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JOHN COX TAKES OVER AS THIRD PRESIDENT OF EMERITUS ASSOCIATION

John Cox, former executive dean and later associate vice president for administration, has taken the reins of the Emeritus Faculty Association for the 1987-88 year.

His fellow officers include Leonard Kennedy, retired professor of education, as vice president; and Elgie Fuson, former head of the Education - Psychology Reference Library, as secretary. Merrell Skeels, former professor of accountancy, continues for a third term as treasurer of the organization.

Cox, who is originally from Pennsylvania, holds a Ph.D. from Stanford University. In point of service, Cox is one of the senior members of the faculty and administration. He joined the faculty in 1950 and retired in 1985, a stint of 35 years of teaching and administrative duties during the forty years of the University's existence. During that time, he rose to professor of business administration. He served as chair of the department of management, as acting dean of the School of Business Administration, and as dean of campus facilities under Bernie Hyink from 1970-73.

Kennedy is from Oregon and was a teacher there in the public schools before returning to graduate school. He holds an Ed.D. from Washington State University, awarded in 1960. He joined the education faculty at CSUS in the same year. He taught courses in elementary school math and mathematics curriculum and supervised elementary school field experiences before retiring as a professor in 1956. He is the author of four books, including a co-authorship of a remedial reading series (with Hank Bamman and Bob Whitehead).

Elgie Fuson is a graduate of Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio and holds an MLS degree from Case Western University in Cleveland. She joined the library staff at CSUS in 1959 as a part timer, and became full time in 1961. She retired from the University in 1980. Elgie has been a volunteer in the finance office of El Camino High School.

Skeels split his 21 years of service to Cal State Sacramento into two periods, the first from 1948-62 and then from 1976 to 1983, when he retired. He is also a retired partner in the accounting firm of Coopers and Lybrand. Skeels is a graduate of UC Berkeley, from which institution he also holds an MS. degree. He is the former vice president of the California Society of CPA's and is presently the Director of Positive Enforcement of the California State Board of Accountancy.

GET YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR FALL BANQUET - NOW

Bob Good, the ebullient professor of psychology who entered the Faculty Early Retirement Program this past May, will be the master of ceremonies for the Emeritus Association Fall Banquet which is scheduled for Sunday, October 18, in the Redwood Room of the University Union. The event is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. with a hospitality hour slated for 6 p.m.

The speaker will be Dr. Mary Burger, vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Burger, an authority on American and British modern literature, joined the administration at CSUS in 1986. She holds a Ph.D. from Washington University in St. Louis. She came to Cal State from the same position at Tennessee State University.

A musical surprise has been planned by Letha Polenske, one of the retired musical faculty. Performers pledged to date include Jim Adair and his magic violin. This will mark the first time the Emeritus Association dinners has been entertained with music.

Be sure and make your reservations by sending your check for \$12.50 per ticket to Merrell Skeels, Association treasurer, at 3220 Sierra Oaks Drive, Sacramento 95864.

PRESIDENT COX'S MESSAGE

First, let me thank you for the honor of serving the Emeritus Association. A finer group of colleagues is not to be found.

Our 40th anniversary of the University's founding is upon us and I hope many of you will attend the numerous events, both on and off the campus. Remember to mark your calendar for Sunday evening, October 18, for the annual banquet and reunion (details elsewhere in the Emeritus News), and for the Founder's Day Tribute Dinner on Thursday, November 19. The Founder's Day event will honor retired faculty founders and provide for a reunion of 25-year faculty and staff.

Let me add a word about volunteerism. We need your help, your ideas, and your participation. Surely a retired person is entitled to say "No thanks" to any call for service on a committee or as an officer in the Association. On the other hand we need vital, interested retired faculty to make our program enjoyable and give it the value it should have. The University has provided

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us offices pace in the Goethe University House. President Gerth wants us to grow and prosper and will help us in anyway he can to be an active part of the campus community.

My thanks to Wilma Krebs and last year's officers and committees. They have set a high standard. We need someone to succeed Betty Austin as Program Committee chairperson and others on that committee. We should build the program to meet the interests of our membership. Be a part of it. Volunteer!

So step up- let us hear from you. You can reach me at home, 487-5739, most of the time.

— **John R. Cox**

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. **Emmett C. Thompson**, who served as dean of graduate studies at California State University, Sacramento, died Wednesday (Sept. 23).

Mr. Thompson, 74, presided over graduate studies at the university during a major period of expansion, from 1953 until 1976 when he retired.

A Native of New Mexico, Mr. Thompson received a bachelor's degree from the University of Redlands in 1935 and a master's degree from the University of Southern California in 1940.

He served in the Air Corps during World War II and in 1948 he received a doctorate in education from Stanford University.

Dr. **Donald Eugene Houghton**, a long-time California State University, Sacramento English professor, died Tuesday (Sept. 22) in Sacramento of complications of Shy Drager Syndrome. He was 67.

A cryptographer for the Army Air Force during World War II, he came to California in 1955 and taught English at CSUS until he retired in 1982. Mr. Houghton served as English Department chairman from 1964 to 1967 and received a Fulbright Lectureship to the University of Cairo in 1962 and to the University of Guyana in 1976.

Dr. **Jesse Young**, emeritus professor of education at California State University, Sacramento, died Saturday, May 23.

A member of the CSUS faculty from 1949, arriving just two years after the University was established, Dr. Young was with CSUS until his retirement in 1971. It was he who founded what is now known as the Credentials and Student Service Office of the school of education.

Dr. Young is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mildred Young, a son and a daughter. A grandson was formerly CSUS student body president.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE : CAMPUS HUMMING

Groundbreaking for the new CSUS engineering and computer science building is set for late September, and a ceremony marking the event will be held Thursday, October 15, as part of the University's 40th anniversary celebration.

Included in the new building will be eight lecture halls, six graduate research laboratories, 18 teaching- and self-instructional computer labs and the school's departmental and faculty offices.

"This building is going to make a tremendous difference to our program," said Don Gillott, dean of engineering and computer science. "It will be very modern, and will introduce our students to state-of-the-art facilities."

Scheduled for completion in early 1989, the building will be occupied in the fall semester of that year.

There are, in addition, eight other building projects in various stages of planning and construction at CSUS.

Groundbreaking has already begun for a new child care center, which has a target completion date of January 1988. The new center will have a kitchen, six classrooms, office and conference rooms, sick rooms for ill children, a play therapy room, and a multipurpose room for children.

The remodeling of the Hornet Bookstore, which began in September 1986, is scheduled for completion in January of 1988. The new bookstore will have 45,000 square feet of space.

In addition to the university library, which will nearly double the building's size, is expected to get underway in April, 1988. Completion is set for August, 1990.

Construction of a five-story classroom building, on the site of the present anthropology buildings, is scheduled to begin in October, 1988, and the building is expected to be ready for occupancy in September, 1990.

A parking garage that will provide spaces for about 1,800 cars is planned. Construction will take place between October 1990 and September, 1991.

Housing for 226 more students will be provided by a sixth residence hall. Work will begin in October, 1988, and the facility should be ready for occupancy by September, 1990.

A Health and Human Performance building, to be added south of the physical education building, has been proposed with a tentative completion date of September, 1991. Also underway are plans for another classroom building to be completed by the mid-1990's.

UPDATE ON LONG-TERM CUSTODIAL CARE INSURANCE

by Gene Salmon,
Retired Chief Humanities Reference Librarian

For those of you who have purchased insurance against long-term custodial care expenses, there are a couple of caveats you should be aware of. According to Eugene Landay, the coordinator of the Health Insurance Counselling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) of the consumer-oriented and state-supported Legal Center for the Elderly and Disabled there are two potentially costly occasions in an illness timetable that, if not attended to, may cause your policy to become inoperative.

The first difficulty may occur at the hospital stage. Most policies require at least three consecutive days (read: overnight stays) of hospital confinement before the patient becomes eligible for benefits in a convalescent-care facility. Therefore, it is important that the patient not be discharged before the fourth day to meet this all-important requirement. The day you leave does not count as a hospital day!

Subsequently, there is also usually a period within which one must enter the convalescent facility after leaving the hospital (e.g. within 14 days) to make them eligible for benefits. Your policy should state all these requirements.

Second, and probably in the same section of your policy as the above, benefits will be paid only if there is **continued treatment** for the same injury or illness for which the insured was hospitalized. This may sound obvious, but according to Mr. Landay, at the point when Medicare and simultaneously your Medicare-supplement health plan terminate — usually when a "plateau" in your health care has been reached — the doctor may wish to relieve himself of your case. Don't let him do it!

When Medicare stops paying, your long-term care insurance should start paying. The "plateau" is reached when the patient's classification is changed from skilled nursing to custodial status. The facility will/should notify the patient or family when this occurs.

This is where you have to make sure that the doctor **continues treatment** and stays on your case, even to prescribing medication or physical therapy and making an occasional visit. Otherwise the long-term-care-insurance carrier may terminate (or, worse, not even begin) benefits. If your physician is one who cooperates with you it is important that he understand your situation and work with you. You may have to file a Reconsideration Request to make sure that he understands your need.

Please read your policies carefully and understand the implications of the wording. The benefits as well as the limitations or exclusions should be clearly understood by the policyholder and spouse to prevent any loss of benefits should use of the policy become necessary.

PRESIDENT GERTH SALUTES CSUS IN FACULTY ADDRESS

A Commission on the Regional University, which will study the university educational and service needs of the 13 counties served by CSU, Sacramento, was announced by President Gerth late in July.

The commission will include two representatives from each of the 13 counties and others who will represent "significant cities and communities throughout the region," Gerth told the faculty during his annual fall address August 27.

The move was partly in response to a formal petition by a group of Roseville citizens to the CSUC Trustees to establish a new campus of the state university system in their city, which is barely 18 miles from CSUS, Gerth said.

Gerth envisions a better solution will be eventually to set up a system of branch centers which will operated in by CSUS. The Commission will consider this and other matters to be outlined by Gerth as he makes appointments to the Commission during the next few months.

As of August 1, Gerth had appointed Rocklin Mayor Ross Ainsworth, Yuba College president Patricia Wirth, and William M. Mason, vice president of Sutter Health System to membership on the commission. Tim Comstock, newly-appointed Executive Dean of the university, has been named director of the Commission.

Gerth praised the Associated Student officers for coming up with a 1987-88 budget and for signing a five-year contract with the intercollegiate athletic department, a contract which will help fund the expanded athletic program at the university. Gerth said he had warned the new ASI leaders in June that "If they did not produce a budget and produce needed changes in student governance, I intend to ask the Chancellor to declare that an auxiliary not in good standing."

Despite a budget stalemate which lasted, Gerth said, throughout the 1986-87 school year, the new 1987-88 ASI officers, whom he labeled among the "finest in my experience (and I first became an associate dean of students twenty-nine years ago) ... not only produced a budget, but they have started a thorough going review of their corporate structure." He restored the ASI's standing.

Statistically, Cal State Sacramento is 67th in the nation in size of all universities, Gerth said. The university has conferred more than 90,000 baccalaureate and master's degrees in 40 years of existence. Nearly a quarter of a million students have enrolled for one or more courses during CSUS's four decades. More than one-third of the faculty at Sacramento City College have earned degrees at old Sac State.

To assist you to understand the many provisions of the policy, HICAP has trained counselors available at no cost to you. Call 442-3486 for assistance!

NEWS AND HONORS IN RETIREMENT

Sue Snively, who retired as head of the Student Health Service this spring, as been designated as director emeritus of the Health Service.

Wilma Krebs, outgoing president of our Emeritus Association, is now serving as vice president and member of the board of the statewide Association of Emeritus Professors.

Robert Jones, V.P. for University Affairs and general chairman of the committee planning the 40th Anniversary celebrations, said that people who were members of the faculty prior to January, 1953 have been designated Founders of the University. These people will be honored at the Founders Day Tribute Dinner to be held at 6p.m., on Thursday, November 19, in the Redwood Room of the University Union.

MORE CSUS STATISTICS

Enrollment at California State University, Sacramento increased by more than nine percent between 1982 and 1986, with upperdivision classes accounting for most of the growth. These and other facts about the university are contained in the **Enrollment Fact Book, 1982-86** recently issued by the CSUS Office of Institutional Studies. According to the report:

54 percent of CSUS students are female
75 percent of new students are community college transfers
Minority enrollment has increased to 21 percent of the total student population
45 percent of students are between 20 and 24 years old
55 percent of the students are from the Greater Sacramento Area; foreign enrollment has increased 20 percent

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Address Changes?

The membership committee appreciates all suggestions received for our membership directory. Please continue to advise Elgie Fuson, 2809 Marilona Dr., Sacramento, CA 95821 or phone (916) 489-3167 of any changes.

Campus Calendar of Student Events

A periodic Campus Calendar of events sponsored by the University Union Program Department has been made available to retired faculty who desire a copy by mail. The calendar not only lists events on campus (largely in the University Union) which are planned by program Director Rich Schiffers and his student staff, but also many campus sports events, speakers and conferences. If you wish to receive a copy, send your name and address to Kathy Lamb or Juliann Harvey, CAMPUS CALENDAR, Student Activities Office, 3rd floor, University Union, CSUS, 6000 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95819. Note on your request that you are a retired faculty member.

Dues Due for Some

The call for dues in the Emeritus Association which appeared in the May issue of this publication, resulted in some faithful members paying dues on top of dues. Our treasurer, Merrell Skeels, has compiled a list of the members whose dues are paid through next spring. Others who are not yet paid for 1987-88 are gently reminded to be forthcoming. See the attached sheet of members who have paid.

- Arts and Sciences is the largest and fastest growing of the five academic schools.

The report was prepared under the direction of Gerald Sharp, Director of Institutional Studies, who said that his office is already hard at work on the next enrollment study to be released in November.

RESERVATION

Fall Banquet

\$12.50 per person

Return by Oct. 12, 1987 to: **Merrell Skeels**
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