

# POSTSCRIPTS

## News of the CSU East Bay Hayward Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association Fall 2006

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### *A Word from the President*

Please come to our **FALL LUNCHEON** on **THURSDAY, 2 November 2006**, at Dino's Restaurant, 3600 Castro Valley Boulevard, Castro Valley. Details below on p. 2.

For many people, especially educators, the new year begins in September, when schools and colleges resume. This may be particularly true for those with a past or present association with CSUEBay. (or, as some prefer, CSU Hayward). On July 1, President Qayoumi became the fourth president of the University. On November 2, **"Mo" will be the speaker at the fall luncheon.** This will give retired faculty an opportunity to hear of his vision and goals for the University and will give us the chance to ask questions and engage in a dialogue with him.

Early in July, Judy Stanley, Jack Kilgour and I met with President Qayoumi and he talked with us about his plans and we told him of our concerns and perceptions of the experiences of many retired faculty, students, and graduates. On August 31, at the reception for emeriti faculty, Mo talked about admissions, consultation with successful programs in other CSU campuses, utilizing the skills of retired faculty, his respect for faculty and some plans for the future. Those present asked questions about increasing the number of tenure-track faculty and strengthening the library.

The fall luncheon will give us the opportunity to see old friends, greet new retirees, hear the new president of the university for which we worked so hard, ask him questions about issues which concern us, and hear how he thinks we might help in rebuilding relationships and the University. Here is an opportunity to discover how we can, if we choose, be part of an effort to improve our CSU.

Best, Bea Pressley ([beapressley@mac.com](mailto:beapressley@mac.com))  
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## *Fall Luncheon*

Date: Thursday, November 2, 2006

Time: Social Hour 11:30 a.m.; Lunch 12:30 p.m.

Place: Dino's at 3600 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley.

### **Menu**

Vegetarian Lasagna	\$15.50
Veal Scaloppini	\$18.00
Shrimp Louie	\$18.00

Prices include:

Tossed green salad with Italian dressing, vegetables, rolls, maybe some butter

Beverage: wine, soft drinks, coffee or tea

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AND MENU SELECTIONS **now**, *really soon*, or at least by ***26 October 2006*** with

- Jack Kilgour : 510-582-8760; [jkilgour@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jkilgour@sbcglobal.net) OR
- Bea Pressley: 925-946-9786; [beapressley@mac.com](mailto:beapressley@mac.com).

Jack Conner will be delighted to demand and accept payment by check made out to him in the exact amount -- at the luncheon.

### *A Word from the Academic Senator*

Colleagues,

We are asked to recommend three individuals for University recognition next spring: Guest Speaker for the Honors Convocation, Guest Speaker for the Commencement Address, and Recipient of the Honorary Doctorate awarded by the President. Please give this serious thought and email or call me with your recommendations. I can be reached at (510) 886-5996 and [Tom.Acord@csueastbay.edu](mailto:Tom.Acord@csueastbay.edu).

Thank you.

Tom Acord

### *A Word from the Executive Board*

Thanks to **Sherman Lewis** for accepting the position of newsletter editor. The Executive Board is **very grateful** to him. [bolding added by editor]

The current CSUEB policy on Emeritus Faculty may be found on the web at: <http://www.csu Hayward.edu/OAA/emeritus.pdf>

## *Obituaries*

Edited for space. For more details, go to

[http://theview.csueastbay.edu/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=blogcategory&id=42&Itemid=121](http://theview.csueastbay.edu/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogcategory&id=42&Itemid=121)

### **Robert Bonnin**, Professor Emeritus, Teacher Education

Bonnin began teaching as a full-time lecturer in June 1968 and taught at Cal State Hayward for 25 years. He was appointed assistant professor in fall 1970 retired in 1989, and continued in the Faculty Early Retirement Program until the end of the 1992-93 academic year. He was born in San Diego and graduated from San Diego State University. He earned a doctorate in higher education from UC Berkeley where he taught before joining the CSEB faculty. The family has requested memorial gifts may be sent to the Sempervirens Fund [Drawer BE, Los Altos, CA, 94023], an organization dedicated to preserving Big Basin Redwoods State Park in the Santa Cruz mountains,.

### **Howard Cogswell**, Professor Emeritus, Biology

Cogswell, who was instrumental in preserving the Hayward Shoreline, taught at Cal State Hayward from 1964 to his retirement in 1980. He was an elected East Bay Regional Park District director representing southern Alameda County. During his 12 years on the park district board, from 1970 to 1982, he helped restore thousands of acres of salt evaporation ponds to the marshlands. Cogswell Marsh on the Hayward Shoreline of San Francisco Bay is named in honor. He helped make the university famous for its field biology, particularly its ecological class field trips and summer field classes, according to biology professor Chris Kitting. These classes included work in the campus ecological preserve, its field station, and on the first Cal State Hayward boats around San Francisco Estuary. Cogswell was an alumnus of Whittier College and UC Berkeley where he received both master's and doctoral degrees. He was a member of the faculty at Mills College prior to joining CSUH. Cogswell's professional interests were in ornithology and animal behavior and he was a distinguished authority on the birds of California, according to Ned Lyke. His contributions in the field of ornithology culminated in the 1977 publication of *Water Birds of California*, a major field guide. He was a founding member of the Ohlone Audubon Society. His courses were comprehensive and field trips were noted for the enthusiasm and rigor of the instructor as he helped his students learn about birds and explore the ecology and natural history of California. Many of his graduate students have gone on to prominent positions in teaching, ornithology, and natural resource education and management throughout the state. Contributions may be given to the Ohlone Audubon Society.

### **Ellis McCune**, President Emeritus

McCune led the university as Cal State Hayward president for 23 years from 1967 to his retirement in 1990, leading the university through times of turmoil and expansion. He was the "quintessential academic" who wore hand-tied bow ties, blazers with elbow patches and smoked a pipe in his office back when it was legal. He then served 18 months as acting chancellor for the California State University system. McCune, friends said, was equally at home grilling hot dogs for a Rotary fund-raiser or cheering at a university football game as he was presiding over faculty convocation and enjoying the San Francisco Opera. McCune, born in Houston, Texas, went to college later in life. After high school, he worked as grocery clerk, construction laborer and seller of fried chicken from a cart. During WWII, he played drums and cymbals in the Air Force Band. After the war he earned a bachelor's and doctoral degree in political science at UCLA. He taught at Occidental College and California State University, Northridge. McCune was the dean of academic

planning for the California State Universities and Colleges system when he was tapped for the role of interim president of the 10-year-old university in Hayward. It was a period of upheaval for the university and the country as students were rioting at many campuses, particularly in nearby UC Berkeley. His son James remembers his father dealing with potential student rioters in Hayward and being barricaded in his office. "Students tried to have a riot, but he stepped in and squashed it right away." After his retirement from the chancellor's post McCune enjoyed traveling and had been to nearly every country on the planet--in January he returned from a cruise through the Panama Canal. He was also active in the Bohemian Club. Donations to the Ellis and Hilda McCune Scholarship Fund may be made online or checks may be made out to the CSUEB Educational Foundation with a note directing the donation to the McCune Scholarship. Mail to Office of University Advancement, WA908, 25800 Carlos Bee Blvd., Hayward, Calif. 94542. For information, call 510 885-2674

**Marv Nelson**, Professor Emeritus, Music

Nelson, a former trumpet player with the Oakland and San Francisco symphonies and a CSUH emeritus music professor, began teaching at Cal State Hayward in fall 1962 as a part-time assistant professor. He was hired full time in 1967 and taught until June 1992. He played the trumpet in the Oregon, San Francisco, Oakland and Boston Pops orchestras. Nelson established a tradition of excellence in the wind band and music education programs at CSU Hayward. Nelson treated professional musicians and students with the same kindness and enthusiasm. He showed by example that, despite a competitive environment, individual rankings are not important, only the joy of making music and treating others well.

**Donald Peterson**, Professor Emeritus, Chemistry and Biochemistry

Peterson joined the Cal State Hayward faculty in 1966 and was awarded tenure in 1970. In 1976 he was appointed department chair and served for two terms. In 1995, he retired and was awarded emeritus status in 1995. Before starting a career in academia, Peterson worked for nine years as a research chemist for Shell Development in Emeryville. "He didn't enjoy research," his wife said. "He liked working with students. He liked explaining things. He was always explaining things to our children." Donations can be sent to the Donald L. Peterson Scholarship Fund, which his wife said he was interested in, to increase the scholarship opportunities for chemistry students. The Donald Peterson Award is given each year to the undergraduate student who excels in research.

The next issue of Postscripts will have obituaries on

**Ranjit Sabharwal**, Professor Emeritus, Mathematics and Computer Science

**Larry Scheve**, Professor Emeritus, Chemistry and Biochemistry

**Henry "Ric" Tombari**, Professor Emeritus, Management and Finance

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Quarry Village, a neighborhood planned near CSUH, features easy ownership, walk power, and the new mobility. It could work for emeriti wanting an affordable condo near the campus and who are concerned about personal health and the environment. Visit [www.quaryvillage.org](http://www.quaryvillage.org) for information. -SL

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