

EMERITI—RETIREE NEWSLETTER

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From the Emeriti Association President

Dear colleagues,

Recently, along with emeriti colleagues from across the UC system, I participated in a Zoom conversation with Provost Michael Brown (who is also our UCSB colleague), organized by the Council of University of California Emeriti Associations (CUCEA). Provost Brown is committed to continued engagement with emeriti through periodic meetings with CUCEA. Provost Brown enumerated the challenges and opportunities facing UC. Items of good news are that UC is optimistic about the outcome of budgetary negotiations in Sacramento, and that the three year "battle" with Elsevier over open access to published research has been favorably resolved. The University is planning to be fully open in the fall quarter, although some faculty and students who are not ready to return will be accommodated. Concerns include the impact of COVID-19 on the research and professional careers of our faculty, a younger and more diverse faculty than in the past. A workgroup is being formed that will include Senate and administrative representatives. There is also concern about the pirating of intellectual work put online by faculty for the benefit of UC students. We also discussed the continuing problems with the Retirement Administrative Service Center (RASC) and the need to make the retirement process work more

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From the Retirees Association President

Dear Retirees:

Greetings to our new and soon-to-be Retirees and to those who have been retired and are familiar with our Association. I hope that you are all well and looking forward to a healthy and happy future. Your Retirees Association Board is certainly looking forward to planning some fun and informative meetings and activities. We have had discussions and meetings during the last year through Zoom and informative webinars. During May, the Emeriti and Retirees Associations are happy to present 3 virtual events. I hope you can join us for these. Check the website for more information.

Speaking of the website, it has been updated, so check out the Associations tab under the [UCSB Emeriti Retirees Center](#). You will also find information on the Emeriti/Retirees Center which is located on campus to assist us with our programs and social activities and provide information on benefits available.

The Center also sends our own local representatives to attend meetings of the

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Please join us (virtually) at the UC Santa Barbara/Department of Communication

2021 Rupe Conference on *Communicating about COVID-19*

An outstanding group of communication researchers and practitioners will discuss how public institutions, individuals, messages, media, and organizations communicate (or don't!) about COVID-19. You can attend one or more of the five free Zoom Webinar sessions:

Thursday, May 6, 2021 From 11am to 6:15pm PT

Each session will offer about 20 minutes for each of three presenters, and about 10 minutes for discussion and Q&A with the audience. See <https://www.comm.ucsb.edu/news/annual/arthur-n-rupe#2021> for program, sessions, presentation titles, abstracts, and presenter bios and photos. Go to Shoreline at <http://cqlink.me/2dD/r1067279> to register for the Conference and receive your Zoom Webinar link. If you are a UCSB retired faculty, login using your UCSB Net ID. If you do not have a Net ID, you may register as a Guest.

Spring 2021 virtual public programming from the Carsey-Wolf Center

The Carsey-Wolf Center is pleased to offer a series of virtual Q&As with mediamakers and scholars. Our spring 2021 public programming series, "Borders" explores borders, borderlands, and frontiers as they are cinematically, politically, technologically, and archivally mediated. All events are free and open to the public. Please visit www.carseywolf.ucsb.edu for details and to register.

Tuesday, May 4 / 4:00 PM *40 Years a Prisoner* with activist / documentary subject Mike Africa, Jr.

Thursday, May 6 / 4:00 PM *Borders: The Infiltrators* with co-directors Cristina Ibarra and Alex Rivera

Thursday, May 13 / 4:00 PM *Borders: John Ware Reclaimed* with director Cheryl Foggo

Tuesday, May 25 / 4:00 PM CWC Virtual: *The Mauritanian* with Mohamedou Ould Salahi (author of *Guantánamo Diary*)

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UCSB BRAIN TRAINING STUDY ADULTS (AGES 60-85) NEEDED

As part of this study you will:

- Receive free cognitive training (15-minutes/days for 4-weeks) that may improve your brain function
- Receive free training on how to use brain sensors to track your brain function

To be eligible for the study, you must be:

- Between 60 and 85 years of age
- Right-handed
- In relatively good health and not taking medications for: diabetes, high blood pressure, mood/mental disorders, dementia, or neurological disease

YOU WILL BE PAID AS FOLLOWS:

- \$25 TRAINING + PRE-TEST QUESTIONNAIRE
- \$50 INTERVENTION (PRO-RATED IF ONLY PARTIALLY COMPLETED)
- \$15 POST-TEST QUESTIONNAIRE
- + \$10 BONUS FOR COMPLETING ALL STUDY ACTIVITIES (TOTAL STUDY TIME ~ 7.0 HRS.)

To find out more, please contact:
University of California, Santa Barbara
Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences

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IRB APPROVAL EXPIRATION DATE: 65-20-0856

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smoothly and to the better satisfaction of retirees. There is concern that faculty who had an unsatisfactory retirement experience in 2020 may have lessened institutional loyalty as a result. At UCSC, interviews with most 2020 retirees showed widespread dissatisfaction with the retirement process last year, echoes of which were heard at UCSB and other campuses as well. Provost Brown promised to look into the possibility of conducting a systemwide survey of recent retirees and to issuing some type of apology. It was noted that campuses lost FTE for campus retirement advisors when retirement processing and advising was shifted to RASC. This has put stress on Emeriti and Retirees Center directors, who are points of contact for emeriti on each campus. Provost Brown recently made a presentation to the Regents about the value of the University to the State of California, not only in its direct economic impact but also the impact that UC graduates have on the social fabric of the State. As ambassadors for the University of California, emeriti may be interested in viewing this informative presentation, which begins at 1:44:36 on the following site: Board - YouTube. I would like to remind emeriti faculty that they retain membership in the Academic Senate upon retirement. This entails, for example, retention of full Library privileges and UCSB e-mail accounts. Emeriti continue to be eligible to serve on Senate committees, and indeed, are encouraged to do so. As stated in Divisional Bylaw 205 D, emeriti are privileged to attend general departmental meetings as non-voting members and are entitled to receive notice of such meetings and access to relevant materials. Please watch for the announcement of Zoom webinars planned for May and mark your calendars for the Emeriti Association Business Meeting on June 1 at 2 p.m.

Best wishes,
Bill Ashby
President, UC Santa Barbara Emeriti Association

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Department of Music

[Springtime in France: Music of Les Six](#)

Friday, May 7, 2021 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

The virtual chamber music recital will feature UC Santa Barbara faculty member and pianist Dr. Natasha Kislenco & special guests.

[Graduate Student Lecture Recital: Naomi Merer, Soprano](#)

Saturday, May 8, 2021 - 4:00pm to 5:00pm

Graduate vocalist Naomi Merer will present a virtual Doctor of Musical Arts lecture recital, titled "Get thee to an asylum: reflecting on the evolution of mental illness and its portrayal in Thomas's operatic mad scene"

These events will be streamed as a YouTube Premieres via the [Department of Music's YouTube channel](#)

Student virtual recitals are free and open to the public. Available on streaming via the [Department of Music's YouTube channel](#) as YouTube Premieres at their respective date and time. Visit the [Department of Music website](#) for event descriptions.

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systemwide Council of University of California Retiree Associations (CUCRA), which is the voice of UC Retirees in continuing dialogue with UC leadership. Last week I was able to attend a meeting of CUCRA held via Zoom. CUCRA has completed their report of the 2020 Survey data of retirees. It includes reports on retirees' service, assistance to the campus, financial assistance and a number of other areas. It is wonderful to see how our retirees remain active and contribute to their community, the university and education and are very active in volunteer activities.

I am happy to report that the UC Retirees travel program is up and running again. They can be reached at [UC Retirees Travel website](#). Future trips include the Canadian Rockies train tour, which is already booked up, and a trip to CUBA, as well as other trips. Locally, we are discussing forming a group for those retirees in our group interested in travel. Also locally, we have been discussing a book club group that could meet regularly to discuss our choice.

In June we hope to have our yearly meeting, to include elections for new officers. We look forward to the day when we can continue our monthly meetings the third Wednesday of each month with special guest speakers and our special get togethers during the year. I invite you to consider joining the Association with yearly dues of \$15 a year for membership and, if you like, provide you with contact with the UCSB Community.

My best wishes to everyone,

Sandy Camp

President, UC Santa Barbara Retirees Association

UCOP Security Incident



The UC Office of the President continues to investigate the significant security incident involving UC community information due to the Accellion data breach.

It is very important that every member of the UC Santa Barbara community take steps to protect themselves against identity theft and fraud. Recently a workshop "Protect Your Identity" was offered by Sam Horowitz, UCSB Chief Information Security Officer. If you missed it, visit the [UCSB Information Technology](#) website to view the recording. Topics include credit monitoring, fraud alerts and credit freezes, managing your online persona and tips to improve online security. The recording is on the right side of the page. More resources, news and frequently asked questions regarding the incident, can be found on the same site by scrolling down. Additionally, [UCnet](#) has posted an article on the Accellion data breach, and [frequently asked questions](#).

Questions about the incident or using the identity monitoring services can be submitted to communications@ucop.edu



Attention all UC travelers, adventurers, friends and family. It is time to think about places to go and places to see. We are getting vaccinated, wearing our masks, and starting to love the smell of sanitizer. As soon as it is safe to do so, we plan to break out of quarantine and start to explore the world. We look forward to packing our bags, getting our plane tickets, and venturing out.

Remember all UC Retiree Travel trips include airfare (or a land-only option), hotels, most meals, most excursions, and transportation. This is an opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones. These adventures are open to friends and family as well.

Our latest addition is trip to the Netherlands, Belgium and France in April 2022. This trip will be very special, as we will be visiting both the the incredible Keukenhof Tulip Festival and the Floriade Expo 2022, a once-in-a-decade international garden festival and horticultural exhibition.

[UC Retirees Travel](#)



How would you like to teach highly motivated students without worrying about homework, grading or tests – and get paid for it?

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CSU Channel Islands. offers educational opportunities to “seniors” (AARP not fourth year) without the work of homework, grading, or tests. Education for the sheer sake of learning – such a novel concept. Our “seniors” are great fun, very engaged and love to learn. Our motte is “Curiosity Never Retires”.

OLLI classes give you the opportunity to take one of your favorite courses, modify it for the OLLI audience and then share your interest and enthusiasm with receptive minds. You can also present a new idea or something you are currently interested in. Our OLLI classes range from science to literature, history to sociology and art to music and beyond. Unlike many undergraduates, you don’t have to motivate our “mature learners” and they bring a wealth of experience to the class.

Currently all OLLI courses are offered via Zoom so no need to leave home or search for parking to teach or take a class. We hope to offer a mixture of virtual and in-person courses in the 2021-22 academic year.

To learn more about our OLLI program, please go to [OLLI CSUCI](#). If you want to know about teaching at OLLI, please go to [Teaching at OLLI](#). OLLI puts out a request for proposals several times a year; the request for Fall courses will probably go out in late spring. The Curriculum Team and OLLI staff review the proposals and select a broad spectrum of offerings for our members. If you would like to receive a future RFP, please send a note with your contact information to Michael Trainor at OLLI@CSUCI.edu.

We hope to see you in OLLI.

Volunteer opportunity



The Museum's Sea Center is an aquarium and marine science center located on Stearns Wharf. Visitors of all ages can enjoy hands-on encounters with sea creatures, a live shark touch pool, conduct experiments with marine research tools, and view a beautiful Jellies exhibition. This interactive marine education facility highlights the beauty of the Santa Barbara Channel and encourages fun in science.

**Want to learn more about our ocean and help us make a difference?
Contact us today!**

EXHIBIT INTERPRETER VOLUNTEER POSITION

- Meet, greet, and educate visitors
- Handle live marine animals
- Provide ocean science education
- Promote ocean conservation
- Advanced Opportunities include: Aquarist Assistant, School Group Volunteer, Shark Feeding Assistant, etc.

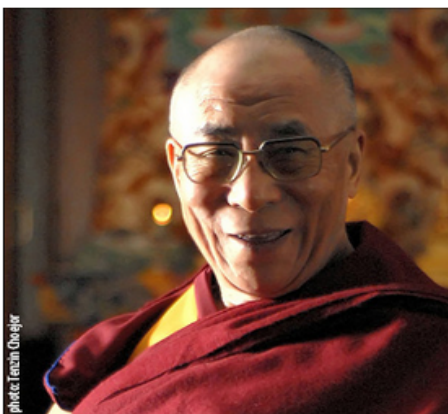
Information: scvolunteermanager@sbnature2.org or call 805-962-2526 ext. 104.

CREATING HOPE



This is a moment that calls for Optimism, Resilience, Courage and Vision.

Santa Barbara needs Hope, and Arts & Lectures is uniquely positioned to respond. Our 2021 CREATING HOPE initiative will inspire our community with shared experiences – online, outdoors, in the schools, in theaters and in alternative spaces. By engaging thought leaders, creative problem solvers and arts visionaries, CREATING HOPE programs will strengthen human connection, bridge our partisan divides, promote emotional well-being, joy and compassion, and envision positive change.



Creating Hope with His Holiness the XIV Dalai Lama In Conversation with Pico Iyer

Tue, May 18 / 8:30 PM Pacific / VIRTUAL

In this keynote event of A&L's 2021-2022 CREATING HOPE programming initiative, His Holiness is joined in conversation by Pico Iyer, a friend, observer and student of the Dalai Lama for more than 40 years.

Live events with His Holiness usually begin 15-20 minutes before the official start time. Arrive 20 minutes early.

Visit [Arts & Lectures website](#) for details and how to watch.

Preparing for Retirement- Retiree Health Insurance Webinar

With Rebecca Preza, HealthCare Facilitator

If you have a spouse, partner or friend who is considering retiring from UCSB, please encourage them to attend!

Understanding retiree health insurance is important when planning your retirement. If you are preparing to retire or just thinking about it, join us to learn about the health insurance options currently available to UC retirees. This webinar is for employees who want to learn more about UC retiree health insurance and Medicare after retirement. Each offering will cover the following topics:

- Who is eligible for retiree health insurance?
- What insurance plans are available to retirees?
- How does Medicare coordinate with retiree insurance?
- How do you enroll in Medicare?
- How much will retiree insurance cost?

First Offering:

When: Tuesday, May 11th

Time: 12:00 – 1:00PM

[Click to Join Zoom Webinar](#)

Password: 594212

Join by Phone: 1-669-900-6833

Second Offering:

When: Friday, June 11th

Time: 12:00 – 1:00PM

[Click to Join Zoom Webinar](#)

Password: 594212

Join by Phone: 1-669-900-6833

Reservation not required.

UCOP announces a “No Lapse in Pay” option for July 1 retirees

A lapse in pay between an employee’s final UC paycheck and their first well-deserved retirement benefit check can be a real problem. The [UC Retirement Administration Service Center \(RASC\) 800-888-8267](#) announced they are able to offer something new – a guarantee of no lapse in pay for prospective retirees who qualify. To read more about this new option on UCnet [Click Here](#). The [UCRS 168 Opt-In Form](#), along with a signed election and all required documents, must be submitted by **May 14, 2021**.

UCOP wants to hear from YOU!

In an effort to improve Open Enrollment communications for retirees, the UC Office of the President has created a brief survey for retirees — announced and shared on UCnet and in the May New Dimensions.

We would appreciate your participation in the survey. Please visit:

[Retirees: Take a survey to improve UC’s Open Enrollment communications](#)

The survey will be open through May 21, 2021, and it should take 5-10 minutes to complete. All responses will be completely anonymous and confidential



Norman Boyan

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James Harris

Facilities

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Melvyn Semel

Education

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Mario Del Chiaro

Art History

1994

Marian Mathias

Work Study

1988

Francis Dutra

History

2013

Dave Messick

Psychological and Brain Science

1993

Marta Gallo

Spanish and Portuguese

1991

Rudolf Saragosa

Mail Processing

1995

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