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... OF CABBAGES AND KINGS

The Newsletter of the University of the Pacific Emeriti Society

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Fall Meeting to Hear President DeRosa

You are cordially invited to attend the fall luncheon meeting of the Emeriti Society on Tuesday, October 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the ~~President's Room in~~ Anderson Hall. We begin with coffee and friendly talk at 10:30 a.m. At 11:00 o'clock, Dean Robert Benedetti and Professor Herbert Reinelt, Chair of the Academic Council will speak about general education at the University of the Pacific and future expectations for it.

President Donald DeRosa will speak to the luncheon session, outlining his plans for the University.

At 1:00 o'clock, Dr. Lee Fennell, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean Ed Schoenberg of Admissions will tell us more about the exceptionally well-qualified Freshman Class.

Cost of the lunch is \$10.00. Please send in the enclosed reservation form and attend! (Spouses are Welcome!)

Dr. DeRosa Sets Goals

On July 1, 1995, Dr. Donald V. DeRosa took office as the 23rd President of the University of the Pacific. Dr. DeRosa's appointment was announced by the UOP Board of Regents following a national search. He has been described as "a man of insightful vision, enthusiastic energy, and competent qualification."

The Regents have given the President a set of goals to be achieved during the current academic year. Among these is the goal to develop a strong and complete team of senior administrators. While still in his former administrative position at the University of North Carolina - Greenville, Dr. DeRosa began the planning process to search for a Provost who will serve as the UOP's chief academic officer. Other goals include developing a clear and concise mission statement; establish personal contact with faculty, alumni, students and the greater community; complete the capital fund campaign "*Fulfilling the Promise*;" commence evaluation of non-academic programs

have an approved governance policy in place. During his recent address to the University community, President DeRosa said, "Virtually all of these goals I have been asked to accomplish will require your help and assistance in varying degrees."

President DeRosa feels that "We have much to be proud of here at Pacific. Much more than others, but we must build upon our strengths and we must look forward and move forward together." He reminds us, "We must learn to live and flourish by the intellectual standards of the academy."

The Emeriti Society would like to take this opportunity to welcome President DeRosa, his wife Karen and their two young sons, Michael and David. In doing so, we look forward to the promise of the University's future.

Emeriti President's Welcome

HELLO EVERYONE!!! A very special welcome to President DeRosa and to our new 1995 Emeriti members.

The fall semester has started at the University. President DeRosa is visiting with all of the groups on campus as well as friends of the University off campus. He will meet with our Emeriti Society at our Fall Luncheon Meeting, October 17, 1995. (See Program Chair Reuben Smith's full program outline in this newsletter.)

I had a wonderful opportunity this summer to meet with President DeRosa. We talked about the history and the activities of the Emeriti Society. He was extremely interested, encouraging and complimentary. Incidentally, Mrs. DeRosa (Karen) and Dee Filippone were chatting out on the deck just by the back door of the President's Office. (The two DeRosa boys were whizzing around on their bikes.) Anyway, I walked over to Karen and Dee, and we all got acquainted. Karen is a lovely down-to-earth young mother, excited about the boys and their new schools, and excited about her new responsibilities and Stockton. Quite a move for this important family! Welcome, the DeRosa family to the University of the Pacific!!!



NEW EMERITI SOCIETY MEMBERS

A big welcome, also, to the eight new members of our Society.

Dr. Wilbur Hughes, Associate Professor, School of Dentistry
 Professor Darrell Persels, Drama and Dance Department
 Professor John Carew, Department of Economics
 Professor Ted Pohlman, Benerd School of Education
 Professor Elmer Clawson, Benerd School of Education
 Professor Alice Hunter, Department of Biological Sciences
 Dean Donald Sorby, School of Pharmacy
 Professor William Dominik, Conservatory of Music

We look forward to the active participation of you, our new members. Here's hoping to see you all on October 17, our Fall Luncheon Meeting.

FACULTY RETIREE DINNER, held last May, was a huge success. The affair was a gracious event. Big thank you's go out to AVP Lee Fennell, Doyle Minden, Director of the University Relations, and their administrative assistants, Debbie Crowe and Bernie Kramer. The Emeriti Society Executive Committee may have given the push to re-establish the dinner, but the University came through with direct leadership financially and philosophically. Good job!!!

FALL LUNCHEON MEETING, OCTOBER 17, REGENTS' DINING ROOM, 10:30 A.M. -2:00 P.M. SPOUSES ARE WELCOME.

In addition to President DeRosa, Reuben Smith has gathered together an excellent group of speakers. You will want to know about this semester's crop of new students. What about the Provost search? What is the Academic Council up to now? So, to save a place for yourself at the luncheon meeting, please complete the response sheet and mail it in by October 9, 1995.

PARKING PERMIT

By the way, we're working on a faculty retiree parking permit.

One of the priority items on this year's Executive Committee agenda is the issue of a fair Emeriti Parking Permit. With AVP Lee Fennell's encouragement, we are preparing a proposal and recommendations for a parking permit.

The convenience for our emeriti members and the relatively few parking spaces occupied by us on any given day seem reasons for a positive response to our up-coming proposal. By October 17, we should have some report to share with you. In the meantime, you will need to again pick up a complimentary parking pass at the Tower for the October 17 program. Wish us luck on the project!!!

A big thank you to AVP Lee Fennell, to the Emeriti Executive Committee and to our Administrative Assistants.

KUDOS

As I start the second year of a two-year term as President of this Society, I cannot go further in this report without giving my appreciation to AVP Lee and the Executive Committee. Our working relationships have been totally supportive and publicly complimentary. Thank you, Lee!

Roy Whiteker, Dale Dunmire, Reuben Smith, George Hankins, Jerry Briscoe, Les Medford make up the Executive Committee. What a Team!!! The chemistry (as they say) is just perfect. Everyone volunteers to share the load. Can you believe it? Thank you ALL!

To Pearl Piper, Darlene Hall and Rose Fox, without their help (and they drop other things to step in), we couldn't move from ideas to actions. Technology is great, but it takes the caring individuals beside the keyboard to make it all work. Thank you!!! You are sincerely appreciated.

SPEAKING OF RELATIONSHIPS

Last spring, you will remember that the Executive Committee mailed out to each of you a copy of the working revision of the document entitled, "The Relationship of Emeriti to the University of the Pacific." This summer, we presented the revised statement to the Academic Council for their approval. A copy was also sent to AVP Lee Fennell for his approval. The whole process is moving along nicely. We will want to share this all with you at our October 17 meeting.

It is really important to note that Les Medford, who was one of the original founders of our organization, is still busy at work on this big project. Les has the vision to see the value of a brochure that would describe to all the philosophy and key points of the Relationship Statement.

Roy Whiteker, our Immediate Past President, and Les have worked very hard over the past several years to bring this Statement forward. It is a compliment to them that we, as retired faculty members, are respected and appreciated members of the University community.

FINALLY, THE CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BALLOT

We need your vote. See the response sheet enclosure (Part IV).

For the past several years, we have included an interim treasurer to our list of officers. As we become more organized and more fiscally independent, it seemed necessary to ask someone to keep track of our finances, help prepare a budget, and pay our bills. Dale Dunmire volunteered to take on that



responsibility, along with his elected office of Faculty Liaison Officer (that's our voting representative to the Academic Council).

So, at our Annual Business Meeting last April 26, 1995, we presented to our membership the proposed amendment. Those members present made several revisions and approved the document for your vote. Our constitution states that a majority vote of the membership responding to a mail vote constitutes the proper procedure for amendments. We, therefore, ask for your vote. Please complete the attached ballot and mail directly to me along with your October 17 reservation response. Thank you for taking the time to complete this task.

See you on October 17, 1995. We wish you all a happy, healthy 1995-96.

President Doris Meyer
Home telephone 931-4721

WE ARE PLEASED TO OFFER A POEM BY PROFESSOR JOHN SMITH:

Office Hours

Yin-Fun sits in my office
We discuss the poems from our course
I drink coffee
From the blue and white mug
Yin-Fun speaks across the desk
"You drink too much coffee
"You should drink tea
"In my village
"There were two old men
"They would drink tea all night
"In little tiny cups
"They would talk about the tea
"And one cup would last a long time
"It was a funny thing."

"Yes," I reply
"I do drink too much coffee."

We continue with the poems
I do not tell Yin-Fun
Of the pleasure I receive
From this outburst of concern
This declaring of herself.

Letters to the Editor Invited

We are happy to publish letters from Emeriti. You might have an idea or a suggestion which would assist us as an organization or help the University.

Please limit letters to 200 words and sign them.

You can use the Emeriti Room

Through the generosity of the University Library, we are entitled to use the Emeriti Room on the ground floor as we wish. If you wish to do research or look over our files *Of Cabbages and Kings*, you are welcome.

Thank You!

Doris Meyer, John Carew, and Reuben Smith assisted with Transfer Orientation by leading discussions following the main introductory address.

For Academic Council News:

Emeriti who wish to receive minutes of Academic Council meetings should telephone Kitty Gilbert in the AVP's office: 946-2553.

Phone Directories Coming Out Soon

Administrative Secretary in the President's Office is putting the final touches on the 1995 University Telephone Directory. She will send a copy to each of our Emeriti.

Activities of Members

Charles Clerc has published an article about E.L. Doctorow and crime writing in the latest Journal of Modern Literature. Professor Clerc gave a lecture at the University of Berne on "America's Jagged Cultural Landscape."

Bill Christopherson celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary at a large family reunion. Coming to Pacific as a retired Colonel from the U.S. Army, Bill taught in the School of Pharmacy from 1972 to 1991, retiring again as Professor Emeritus with the Order of Pacific. Congratulations!

Paul and Jeanne Hauben have returned to Stockton to live and are at 446 West Monterey. Their new telephone number is 469-4650. Glad you're back!

Leonard Humphreys is teaching East Asian Civilization II in the School of International Studies.

Emily Lovell, widow of Robert Lovell, established the Robert and Emily Lovell Endowed Scholarship Fund of more than \$50,000 to enable gifted and talented students in the School of Engineering to come to Pacific.

Obituaries

Alice Saecker, who graduated from the University of the Pacific, and who served from 1951 to 1985 in the Office of the President of the University, died June 8 in Bakersfield.

We note with sadness the deaths of the following wives of faculty and former staff members: Mitzi Gregory, Adelaide Betz, and Chloe Lentz. They were part of our Pacific Family, and we will remember them fondly.

Thank you for Voluntary Contributions

We wish to thank the members who have sent in their \$5.00 voluntary contributions to support the Emeriti Society.

To Our Distinguished Colleagues:

As we have noted in our *April Of Cabbages and Kings*, copies of our newsletter are being sent to President DeRosa, all Vice Presidents, Deans, some Directors of Departments, and to Chairman Robert Monagan of the Board of Regents.