

PACRA PACER

PALOMAR COLLEGE RETIREE'S ASSOCIATION

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MEET THE BOARD President

Ken Burns came to Palomar with a wealth of experience in the student affairs world. He is a graduate of a small college in Westerville, Ohio with his BA degree. He earned his doctoral degree from University of Southern Colorado. After serving four years in the Air Force, he worked at the University of Pittsburgh Development offices. He was a director of Testing and Placement at Occidental College in Los Angeles. In 1965, he went to Humboldt State as director of Placement and Career counseling. Then on to Yakima, Washington and later the University of Maine for "3 winters" then on to University of Southern Colorado. In 1977, he came to Palomar.

Today he is very active in tennis despite past knee injuries. He serves as Vice President for Music and Performances of Palomar-Pacific musical group and is a member of NASPAA, an organization of Athletic Sports Announcers. He is married to Katherine. He met her at the Rancho Bernardo Chorale. He has five children and nine grandchildren

THE FUTURE OF THE COLLEGE

President Robert P. Deegan presented a summary of the future of Palomar College indicating the overall effect of the economy and the state budget will have a continuing impact on our educational programs. And, yet, given the dire budget predictions and cuts we've already seen, Palomar, along with other community colleges, is in a unique position to help individuals not only survive but thrive. President Deegan reviewed a list of new buildings planned for the San Marcos campus, all of which will be funded through Proposition M monies approved by the voters in 2006. He noted that ground breaking ceremonies were held last fall for one of those new buildings; the new Multidisciplinary Instructional Building (MIB) is under construction and projected to be completed spring 2011.

NATIONAL RESPONSE

It is significant to note that since this presentation, the President of the United States has cited the community college as one of the most important education institutions for today's world.

NURSING EDUCATION

President Deegan briefly reviewed recent discussion of eliminating an American government course requirement for one of the Nursing Degree programs. He explained that the college was reacting to a direct mandate from the Nursing Education Accreditation Association and that the elimination of this course would only apply to the curriculum requirements of one of the two degrees offered by the Nursing Education Department.

BENEFITS

President Deegan introduced John Tortarola, Vice President for Human Resources, who discussed retiree and survivor benefits. PACRA has provided you with a summary of the survivor benefits information and benefits guidelines and they are included in this edition of the *PACER*.

PACRA IMPROVES COMMUNICATIONS

In order to facilitate transmission of information to the members and reduce costs, Bob Larson requests members to send him your email address. These addresses will only be printed in the PACRA handbook and will not be made available to any advertisers or organizations. Larson's address is blarson21@cox.net.

This is a Special Edition of the Pacer. It includes an array of photographs from our last annual meeting; these images were taken by Bob Larson and kindly identified for the newsletter. We also include a pull out insert of Survivor Benefits which was requested by a number of members.









































NEW MEMBERS 2008 -2009

LINDA DUDIK – ECONOMICS, HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE
KARA GARAVUTI – FISCAL SERVICES
ANN MAIOROFF – ENGLISH
CATHY OTT – HUMAN RESOURCES
NORRINE KEESEE – INSTRUCTION
BARBARA SEVETKA – NURSING EDUCATION
JOSEPH FARRELLY – COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATION
SYSTEMS

ROBERT T. MILLER – BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE MARY THOMSON – LIBRARY

DECEASED MEMBERS IN 2008 – 2009

BILL BEDFORD

JUNE BRUBECK

FREDERICK HUBER FOUNDING MEMBER LINDA NUMURA

CHARLYNE TAYLOR

BEAUFORD CHAMBLESS

LOU-BURNETT

DELORES GREGORY
FOUNDING MEMBER
RITA WHITE
FOUNDING MEMBER
SHIRLEY O'ROUKE

ROSE VOGEL

MARGE RUZICH



FROM THE BOARD

My experience with PACRA serving on the Board of Directors, and most recently as President again, has been fun for me and rewarding. It is always great to see familiar faces from when I worked at Palomar and so nice to be with other Board members at our bi-monthly meetings. The efforts have been worthwhile for me and for others through our PACRA scholarship program for family members who received scholarships. and worthwhile when we felt we accomplished matters for PACRA members through representation on College committees and programs. Hopefully I can continue to serve on the Board of Directors in some other capacity. I know that your recently elected President Ken Burns, and Vice President June Rady will also enjoy their time as Officers of PACRA. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to serve and I look forward to seeing you in the future.

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THREE GENERATIONS

From left to right

Doris Weber (East) AA 1983 as Instructional Aide and 2009 received the Child

Development Teacher certificate

Ruth East –AA 2009 for Child Development Teacher and recipient of the PACRA Scholorship in 2007 and is the Grand daughter of PACRA member

Jean Huston

Sandra Jensen (Weber) AA 1956 in Business

THE NEW BOARD

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