UC IRVINE EMERITI ASSOCIATION REPORT
October 2026

UCI Emeriti Association decided to avoid redundancy in our reports to CUCEA by providing an annual report of activities in our April report, and a list of Board members and planned upcoming activities for the academic year in our October report. Our April 2026 report covered the period from May 2025 to April 2026, and our April 2027 report will cover activities from May 2026 to April 2027. This report lists our Board members and liaisons, and planned activities for the coming year.

2026-2027 Elected Officers, Representatives, Liaisons, and Board Members

President: Jessica Utts **Vice-President:** Susan Lessick **Treasurer:** Craig Behrens **Communications Officer:** Jone Pearce **Faculty Retirement Liaison:** Bill Parker **CER Director:** Mary Garcia **CER Associate Director:** Emil Nguyen **CUCEA Representative:** Ken Chew **CUCRA Liaison:** Marianne Schnaubelt	**Additional Board Members:** Jim Danziger Diane K. O'Dowd Mary Gilly George E. Miller Margot Norris Jen Yu

Planned Events for 2026-27

Emeriti and Retiree Annual Reception with Chancellor Gillman
Thursday, Oct 15th, 9:30 to noon, Beckman Center (Brunch, Speech, Socializing)

Coffee and Conversations with Kevin Ansel, UCI Retiree
Presentation and book signing of his book "*A Tailwind Would Be Nice: Tales of Bicycle Travel Across America*"
October 27, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., University Hills Community Center

UCI Libraries – Tour with Curators: Crystal Cove and the California Dream Exhibit
November 4, 2026, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m., Langson Library, UCI

EA Lecture Series with Outstanding Emeriti Award Winner, Professor Emeritus David Brownstone, Mon Dec 7 (10 AM)

Coffee, Conversation & Lecture Series with Dickson Award Winner, Professor Emerita Jane Newman, Tue Jan 26

EA Lecture Series with Dickson Award Winner, Professor Emerita Barbara Finlayson Pitts
March 10

Our Annual Meeting in May will feature former House of Representatives Member and UCI Law Professor Katie Porter as guest speaker.

Other Activities Planned for 2026-27

- Increasing engagement with the campus Council on Faculty Welfare. Currently in the Irvine Senate ByLaws, there are 3 emeriti who are regular CFW members, and the Emeriti Association President is an *ex officio* member.
- We have a new standing committee, Committee on Membership. This year we will work on clarification of Membership Committee goals (including increasing both EA membership & EA board participation), and adding it to the Bylaws as a standing committee.
    - Current standing committees are “Awards” and “Programs”
- Refreshing the UCI EA website
- Helping plan the UCI CUCEA/CUCRA April meeting in Irvine