UC RETIREES’ ASSOCIATION AT BERKELEY
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR

FALL LUNCHEON
Wednesday, September 14, 2016
11:00 am. No Host Bar and Social
12:00 Noon Lunch
Hs Lordships Restaurant

Speaker: Dorothy Perry
on the current state of dental care

Many of us have found that most of our out-of-pocket medical expenses are spent on dentistry. We are inviting Dr. Perry to help us better understand the field of dental care and to share with us promising research that may benefit each of us.

Associate Dean for Education and Student Affairs Dorothy Perry whose is emerita from the University of California, San Francisco School of Dentistry. Dr. Perry came to the UCSF School of Dentistry as professor of dental hygiene and soon became chair of the Division of Dental Hygiene. She has been active in the Academic Senate and chair of the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools. As associate dean she has been responsible for a complete reworking of dentistry curriculum, she led the successful accreditation effort for the school and revised the school’s admission process. She has been instrumental in revising the school’s continuing education programs and has received many teaching awards from her students. Her book, Periodontology for the Hygienist is now in its fourth edition.
Membership

The University of California Retirees’ Association at Berkeley (UCRAB) Board of Directors extends a warm welcome to our New Retiree Members as follows:

Welcome to Michele Anne Adams, Michele J. Bernal, W. Zacheus Cande, David Duer, Brenda R. Farmer, Mary Alice Green-Ferguson, Susan Hedgpeth, Dr. Robin A. Jones, Barbara Keller, Amy D. Kyle, Christine Luppino, Patti Owen, Janette M. Reid, Dayna Sannazzaro. Thank you to all of you that have renewed your memberships.

We hope to continue meeting our new UCRAB members at our quarterly luncheons, trips and other events and, of course, we are always happy to see our faithful UCRAB members who have been long-time members.

I am always available by phone 510-524-4127 (leave a message) or by email isabelle.revoir@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.”

Isabelle Revoir, Membership Coordinator

FORTHCOMING SURVEY OF UC RETIREEs

Retired UC staff and non-Senate academics should watch for an e-mail inviting them to participate in an on-line survey about their post-retirement activities. This is the first time such a survey has been undertaken, and it is intended to complement the periodic surveys of retired faculty members.

The primary purpose of the short survey is to provide information that can be used by the individual campus and lab retiree associations and by campus retiree centers to better serve and advance the interests of UC’s retired staff.

The survey was developed by a team of retirees from UC campuses and staff from UC retiree centers. It is sponsored by the Council of UC Retiree Associations (CUCRA), which consists of representatives from every UC staff retiree organization.

The UCRAB Board and UC Berkeley Retirement Center urge all staff and non-Senate academic retirees to participate in the survey so its findings can be used in advocating on their behalf.

Lynn Bailiff, UCRAB President
Cary Sweeney, UC Berkeley Retirement Center Director

Sierra Scenic Train Valentine’s trip featuring MOTOWN’s Top Shelf.

SAVE THE DATE - February 14, 2017! We will be leaving on February 14, 2017 and returning on February 16, 2017!

You don’t want to miss your chance to enjoy this 3-day, 2-night trip aboard a special Amtrak train to Reno. Early Bird rate of $310 per person, double occupancy reserves your space on this adventure. Single and triple occupancy will also be available. Rates will vary.

The Motown-themed scenic train include fun feature such as a dance car, piano lounge, smoking car, card magician and on-board entertainment. The group Top Shelf dazzled last year’s attendees and many are planning to return to enjoy their amazing talents and engaging show!

You may sign up now to hold your space. Final, detailed information will be given at a later date. If you have any questions, call Iola James, Event/Trip Director at 510-632-7264 or email the Retirement Center ucbrc@berkeley.edu.

Iola James

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UCRS Advisory Board Report

The University of California Retirement System Advisory Board met on June 17th. The new retirement tier started for new employees on July 1, 2016. To follow the state budget revisions check on the UCRS Advisory Board website at ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu.

The COLA beginning July 1, 2016 is 2%. It is based on the 1.5% average increase in the CPI (Consumer Price Index). For those who retired after July 1, 2006 please refer to the above mentioned website. You will find the increase in your checks that were paid at the end of July. Purchasing power is at 79% or higher.

Don’t forget to check the CUCRA website at http://cucra@ucsd.edu/ for information regarding the latest meeting held last April on the UCLA Campus. The website contains interesting information gathered at its meetings. Remember that representatives from each campus retirees’ association attend the meetings that are held in the spring and the fall of each year. The President of UCRAB (the University of California Retirees Association at Berkeley) attends these meetings. This Fall the meeting will be held at the Santa Cruz Campus. The joint CUCRA-CUCEA (Council of University of California Emeriti Associations) will take place on the morning of October 27th.

Reminder: The editor of New Dimensions, the University of California Human Resources publication, continues to look for articles by retirees. If you would like to contribute, send your article to NewDimensions-L@ucop.edu

Toni Sweet

UCRAB Supports Scholarships for Oakland Grads

Recently Patricia Hardy, UCRAB’s Scholarship Chair, met with Brendan O’Callaghan of President Napolitano’s staff to present a check for $500 in support of the UC-Oakland Partnership Fund. The Fund was established by President Napolitano to provide five graduates of Oakland high schools each year with four-year scholarships to a UC campus. The total value of each scholarship is $16,000; in addition, the recipient’s tuition is waived because of their family’s income level.

UCRAB directs a portion of the money it receives from participants in its annual Day at the Races to support the scholarship program. Patricia is currently exploring additional ways to generate funds for the program. Anyone who wishes to contribute to the program should contact the retirement office at ucrab@berkeley.edu.

Lynn Bailiff, UCRAB President

Patricia Hardy hands to Brendan O’Callaghan the UCRAB contribution to President’s UC-Oakland Partnership Initiative for the East Bay College Fund.
Creatures of the San Francisco Bay

Join us for a Bay cruise on the USS Potomac! Come and enjoy a guided tour of beautiful San Francisco Bay and its ecology. We will cruise under all three bridges and our guides will point out creatures of the land, sea and sky that make our Bay so glorious! We might see sea lions, sea otters, dolphins, ducks and more! Our guides also provide fascinating historic facts about the Bay and the USS Potomac. We will embark next to the Ferry Dock at Jack London Square, at the foot of Clay St., Oakland, CA.

Cruise Details: Three hour cruise from 10:30am-1:30pm
Lunch Included
Date: October 29, 2016
Price: $65.00 (Group)

MUST REGISTER ONLINE:
http://retirement.berkeley.edu/ucrab_events
Deadline to Register: Sept. 29th 2016

Make checks payable to Potomac Association
And mail checks to:
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101 University Hall, Berkeley CA 97420-1550

For more information, contact Event/Trip Director, Iola James at (510) 632-7264.

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