



## Retirees Association Scholarship Event

### Message from the President

Join us on April 30th as we honor the recipients of the UC Santa Cruz Retirees Association Bruce Lane Memorial Scholarship, for military veteran students, and the Silver Slug Award Scholarship, for UCSC staff and their dependents who are pursuing a degree with the university. Students will share stories about their academic journey and what the scholarship has meant to them.

Sincerely,

Bill Parro  
Retirees Association President



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April 30, 2024

2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

UCSC Arboretum

### Register online at:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSccg6BLKaLFo-ax6iVd4RL5QcS4R\\_laGxGhNWBPBntf83dCfQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSccg6BLKaLFo-ax6iVd4RL5QcS4R_laGxGhNWBPBntf83dCfQ/viewform)

**Parking** at the Arboretum is free. Signs will direct guests to the parking area. Please note, the parking spaces closer to the conference room are reserved for Arboretum staff and ADA parking. All other guests are asked to use the [main parking area](#).

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## SLUGS ON THE GO



### Upcoming events, outings and trips

**May 9** – Backcountry hike at Wilder Ranch

**May 16** – Rancho Adobe State Historic Park Tour, 1 - 3:00 pm.  
Be on the lookout for a registration email.

**June 17** – Walking tour with artist Kathleen Crocetti to view her Watsonville Brillante mosaic murals, reflecting Watsonville's cultural heritage, that cover the parking structure in downtown Watsonville. Visit her studio and try your hand at cutting tile for the project. Details to be determined.

### Events in the works:

Spring – Agricultural History Project Tour, Watsonville

July/August – Visit to Noble Harvest Lavender Farm in Aptos

November/December – Dos Aguilas Olive Oil Tour, olive picking and curing class

Date TBA – Group bicycle ride in Monterey

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## Join the Retirees Association Craft Group!

Patt Takeuchi and Jane deVette

Come and join us for conversation and create something at the same time. Don't worry if you don't have a portable craft. Just let us know what you would like to learn. We will focus initially on knitting and crocheting. But if you have any portable craft as we gather, please join us. We can provide initial basic supplies for knitting or crocheting. If you are interested or want to learn, please forward your email, name, and craft of interest to Patt Takeuchi ([ptakeuchi@gmail.com](mailto:ptakeuchi@gmail.com)). If you are set with a craft but want to just check us out, come and join us! More information will be available in the near future.



## UC Retirees Travel

Frank Trueba



Explore with UC Retirees Travel! A few of the fall 2024 trips still have openings. Book soon or add your name to the waitlist if there is a trip you are particularly interested in that is already sold out. Now is also a great time to reserve space for 2025. Check out the slate of trips planned for 2024 and the beginning of 2025 at <http://cucra.ucsd.edu/travel/>. Trip details including the itinerary, optional additions, and activity level are available online. If you have any questions, please contact Frank Trueba ([frueba@ucsc.edu](mailto:frueba@ucsc.edu)).

### Kingdoms of Southeast Asia - Departure "A"

November 6-24, 2024

Highlights include: Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand; optional extension to Bangkok

### Montreal & Quebec City Christmas

December 11-16, 2024

Highlights include: Christmas markets, historic sites, and more

### Tropical Costa Rica

January 31-February 8, 2025

Highlights include: San Jose, Arenal Volcano, cloud forest, and more

## SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS

### Volunteer spotlight: Maxine Lane

Ilse Lopes



Maxine Lane will celebrate her 98th birthday this July along with more than five decades of service to UC Santa Cruz students, staff, faculty and retirees. Maxine was among UC Santa Cruz's early employees, joining the university in 1969. She retired in 1991 and joined the Retirees Association immediately—remaining an active member to this day as chair of the scholarship committee and the driving force behind the UCSC Bruce Lane Memorial Scholarship. Read more at:

<https://retirees.ucsc.edu/slugs-on-the-go/volunteer-spotlight-maxine-lane.html>

To support the Bruce Lane Memorial Scholarship for military veteran students, visit UCSC's [Giving](#) page, or email [giving@ucsc.edu](mailto:giving@ucsc.edu).

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



The Retirees Association is delighted to have the following Silver Slugs join us!

- Judy Monihan (Health Center) & Joel Herzel
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## NEWS AND INFORMATION



### **2024 cost-of-living adjustments announced for UCRP benefit recipients**

Marianne McIvor, UCSC Health Care Facilitator

University of California Retirement Plan (UCRP) and UC-PERS Plus 5 Plan benefit recipients, including those receiving survivor and UCRP disability income, will receive a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) effective July 1, 2024. The increase will appear in checks paid on August 1.

To learn more about the COLA and how it is calculated, please review this helpful article on UCnet: <https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/2024/03/2024-cost-of-living-adjustments-announced.html>

### **Retirement benefit direct deposit dates**

The mailing date for paper checks and direct deposit statements is the same date as the payment date. UCnet has a helpful list of the mailing dates of direct deposit statements and checks, and the direct deposit posting dates for UCRP monthly retirement, survivor and disability benefit payments for 2024 available at:

<https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/retirees/retirement-benefit-direct-deposit-dates.html>

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## IN MEMORIAM



Word of the deaths of the following retired UCSC staff and faculty has been received. Condolences are extended to their families, friends, and colleagues.

- Frank Andrews
  - Michael Clark
  - Dale Kahoun
  - Lynda Margaret Rannals
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