

# CSUS EMERITUS NEWS

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our first year was very successful, with much credit due to the able leadership of Jim Bradfield and our energetic committee members. Highlights include the October banquet, a well-attended luncheon and program on long-term health insurance, and a fun picnic at Lake Natomas. This year the banquet will be Saturday, October 25th (save the date!), and we are planning a program on the new tax law and financial planning in retirement. Your further suggestions would be most welcome.

Our emeritus faculty will be participating in CSUS's 40th anniversary celebration this coming year. Any suggestions as to how we can best contribute? The University has given us office space in the Goethe mansion (37th and T), We expect to move in this month and to enjoy varied activities in this unique setting.

One thing we would like to do more of is to report on member activities and events. Will you send news of emeritus happenings so we can keep in touch?

President Gerth has asked us to make recommendations concerning emeritus status. Please read the enclosed draft proposal, study the issues and send me your written comments so we can better reflect the opinions of the whole association. Hope to see you in October.

— *Wilma Krebs*

## MAY GENERAL MEETING SIGNALS IMPORTANT ADVANCES

James Bradfield conducted his final meeting as first president.

John R. Cox was elected vice-president and will serve this year along with President Wilma M. Krebs and holdovers Norman Roth, secretary, and Merrell Skeels, treasurer.

University vice-President Robert C. Jones told those assembled the good news that upstairs offices will be

available to the Association in the Goethe Mansion for at least the next three years beginning this month.

Jones also reminded us of the 40th Anniversary celebration for the year 1987-88. They are still generating ideas and we are invited to participate.

You should by now have received your updated Directory of the Association membership, for which we have Gertrude Meyer, Membership Chair and her committee to thank.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$609.63, and since we are solvent and we now have a letterhead, President Bradfield assumed that the membership is happy.

A lengthy discussion was held on a recommendation from the University and Public Affairs Committee regarding emeritus status.

## EMERITUS BANQUET TO BE HELD IN REDWOOD ROOM

The fall banquet will be held this year on October 25 in the Redwood Room of the University Union. This affair, every year a great success, was presented last year for the first time by the new Emeritus Association, under the leadership of James Bradfield, who also coordinated the banquets in 1983 and 1984, taking over from Floyd Mullinix, who arranged the first banquet in 1982 in the cafeteria North Dining Hall. This year Eleanor Kirkland of the Association's Hospitality and Welfare Committee has carried out all the arrangements with the Hornet Foundation and the University Union.

The Saturday, October 25 event will begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m. Wine and punch will be served before dinner. The price is **\$12.50** per person, to be sent in by October 12 to EMERITUS ASSOCIATION OF CSUS, c/o Public Affairs Office, CSUS. Checks are to be made payable to the Association.

A RESERVATION FORM On page four of this NEWSLETTER is to be filled out and sent in, with number attending and payment.

**MEMBERS' COMMENTS REQUESTED —  
HELP OFFICERS AND PRESIDENT  
DEFINE EMERITUS STATUS**

**SEE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE**

President Donald Gerth in September a year ago asked the Association to review the definition of emeritus status at CSUS and to make a recommendation to him. This recommendation is now about due.

The matter was referred to the University and Public Affairs Committee of the Association which after data-gathering and long study presented its recommendation at the May general meeting, where after discussion it was voted to submit the draft recommendation to the entire membership for comment and suggestions.

Enclosed in this NEWSLETTER is the draft recommendation with a letter by President Wilma Krebs. This letter presents 1) Current CSUS policy, 2) Policies on other CSU campuses, and 3) Issues for consideration.

These issues should receive special attention, though others may come to mind.

Also included is the recommendation made by the committee and discussed by the membership. Section I,, Qualifications, and Section II, Procedures, relate directly to the issues stated in the letter.

The committee recommendations change current policy by eliminating associate professor from those eligible, by giving librarians specific mention, and by specifying 10 consecutive years of full-time service as a qualification. Only administrators with faculty status would be eligible.

Also under current policy emeritus status is automatic on retirement; under the committee recommendation the status is no longer automatic but is to be granted by the president after nomination by peers, either faculty, librarian, or administrative.

President Krebs specifically requests comment on these and other points. Her address is given at the beginning of the letter. All comments should be sent in immediately for the October 3 deadline.

Remember, even the briefest comment swells the total.

**Newly Retired Prot:** I'm emeritus now. That means I've had it. Tossed out like an old Birkenstock.

**Older Ill** How do you mean?

**NRP:** Isn't **emeritus** from Latin **ex meritus** meaning "out of merit?"

**ORP:** It's from Latin all right, but from **emereri**, which means "to earn by service." So — you work hard, you store up rights and honors and

**NRP:** ... and all that jazz I suppose.

**ORP:** I was going to say ... and you still have obligations, one of which is to pay dues and be active in your EMERITUS ASSOCIATION.

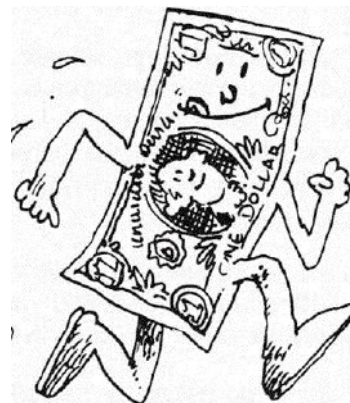
**THE RENAISSANCE SOCIETY**

A CSUS Center for learning in retirement called "The Renaissance Society" is offering its first programs this Fall. The Society will provide seminar topics selected by its members each of whom has a responsibility to contribute to the seminar. Sacramento area retirees who want more intellectual and cultural stimulation in their lives are invited to join. For further information call PASAR at CSUS, (916) 278-7834, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-noon.

**THE DUES AND THE DON'TS**

**DO PAY NOW AND DON'T PUT IT OFF !**

Nothing lasts forever. Ain't it a bloomin' shame? Those five pretty bucks we paid are now kaput, as of the first day of this month. They have to be replaced with five more. Please send to: Merrell W. Skeels, Treasurer, 3220 Sierra Oaks Drive, Sacramento, CA 95864.



**WHITE WRITES US**

Dear Members of E A:

I'd like to thank those of you who've been to see us and who have shown a special interest in our photo identification project. Dr. Hume dropped by and donated many photos of past theatre productions plus a nice collection of theatre programs. In addition, Dr. Lucas made a donation of early Faculty Council and College Council papers.

Two weeks ago Mrs. Guy West sent us two large boxes of memorabilia from President Guy West's tenure at 'Sac State.' Please keep in mind if any of you have treasures you'd like to donate to the University Archives we will be happy to help you arrange for the transfer of material. If you have questions or would like to make arrangements for donations, please call 278-5658 or **278-6144**.

Sincerely,  
Georgiana White  
University Archivist

## SUMMER ELDERHOSTEL CLASSES HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL

Each year our campus hosts two weeks of Elderhostel, with three courses each week. I'm sure most of you know that Elderhostel is an international educational organization for people over 60 and their significant others.

This summer the two sessions took place July 20-26 and July 27-August 2. The first week's courses were "California Plants — From the Desert to the Sea" Fire and Ice: the Cascade Volcanos," and "Under the Dome: Legislating in California." The second week's classes were "A World of Books," "California Wines: The Art, the Science, the Consumer," and "California Politics: 8th Wonder of the World."

I was fortunate enough to teach "A World of Books," based on a former course at CSUS, "The History of the Book." There were 40 people in attendance and I felt great joy in sharing with my age peers the exciting materials from the Library's Fine Printing Collection.

Some of you may wish to consider teaching one of these 4-day, 6-hour classes next year. If so, contact Marion Boehm or her assistant Nancy Lewis in the PASAR office, 278-6750.

You may also wish to consider attending such a session here or elsewhere. They are educational, relaxed (no exams, no grades!), and you meet interesting people from all over. To get on the mailing list for future catalogs write: Elderhostel, 80 Boylston Street, Suite 400, Boston, MA, 02116.

— Gene Salmon

## KEEPING UP WITH LONG-TERM CARE

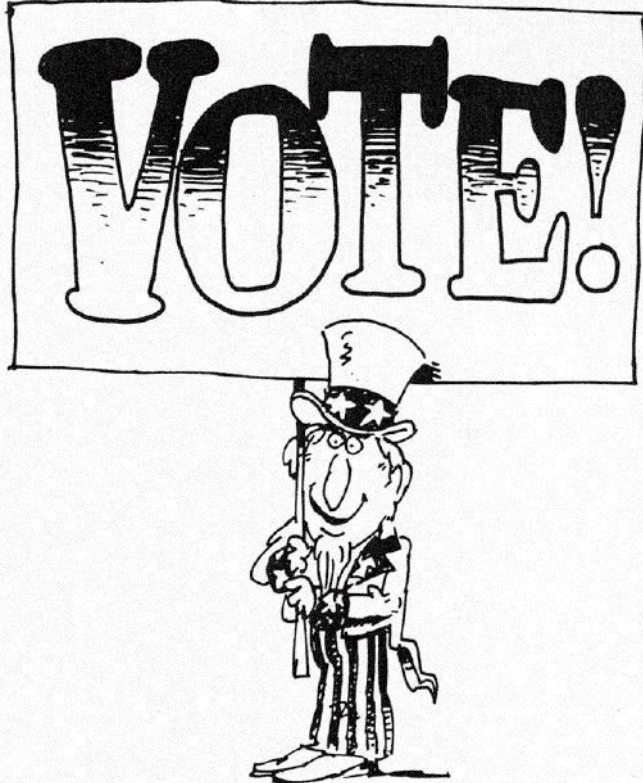
As a follow-up to my previous report on long-term health care insurance, I once again spoke to Eugene Landay at the Legal Center for the Elderly and Disabled. According to him there has been no change in the situation; no one has come up with a reasonably-priced and comprehensive coverage for long-term care. Though there are people working on the problem, nothing has materially changed.

Several articles have come to my attention, the most encouraging called "Doctor in the House: Otis Bowen takes over at HHS," in **Modern Maturity** (AARP) for August-September, 1986 (p. 20-22). He apparently recognizes the need for catastrophic health insurance and the inadequacy of Medicare in this area.

**The California State Retiree** (CSEA) for May, 1986 has two pertinent items. "Long-Term Care Study is Aim of Duffy Bill" recognizes that "the lack of coverage for long-term health care is probably the biggest weakness in the health insurance program administered by the Public Employees' Retirement System." Assemblywoman Jean Duffy, in introducing AD3200 is requesting PERS to conduct a mail survey of its members on their interest in coverage for long-term care.

As of this writing, the bill is now on the governor's desk.

— Gene Salmon



## VOTE YES ON 56 AND NO ON 61

Those interested in the welfare of CSUS are urged to cast a "No" vote on Proposition 61 in the November General Election, the Gann amendment, which would deprive faculty of unused sick leave at the end of each calendar year. Vice-President Robert Jones has very little concern about 61's passing, since it is opposed by CSEA, CTA, Calif. Taxpayers' Association, and practically every other organization.

Jones strongly urges a "Yes" vote on Prop. 56, a bond measure, which would mean for the University a half million dollars for working drawings of a new library and 11 million for a new engineering building.

## BRIEF REPORT ON SPRING SOCIAL

EMS BARB ON CUE  
NATOMAS LAKE MAY  
DRINKS EATS MUCH  
FUN HAD ALL 50 PIERS  
BOATING TOO  
MUCH TALK  
PLACE COOL  
WEATHER COOP  
CONSENSUS  
AGAIN LET'S

CLIP AND MAIL

RESERVATION

**1986 EMERITUS BANQUET**

\$12.50 PER PERSON

Return before October 12 to:

Emeritus Association

*do* Public Affairs

CSUS 6000 J Street, Adm. 203

Sacramento, CA 95819-2694

YES! We will beat the Banquet on **October 25, 1986**.

Name(s)

Enclosed find check payable to **Emeritus Association of CSUS @ \$12.50** per person, for the Banquet.

2. Enclosed also find separate check for dues for **1986-87** (\$5.00)