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## UC BERKELEY RETIREMENT CENTER NEWSLETTER

### RETIREMENT CENTER MISSION STATEMENT

The UC Berkeley Retirement Center is dedicated to developing programs and services that contribute to the well being and creativity of retired faculty, staff and their families and that support the UC community.

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### WALK-IN HOURS

Monday–Friday:  
1pm–4pm  
excluding holidays

*Transforming Retirement  
for 17 Years*



### Director's Notes

I'm thrilled to share with you the latest UC Berkeley Retirement Center (UCBRC) news and activities. Although I started this position only a month ago, it is clear to me that UCBRC has a wealth of programs and services to offer emeriti and retirees from UC Berkeley, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab and UC Office of the President.

We have a new location! You are welcome to stop by and say "hi." We're at 101 University Hall, near the corner of Oxford Street and University Avenue. We are closer to campus, which provides greater visibility and a chance for us to be more connected to the energy of campus, especially in the fall as new students arrive. Current office hours are Monday-Friday, 1-4pm.

Our fall programming is in full swing, starting with our **Learning in Retirement (LIR)** series, a diverse array of lectures in the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and the arts, all of which are designed and planned by a committee of emeriti. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I. To commemorate this event, the LIR committee planned a series for October 15 - November 12 on "The After-Effects of World War I." Look for information on page 5 of this newsletter or on our website: <http://retirement.berkeley.edu/lir.shtml>.

Additionally, we have arranged two of our ever-popular "Tours and Teas" at the **Berkeley Art Museum**. These special retiree events include a free docent-led tour followed by a tea sampling and open discussion (page 5). The Museum will likely begin packing their collection this spring to prepare to move to their new space on Oxford Ave. See <http://press.bampfa.berkeley.edu/building/> to find out more about their new building, which is

right next door to us.

We are super excited to announce our **newest service** to retirees - an online portal where retirees can connect with and learn from each other, based on interest. The portal also allows retirees to manage their contact information and communication preferences. More information about the portal is on page 3, or log in at **retireportal.berkeley.edu** to check it out! If you've not received an email from us before, be sure to call 510-642-5461 or email [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu) and ask us to add you to our list. This will give you access to the portal.

We congratulate **600 recently retired faculty and staff** and look forward to the opportunity to connect with you! Please mark your calendars for November 13, 2014 for our **Reception Honoring New Retirees** - a chance to celebrate and connect with programs based on your interest. Keep an eye out for an invitation in the mail. Be sure to also send your email address to [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu) to receive our regular email announcements.

It is such a pleasure to join the UCB Retirement Center - a center that is rich with intellectually stimulating and socially engaging programs, and that provides access to a variety of benefits and discounts. We gain so much from retiree engagement, enthusiasm and leadership when developing our programs - this is what makes us unique! Retirement is a wonderful time to **explore, rethink or start something new**. We hope that UCBRC has something of interest for you. I look forward to connecting with you!

Best,

*Cary Sweeney*  
Cary Sweeney, Director



## Cal Connections

To take advantage of these special offers, you must use a **Retiree ID** card that identifies you as retired staff, retired academic, or emeriti or their surviving spouse or partner. To obtain your free card, come by the Center between 1pm and 4pm daily or call 510-642-5461 to order by mail.

## Selected Cal Connections

- 20/20 Vision Plan discount at the University Eye Center
- Free admission to the Berkeley Art Museum
- Faculty/staff rates at the Pacific Film Archive
- Discount on annual membership to the UC Berkeley Botanical Garden
- Cal Athletics season tickets discount
- Discounts on select Cal Performances events
- Use of Cal Rentals to find and list rentals
- Discounted membership at the Cal Rec Club
- Chronicle of the University of California discount
- bConnected account or email forwarding through the Cal Retirement Center Network (CRCN)
- Access to the campus Health Care Facilitator
- Free Health Insurance Counseling from HICAP
- Access to International Travel Care
- Free enrollment to the *Berkeleyan* e-newsletter
- Free UCB library card
- Music Department performance discounts
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI@Berkeley) membership discount
- 10% Cal Student Store discount
- Discounts on online purchases at UC Press (use code 04A5154 for discount)
- Wellness Letter discount for new subscribers
- Discounted membership to the Faculty Club
- Discounted membership at the Women's Faculty Club (WFC)

For full descriptions and details on any of these programs, contact the Center at 510-642-5461 or visit <http://retirement.berkeley.edu/connect.shtml>.

## @berkeley.edu Email Service

Get or keep a full-service @berkeley.edu email account with our CRCN Cal Retirement Center Network bConnected program.

This service includes an @berkeley.edu email address, storage space, access to campus Wi-Fi (Airbears), anti-virus software downloads and tech support by email or phone. It also includes access to the bConnected web-based productivity suite — all for the low annual fee of \$70. There is an additional \$10 set-up fee for new accounts.

Find out more online at <http://retirement.berkeley.edu/connect.shtml#crn>.

## Cal Performances Discounts

Retirees enjoy a \$5 discount on most performances in the 2014-2015 season (Special Events and Exclusive Engagements excluded). Tickets and season brochures are available at the Cal Performances Ticket Office in Zellerbach Hall or by calling 510-642-9988. For more information and performance locations visit <http://www.calperformances.org>.

Note: Discounts will only be available for in-person or charge-by-phone sales. This discount is limited to one ticket per retiree per event; cannot be combined with other discounts; is not retroactive; and all sales are final. Retiree ID card required at the door.

## Attention New Retirees!

Congratulations on your recent retirement! Many of you are receiving this newsletter for the first time. Inside, you will find information on how to stay connected and engaged, including: Cal Connections - programs and services accessible with Retiree ID (this page); educational programs and special events (p. 5-7); and how to join a Retiree Association (p. 7).

Please **email us** at [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu) and give us your name and email address. Our weekly emails are full of upcoming programs, benefits information, campus updates, and other items of note and supplement this newsletter, which is published three times per year.

We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming program or event!



## News and Opportunities

### JOIN THE UCB RETIREE COMMUNITY ONLINE!

#### retireeportal.berkeley.edu

We are pleased to announce our newest service to retirees — an online portal that allows you to interact with other retirees via our online community. We know that privacy is important, so when you **log into the retiree portal using your email address**, your profile is automatically set to private. To share your interests, city, and email address with other retirees, you must make your profile public. Log in to find out more!

The portal also puts you in control of the information you give to and get from the UCB Retirement Center! Use it to **manage your mailing preferences** and update your personal information in the Retirement Center database.

**To access the online portal**, you must have an email address listed in our retiree database. If you get regular email from us, try to log in using that email address. Otherwise, email [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu) and ask us to add your email address to our database.

In future phases, retireeportal.berkeley.edu will offer additional features that allow you to register for programs and make payments online. Stay tuned!

### DECISION-MAKING RESEARCH SUBJECT VOLUNTEER POOL

Have you ever wondered about how you make decisions? The Moore Accuracy Lab in the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley is looking for participants to participate in a decision-making research study. They are interested in finding out if decision-making changes across different age-groups, and your participation will help them piece together a more complete picture.

If you are interested in participating in this study, sign up at: <http://bit.ly/1r8l69G>. If you have any questions, please contact Julia at 510-642-8639 or [jprimis@berkeley.edu](mailto:jprimis@berkeley.edu).

### EMERITI FACULTY MENTORING OPPORTUNITY

Emeriti faculty have tremendous experience and knowledge about the University. To provide an opportunity for emeriti to remain engaged in the University and contribute to its mission, the University of California Berkeley Emeriti Association (UCBEA) is creating a list of emeriti faculty who agree to serve as mentors to regular faculty, of all ranks.

Faculty may benefit from a mentor who can discuss a broad range of issues or a specific concern related to their progress and advancement. Faculty could identify appropriate listed emeriti to discuss issues in complete confidence. The emeriti mentor can be from any department or school and not necessarily from the requesting faculty member's department.

Initially the list would be presented on the UCBEA website (through [retirement.berkeley.edu](http://retirement.berkeley.edu)), and emeriti faculty would be presented according to topics of "expertise." If you are interested in being a faculty mentor, contact Caroline Kane, UCBEA President, at [kanecm@berkeley.edu](mailto:kanecm@berkeley.edu) who can sign you up in an area of interest to you, or call the Retirement Center at 510-642-5461.

### IN MEMORY — ROBERT E. CONNICK

Seventeen years ago Professors Robert Connick and D.A. ("Al") Riley trooped down to the Chancellor's office with a mission. Chancellor Tien bought-in to their proposal, and thus was born the UCB Retirement Center. Bob Connick died on August 21, 2014 at the age of 97.

We hold fond memories of Dr. Connick as a great scientist and campus leader. In the next issue of *the CenterPiece* newsletter, we will present an expanded account and appreciation of Bob Connick's great contributions to science, to the Retirement Center, to the Berkeley Campus, and to his country.





## LBNL RETIREE OF DISTINCTION

## Joe Jaklevic - LBNL Retiree



One characteristic common to a number of Berkeley Lab employees (that's Lawrence Berkeley National Lab for you 'old timers') is a career trajectory that is made up of multiple sub-careers. Such was the case of Joe Jaklevic's thirty-five-plus years on the hill. Joe came to the lab - a newly minted PhD in nuclear physics from the University of Notre Dame - as a post-doc in the (then) Nuclear Chemistry Division. As an experimentalist at the 88 inch cyclotron, he found that instrumentation development was his true calling. Recruited by the late Fred Goulding into his measurement science group in Engineering, Joe began a multifaceted career designing and building instrumentation for a wide variety of scientific applications.

In the mid-1970s when U.S Environmental Protection Agency asked Berkeley Lab engineers to come up with a rugged, dependable way to study particulate air pollutants. Joe and his group were one of the first to be able to incorporate new developments in x-ray fluorescence - some of which they pioneered - into a field instrument. One of the LBNL analyzers built for EPA was in daily use for a quarter of a century, contributing to the development of modern air pollution standards.

These research activities involving x-ray fluorescence methods led to expanded programs in the early application of synchrotron-based x-ray techniques to environmental, biological, and materials sciences. Many of the methods developed during this period by Joe and his colleagues are still in use today at the Berkeley Lab's Advanced Light Source.

Early in 1987, in what would prove to be another career-changing experience, Joe attended a Department of Energy sponsored conference where advanced methods for sequencing the human genome were discussed. Other national laboratories had bigger biology projects,

but Berkeley Lab's instrumentation expertise eventually led to a leading role in the Human Genome Project. By this time, Joe had founded a Bioinstrumentation Group within the Engineering Division. He and his colleagues became pioneers in combining robotics and instrumentation for large-scale biology applications. They constructed the first "full-blown" capillary sequencer, the kind of high-throughput technology that was essential for the large-scale production required by the Genome Project. The group also developed other devices that supported the identification and manipulation of large biological molecules including a method that lies at the heart of DNA analysis. More recent efforts included the use robotic methods for the large-scale characterization of protein crystals using synchrotron radiation.

In the ten years immediately preceding his retirement in 2002, Joe served as Head for the Engineering Sciences Department. In addition to continuing his work in bioinstrumentation and semiconductor detector technology, Joe's responsibilities included oversight of projects as diverse as large volume germanium detectors for gamma-ray astronomy, charged coupled devices (CCDs) for infrared imaging, and custom integrated circuits for large-array detectors of the type used in modern colliding beam experiments.

Reflecting on his work, Joe says that "My career always forced me to learn new science, from nuclear physics to the environment to genomes to proteins. I was also privileged to work with a wide variety of interesting and talented collaborators over the many years and multiple projects."

A few years after his retirement, Joe joined the Board of the EX-Ls, the lab's retiree organization. He served as President for two 1-year terms and will start his third year as an EX-Ls representative on the UC Berkeley Retirement Center Policy Board.

Although a midwesterner - Joe grew up in Kansas City, Kansas - he and his wife Janean have become bicoastal, frequently exchanging visits with their son, daughter-in-law, and three grandkids in South Deerfield, MA. While home in Lafayette, Joe pursues a variety of non-science interests including sports (golf and tennis) and crafts (woodworking and drawing). He still has roots in his native Kansas - returning there periodically to renew ties with his extended family and friends and to revisit his taste for BBQ.

*Submitted by Richard Sextro*



## Retirement Center Programs

### LEARNING IN RETIREMENT

*There are no enrollment fees for Learning in Retirement (LIR) courses, but advance registration is required. Please call the Center at 510-642-5461 or email [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu) to register; course location will be provided with your confirmation.*

#### **The Aftermath of World War I**

*Organized by Professor Emeritus Donald "Al" Riley*

World War I, the first war to engage all of the then great powers of the world, began on August 1914. Hostilities ended with the Armistice of November 11, 1918. This catastrophe resulted in millions of deaths, both military and civilian, and changed the political structure of Europe and other parts of the world. We are commemorating this event by a series on the aftereffects of the War, which continue to the present time. Five historians will examine developments as they affected different parts of the world. The series will be moderated by Professor Margaret Anderson of the Department of History.

#### **Wednesday, October 15, 2-4pm, "The Aftermath of World War I in Russia"**

Yuri Slezkine, Professor of History

#### **Tuesday, October 21, 2-4pm, "The Folly of Nation Building: East Central Europe"**

John Connelly, Professor of History

#### **Wednesday, October 29, "The United States and the First World War"**

Daniel Sargent, Assistant Professor of History

#### **Wednesday, November 5, 2-4pm, "The Last Great Power? The Japanese Empire in the Wake of World War I"**

Andrew Barshay, Professor of History

#### **Wednesday November 12, 2-4pm, "What World War I Wrought and Those Who Tried to Stop It"**

Adam Hochschild, Author and Lecturer, School of Journalism

### BERKELEY ART MUSEUM TOUR & TEA

*A tea and open discussion follows each of these free, docent-led special events. Advance registration is required to attend. Contact [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu) or 510-642-5461 to register. Space is limited.*

#### **American Wonder: Folk Art from the Collection**

Thursday, December 4, 2-4pm

This exhibit captures our burgeoning nation during a time of enormous change, from the Declaration of Independence in 1776 to the onset of the Civil War in 1861. The exhibition includes approximately fifty portraits, landscapes, commemorative mourning pictures, weather vanes, and decorative sculptures from the BAM/PFA collection. This distinguished collection—one of the finest of American folk art in California—is due to the generosity of W.B. Carnochan and N.C. Edebo.

With remarkable beauty and formal simplicity, the works of art in American Wonder evoke the vivid presentness of their subjects and makers.

American Wonder: Folk Art from the Collection is organized by Chief Curator and Director of Programs and Collections Lucinda Barnes.

#### **A Sly Delight in Design and Detail: A Special Introduction to BAM/PFA's Trove of Japanese Woodblock Prints**

Wednesday, October 8, 2-4:30pm

The museum has over 1350 ukiyo-e prints, most the legacy of a 1919 gift to campus from William Dallam Armes, Professor of English.

This special viewing surveys the history of Japanese woodblock prints with particular attention to highlights of the collection: landscape prints by Hiroshige and Hokusai, vivid kabuki and warrior images by Kuniyoshi, and slyly satirical mitate prints that hint at lives and thoughts outside of the outlines of official censorship.

*Note:* This exhibit is displayed in a conference room. If you have limited mobility or it is difficult for you to move around, you are welcome join the tea and discussion at 3pm and stay later to get a close up view of the prints. The exhibit will be open until 4:30. Thank you to the BAM for accommodating all of our retirees!



## Campus Events

### FACULTY CLUB SPECIAL EVENTS

#### An Evening with Paul Bockhorst

Filmmaker, Emmy-Winning Writer & Producer

Friday, September 26

Price: \$40 per person

6 pm - Reception & Presentation

7pm - Movie Screening: Pursuing Beauty: The  
Architecture of Bernard Maybeck

7pm - Dinner

Please visit [www.berkeleyfacultyclub.com](http://www.berkeleyfacultyclub.com) for updates and  
additional information.

#### Midterm Elections Panel Discussion

Save the date - Friday, October 24

*Speakers to be announced.*

5pm - Presentation

6pm - Optional Early Bird Dinner

#### Income and Equality Panel Discussion

Save the date - Friday, November 7

*Speakers to be announced.*

5pm - Presentation

6pm - Optional Early Bird Dinner

### FOODS FOR THE AMERICAS – AT THE UC BOTANICAL GARDEN

Come explore the UC Botanical Garden's annual exhibit filled with colorful ethnobotanical displays of foods first cultivated by ancient Mayan, Aztec, and Incan cultures. These include corn, tomatoes, potatoes, beans, squash, peppers, amaranth, quinoa and chocolate. Take a self-guided tour of our Mexico, Central and South American collections, Crops of the World Garden and Tropical House.

Remember, retirees of UCB, LBNL and UCOP can receive a discounted Affiliate Membership to the garden with Retiree ID card. Affiliate memberships are discounted from the regular rate, \$35 for an individual and \$55 for a family membership. See [http://botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu/get\\_involved/membership.shtml](http://botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu/get_involved/membership.shtml) for more information.

#### A History of Chocolate Talk & Tasting

Thursday, October 2, 6-8pm

\$25 / \$20 members

#### Family Fun Day!

Sunday, October 5, 10am-3pm

Tastings, demos, tours, music and crafts

Free with Free Admission

Find out more online at:  
<http://botanicalgarden.berkeley.edu>

#### FALL HARVEST DINNER

##### A Benefit for Education

Cocktails, dinner, music, and more

Wednesday, October 8, 5:30- 8pm

\$75 / \$70 members

#### BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION: Fall Foods

Thursday, October 9, 10am - 4pm

\$90 / \$85 members

#### Andean Food Crops for Your Garden

Sunday, October 12, 10am - 12pm

\$25 / \$20

### WORTH RYDER ART GALLERY: SCORES FOR A ROOM

#### Wednesday, September 17 – Friday, October 17

Gallery Hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 12 – 5pm

Worth Ryder Gallery, 116 Kroeber Hall, UC Berkeley, (510) 642-2582

Free and Open to the Public

The Worth Ryder Art Gallery is pleased to present **Scores for a Room: David Haxton and Jim Melchert**. Guest curated by Tanya Zimbaro, Assistant Curator of Media Arts at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, the exhibition brings together historic works by these two artists, exploring their different approaches to the description of space through structured activity performed

for the camera. Both renowned artists turned to the projected image in the seventies, highlighting the shifting awareness of spatial perception in the interaction between illusionistic filmed space and a physical location. Find out more online at: <http://art.berkeley.edu/events/event/scores-for-a-room-david-haxton-and-jim-melchert/>.



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## Partner News and Events

### FINANCIAL PLANNING WITH FIDELITY

#### Preserving Your Savings for Future Generations

Wed. November 19, 2-3pm

This class helps you understand key tools for estate planning. You'll also learn about strategies for gifting and insurance replacement, see what you need to consider when you're designating your beneficiaries, and get tools and resources that can help you take the next step.

RSVP directly with Fidelity by calling 1-800-642-7131 or RSVP online at <http://getguidance.fidelity.com/universityofcalifornia>.

#### Fidelity Investments Help Desk

Wed. October 15, 11am-1pm

Tues. November 18, 12-2pm

Stop by the lobby of University Hall (at the corner of Oxford St. and University Avenue, just west of campus) and ask a Fidelity Retirement Services counselor general questions about the UC Retirement Savings Program. No registration or appointment is necessary. Note: drop-in sessions are not private or confidential.

#### Fidelity Planning and Guidance Consultants

(by appointment only)

Get one-on-one advice with a Fidelity Planning and Guidance Consultant, who can help you make the most of your UC Retirement Savings Program by reviewing your retirement accounts and your other financial goals. They'll be glad to work with you to establish a plan that includes an annual review of your portfolio and professional guidance on investments and goal planning.

To schedule a one-on-one confidential consultation, call Fidelity directly at 1-800-558-9182 or go online to [ucfocusonyourfuture.com](http://ucfocusonyourfuture.com).

#### Fidelity Financial Planning Classes

Do you want education from Fidelity for your Retirement Savings Program? If so, attend an Education Workshop that covers a range of retirement and savings topics. To learn more, or sign up today, visit [ucfocusonyourfuture.com](http://ucfocusonyourfuture.com) or call Fidelity at 1-800-558-9182.

### RETIREE ASSOCIATION EVENT CALENDAR

Stay connected to the University and colleagues through a retiree association!

#### UC Berkeley Emeriti Association (UCBEA)

(<http://thecenter.berkeley.edu/ucbea.shtml>)

**Luncheons** - November 8, December 6, January 24, March 21, May 2

**Board Meetings** - September 16, December 2, January 13, March 17, April 28

#### UC Retirees' Association at Berkeley (UCRAB)

(<http://thecenter.berkeley.edu/ucrab.shtml>)

**Luncheons** - June 19, September 18, December 4, March 19

**Board Meetings** - September 16, October 21, November 18, January 20

#### President's and Regents' Retiree Association (PARRA)

(<http://thecenter.berkeley.edu/parra.shtml>)

**Luncheons** - to be announced

#### LBNL Ex-Ls Retiree Association

(<http://www.lbl.gov/ex-l-express/>)

**Luncheons** - November 20

**Board Meetings** - October 9

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### Directions to the Center

**By BART:** Take BART to the Downtown Berkeley station. Exit and walk two blocks north on Shattuck Ave. Turn right on University Ave. Walk one block east. Turn right on Oxford Street and enter the building on your right.

**By AC Transit:** AC Transit bus lines 1, 18, 49, 51B, 65, 67, 800, and 851 stop at the Berkeley Bart Station.

### Payment Reminder

Currently, the Retirement Center only accepts checks and money orders made to UC Regents as payment. We do not accept cash or, at this time, credit cards. Please be prepared when stopping by.

### Do We Have Your Email Address?

Stay connected and get the most recent news by email! The Retirement Center supplements this newsletter with regular emails to our retiree email list. Email content varies and includes program announcements, benefits updates, campus events, and items of interest and importance. To sign up, send your name and email address to [ucbrc@berkeley.edu](mailto:ucbrc@berkeley.edu).