

EMERITI—RETIREES NEWSLETTER

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From the Emeriti Association President

This has been a busy time for the Emeriti Association. Our brand new website is in "Go Live" mode and should be up and running by the time you read this message: emeritiassociation@ucsb.edu

A donation site for contributions to the new Emeriti Association Program Fund is now online. We no longer charge annual dues for membership and so depend on your contributions to continue our work. Please consider [making a donation](#) that is now tax-deductible.

The Oral History Committee has embarked on a project to record the recollections and reflections of retired faculty members to help build an oral history of UC Santa Barbara as it has changed over the years. The first two interviews have been recorded and we can't wait to share them with you!

The Emeriti Welfare Committee has surveyed recent retirees and demonstrated a strong need for on-campus retirement advising. The administration has agreed, but with the UC-wide hiring freeze, the appointment of an advisor is on hold.

The Development and Engagement committee continues its successful campaign to support our Emeriti Association Promise Scholars. Please donate at the button on page 3.

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From the Retiree Association President

Happy Spring! The past few months have been quite busy for us.

In March we had another tour of Lotusland, this one with Professor Emeritus Bruce Tiffney as our guide, in conjunction with the Emeriti Association. Because of their popularity, we anticipate offering at least one tour every year.

At the end of April I will be attending the joint CUCRA/CUCEA meeting hosted by UC Riverside along with our CUCRA representatives, Robert Mann and George Hopwood. CUCRA (Council of University of California Retirees Associations) and CUCEA (Council of University of California Emeriti Associations) are your systemwide advocates for retiree benefits. We anticipate there will be discussion regarding improving health benefits for out of state retirees, improving the Delta Dental network listings and possible enhancements to coverage, and improvements to survivor pension processing.

In May we will be having another "sold out" tour of The Hermitage. This tour is being offered to those that were placed on the waitlist of the last tour. The Hermitage is incredibly popular, so we anticipate offering another tour to everyone soon.

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The CUCRA/CUCEA Zoom Conference Links are Live!

Join CUCRA, the Council of University of California Retirees Associations, and CUCEA, the Council of University of California Emeriti Associations, for their Spring conference

Wednesday, April 23 from noon to 4 pm -

A joint meeting with CUCRA & CUCEA

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: 948 2643 7269

Thursday, April 24 from 8:30 am to noon -

CUCEA Meeting

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 990 1335 2141

Thursday, April 24 from 8:30 am to noon -

CUCRA Meeting

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 990 1335 2141

All meetings are free.

Questions? Contact [Ellen Pasternack](#), Emeriti Retirees Coordinator, or call 805.893.2168

Live Entertainment Presented by UCSB!

Enjoy live and filmed entertainment on campus, or downtown:



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The (Dixie) Chicks

[UCSB Arts and Lectures](#)

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**Donate to the Emeriti
Association's Promise
Scholars Scholarship Fund
by clicking on the "Donate"
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The Programs Committee has offered a variety of events, including talks by Dickson Emeriti Professors Pat Cohen and Fyl Pincus; bike rides; a guided botanical tour of Lotusland; and in collaboration with the UCSB Library Special Research Collections, the 3rd annual celebration of emeriti research.

Please join us for spring events scheduled by our Program Committee:

*April 22. Webinar with Brenda Major, National Academy of Sciences member: "Stigma and Health," 4 p.m. Register for the webinar.

*April 28 on-campus lecture by Charan Ranganath, UC Davis Center for Neuroscience: "Why We Remember (and How to Remember Better)," Henley Hall, Room 1010, 4:30-6 pm.

*May 13, Bike ride (10-14 miles) starting at Goleta Beach. Contact [Bill Prothero](#) for more information and to register.

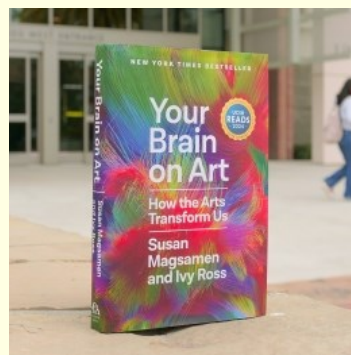
With best wishes,
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UCSB's AD&A Museum Events



UCSB Library Events

(Includes UCSB Reads)



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UCSB's official news site updated daily with breaking news, events, and research news from the University of California.

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On May 27 we will be offering a genealogy workshop for our dues paying members in conjunction with the Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society. We expect this workshop to fill up quickly and will offer a second workshop if there is demand.

We have much more in store for you including additional tours and our annual summer picnic. If you have any suggestions please consider joining us. It's not a major commitment - just an interest to be more involved with your fellow retirees. Don't hesitate to contact Ellen Pasternack, Emeriti Retirees Center Coordinator, at ellen.pasternack@hr.ucsb.edu or 805-893-2168 should you have any questions.

Best Always,
Kim

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2024 Spring Webinars and Events for UCSB Emeriti & Retirees

Stay tuned to your inbox to receive registration details for the following events. Please contact [Ellen Pasternack](#) if you would like to be added to the Emeriti Retiree Center email list. Details will also be posted on the [Emeriti Retiree Center website](#).

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Tues, April 22	Emeriti Association webinar with Professor Emerita Brenda Major: "Stigma and Health"	4 to 5 pm	Zoom Webinar
Mon, April 28	CALS Annual Lecture, co-sponsored by the Emeriti Association — Charan Ranganath on "How We Remember and How to Remember Better"	4:30 to 6 pm	Henley Hall, Room 1010
Tues, May 13	Emeriti Association presents a bike ride and breakfast stop for emeriti & Retirees	9 to 11 am	Goleta East Parking Lot. Contact Bill Prothero
Weds, May 14	Retirees Association hosts a tour of SB's quirky, private museum. SOLD OUT.	10 to noon	Hermitage Museum
Tues, May 27	Retirees Association trip: Santa Barbara Genealogical Society. Contact Kim Summerfield by May 14. Group size is limited.	11 am to noon	Santa Barbara Genealogical Society

John Bleck
Biology-Life Science
Computing Group
1993

Sharon Bullard
Library
1998

Tommy Dickey
Geography
2016

Jose Fulco
Physics
1994

Alwyn Hartnett, Jr.
Mail Room
2001

Terri Hille
School of Education
2021



Christine Palacio
Library
2014

Nanette Panizzon
Equal Opportunity
2003

Peter Steiner
Alumni Affairs Office
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Wilfred Swalling
Learning Resources

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Kuo-ch`ing Tu
East Asian Language/Studies
2021

Donald Weaver
Earth Science
1989

Craig Welsh
Spanish & Portuguese
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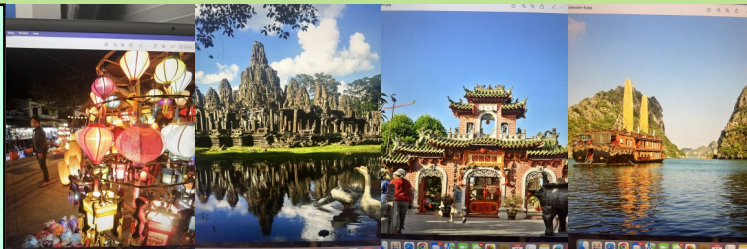
Losing a loved one is never easy, and it can be difficult to settle your loved one's estate while you are still grieving. Detailed information on the steps you need to take can be found at [Your Guide to Survivor and Beneficiary Benefits](#) booklet. UC staff will work with you to explain any benefits available to you and to other survivors or beneficiaries. The [Retirement Administration Service Center](#) will be your primary point of contact. RASC representatives can answer questions and guide you through the process of claiming both UCRP benefits and UC-sponsored health and welfare benefits, if you're eligible. RASC Survivor Intake Unit, for survivors and beneficiaries, call **800.825.6833**. Report a death via [Retirement At Your Service \(UCRAYS\)](#) or contact the RASC at **800.888.8267** (or 1-510-987-0200 from outside the U.S.), 8:30 a.m.– 4:30 p.m, Monday through Friday.

Have you moved recently?

If you have moved, please remember to contact the following with your new address:



- ⇒ [UC Retirement Administration Service Center \(RASC\)](#) 800-888-8267 will forward your updated address to your insurance carriers. You can update your contact information via [Retirement At Your Service Online](#) (UCRAYS)
- ⇒ To send to RASC via USPS, the change of address form for retirees is found here –[UBEN131](#). Once completed, the form should be sent to RASC (address on UBEN 131 form)
- ⇒ [Social Security](#) if you are on Medicare
- ⇒ UCSB Emeriti/Retiree Center – send email to ellen.pasternack@hr.ucsb.edu



The UC Retirees Travel program offers two great advantages to retirees wishing to see the world. First, we travel in good company! Retired faculty and staff from the 10 UC campuses and three national laboratories tend to develop a strong camaraderie, based on our shared work history.

Second, by traveling with this program, we help support CUCRA (Council of University of California Retirees Associations) and our retiree associations at each UC location. CUCRA, a nonprofit organization comprised of volunteer representatives from each campus retiree association, represents our interests and advocates for our benefits in regular meetings with UC leadership. For example, CUCRA has been instrumental in establishing the UC Healthcare Facilitator program, maintaining UC contributions to retiree healthcare premiums, advocating for the establishment of campus-funded retirement centers, and encouraging retiree perks such as free or reduced parking.

UC Retirees Travel offers trips around the world through its three tour partners. Each offers a variety of trips which may be exclusive to UC Retirees or may be a mixture of our travelers and other group(s) or individuals, including our friends and family who are always welcome! Our tour partners are:

[Collette](#), a family-owned company that has been offering guided tours for more than 100 years.

[Overseas Adventure Travel \(OAT\)](#), [Grand Circle Travel \(GCT\)](#), [Grand Circle Cruise Line \(GCCL\)](#), travel companies owned by Grand Circle Corporation. OAT specializes in small land and sea adventures. OAT/GCT feature land tours with no single supplement; GCCL cruises feature a limited number of single rooms with a very low single supplement.

[Premier World Discovery](#), a 25-year-old tour company that offers one of the few trips to Cuba.

Some of our 2025 UC Retiree Travel trips still have available space, including Ultimate Africa, Canadian Maritimes, Scandinavia, The Azores, French Impressions, Northern Spain and Portugal, Niagara Falls to NYC, Cuba Discovery, Heart of India, and Victoria and Vancouver Xmas.

Retirees have also started to enroll in our 2025 trips and are excited to visit the Galapagos, departing 1/16; Costa Rica departing 1/31; Finland departing 2/20; Italy departing 3/3; Spain and Portugal departing 3/30; Danube River Cruise departing 4/19; Northern Italy departing 4/28; Africa departing 6/19 and 6/22; France departing 9/19 and Albania and Greece departing 12/2.

Pricing for our air-inclusive trips includes economy flights, a dedicated tour leader and escort, hotels, most group activities, many meals, and transfers, as well as gratuities for local guides, bus drivers, and wait staff for included group meals. Costs **not** included are:

- Some activities (usually one to three per trip)
- Visas (for countries where visas are required, trip flyers and/or final documents will specify the cost of and the procedure for obtaining the visa)
- Some meals (daily breakfasts are usually included as are some lunches and dinners)
- Some tips (tips for the dedicated trip leader, cruise staff, housekeeping staff and/or wait staff for meals not included, depending on the country's customs)

Trip costs are the same whether you book one of our retiree tours or book the same tour directly with the tour operator.

If you are interested in any of the UC Retiree tours, it is useful to review the trip flyer (<https://cucra.ucsd.edu/travel/index.html>) which includes the daily itinerary and activity levels, ranging from 1 (leisurely) to 4 (most active). If you have questions about specific tours, contact the tour companies directly. If you have general questions for the travel program, contact us at UCRetireesTravel@gmail.com

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Brenda Major

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Robert Warner

Simon Williams

The UCSB Emeriti/Retirees Center serves as a connecting link between UCSB and its retired faculty and staff. While we encourage all retired faculty and staff to join the UCSB Retirees Association or Emeriti Association, we serve all retirees, regardless of membership. If we can't answer your questions, we will refer you to other resources. If you have questions about:

UC pension, beneficiaries or retiree health benefits...

Contact the [Retirement Administration Service Center](#) (RASC), at 800.888.8267.

NEW! - RASC Survivor Intake Unit, for survivors and beneficiaries, call 800.825.6833.

Hours are Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Medicare enrollment...

Visit the [UC Medicare website](#) or call the RASC at the number above.

UC defined contribution plan, 403(b) or 457(b) plans...

Contact Fidelity Retirement Services at (866) 682-7787 or, from outside U.S., (877) 343-0860 or email Andrew.Fung@Fidelity.com to schedule an individual consultation.

Your blue UCSB Retiree or Emeriti card, questions about parking, or referrals...

Contact [Ellen Pasternack](#) at the [Emeriti Retirees Center](#) or 805-893-2168.

