A Letter from Our Acting Executive Director

Spring is almost here! The days are getting longer and the temperatures warmer. I have ordered my dahlia bulbs and am ready to start digging. I'm an avid gardener and the garden is absolutely the best place to be in the spring.

The search for an Executive Director of the Emeriti Center has begun. This position, funded as a three year Provost Fellow, is for an active faculty member to continue a half-time academic appointment and be Director of the Emeriti Center for approximately 20 hours a week. The position has recently been advertised in E-Currents and is also open to emeriti. We hope that any of you who know of current faculty members or emeriti who might be interested, will let us know. We will be happy to answer any questions they may have. You can read about the position here and on our website.

In this issue, we highlight Henry Fenichel, a Holocaust survivor, in our Second Act series. He and his family were in hiding in Holland during WWII and later held at Bergen Belsen. His story is fascinating and today he tells that story to educators and students all around Cincinnati. How important that stories like Henry’s are never forgotten. Please continue to send us your suggestions for other emeriti who are doing interesting and unique things in retirement.

We are beginning a new section in this newsletter. It is called Emeriti Activities and will highlight awards received, books published, and other accomplishments of our emeriti. Here you will read about my former colleagues at UCBA, Bill and Judy Baughin. Their incredible generosity to ensure scholarships for future students leaves a legacy of their kindness, love of teaching, and sincere concern for students. Please send us news items you would like us to include regarding your notable activities or those of other emeriti!

And lastly, there is a section called Get Involved. We share information about a history interest group, and we are requesting help from those of you who enjoy photography. Additionally, if you would like to join us on a committee, you can check these out on our website. We would love to hear from you!

Many thanks to our student intern, Haley Fite, for her excellent work on the newsletters, and Carl Huether and Wayne Hall for their assistance in proofing and editing.

Pat Mezinskis
Acting Executive Director
Emeriti Center
Professor Emerita of Nursing
University of Cincinnati - Blue Ash

A Letter from Our President

Dear Fellow Emeriti:

There are three items I would like to emphasize for this fourth newsletter, and all of them involve YOU very directly!

First, as Pat reminds you in her report, applications for the part time position of Executive Director of the Emeriti Center are now being accepted, and all emeriti are eligible and encouraged to consider applying. The Search Committee will begin reviewing applications starting March 15 and continue until the position is filled. This will be an enormously important position in providing leadership for our future continued successes, so I hope you will consider either applying yourself, or asking others. Details are available on our website.

Secondly, our annual Emeriti Association meeting will take place sometime during the first two weeks of May, and will be announced soon. Not only are you encouraged to attend, but we are actively seeking suggestions for future meetings.

Lastly, the Emeriti Activities section, which highlights the notable activities of emeriti, should be filled with your suggestions. We are looking for items on awards received, books published, and other accomplishments. Please send your suggestions to us.

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Carl Huether
Acting President
attend, but we will be electing seven members to the 21-member Emeriti Board. While some of those whose first term is ending may seek re-election, there will be a number of positions open for newcomers to be elected. Please seriously consider nominating yourself, or if you have another in mind, seek their permission to nominate them. All nominations should be sent to Vice President Terry Milligan at milligtg@ucmail.uc.edu. Board positions are for a three-year term beginning immediately after the May meeting. This is an opportunity to be actively engaged in determining the direction and future of the Association, and to work closely with the new Executive Director.

Finally, we have an excellent Luncheon Speaker Series which meets every fourth Thursday of the month which we have expanded to include one in April on the third Thursday (19th). It includes a nice lunch for $10 from 11:30 to noon followed by the guest speaker from noon-1:00. This is a wonderful opportunity for intellectual enrichment and camaraderie. We would like to see more emeriti take advantage of these opportunities. The March presenter will be Judge Marianna Bettman. I hope you will join us for this and for our last speaker, Carol Tonge Mack, on April 19th. More information on both of these opportunities may be found elsewhere in this newsletter. While we love providing emeriti with the opportunity to attend these Luncheon Speaker Series events, we are open to suggestion, changes and new opportunities offered by any of our members.

If there is anything, you would like to discuss further, please contact me at Carl.Huether@uc.edu.

Thank you for your continued support!

Carl Huether, President
Emeriti Association
Professor Emeritus of Biology
University of Cincinnati

Upcoming Events

Emeriti Association
Thursday, Mar. 22, 11:30 a.m.
Luncheon Speaker Series with Judge Marianna Bettman. Registration now available.
Thursday, Apr. 19, 11:30 a.m
Putting Retention First in the Zest for Excellence (PR1ZE) More information available below.

Tuesday, May 1
Annual Recognition and Appreciation Dinner for new emeriti. Invitation Only.
Thursday, May 10
Annual meeting of the Emeriti Association. More information available soon.

University Wide
Friday, Mar. 23, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Apr. 17, 8:30 a.m.
Meeting of the UC Board of Trustees. More Information.

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Upcoming Events in the Luncheon Speaker Series

Mar. 22
Marianna Bettman
Choosing Judges in Ohio and Beyond
Marianna Bettman, Professor Emerita of the
College of Law, was the first woman ever elected as a judge to the Ohio First District Court of Appeals where she served for six years from 1993-1999. She began teaching at the University of Cincinnati College of Law in 1999 where she continued until her retirement in February 2016. In this presentation, she will explore the process through which judges are chosen with an emphasis on Ohio. Judges are currently chosen via election, by appointment or through a hybrid of the two. Judge Bettman will explore the consequences, both negative and positive, of these processes.

Register by Thursday, Mar. 15

Apr. 19
Carol Tonge Mack
Putting Retention First in the Zest for Excellence (PR1ZE)
A&S Assistant Dean Carol Tonge Mack, co-director of PR1ZE, will provide an overview of the university wide Mentoring Program she initiated in 2009 to help improve the retention and graduation rate of African-American Students. In collaboration with Marilyn Kershaw, Director of Diversity and Access, the co-directors promote creative and innovative strategies involving faculty and staff mentors. A&S Emeriti Professors Bruce Ault and Howard Tolley will share their experience as PR1ZE mentors and supporters. PR1ZE receives Diversity Council funding and with the critical support of faculty mentors has improved the graduation rate of undergraduate African American students.

All events are held in the Center for the Enrichment of Teaching and Learning, room 480C in the Langsam Library. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. at a cost of $10 cash, with presentations beginning at noon. Spouses are welcome.

Opportunities from the UC Libraries

Digital Scholarship Center
The University of Cincinnati’s Digital Scholarship Center, located in the Walter C. Langsam Library, is a joint venture between the McMicken College of Arts and Sciences and the University Libraries.

On campus and in the community, we serve as a catalyst for creative hybrid forms of research and teaching, bringing together humanistic methods with technical innovations to test paradigms and to create new knowledge at the boundary between disciplines as they are conventionally imagined in the humanities.

We use methods such as data visualization, computational text analysis, digitization/imaging/3D modeling, and geographic information systems (GIS), among many other approaches, to discover new dimensions of complexity and nuance in humanistic and cultural datasets that conventionally have not been studied by these digital techniques.

We are located in Langsam Library 460. The UC Libraries, working in collaboration with A&S and IT@UC and the 3rd Century eLearning Initiative, received support from the Office of the Provost to create a collaborative, technology-enabled space for faculty and group work with hardware, software, and tools to support digital scholarship and pedagogy.

Read more about the Digital Scholarship Center [here](#).

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University Press

The University of Cincinnati Press publishes transdisciplinary and single discipline peer and expert reviewed scholarly monographs and theory-to-practice books about topics which span social justice and community engagement themes. The aim of the press is to publish books which stretch the traditional boundaries of content, format and audience for worldwide distribution.

The Press would like to invite members of the Emeriti Association with university press publishing experience to participate in the Faculty Advisory Board which oversees the peer review and approval process. These positions would be for a two year term. Additionally, emeriti may act as peer reviewers and ambassadors connecting with scholars in every stage of their academic career who may be interested in writing about social justice and community engagement.

In addition to the university press imprint, we are thrilled to offer an imprint which focuses exclusively on the needs of UC faculty, staff and students by offering a suite of publishing services utilizing expertise and platforms from UC Libraries. Our library publishing program and scholarly communication center services all academic departments and subjects. Library publishing has been identified as a key element in promoting the intellectual commons model.

More information is available [here](#).

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Welcome to New Members

Effective Jan. 1, 2018 through Mar. 1, 2018

- Raymond Boissy
- Ralph Gruppo
- Joseph Nevin
- Ronald Sacher
- Arden Wander
Recognition and Appreciation Dinner

About the Annual Recognition and Appreciation Dinner for New Emeriti:

Beginning in the spring of 2014, the Provost's office, the UC Foundation, and the Emeriti Board have hosted four yearly dinners for new emeriti. These events allow members from the university to express formal appreciation and recognition of these individuals. In the past, these dinners have been well-received and attended and we look forward to a sizeable attendance of new emeriti at this year's event on May 1.

Those granted emeriti status in the past year beginning May 2017, will receive an invitation from the Provost's Office asking you to RSVP for the event.

We look forward to the continued tradition of hosting these dinners each spring and look forward to welcoming new members. We encourage all new Emeriti to be active with the association and consider joining the Emeriti Board.

Visit our website to read about last year's event and see photos as well.

Second Act with Henry Fenichel

They have retired from a career, not life.

Like a cat, Henry Fenichel is rumored to have nine lives. He's using the most recent one to tell his story.

Henry Fenichel began his career at the University of Cincinnati shortly after completing his PhD at Rutgers University. New York natives, Henry and his wife had only planned for a short stay in Cincinnati before moving on in their careers and life, but the city proved a great locale to establish a family and a home. Henry never planned to retire here, but 14 years after his retirement in 2004, and the Fenichels still enjoy the arts, culture and community Cincinnati has to offer.

When he's not attending seminars at the university or teaching physics courses at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Henry pairs with the Cincinnati Holocaust and Humanity Center to speak at area schools and community centers about his personal experience in Nazi-occupied Holland and beyond.

Before the age of six, a young Henry had already survived the Nazi invasion of Holland as well as forced hiding at Eagle Villa alongside his mother. Shortly after Holland fell under Nazi rule, authorities captured Henry and his family. It was then that Henry and his mother were sent to Westerbork Detention Center as a stopover to Bergen Belsen Concentration Camp in Northern Germany. His father was not so lucky as to make it to Westerbork and perished with the more than one million Jewish individuals who died at the hands of the Nazi regime.

Many did not survive at Bergen Belsen, but in June of 1944, Henry and his mother were two of a relatively small group of individuals put on a train to Palestine. With the help of his late-father's family, Henry and his mother tried to establish a new life in Palestine, but at the age of ten, Henry was exposed to yet another war.

As the establishment of the Israeli state shrouded the region with turmoil, Henry's family received an offer from the family of his new stepfather to join them in the United states where the streets
were “paved with gold.”

After avoiding yet another tragedy, by a mere two weeks, on the maiden voyage of the SS Andrea Doria, a ship which would sink less than two weeks after Henry’s own trip, Henry and his mother settled into a new life in New York.

Since this time, Henry has made several trips back to Holland and Israel. During his time as a professor, he spent many a sabbatical teaching in these locations and forging relationships with fellow educators.

Throughout his professional career Henry worked to establish himself as a dedicated and brilliant physicist outside the hardships of his childhood. Retirement has granted him the time and the community support networks to finally tell his story to a new generation with a surging interest in the lessons history has to offer.

As a member of the board at the Holocaust and Humanities Center, in addition to the many speaking events he does in the community, Henry knows the importance of staying engaged, involved and active well into retirement.

Do you happen to be in the middle of your own Second (or third) Act? Email us to let us know and you may find your story in a future newsletter.

Emeriti Activities

Marianne Ivey
At the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists’ Midyear Clinical Meetings & Exhibition, held in December 2017 in Orlando, Florida, Marianne Ivey, Professor Emerita of Pharmacy received the prestigious Donald E. Francke Medal. The award honors those who have made significant contributions to the advancement of pharmacy practice. As the recipient of this honor, Marianne also presented “Global Opportunities—Pharmacists Working Together to Improve Patient Care” as the featured Donald E. Francke Medal Lecture.

Judy & Bill Baughin
The University of Cincinnati at Blue Ash recently celebrated their 50th anniversary with a very special gift from Judy and Bill Baughin. Judy and Bill were both former professors at UC Blue Ash and posthumously donated the largest gift in the history of the college. The nearly $400,000 provided by the estate of retired UCBA professor, Judy Baughin, will go toward two scholarships established in honor of her late husband, Bill Baughin, back in 2008. The Baughins were long-time, and much-loved figures at UC Blue Ash. Each taught at the college for more than 35 years.

Jerome Paul’s New Book
Jerome Paul, Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering, along with co-author, Kenneth Berman, have recently published a paperback textbook entitled Algorithms: Foundations and Design Strategies, which is intended for core upper-division undergraduate courses in the design and analysis of algorithms. Much of the content of the new textbook is taken from earlier, rather more expensive textbooks, by Paul and Berman. The current textbook has a student-friendly price of $25.
Get Involved!

**History Interest Group**
Professor Emeritus of Internal Medicine is looking for kindred spirits and history buffs who wish to share their interests in ancient, modern, American, European or really any branch of history. Ideally, the group would host a history book club and discussion group as well as join one another to see history related films and documentaries. Other ideas are welcome! If you are interested, please contact Ralph at Ralph.giannella@uc.edu.

**Emeriti Photos**
If you are an avid photographer, we need you! The Emeriti Association is interested in seeking your help with collecting interesting and unique photos which capture all the fun and exciting things emeriti are doing to feature in future editions of the Emeriti Connections newsletter. Please submit any and all photographs to Haley Fite at fiteha@mail.uc.edu.

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**Become a Mentor with the Emeriti Association**

**Undergraduate Mentoring Award**

The mission of the Undergraduate Mentorship Award is to foster research, performance, and other scholarly and creative skills in UC’s undergraduates while helping Emeriti faculty stay active in their fields and engaged with the university.

**What is the Undergraduate Mentorship Award?**
The Undergraduate Mentorship Award offers competitive funding for rising juniors and seniors to collaborate with emeriti faculty in developing and implementing independent projects relevant to their shared interests. This innovative new program is sponsored by the Emeriti Association, with funding and support from the Office of the Provost. Emeriti from all disciplines are encouraged to apply. Two awards will be made for an academic year in the amount of $2000 to each qualified undergraduate student, starting in the fall term, 2018-19 ($1000 per semester). Continuation of funding in the spring term will be contingent upon satisfactory progress during the fall term, as determined by the emeritus mentor. A $1,000 stipend will also be awarded for the academic year to the emeritus mentor for each student scholarship winner. Final projects must be communicated to the Emeriti Awards Committee in a scholarly manner appropriate to the field(s) of the researchers.

[Read more about the Undergraduate Mentoring Award on our website](#). The deadline for formal proposals is [March 17, 2018](#) and recipients will be notified by April 15.

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**In Memoriam**
Alfred Ciani

Alfred Joseph Ciani died Jan. 14, 2018 at the age of 71. A transplant to Wilder, Kentucky, Alfred was born in New York City in 1946. Alfred attended the University of Nebraska before transferring to the State University of New York at Albany where he graduated with a degree in Rhetoric and Public Address in 1969. He earned his Master's at the College of St. Rose and his Doctorate from Indiana University, Bloomington. His teaching career spanned 35 years with several of those years dedicated to preparing future educators at the University of Cincinnati’s Teachers College. Alfred is survived by his wife of 37 years, Lesley (Lockwood) Ciani and their three children as well as his eight grandchildren. In Alfred's memory the family has set up a scholarship fund with the University.

Anthony York

Anthony D. York passed away Jan. 25, 2018. Born a child of the depression, Tony fought his way out of poverty through education and received his PhD from Cornell University. During his prolific teaching career, he taught at Oxford University and became a world renowned biblical scholar. As Professor Emeritus at the University of Cincinnati, and former head of Judaic Studies, his work continues to inspire. Outside of the classroom, he enjoyed Monty Python, British humor, a good meal, good conversation and good laughs with his family. He is predeceased by his wife Nancy and survived by his four children and five grandchildren.

About Campus

The 1819 Innovation Hub

The 1819 Innovation Hub Project began Nov. 17, 2017 and is expected to be completed in June 2018. Roughly 100,000 square feet of the original structure will be preserved and renovated to accommodate the UCRI office, the Live Well Collaborative, the UC Simulation Center, Social Innovation Lab, the Digital Media Collaborative, a makerspace, a student/faculty accelerator and a small handful of classrooms and multipurpose rooms.

Corbett Auditorium Renovations
Renovations to the Corbett Center and Theatre began in March 2017 and were completed in January 2018. The project included the replacement of theater controls and the addition of electric power, lighting, stage rigging, seating, curtains and audio-visual systems in Corbett Auditorium, Patricia Corbett Theater, Cohen Family Studio Theater, Werner Recital Hall and Watson Hall.

This Month in UC History

As March Madness kicks off and a familiar fervor sweeps across the country, the nostalgia may kick in for many former and current Bearcats as they remember the history-making 1960-61 and 1961-62 men's basketball teams who went on to win it all and triumph over in-state rivals the Ohio State Buckeyes. Coached by Ed Jucker, the Bearcats won 71-59 in 1962 and 70-65 in 1961. Here’s wishing the Bearcats the best of luck in this year’s tournament!

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Let us know!

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