure?*
David Mars, Emeritus Professor, Public Administration

May 6 *India*
Vasisht Malhotra, Professor, International Relations

ROXBURY DISCUSSION GROUP
471 South Roxbury Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Contact: Pauline Bennett (310) 933-2912
Thursday, 1:30 p.m.

February 12 *Stress Reduction*
Shawn A. Herz, Family Services Director, LACRC

ORANGE COUNTY ALUMNI
Pacific Life Building, 700 Newport Center Drive
Newport Beach, Fashion Island
By registration only (213) 740-1615
Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.

February 11 *How We Fool The Audience in Live Theatre*
Robert R. Scales, Professor Emeritus and Former Dean School of Theatre, Associate Director, Emeriti Center

March 10 *How Will U.S. Foreign Policy Affect the Elections*
Steven L. Lamy, Professor and Director School of International Relations

April 14 *The Strange Case of North Korea*
Peter Berton, Distinguished Emeritus Professor, International Relations

May 12 *The Media Factor in U.S. Elections*
Thomas A. Hollihan, Associate Dean, Academic Affairs Annenberg School for Communication

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