

# TUKWUT TIMES



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## Calendar of Events

Upcoming Events

### Spring Events!



**Monday, January 14, 2019**  
**Tour of Gemological Institute of America**  
5345 Armada Drive in Carlsbad  
9:30 am to 11:00 am

Join us for this unique, private group tour of GIA!  
GIA has strict security requirements.

If you plan to join us,  
you must RSVP by Noon on January 10.  
RSVP to [retirees@csusm.edu](mailto:retirees@csusm.edu) or [arlene@csusm.edu](mailto:arlene@csusm.edu)  
No last minute reservations can be taken.

Each attendee must have a current photo ID (driver's license or passport) that must match the name on the RSVP list we submit. Substitutions are not permitted.  
Those attending should arrive at 9:15 am since IDs will be checked prior to the tour.

After the tour, we will have lunch at 11:30 am at  
Karl Strauss Brewing Company  
5801 Armada Drive in Carlsbad

If you don't want to take the tour, then join us for lunch!  
Please RSVP to one of the email addresses above so we know how many seats to reserve.

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### Thursday, February 7, 2019 Report to the Community "A Crystal Clear Vision"

Come listen to President Haynes' last  
Report to the Community

To purchase your ticket(s), go to:  
<https://www.csusm.edu/rtc/>

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**Saturday, February 9, 2019**  
**Palliative Care / Estate Planning Workshop**  
9:30 am to 3:00 pm  
The McMahan House

Sponsored by CSU Institute for Palliative at CSUSM &  
The Retirees Association

Dr. Sharon Hamill, Faculty Director for Palliative Care at CSUSM will cover Care Options and Advanced Directives in the morning session and  
Kyle Button, AVP of Development will cover vital topics related to Estate Planning in the afternoon session.  
There will be time for Q&A after each session.

Complimentary lunch will be served at Noon

Space is limited to 40 attendees so RSVP early to  
[retirees@csusm.edu](mailto:retirees@csusm.edu) or [arlene@csusm.edu](mailto:arlene@csusm.edu)

See page 7 for more events!

## Message from the Chair

By Marcia Woolf



In October, Arlene Cratsa and I attended the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education biannual conference at Emory University in Atlanta. The association is international and the conference was well attended. The theme of the conference was "Re-Creating Retirement: Connect / Serve / Celebrate," and we collected all manner of resources and ideas from the many presenters. We were also inspired by Steven Tipton and Roger Baldwin, the two keynote speakers. Their books – *The Life to Come: Re-Creating Retirement* by Tipton and *Reinventing Academic Retirement* edited by Baldwin – are available online at Amazon. We are working with the CSUSM Library to see if these books can be purchased for checkout. We will keep you posted. As an aside, I was forced on this trip to try Lyft for the first time, and I have to say I am so impressed with the ease of the app and the service; if you haven't tried it, you really must! (Bonus tip.)

In this issue of the Tukwut Times, be sure to check out Dick Montanari's bio – his story is such an interesting one! See also Laurie Lindenau's write-up of our evening at the Tango Obsession event on campus – so much fun! And Susan Mitchell shares the history of the remarkably successful ACE Scholars program which Jim Mickelson has shepherded now for over 10 years. Speaking of tips, Ernie and Leslie Zomalt have shared a short & sweet retirement tip you won't want to miss.

Upcoming RA activities include a January tour of the Gemological Institute in Carlsbad and an informative February workshop, which includes topics on Palliative Care and Estate Planning. Both of these events were noted on the first page.

If you enjoy wine and/or chocolate, you will want to check out the full list of spring excursions we have planned located on the last page of this newsletter, including an outing to Coronado slated for mid-May. And the Annual Retirees Association Luncheon Business Meeting has been scheduled for Friday, April 19 – please mark your calendar!

Remember, anyone may join the Association (you needn't be retired to become a member), so please encourage your friends to join us! Since it's the Holiday Season, I would be remiss if I didn't mention that a membership to the Retirees Association makes a lovely gift! ☺

Wishing you a happy and rejuvenating winter break! Until the next issue...



## Do You Remember? ~ The Roots of the ACE Scholars Program

*Submitted by Dr. Susan Mitchell – Administrator Emeritus, Student Academic Support Services*

Around 2004, Jonathan Poullard, then Dean of Students, informed the Student Affairs leadership team that the CSU had a requirement for services for youth who had aged out of the foster system. Thus began our development of a vision for establishing a strong program of support services for former foster youth here at our campus.

As the Associate Vice President of Student Academic Support Services (SASS), my staff and I began to research current academic services for foster youth in our area, establish links to foster youth programs in the county, and to explore local and campus funding for the establishment of services in Student Affairs.

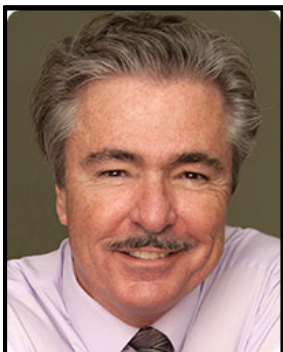
One of the links we made was an on-site visit to San Pasqual Academy to meet with staff and students. The Academy is located in Escondido, not far from the San Diego Zoo Safari Park and is a first-in-the-nation residential campus specifically designed for foster teens. The students are "provided a stable place to live, individualized educations, and a safe place to learn the skills needed for independent living." ([www.sanpasqualacademy.org](http://www.sanpasqualacademy.org))

CSUSM sent a delegation to the academy that day, including President Haynes; Dr. Pat Benson, Vice President of Students Affairs; Dr. Lorena Meza (CLASS); and other representatives of the university. We were able to take a tour of the facilities and talk with both academy staff and students. It was both an inspiring and informational visit that day.

Dr. Lorena Meza and her staff from CLASS were charged with moving forward with the vision of establishing services on campus for this student population. I remember our first one-day conference for current foster youth who were brought to campus to learn that if they worked hard to qualify academically for CSU admittance that we would assist them with admission procedures, securing financial aid and on-campus housing and other services to help them eventually become college graduates. I am sure that for many of them, this was a message that gave them a new vision for their lives. It was an exciting day for both our campus staff and those potential college students.

In 2007, the program was officially established and Jim Mickelson, MSW, was selected as the Director. Over the years, the ACE Scholars Program has become a comprehensive program which is transforming lives of former foster youth. According to their website (<https://www.csusm.edu/ace/>), it services more former foster youth per capita than any other campus in the nation and has achieved an extraordinary 86% persistence rate. That is something of which to be very proud! Recently, it was announced that the program is expanding into Orange County with a partnership with the Orangewood Foundation.

The program is dependent upon the donations of individual donors (79% of operating revenues), so spread the wonderful news about the ACE Scholars Program and encourage possible donors to consider helping our former foster youth through this successful and important program.



Jim Mickelson  
Founder and Director of ACE Scholars Services



Susan Mitchell is shown in the center.  
Jan Jackson is left & Carmen Arciniega is right.

## MEMBER PROFILE – John R. Montanari

*Submitted by John Montanari, Professor Emeritus of Strategic Management*



I was born in Greenville, South Carolina on March 11, 1944. (Yes, I am that old!) My family and I returned to my parent's home in Ohio by train when I was 4 weeks old – the youngest baby ever to have traveled on the Southern Railroad at that time. My father was discharged from the Army where he had been stationed in South Carolina. I lived in Cincinnati, Ohio and then Northern Kentucky. After high school, I attended the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio where I received my BS in Mechanical Engineering. Never a particularly good engineer, I worked in the Chicago area as a technical sales engineer. In May of 1967 Uncle Sam decided he needed me for the Vietnam War. I enlisted in the Air Force as a Mechanical Engineer and was assigned to a R&D base in Albuquerque, New Mexico. After serving my country and avoiding Vietnam, I returned to school to pursue an MBA. Like most of us, I was mentored by a wonderful faculty member and decided to try for my doctorate. I attended the University of Colorado Boulder receiving my doctorate in management with an emphasis in strategic management in 1976.

My academic career started at the University of Houston – main campus. I was fortunate to work with some of the up-and-coming scholars in management at U of H. After three years, although I enjoyed learning from my senior colleagues, I grew tired of Houston (the city) and accepted a position at Arizona State University. Again, I was fortunate to work with some very talented people. Due to a growing culture of scholarship (publish or perish), I was quite productive during my 11 years at ASU. After making full professor, I decided that I wanted to experience a different aspect of academia – helping to build a new program. A friend in San Diego read about the new CSU in San Marcos and sent me a clipping. I wrote to President Stacy and shortly heard from Bernie Hinton.

As they say, the rest is history.

Briefly:

- 17+ years teaching
- 2 years chair of Academic Senate
- 9 years CSUSM representative on state-wide Academic Senate
- Countless committees (Didn't we all!)
- 28 years and counting knowing great colleagues

## Report of CSU-ERFSA President's Meeting With Chancellor's Office HR Administrators

*Submitted by George Diehr*

George Diehr thought the article below would be of interest to the CSUSM Retirees. As stated by George, "As you may know, ERFSA has seen a moderate but steady decline in membership. In the past, many campus HR divisions and staff did not even know the organization existed. We hope that will change and the report below is encouraging. Let me take this opportunity to again encourage our local RA members to join CSU-ERFSA (Emeritus & Retired Faculty & Staff Association). Note that 15% of CSU-ERFSA dues are rebated to campus retiree organizations."

General information about ERFSA is at <http://csuerfa.org/about.html>

Membership link: <http://csuerfa.org/membership.html>

*Report of meeting [of CSU-ERFSA President] with Chancellor's Office Human Resources administrators.*

*On November 2, 2018 President Bill Blischke, accompanied by Executive Director Harold Goldwhite, met with Chancellor's Office Human Resources administrators Vice Chancellor Evelyn Nazario and her Chief of Staff Joan Torne at the new, enlarged Chancellor's Office at Catalina Landing, Long Beach. The purpose of the meeting was to re-introduce CSU-ERFSA to the new Vice Chancellor after the recent decision to open up membership to retired staff; and to increase the visibility of CSU-ERFSA in the CSU.*

*In an extremely cordial one-hour meeting President Blischke shared information about the nature and structure of the Association, and the many ways (21 so-far documented) in which CSU retirees assist the University. In turn Vice Chancellor Nazario stressed her interest in working with CSU-ERFSA to get useful information out to retirees. She agreed to give CSU-ERFSA information about upcoming CalPERS campus presentations well before they take place, so that this information could be published in The Reporter. There is a CSU table at some meetings of CalPERS and CSU-ERFSA information could be displayed there. She also suggested that CSU-ERFSA representatives meet with the Community Engagement administrators at the Chancellor's office. She will also ask whether there could be a CSU-ERFSA presentation at an upcoming meeting of campus Provosts.*

## RECAP

### Tango Obsession with Camarada held on October 16 as featured in the University's Arts and Lectures Series for fall 2018

*Submitted by Laurie Lindeneau*



I admit it...it was the inclusion of expert tango dancers, who would dance to original 'tango' music by the Chamber Ensemble, Camarada, that first captured my attention for this Retirees event. The tango dancing by the award-winning duo, Tango Alma, and another guest tango couple, was truly outstanding.

It was the music, however, that thoroughly captured my imagination even further. We had the privilege of hearing the magical, music creations of chamber-music from the five-member ensemble of Camarada including CSUSM's faculty member, Dana Burnett, on piano. This was my first introduction to the 'bandoneon' also known as the 'button accordion,' masterfully played by Raul Juarena, a recipient of a Latin Grammy. I look forward to seeking out more of Camarada's performances in the future!

A group of retirees went to Pizza Nova before the performance.



In the lobby outside of Arts 111 waiting for the performance to begin!



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**CSUSM Library Privileges for RA Members**

Did you know that RA members have privileges at Kellogg Library? Bring your RA card to the Checkout Desk on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Library to receive a barcode and have your account created.

- A maximum of 10 items may be borrowed at one time & must be returned to the CSUSM Library. There's a drop box in Craven Circle.
- CSUSM books check out for 30 days; CSUSM media items check out for 7 days. Renewals are allowed on a limited basis. No overdue charges but lost materials incur a cost.
- Databases are available at the stand-up computers inside the Library or thru logging into the Library's guest wireless network with your own device. Not available outside of the Library.

Questions: Contact the Circulation Desk at [libcirc@csusm.edu](mailto:libcirc@csusm.edu) or by phone at (760) 750-4348

**Tuesday, February 19**  
**The Kitchen at Bernardo Winery**  
**13330 Paseo Del Verano in Rancho Bernardo**  
**11:30 am to 1:00 pm**

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**Wednesday, March 20**  
**The Chemistry of Chocolate by**  
**Dr. Jacqueline Trischman**  
**Location and time TBD**

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**Friday, April 19**  
**Annual Luncheon Business Meeting**  
**The McMahan House**  
**11:30 am to 2:30 pm**  
**Featured Speaker: Dean Mike Schroder**

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**Thursday, May 16**  
**Coronado Excursion – Time TBD**  
Take the ferry from San Diego Harbor  
Arrive at Ferry Landing  
Lunch at El Roy Restaurant  
Optional walking tour of shops after lunch  
Depart at Ferry Landing  
Option to drive over the Coronado Bridge if you get seasick!

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**Save-the-Date for Annual Gala**  
**Saturday, June 8, 2019**  
**(Date was moved from June 22)**

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**Save-the-Date**  
**Saturday, July 27**  
**Del Mar Racehorse Morning Workout Tour**  
**7:00 am to 9:00 am**

## Retirement Tip by Ernie and Leslie Zomalt

### Mondays!

We keep remembering to have a plan for Monday...if only because it helps us to figure out the day of the week! So great when others are headed to work on Monday, and we are looking at a busy but not too routine week. It reminds us why it is great to be retired!