Get More Involved with the UCSD Retirement Association Program and Volunteer Committees seeking new volunteers

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Join the Gazette Groupies
The most Fun Monthly Volunteer Event

Well, we’ve now passed the 2,000 mark for RA membership. With the membership ranks of the UCSD Retirement Association continuing to swell, it takes quite a large group of volunteers each month to do the post-production work to get the RA Gazette ready to go out to our members. We’re always looking for new recruits for this very important task. Gazette Groupies meet once a month (notice of the date goes out by email) from 10 AM to 2:30 PM. We chat about films, books & current events, etc., and stop mid-way for a delicious gourmet pizza & salad luncheon. Look for the notice each month, and sign up online to join the group. A free parking pass is provided for those who do not have a retiree parking permit. THANK YOU!

Volunteers needed to help with Set up/Clean up UCSD Retirement Assn. Annual Summer BBQ

The UCSD Retirement Association is holding it’s Annual Summer BBQ on Saturday, August 27, on the lawn in front of the Retirement Resource Center (located in UC 400). We’ll need a half dozen volunteers to help with all the set up for the picnic, starting at 10:30 AM, and a few volunteers to help with clean up, at the end of the event, around 2:30 PM.

To volunteer for this fun event, please sign up online at: https://hrweb.ucsd.edu/ra/
We hope to see you all at the UCSD Retirement Association Annual Summer BBQ!

Summer Travels around SoCAL for UCSD Retirement Association members

The June 2016 issue of the Retirement Association Gazette offered a wide array of summer travel options -- sights to see and interesting places to visit -- for our members. We partner with the highly-respected local tour company, Daytrippers, to provide these local and regional visits to fascinating destinations. When you call the number listed in the Gazette, be sure to identify yourself as a member of the UCSD Retirement Assn. so that you will be grouped with other RA members. Happy trails to you!

Can you help at the All Staff Association Summer Celebration Friday, August 5?

Would you like to come out and help with the ALL Staff Association on Friday, August 5? The UCSD Staff Association needs lots of helpers! Volunteers are needed to help staff the picnic (ticket takers, etc.).

The UC San Diego Staff Summer Celebration is a traditional fun-filled get-together celebrating the contributions of UC San Diego staff with food, entertainment, a spirited volleyball competition, and much more! Volunteers are needed for one shift: 11 AM - 1 PM. If you’re interested in volunteering, please send us an email at RetireeLink@ucsd.edu, and we will relay your interest to the Staff Association, who will respond and let you know your volunteer assignment.

RA members, family and friends are all invited to the RA Annual Summer Picnic Saturday, August 27, 11:45 AM - 2:15 PM (Buffet open from noon to 1:30 PM)

We’ll be out on the lawn just east of the UCSD Retirement Resource Center (UC 400)

Parking is FREE and easily accessible to the event. Park at the Gilman parking structure, just a half block walk to the RRC lawn. There are also a number of handicapped parking spots close by on Myers Lane.

You’ll enjoy a mouth-watering BBQ buffet lunch along with a delicious assortment of salads and watermelon, camaraderie and lively music. We’ll be entertained by the fun and lively 50’s band, “The Sophisticats”. Come and join us for this casual and fun event! It’s a great place to meet fellow members and to enjoy a beautiful afternoon with members, friends and family. Grandchildren are welcome too.

There is no charge for children 5 and under.

RSVP: Participation in the picnic is ONLY $7 per person. We’ve made it so affordable that you’ll be sure to join us! Please mail your check (payable to the UCSD Retirement Association) to 9500 Gilman Dr., MC 0020, La Jolla, CA 92093-0020

Don’t miss the most fun-filled event of the summer!

50’s Rock & Roll Group “The Sophisticats” will ensure a great time!
Keeping up with our “Interest Groupies”

Investment Interest Group
Beginning again in September, join us at the most popular interest group: the RA Investments Interest Group.

We will meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month to continue our study and discussion of hot current investment topics. In the RA Investments Interest Group our facilitator, Ryan Hyslop, will give us the inside scoop about the stock market, investment analysis and broad market interpretation. Join us at our Fall kick-off meeting, Tuesday, September 27, in UC 400 at 12 NOON to 1:15 PM. Come early to find parking. This group is open to members of the UCSD Retirement / Emeriti and Staff Associations. Please RSVP for each event online at our RSVP site: https://www.hr.ucsd.edu/go/ra/

Spanish Practice Group
Llegado charlar con nosotros!
Join us at the RBC the 2nd Monday of each month, from 10 - 11 AM, for our Spanish language group. For intermediate Spanish speakers. No charge for members. Please RSVP by email to: RetireeLink@ucsd.edu

Healthy Living/Eating
This wonderful series of presentations will start up again in September, with two sessions per quarter offered on healthy eating topics and one per quarter on meditation. These sessions are FREE and open to both RA members or current staff & faculty.

UCSD Retirement Association IIG
4th Tuesday of each month - Noon to 1:15 PM

The UCSD Retirement Association’s Fiction Book Club
Held at noon on the Last Wednesday of Each Month - Year Round

Members who love to read, please join us for the RA Fiction Book Club. Our Book Club members select the books for discussion. Please register on-line at https://hrweb.ucsd.edu/ra/ or you may call us at (888) 534-4724, if you do not have online access.

For July, we’re reading Frankenstein, by Mary Shelley With a special treat, as the discussion will be facilitated by Fred Randel, UCSD Professor Emeritus of Literature. Wednesday, July 27 12 - 2 PM at the UCSD RBC (UC400). A delightful and fresh salad buffet luncheon will be offered. Price per person is only $10 (to cover the cost of lunch). Please mail your check (payable to the UCSD Retirement Assn.), to: UCSD Retirement Assn., 9500 Gilman Dr., Dept. 0020, La Jolla, CA 92037-0020

President’s Message

Happy Summer to all!

I am looking forward to being your President of the UCSD Retirement Association for the coming year. Plans are already under way to have an exciting year of events and activities.

After 16 years as an academic advisor for undergraduate students at John Muir College, I retired in 2005. The years have flown by since then with all of my volunteer activities at Birch Aquarium, Cabrillo National Monument and Point Loma/Hervey Library. In addition, I have a 100 year old Mom, three children and five grandchildren with whom I love to spend time.

Prior to being employed at UCSD, our family lived in Southeast Asia for twelve years. Essentially, my children grew into their teens with those experiences. We lived in five different countries during that time, so had interaction with a variety of cultures and experienced many adventures. We returned to San Diego in 1980 and I have been here ever since, although two of my children and their families live elsewhere which gives me a chance to travel.

In May, I enjoyed a trip with a friend to the Netherlands and a cruise through the fjords of Norway. We were lucky to be in Stavanger, Norway on Constitution Day when all of the beautiful historical dresses and vests were worn to celebrate the day. These clothes are made when children are teenagers and meant to last a lifetime. We met one little girl who was so proud to wear her grandmother’s traditional pin.

UCSD Retirement Association members travel frequently and we would love to share your adventures, if you would like to plan a presentation for the membership. Just let Suzan or the Program Committee know, so that we can put you on the calendar.

Although it is summer, we still have activities that continue throughout the year: the fiction book club, photography interest group and Spanish conversation group. In addition, we will have our annual Summer Bar-be-que on August 27, from 11:30-2 PM and our Day at the Races in Del Mar on Sunday, September 4. We hope to see you at one or both of these events.

A big thank you to Rich Belmontez for a wonderful 2016-17 year as President of the UCSD Retirement Association. He is a masterful leader.

Congratulations to Suzan Cioffi, our esteemed leader, for recently being selected as an Outstanding Employee of the Year at UCSD.

Enjoy your summer. See you at some of the coming activities.

Cheers,

Gail Goldie

Grand Parenting, Fiber Arts & Story Telling Interest Groups
On Summer Break … All to return to new action in September!

Stay tuned for a whole fresh and new series of Grandparenting Seminars which will touch on a wide variety of important topics, covering new ground with a wealth of new resources and different speakers. This series will move to a new time slot, on the first Monday of each month, from 4 - 5:30 PM. Story Telling will remain in it’s first Wednesday of the month slot, also from 4 - 5:30 PM. With a growing following, this group is becoming much loved by its members! Fiber Arts will kick off again in September, with the third Wednesday of the month, 9 - 11 AM, time slot. We’re hoping to see this group grow this coming year.

Please visit the UCSD Retirement Association’s members-only website for a wealth of resources and information about association activities, contacts, and on-line copies of the RA Gazette.

http://retirementassociation.ucsd.edu Email: RetireeLink@ucsd.edu to request the password.

The Retirement Association also hosts a Facebook page: Search: UCSD Retirement Assn. on Facebook, and send a Friend Request. All RA event photos are posted to this Facebook account.

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- Buchanan, Tracy & Robert, BFS
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- Cox, Jeffrey B., Police
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- Olague, Andrea, Student Affairs
- Oliff, Don, ACM
- Olsen, Joann, HDH
- Olson, Norman & Rebecca Kloker, Chemistry
- Platero, Graciela, Center for US-Mexico Studies
- Peters, Karen D, Library
- Praterelli, Anne M., BFS
- Prussing, Anne S., Library
- Reisner, Alla, Biology
- Relaford, Nancy, Library
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- Rogers, Dave, Facilities Mgmt.
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- Jenkins, Cecily W. & Robert C., Neuroscience
- Johnson, Juliana, Pharmacy
- Johnson-Castan, Julie & Glenn, Occupational & Env. Medicine
- Kastorff, Kathy, Nursing
- Kazakowski-Koch, JoAnn & Tracy, Pharmacy, Nursing
- Lake, Valerie, Nursing/Critical Care
- Levine, Saul, Psychiatry
- McHugh, Joyce, Pathology
- McManus, Deborah, Med Center
- Mollan, Jane C., SOM, TTO, OIC
- Morgan, Linda C. & David, Health Systems
- Morris, Beverly A., Nursing
- Nielsen, Christopher & Paula, Biological & Chemistry
- Ojeda, Linda J, La Jolla ED
- Olear, Yvonne & John K, Pediatrics
- Patton, Jennifer W., Medicine
- Rahn, Elisabeth & Claude, UCSD Medical Center
- Rells, Cynthia C., CALM
- Reyes, Teresita L., Burn Special Care
- Rivera, Lourdes M., Pediatrics
- Rowe, Cynthia, UCSD Med Ctr.
- Scalzitti, Valerie, La Jolla ED
- Shupe, Marcia L., Family Medicine & Public Health
- Siegler, Stephanie, SOM
- Soaft, Linda, Med Center
- Sollven, Elaine, Nursing
- Valiaeva, Nadejda, Medicine
- Vorum, Virginia, UCSD Med Ctr.
- Wayne, Deborah & Vincent, Nursing Admin.
- Webb, Janice T., Nursing
- Wernar, Pam, Health Sciences Advancement
- Wiggins-Crosby, Teresa, Med Ctr.
- Wightman, Victoria A., Cancer Ctr.
- Woodall, Lysa, & Mark, Patient Safety
- Wyrcoco, Shirley R. & Joe P., UCSD Health Sciences
- Zentner, Ling & Philip, Psychiatry

Our New Members From Scripps Institute of Oceanography

- Given, Holly, IGPO GBD
- Haak, Katherine S., SIO
- McLachlan, Gordon & Kim, SIO, CC
- Shull, William F., PPS, Biology, SIO
- Squibb, Melinda, SIO, IGPP
- Walker, Harold J. & Sonia S., SIO
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- James, Lisa, Pharmacy
- James, Lisa E. & Robert C. Vera, Cancer Center
- Jenkins, Cecil W. & Robert C., Neuroscience
- Johnson, Juliana, Pharmacy
- Johnson-Castan, Julie & Glenn, Occupational & Env. Medicine
- Kastorff, Kathy, Nursing
- Kazakowski-Koch, JoAnn & Tracy, Pharmacy, Nursing
- Lake, Valerie, Nursing/Critical Care
- Levine, Saul, Psychiatry
- McHugh, Joyce, Pathology
- McManus, Deborah, Med Center
- Moores, Jane C., SOM, TTO, OIC
- Morgan, Linda C. & David, Health Systems
- Morris, Beverly A., Nursing
- Nielsen, Christopher & Paula, Biologist & Chemistry
- Ojeda, Linda J, La Jolla ED
- Oleary, Yvonne & John K, Pediatrics
- Patton, Jennifer W., Medicine
- Refin, Elisabeth & Claude, UCSD Medical Center
- Rells, Cynthia C., CALM
- Reyes, Teresita L., Burn Special Care
- Rivera, Lourdes M., Pediatrics
- Rowe, Cynthia, UCSD Medical Ctr.
- Scalzitti, Valerie, La Jolla ED
- Shupe, Marcia L., Family Medicine & Public Health
- Siegler, Stephanie, SOM
- Soaf, Linda, Med Center
- Sollven, Elaine, Nursing
- Valiavna, Nadejda, Medicine
- Vornus, Virginia, UCSD Med Ctr.
- Wayne, Deborah & Vincent, Nursing Admin.
- Webb, Janice T., Nursing
- Wernan, Pam, Health Sciences Advancement
- Wiggins-Crosby, Teresa, Med Ctr.
- Wightman, Victoria A., Cancer Ctr.
- Woodall, Lysa, & Mark, Patient Safety
- Wycocho, Shirley R. & Joe P., UCSD Health Sciences
- Zentner, Ling & Phillip, Psychiatry

Our New Members From Scripps Institute of Oceanography
- Given, Holly, IGBP GRD
- Haak, Katherine S., SIO
- McLachlan, Gordon & Kim, SIO, CC
- Shull, William F., PPS, Biology, SIO
- Squibb, Melinda, SIO, IGPP
- Walker, Harold J. & Sonia S., SIO
- Wanetick, Jerome SIO, CCS, 10D
Keeping up with our “Interest Groupies”

Investment Interest Group
Beginning again in September, join us at the most popular interest group: the RA Investments Interest Group.
We will meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month to continue our study and discussion of current investment topics. In the RA Investments Interest Group our facilitator, Ryan Hyslop, will give us the inside track of current investment topics and one per quarter on investment analysis and broad market interpretation. Join us at our Fall kickoff meeting on Tuesday, September 27, in UC 400 at 12 NOON to 1:15 PM. Come early to find parking. This group is open to members of the UCSD Retirement / Emeriti and Staff Associations. Please RSVP for each event online at our RSVP site: https://www.hr.ucsd.edu/go/ra/

Spanish Practice Group

Llegado charlar con nosotros! Join us at the RBC the 2nd Monday of each month, from 10 - 11 AM, for our Spanish language group. For intermediate Spanish speakers. No charge for members. Please RSVP by email to: RetireeLink@ucsd.edu

Healthy Living/Eating
This wonderful series of presentations will start up again in September, with two sessions per quarter offered on healthy eating topics and one per quarter on meditation. These sessions are FREE and open to both RA members or current staff & faculty.

President’s Message

Happy Summer to all!

I am looking forward to being your President of the UCSD Retirement Association for the coming year. Plans are already under way to have an exciting year of events and activities.

After 16 years as an academic advisor for undergraduate students at John Muir College, I retired in 2005. The years have flown by since then with all of my volunteer activities at Birch Aquarium, Cabrillo National Monument and Point Loma/Hervey Library. In addition, I have a 100 year old Mom, three children and five grandchildren with whom I love to spend time.

Prior to being employed at UCSD, our family lived in South America for twelve years. Essentially, my children grew into their teens with those experiences. We lived in five different countries during that time, so had interaction with a variety of cultures and experienced many adventures. We returned to San Diego in 1980 and I have been here ever since, although two of my children and their families live elsewhere which gives me a chance to travel.

In May, I enjoyed a trip with a friend to the Netherlands and a cruise through the fjords of Norway. We were lucky to be in Stavanger, Norway on Constitution Day when all of the beautiful historical dresses and vests were worn to celebrate the day. These clothes are made when children are teenagers and meant to last a lifetime. We met one little girl who was so proud to wear her grandmother’s traditional pin.

UCSD Retirement Association members travel frequently and we would love to share your adventures, if you would like to plan a presentation for the membership.

Cheers,
Gail Geddis

The UCSD Retirement Association’s Fiction Book Club
Held at noon on the last Wednesday of Each Month - Year Round

Members who love to read, please join us for the RA Fiction Book Club.
Our Book Club members select the books for discussion.
Please register on-line at https://hrweb.ucsd.edu/ra/ or you may call us at (888) 534-4724, if you do not have online access.
For July, we’re reading Frankenstein, by Mary Shelley
With a special treat, as the discussion will be facilitated by Fred Randel, UCSD Professor Emeritus of Literature.
Wednesday, July 27 12 - 2 PM at the UCSD RBC (UC400)
A delightful and fresh salad buffet luncheon will be offered.
Price per person is only $10 (to cover the cost of lunch).
Please mail your check (payable to the UCSD Retirement Assn.), to:
UCSD Retirement Assn., 9500 Gilman Dr., Dept. 0020, La Jolla, CA 92037-0020

Grand Parenting, Fiber Arts & Story Telling Interest Groups on Summer Break … All to return to new action in September!
Stay tuned for a whole fresh and new series of Grandparenting Seminars which will touch on a wide variety of important topics, covering new ground with a wealth of new resources and different speakers. This series will move to a new time slot, on the first Monday of each month, from 4 - 6:30 PM. Story Telling will remain in its first Wednesday of the month slot, also from 4 - 5:30 PM. With a growing following, this group is becoming much loved by its members! Fiber Arts will kick off again in September, with the third Wednesday of the month, 9 - 11 AM, time slot. We’re hoping to see this group grow this coming year.

Please visit the UCSD Retirement Association’s members-only website for a wealth of resources and information about association activities, contacts, and on-line copies of the RA Gazette.
http://retirementassociation.ucsd.edu  Email: RetireeLink@ucsd.edu to request the password.
The Retirement Association also hosts a Facebook page: Search: UCSD Retirement Assn. on Facebook, and send a Friend Request. All RA event photos are posted to this Facebook account.

Cheers,
Gail Geddis
Can you help at the All Staff Association Summer Celebration Friday, August 5?

Would you like to come out and help with the All Staff Association on Friday, August 5? The UCSD Staff Association needs lots of helpers! Volunteers are needed to help staff the picnic (ticket takers, etc.).

The UC San Diego Staff Summer Celebration is a traditional fun-filled get-together celebrating the contributions of UC San Diego staff with food, entertainment, a spirited volleyball competition, and much more! Volunteers are needed for one shift: 11 AM - 1 PM. If you're interested in volunteering, please send an email at RetireeLink@ucsd.edu, and we will relay your interest to the Staff Association, who will respond and let you know your volunteer assignment.

Volunteers needed to help with Set up/Clean up UCSD Retirement Assn. Annual Summer BBQ

The UCSD Retirement Association is holding its Annual Summer BBQ on Saturday, August 27, on the lawn in front of the Retirement Resource Center (located in UC 400). We'll need a half dozen volunteers to help with all the set up for the picnic, starting at 10:30 AM, and a few volunteers to help with clean up, at the end of the event, around 2:30 PM.

To volunteer for this fun event, please sign up online at: https://hrweb.ucsd.edu/ra/

We hope to see you all at the UCSD Retirement Association Annual Summer BBQ!

Summer Travels around SoCAL for UCSD Retirement Association members

The June 2016 issue of the Retirement Association Gazette offered a wide array of summer travel options — sights to see and interesting places to visit — for our members. We partner with the highly-respected local tour company, Daytrippers, to provide these local and regional visits to fascinating destinations. When you call the number listed in the Gazette, be sure to identify yourself as a member of the UCSD Retirement Assn. so that you will be grouped with other RA members. Happy trails to you!

RA members, family and friends are all invited to the RA Annual Summer Picnic Saturday, August 27, 11:45 AM - 2:15 PM (Buffet open from noon to 1:30 PM)

We'll be out on the lawn just east of the UCSD Retirement Resource Center (UC 400)

Parking is FREE and easily accessible to the event. Park at the Gilman parking structure, just a half block walk to the RRC lawn. There are also a number of handicapped parking spots close by on Myers Lane.

You'll enjoy a mouth-watering BBQ buffet lunch along with a delicious assortment of salads and watermelon, camaraderie and lively music. We'll be entertainment by the fun and lively 50's band, “The Sophisticats”. Come and join us for this casual and fun event! It's a great place to meet fellow members and to enjoy a beautiful afternoon with members, friends and family. Grandchildren are welcome too.

There is no charge for children 5 and under.

RSVP: Participation in the picnic is ONLY $7 per person. We’ve made it so affordable that you’ll be sure to join us! Please mail your check (payable to the UCSD Retirement Association) to 9500 Gilman Dr., MC 0020, La Jolla, CA 92093-0020

Don't miss the most fun-filled event of the summer!

Join the Gazette Groupies

The most Fun Monthly Volunteer Event

Well, we’ve now passed the 2,000 mark for RA membership. With the membership ranks of the UCSD Retirement Association continuing to swell, it takes quite a large group of volunteers each month to do the post-production work to get the RA Gazette ready to go out to our members. We’re always looking for new recruits for this very important task. Gazette Groupies meet once a month (notice of the date goes out by email) from 10 AM to 2:30 PM. We chat about films, books & current events, etc., and stop mid-way for a delicious gourmet pizza & salad luncheon. Look for the notice each month, and sign up online to join the group. A free parking pass is provided for those who do not have a retiree parking permit. THANK YOU!

We need YOU!
Get More Involved with the UCSD Retirement Association Program and Volunteer Committees seeking new volunteers

Each year, when the new Retirement Association’s Board of Directors is elected, two of the RA’s most important committees are populated anew. These two very important committees are: the Volunteer Committee and the Program Committee. The Volunteer Committee meets once per month, from 9:45 a.m.—10:15 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. This committee plans for the volunteer staffing of a variety of campus events. The second committee is the Program Committee. It also meets on the second Tuesday of each month, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. The RA Program Committee decides upon all of the programs that the association offers to its members.

We are currently seeking new members to join both of these committees. Some experienced members will carry over from the year before, providing institutional memory and valuable insights. However, each committee become stronger and invigorated anew, when there are new volunteers who step up and decide to join the committee. New members come with fresh ideas and energy which are always welcome additions. Please email us if you are interested in getting involved: RetireeLink@ucsd.edu.