# The Silver Slug

The Official Newsletter of UCSC's Retirees Association



Adolphe Monet Reading in a Garden, 1866 Currently on exhibit at the Legion of Honor, MONET, THE EARLY YEARS.

# May is Scholarship Time!

Once again, we are very excited to honor UCSC military veterans students at our annual scholarship luncheon. *Please join us in celebrating these veterans!* 

Date: Tuesday, May 2 Place: Arboretum Time: 11:30am – 2:00pm

Bring your favorite buffet dish to share: appetizers, entrées, salads, side dishes or desserts.

Cold drinks and coffee will be provided.



# President's Message for April 2017

from Patt Takeuchi



As I near the end of my term as President of the Retirees Association, I am overcome with a deep sense of gratitude and joy! I continue to be amazed at the commitment of the board and how they give back to the campus community. As this newsletter shares, we have reached our goals of \$100,000 endowment for the Bruce Lane Scholarship, and \$25,000 endowment for our new Silver Slug Scholarship. We will be rolling out the Silver Slug's first awardees very soon. Stay tuned.

I wish to also thank Jerry Walters, who has served our board for 17 years. When I worked on campus, Jerry was someone who everyone admired, wanted to work for or with and I am one of those fans. My admiration for Jerry increased ten-fold after serving with Jerry on the board. We all look forward to seeing Jerry and Robynn at our many gatherings and again, our deepest gratitude and love.

And finally, a shout out and *domo arigato to* Nancy Pascal, who I volunteered to be my "consigliere" (I'm a big Godfather movie fan) during my tenure. Her natural ease and wisdom at which she handled my general "panic" was so appreciated. She just got me through it. Couldn't have done it without her.



#### **Retiree Emeriti Center Report**

#### Review of Mission Statement

The REC Steering Committee, at the request of the Emeriti Association, recently reviewed the REC Mission Statement:

The mission of the Retirees & Emeriti Center is to provide a resource for faculty and staff of UC Santa Cruz as they transition to and engage in retirement. The Center also serves as an advocate for retirees and emeriti and assists in maintaining their connection to the University. This mission is achieved in collaboration with the UCSC Emeriti and Retirees' Associations by providing information, programs and services that contribute to the continued involvement, well-being, and creativity of all retired faculty, staff, and their families.

We determined that the statement, which emphasizes service to all UCSC retired staff and faculty, is still an accurate and relevant account of both the activities and aspirations of the Center. Therefore it does not require further modification.

Analysis of Center's Successes and Request for Permanent Funding In the coming month a review of the Center's three years of operation will be undertaken and its successes and aspirations will be described. In completing this review we will employ the SOAR process (Strength, Opportunities, Aspirations and Results) to both describe recent successes and future opportunities. We welcome any recommendations or proposals from members of the Retiree Association Board. This analysis will figure prominently in the request we intend to make to the Chancellor for permanent funding of the Center.

#### Comparison of the UCSC Center with other UC Centers.

Our Center Coordinator, Dawn Passero, recently received a spread sheet which provides information on the activities and staffing of the other UC Retiree and Emeriti Centers. It is interesting to observe that, in addition to full time staffing the Centers at Berkeley, Davis and San Diego, each serve several thousand retired staff and faculty. For example the center at UCSD maintains a cadre of 150 volunteers who provide service to a variety of programs and events on the UCSD campus.

#### **Upcoming REC sponsored Events**

Retiree Association members should look for these upcoming activities -

- Center co-sponsored lecture Bettina Aptheker April 24

  The Retiree Emeriti Center, in co-sponsorship with the Kresge Common Ground Center, will present Professor Aptheker in a lecture about the recent Women's March on Washington and the Trump Administration.
- •Look for Retiree Emeriti Center Open House in May 25, 2017
- •Plan to attend the Welcome to Retirement event at the Cowell Provost House June 22 4:00-5:30 pm

# Bruce Lane Memorial & Silver Slug Scholarships

#### Silver Slugs Kept On Giving on Giving Day!

During UCSC's 24-hour online fundraising drive on March 8, 87 Silver Slugs and friends logged in and donated a total of \$7,952, to the UCSC Retirees Association Bruce Lane Memorial Scholarship Endowment for UCSC students who are military veterans. The Lane family matched the donations \$1.50 for every \$1.00 donated, bringing the total raised in one day to \$19,880. With a couple of offline donations received that week, it appears the Endowment has reached the \$100,000 mark, ensuring we will be able to support re-entry students who served in the US military before pursuing a degree at UC Santa Cruz in perpetuity.

Thanks to all of you who purchased succulents at our picnic, holiday potluck and March social.

At our annual scholarship luncheon, nine \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

#### The Silver Slug Award Endowment Is Official!

The UCSC Retirees Association is the only UC association to have established a scholarship endowment, and now we have established two! By the end of last year, over \$25,000, the minimum required to officially establish an award endowment, had been donated to the Silver Slug Award endowment for scholarship awards to be awarded to current and retired staff and their dependents pursuing a degree at UCSC with financial need.

Now that it's official, the Silver Slug Award planning committee is in the process of developing the application and selection process. An announcement should be posted on the website before the end of this summer.

Maxine Lane, Scholarship Chair

Mary Wells, Fundraising Chair



#### Retirees/Lane Memorial Scholarship Recipient

Scholarship awarded in memory of Reverend Ben F. and Nina M. Janes

Julie Howell, Stevenson College, History, Junior

Julie enlisted in the US Army at age 17 and served in Korea and in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom. At the end of her enlistment, she joined the New Mexico National Guard. Her unit was activated and she served 17 months in Baghdad.

Julie attended Cabrillo College and in fall 2916 entered UCSC to major in U.S. History. She will use the scholarship award to attend the UCDC program in Winter 2018 and will apply for an internship at a Washington department. She plans to pursue a Masters in Education and teach History in high school.

Her years of military service and educational goals make her an ideal recipient for the Janes scholarship.

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Scholarship awarded in memory of Shoichi Kobara

Yosio S Jung, Business Management in Economics, Senior

Yosio enlisted in the US Army in 2009 and served as a Military Intelligence Analyst in Iraq. While serving his country, Yosio was enrolled as a full-time student. He devoted all his free time to his work, earning an Associate degree. Financially independent, he plans to use his scholarship to purchase a printer or laptop.

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Other recipients include: Chris, Cruickshank, Cole Grim, Humberto Marquez, Nicholas Mason, Jesse Silva, Ethan Slattery, and Mark Sumners.



## Members' Corner

## Got empty containers?

Have you got pots, small containers, tea cups or coffee mugs that would make a great succulent container? And... you want to get them out of the house! We would be happy if you donated them to our fundraising. We will repurpose them. Just bring them to our next event you attend.

#### **Newest Silver Slug Members**

Ken Christopher Chancellor's Office

Bill Ladusaw Linguistics

Julio & Mary Roberta Gomez ITS Joan Hudson ITS

Diane Behling Capital Planning & Space Mgmt

Elizabeth Stewart

#### Silver Slug Volunteers

Have you considered joining or helping the Silver Slugs but weren't quite sure how you could help? Well, have no fear, just contact us at <a href="mailto:uscsilverslugs@gmail.com">uscsilverslugs@gmail.com</a>. Someone will contact you and share information that may assist you in deciding. We need many levels of assistance up to and including serving on the board. Please consider us. You won't regret it!

#### History Committee Notice

Barbara Dileanis and Maxine Lane are seeking your assistance in collecting photos for our archives. The pictures could be of you and others at retirees' and UCSC events such as potlucks, field trips, etc. Also pictures with your Silver Slug t-shirts. Contact silverslugs@gmail.com or mail to UC Foundation, Retirees Association, 1156 High Street, Santa Cruz, Ca. 95076. Please provide as many names, name of event and date.

## Silver Slugs on the Move



#### Nick Royal in Vienna

Get *your* photo in the newsletter! Just submit a photo of yourself wearing our original Silver Slug t-shirt in front of a famous landmark, whether it's the Grand Canyon or the Eiffel Tower—or wherever you find yourself in this amazing world.

Send your photo to Dave Kirk - davekirk1453@comcast.net

## Dates to remember!

Scholarship lunch: Tues., May 2

REC Center Open House: Thurs., May 25

Welcome to Retirement Thurs., June 22

