GREETINGS FROM
ELIZABETH REDMON,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Happy New Year! May 2002 bring each of you a warm sense of well-being!

The first four months as director of the Emeriti Center have been a delight. I have so enjoyed renewing old friendships and forming new ones. What wonderful people are the staff, volunteers and participants of the various programs! My thanks to Paul Hadley who made the transition such a pleasure.

I found the Center to be a hive of activity, its regular programs healthy and new ones underway. So far I have spent most of my effort toward replenishing the fund to support the existing programs. Once these are secure, I look toward extending the opportunities to meet your needs and interests and toward building an endowment for the long-term security of the Emeriti Center.

In the months ahead I hope to meet even more of you. There is a great camaraderie among the retirees who get together or meet by email to socialize or pursue common interests. If you would like a new friend or activity in your life, give me a call.

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DR. LOIS FRISS
JOINS EMERITI CENTER

We are honored to welcome Dr. Lois Friss as Associate Director, Faculty Liaison, following the distinguished service of her predecessor Dr. Norman Fertig.

Dr. Friss is Professor Emerita of Health Administration, School of Policy, Planning and Development. She earned her B.S. in Nursing from Syracuse University and Doctorate in Public Health (Dr. PH.) from UCLA. She taught the policy and politics of medical care. Her writings include human resource topics, such as pay equity for women and labor turnover. Her research emphasis was on the recurring shortages of nurses willing to work in hospitals under prevailing conditions. Many of her doctoral students now hold tenure track positions in major universities. During her last five years before retirement, she was Associate Dean, Graduate Studies with responsibility for student services.

Dr. Friss is a member of USC Associates, former President of USC Faculty Women’s Club, and currently Vice President, Retired Faculty Association. She has also served on the Board of the Faculty Center.

She and her husband, Gerald, have two daughters and two grandchildren. She enjoys genealogy and travel.

As Faculty Liaison, Dr. Friss will help identify and meet the needs of the retired faculty. She will be establishing new communication links with retirees and active faculty as the transition to retirement. All retired faculty and spouses of deceased faculty are encouraged to contact Lois with their ideas or concerns at (213) 740-8921 or emeriti@usc.edu (Attn: Lois).

HAIL and FAREWELL to EMERITI CENTER and COLLEGE STAFF

We welcome Angelique M. Skourtas, previously of HSC Pharmacy, as our new Administrative Budget and Records Assistant; and Jill A. Trimble, from USC Law School, Continuing Education, as our new Emeriti College Program Assistant. With our staffing needs completed, we look forward to a busy new year.

Juliann Albaugh, a new USC graduate, pursues a career in opera, while Rachel Willis follows her acting dream.

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Harrison M. Kurtz, 1925-2001
Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences
Harrison Kurtz, founder and director of SCynergy, and Permanent Master of the Skull and Dagger Society, died November 26, of a massive stroke while awaiting surgery in the hospital.

After receiving his PhD. in Bacteriology and Experimental Pathology from Stanford, he came to USC in 1951, and served as Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor in Biological Sciences. Emeritus status was granted in 1990 and Distinguished Emeritus status in 1994.

Kurtz was twice awarded the USC Associates Award for Teaching Excellence. He was a diplomat of the American Academy of Microbiology and received a Fulbright-Hays lectureship as a visiting professor at Trinity College, University of Dublin.

He was also Vice Chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences. His university service included numerous committees, and many terms in the Faculty Senate and on the President's Advisory Committee.

He served as President of the Retired Faculty Association, on the University Employee's Benefits committee, and on the Retired Faculty and Staff Benefits committee. He also lectured for the Emeriti College and last October received the Liebovitz Award for service to retired faculty.

SCynergy, the alumni support group for Biological Sciences, was established by Kurtz and grew under his efforts, providing funds for undergraduate laboratory improvements.

Kurtz was an active participant in the Glendale Kiwanis and was named Kiwanian of the Year. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Fran, his children, Pam Bobnes and Rich Kurtz, and five grandchildren.

Testimonial letters are being collected by: Glen A. Smith
USC Dept. of Biological Sciences
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0371.

Donations may be sent to:
Harrison Kurtz Memorial Scholarship
Skull and Dagger Foundation
PO Box 278
Downey, CA 90241; and/or

SCynergy
USC Dept. of Biological Sciences
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0371; and/or

Emeriti Center Benefactor Program
Los Angeles, CA 90089-0191.

An organizational meeting will be held on January 30, 2002 at 2 p.m. in GER 224 to explore the possibility of establishing a new special interest group for retirees who are creators of new work. Bring some of your original work (with performer if required) to share at the first meeting so that we may get to know the type of work that you have done. Subsequent meetings would consist of revolving presentation and discussion of NEW work, along with possible demonstration and/or discussion of the creative process, the business of art, overcoming blocks, living with the muse, re-entering the production process, cross-media creativity, etc.

The definition of “creator” is broad—writers of nonfiction to song lyrics, composers of symphonies to show tunes, artists in oil to photography. Any retiree interested in participating is invited to attend this exploratory meeting. Please register your interest in attending by calling the Emeriti Center 213-740-8921.

*****OPPORTUNITY*****
Volunteers Needed
to organize Emeriti Center photographs, delve through old yearbooks, make video documentaries or write history.
Call Betty at (213) 740-7121.
COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE
Mike Halloran, Associate Director, Communications mhallora@usc.edu

There are three areas of development in communications activities as we begin the new year. Those whose email address is known to us received a message inviting you to be part of the new Emeriti list-serve. A list-serve is an email bulletin board which facilitates the communications among a large group whose membership is dynamic, and enables communications among the group without each member having to include individual addresses in their email directory. If you would like to be a member and have not received an email from me, call (213) 821-5723 and leave a message with your email address and phone number or send me an email request.

Secondly, our webmaster, Gordon Ho, is a senior at USC and is updating and upgrading our Emeriti Center website. Please give us suggestions for ways to enhance the site. We also need your input regarding any problems you might have with either errors in the information on the site or with your ability to view the different pages of the site.

Finally, the Leibovitz Foundation provided the Emeriti Center with a grant of $25,000 to develop a pilot project called the Emeriti Online Seminars Project (EOS). It will be an online continuing education project providing retirees with an opportunity for group study of topics of mutual interest with interaction among the group taking place mostly via the internet. We are organizing an advisory task force and a leadership group, and will be seeking input from retirees in the future. We ask for your suggestions about topics that you would like to study or about potential members to help with project leadership, including yourself.

We have also been working with volunteer consultant Richard Mann to explore possible extension of our Emeriti College public lectures to an online, distance learning environment. These developments will require additional funding, and your suggestions for possible funding sources would be appreciated.

ADAM JOHNSON PROVIDES BASIC COMPUTER TRAINING

Adam, a freshman Engineering student and participant in the Thematic Options Program, walked into the Emeriti Center and said, “Do you have any need for someone to teach seniors how to use a computer?” We have Adam’s schedule, use of the Gerontology Computer Lab, and are now scheduling half-hour or hour appointments on Wednesday mornings for individual instruction in Email, Surfing the Web, and Windows. Adam is volunteering his time for training on campus. Availability and cost for in-home training could be negotiated directly with him.

During high school, Adam volunteered at the Sherman Oaks Public Library. Here are excerpts from his entrance essay to USC:

“I teach senior citizens how to use the internet. This may not be an obvious action in the endeavor to change the world, but for me, it is a start.

“[Many seniors] have been left out of the technological revolution in the last two decades that spawned personal computers and the World Wide Web and empowered the younger generation….If I had a nickel for every time one of my students has looked me in the eye and said, ‘You know, this really isn’t very hard at all,’ I would be a wealthy man. Those who are not experienced in using computers are not lacking the skills needed to master the technology, but merely the opportunity and the guidance.

“…Every Saturday, I meet four more people for whom I can spare only thirty minutes to connect them to the twenty-first century. And every Saturday, I wish that I could do more.”

This freshman is humbled at the thought of now teaching those who might have been his own professors. He demonstrates that both learning and teaching can be lifelong activities.

USC ARCHIVES REQUEST PAPERS AND MATERIAL CONTRIBUTIONS
Claus Zachary, University Archivist

The USC University Archives is a part of the Archival Research Center of the Information Services Division. The Archives exist to collect, preserve, and make available records having permanent value in documenting the history and growth of the University: its administrative offices, the academic departments, and USC-related organizations, as well as the activities of its faculty, staff, and students. Books (including faculty publications), manuscripts, USC periodicals and newspapers, ephemera, photographic images, disc and tape recordings, and other archival items are available for research under supervised conditions.

The Archives was first organized in 1938 by librarian Myrtle G. Hart, and was subsequently developed by Helen Azgherian, long-time head of the Doheny Library Reference Department. Paul Christopher, the first University Archivist, was appointed in 1977. I have been serving as Archivist since 1998.

USC’s vital retired community can be of enormous assistance in assuring the preservation of the institutional memory of our campus. Retired faculty and staff, and relatives and friends of many who were connected with the university, may have a great amount of material documenting their role in the ongoing story of USC. Gifts, large or small, of faculty and staff papers, pictures, letters, programs, publications, any item that will contribute to the documentation of the history of USC, will be greatly appreciated. Please contact:
Claude Zachary at (213) 743-2435 or czachary@usc.edu. USC Archives website is located at: http://www.usc.edu/arc/libraries/uscares\n
****OPPORTUNITY****
Volunteer tutors needed for individual instruction in various software programs to USC retirees.
Call Betty at (213)740-8921.

=====RESOURCE====
If you are a caregiver for anyone with dementia, call Geraldine Trinidad, of LACRC, at (213) 740-8711 for resource information.
STAFF RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION
Sally Emerson, SRA President

It was wonderful to see so many friends at Homecoming 2001. We always appreciate the spacious tent, tables and chairs provided by the University for our enjoyment. The SRA and RFA enjoy working together on this yearly project, and look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Our holiday program was a standing room only success with Connie Wedberg presenting his musical talents along with hilariously descriptive stories for several of the songs.

Mark your calendars for the annual SRA retiree reception on March 14th at USC’s Town & Gown.

If you have questions about the Staff Retirement Association or would like to become a working partner please call me at (626) 446-9654. I would be delighted to talk with you.

Helen Ziler cheers for all USC retirees.

AROHE CONFERENCE

The Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE) conference planning is underway. Some members of the organizing committee met at USC January 2. The first conference of this newly formed organization will meet October 15-18, 2002, on the Indiana University Campus in Bloomington, Indiana. This first conference will focus on the theme “Enhancing the Connection: Building Vital Retiree Programs.”

The Association and this first conference is the outgrowth of 15 years of informal development, meetings and conferences initially lead by the USC Emeriti Center under the direction of Dr. Arnold Small, James Peterson and Harriet Servis. USC has now assumed the Secretariat of the Organization and Dr. Paul Hadley is the Organizing President.

Nationwide support has been received in the form of three levels of organizing memberships. Retirement association leaders, campus administrators and corporate entities have financially endorsed the development of the organization and the first conference.

The USC Emeriti Center believes confidently, that there is an important role for this Association and its future. Current programs for retired faculty and staff nationwide will benefit from their affiliation with AROHE and the ensuing national and international communication that it will offer. We believe that our roles in support of our respective universities will be strengthened through this organization.

The USC Staff Retirement Association, Retired Faculty Association, Emeriti Center and numerous USC individuals have supported this development with their organizing memberships.

*****OPPORTUNITY*****

Spanish and Chinese/Cantonese translators (written material and announcements) and interpreters (real-time translation of talks) needed for Parent-Education program at two of our local elementary schools. Four talks at each school. (Call Madelyne Drewe 213-740-8921)
Greetings for a rewarding 2002! This year the Emeriti College turns 12 years old and by every indication, it serves a valuable role in the Emeriti Center. Developing opportunities for retiring faculty to continue scholarly activity and service, i.e., assisting in the continuation and completion of research projects, inviting retirees to lecture and discuss their lifetime disciplines with mature audiences in many of Southern California’s community centers, and encouraging them to teach freshman seminars and to mentor students, are clearly answering a felt need. We have an enthusiastic Emeriti “faculty” but we sense we have not reached everyone who might benefit from what we offer. So if what we do strikes a chord, and you would like to seek research assistance, join our lecture faculty or get involved with students, make yourself known (213-740-8841) and we will discuss how best you can be served.

Research Grants: During the current academic year, through grants from the Kenneth T. and Eileen L. Norris Foundation, awards are being made to Leo Bing Professor Emeritus Jay Martin for completion of his biography The Education of John Dewey; to Sociology Professor Emeritus Malcolm Klein for his study of street gangs titled Gang Cop; and to Professor Emeritus Anthony Mlikotin for his latest volume about pivotal world thinkers titled Lone Journeys Toward Wisdom.

Other recent Norris awards were made to Professor Emerita Joy Cauffman for her study “The Effect of Continuing Medical Education Interventions on Physician Performance and Patient Health Care Outcomes;” to Distinguished Professor Emeritus Norman B. Sigband for completion of his book Communication for Managers; to Public Administration Professor Emeritus Gilbert Siegel for completion of his book Work Design, Jobs and Careers: Where is Local Government in the Changing Order of Arrangements; to Professor Emerita Dorothy Soule enabling her to present her paper “Changing Concepts in Species Diversity in the Northeastern Pacific” at Trinity College, Dublin; and to Distinguished Professor Emerita Frances Feldman for her research study Human Services in the City of Angels. Dr. Feldman also received an undergraduate research assistance grant from the Morris Smith Foundation through the Emeriti Center.

For information and applications for both Retired Faculty Research grants and the Undergraduate Research Assistance grants, please contact the Emeriti College (213-740-8841).

Lecture/Discussions: The College will present lecture/discussions in the Spring 2002 semester. High but not dominating the subject matter for the new year will be considerations of the effect of September 11, 2001 on our society and what lies ahead for the people of the Middle East and other nations and cultures affected by the attack and the U.S. war on terrorism. As usual, topics for lecture/discussions at 15 sites are eclectic and far ranging. Here are some examples: Vasisht Malhotra will be giving a four-lecture series on Islam, Afghanistan and the India-Pakistan conflict, Peter Berton will present “The World After 9/11: Changing Alignments;” David Mars will speak on “The First 389 Days of the Bush Administration;” Paul Hadley will address “Opening the Borders?” and Gloria Haithman-Ali will be speaking on “Racial Unity – An Imperative for Social Progress.” Art History expert Karen Lansky will be illuminating Michelangelo in her “Stories in Stone;” James Warf will pursue things nuclear in “The Manhattan Project;” and Robert Tranquada will ask “What’s Happening to Health Care in California?” PLEASE SEE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR TIMES OF LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS AT VARIOUS SITES.

Mentoring: Our mentoring program in association with Student Affairs is open to both retired faculty and staff and we are continuously welcoming retirees to consider sharing their lifetime experiences with a student from the University’s emerging leaders program. Each mentor is expected to remain with his or her mentee for one academic year. Please call (213-740-8841) if you are interested in an experience that one mentor recently reported as “extraordinarily rewarding.”

**DR. PAUL E. HADLEY NAMED DIRECTOR EMERITUS IN RETIREMENT CEREMONY**

Left to Right: Paul Hadley, Robert Cole, Harriet Servis, Mike Halloran, Madaleen Smith and Betty Redmon.

William Faith, director of Emeriti College, presents new College memorial plaque honoring Tillman Hall, Norman Fertig and Paul Hadley.

Director Emeritus Tillman Hall, Harriet Servis and Della Marshall

Norman Fertig, former student, longtime friend and colleague of Paul Hadley, recalls treasured moments.
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SERIES SCHEDULE

ARCADIA SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES
Arcadia Community Services
365 Campus Drive, Arcadia 91066
Contact: Kathy Bernal (626) 574-5130
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

January 22  Avoiding Medication Misadventures
Bradley Williams, Associate Professor, Clinical
Pharmacology and Gerontology

February 26  TBA

March 26  Prolonging Health and Happiness
J. Tillman Hall, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Physical
Education

April 23  Colon Cancer: Its Prevention and Treatment
Russell D. Yang, Clinical Associate Professor, Medicine

May 28  Mexico: The Fox Presidency
Paul E. Hadley, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Interna-
tional Relations

June 25  Reducing Stress
J. Tillman Hall, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Physical
Education

OASIS BALDWIN HILLS
Robinsons-May,
4005 Crenshaw Blvd., Los Angeles, 90008
Contact: (323) 291-3414
Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.

February 21  Women Civil Rights Leaders
Gloria Haithman-Ali, Director of Student Aid Funds

March 21  The Balance of Power in the Asia Pacific Region in the 21st Century
Peter Berton, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Interna-
tional Relations

April 18  Contemporary Afghanistan
Vasisht Malhotra, Professor, International Relations

May 16  African American Politics in Los Angeles
Michael Preston, Professor, Political Science

OASIS LAKEWOOD
5100 Lakewood Boulevard
Robinsons-May Basement
Contact: Patti Spathes, Director (562) 601-5041

Special Series with Vasisht Malhotra,
Professor, International Relations
Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

February 5  Islam
February 12  Contemporary Afghanistan
February 19  India-Pakistan Problems
February 26  Foreign Policy of India and the United States

Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m.

March 26  Global Warming
Dorothy Soule, Research Professor, Marine Biology

April 2  What’s Happening to Health Care in California?
Robert E. Tranquada, Professor Emeritus, Former Dean,
Medicine

April 9  Managed Health Care
Norman Sigband, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Business
and Pharmacy

April 16  TBA

ORANGE COUNTY ALUMNI
Pacific Life Building, 700 Newport Center Drive
Newport Beach, Fashion Island
By registration only (213) 740-1615
Wednesdays, Reception 7:00 p.m., Lecture 7:30 p.m.

February 13  The Balance of Power on the Asia Pacific Region in the 21st Century
Peter Berton, Distinguished Emeritus Professor,
International Relations

March 13  Forecasting Geologic Hazards: Fact or Fiction?
Bernard W. Pipkin. Emeritus Professor, Geological Sciences

April 10  How’s Your Memory?
Donna Benton, Research Professor, Gerontology

May 8  War and Peace in the Nuclear Age
James Warf, Emeritus Professor, Chemistry
**January 28**  
*From Catsup to Culture*  
Karen Lansky, Assistant Professor, Art History

**February 11**  
*Media and War*  
William R. Faith, Associate Professor Emeritus, Journalism

**March 4**  
*War and Peace in the Nuclear Age*  
James Warf, Professor Emeritus, Chemistry

**March 25**  
*Relativity for Lay Men by a Lay Man*  
Gibson Reaves, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Astronomy

**April 15**  
*The Myth of Venice*  
Giulio Ongaro, Associate Professor, Thornton School of Music

**May 6**  
*Terrorism: Can We Live Through This?*  
John G. Mohler, Associate Professor Emeritus, Medicine

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**March 11**  
*Thanks for the Memories, Bob*  
William R. Faith, Assistant Professor Emeritus, Journalism

**April 8**  
*Facts and Total Fitness*  
J. Tillman Hall, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Physical Education

**May 13**  
*The American Presidency*  
David Mars, Professor Emeritus, Former Director, Public Administration

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**February 14**  
*Leonardo da Vinci, Renaissance Astronomer*  
Gibson Reaves, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Astronomy

**February 28**  
*Tradition and Modernity: Muslim Women in the Russian Empire*  
Eliz Sanasarian, Associate Professor, Political Science

**March 7**  
*Nutrition and Health*  
Ruth Johnson, Assistant Clinical Professor, Medicine

**March 14**  
*Everybody’s Brainpower*  
Robert Krone, Professor Emeritus, Institute Safety Systems Management

**April 11**  
*Where are the Popular Oracles in American Humor?*  
William R. Faith, Associate Professor Emeritus, Journalism

**April 25**  
*How’s Your Memory?*  
Donna Benton, Research Associate Professor, Gerontology

**May 9**  
*From Catsup to Culture*  
Karen Lansky, Associate Professor, Art History

**May 23**  
*Stories in Stone: How Michelangelo’s Four Interpretations of Jesus and Mary Reveal His Inner Life*  
Karen Lansky, Associate Professor, Art History

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**February 19**  
*The World Trade Organization*  
Gunnar Nielsson, Assistant Professor, International Relations

**March 19**  
*Opening the Borders?*  
Paul E. Hadley, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, International Relations

**April 23**  
*Update on the Bush Administration*  
David Mars, Professor Emeritus, Former Director, Public Administration