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PALOMAR COLLEGE RETIREE'S ASSOCIATION

MEET THE BOARD

PRESIDENT

JaDene Dugas came to Palomar in the admissions office in 1963. She attended the Music program with Howard Brubeck and was convinced she had to work for Palomar. After two years in the Admissions office, she moved to the Instruction office for the remainder of her career of sixteen years. During her tenure at Palomar she was active serving as an officer of CSEA. She was the first classified person to serve on an accreditation Team at another Community College... She was a leader in establishing the Professional Growth for classified personnel at Palomar. In 1981 she was honored by receiving an Honorary Associate Degree in Humane Arts for "outstanding service to students and staff and years of commitment and dedication to Palomar College. From Newman Grove, Nebraska to Whittier California, where JaDene met her husband Art of 59 years as a military family moved throughout the country settling in Vista in 1953. After JaDene's retirement she and Art moved to Mesa Arizona. Art retired from Boeing Helicopters and they returned to Vista. After thirteen years, she returned to California and serves as chairman of PACRA. She has served on the PACRA Board of Directors since 1994 starting as Vice President for Fred Huber. This is her second term as President. A significant moment in her life occurred in Greece on a vacation.

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ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN ESCONDIDO

Over forty people attended the 18th Annual meeting for PACRA. President JaDene Dugas welcomed the members and special guests to the meeting. President Robert Deegan presented a Report to the members.

Scholarship

Jaime McAllister received the PACRA Scholarship. She is a 2008 graduate of Fallbrook High School. She will attend Palomar then on to CSU San Marcos. Jaime is the Granddaughter of Diane McAllister, Director of Assessment.

New Office Members

The following members were identified to fill vacant positions. Bob Larson, Treasurer; Sandra Nanniga, Member at Large; Ken Burns, Recording Secretary. Ted Kilman and June Rady were added to the Board to replace retired members.

Honorary Memberships

Honorary Memberships were granted to Fred Huber, John Schettler, Rita White, Jean Huston, and Omar Scheidt.

Board Change

The PACRA board is proposing a change in the By-laws to combine office of Treasure and corresponding secretary. This change must come to a vote from the membership.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

THE FOUNDERS



Photo by John Schettler

Early leaders of Palomar College's Retirees' Association
Seated left to right: Dr. Fred Huber, Jean Huston, Carl Iserman and Delores Gregory. Standing left to right: Dr. John Schettler, Dr. Rita White, Howard R. Brubeck, Dr. Omar Scheidt and Dr. Roy "Pat" Archer

This photo appeared in the "50th Anniversary" edition of the college history.

The Pacra Board has been concerned with the health of Dr. Fred Huber, former president of Palomar. An inquiry was sent to his daughter Clare Bostick. Her letter as follows best tells the story.

Dear JaDene,

Thank you so much for your kind letter concerning my Father, Fred Huber. I am very appreciative of June Rady keeping you informed about Fred's and Helen's situation.

As you know, Fred has been coping with issues related to aging the last few years. Thanks to his formidable determination and abilities, as well as the wonderful support of family friends, neighbors and co-workers, he was able to continue leading an independent, happy life at his home in Temecula right through last summer. However, by the end of the summer, it became clear that Fred was having difficulty; recognizing and adjusting to the new limitations that come with the approach of his 93rd birthday. As he told us during this time, "Part of me wants to say that fighting these restrictions isn't worth the aggravation. It's just not that important. But my whole life, whenever people told me I wasn't able to do something, it's been my nature to fight to prove them wrong." Dad is not one to 'gentle into that good night.' But he is more relaxed and content now that he has finally turned over the day-to-day details of business and life to the family.

At the end of September, Dad and Helen moved to an assisted-living residence near our home. They like the staff, and one day after lunch, Dad called for attention in the main room, stopping all activities. He offered an "overdue toast of thanks" to the staff for their wonderful care, and all the residents gave a round of applause to the appreciative staff.

Dad and Helen see their children, as all as all the grandchildren and great-grandchildren, frequently. We take over all the magazines and cards each week, which they thoroughly enjoy. I know they love to receive cards, which should be sent to my address listed. We will take them right over. They do not have a phone: however, please feel free to call our house to pass along messages to them.

I especially want to thank everyone on the board for their support over the years. You've already given Dad his best gift, which was allowing him to continue participating in the board activities that meant so much to him. It gave him great satisfaction to keep active and in touch from his house in Temecula. It made his last few years of independent living a special time in his life. I'm sure it kept him young, active, productive and happy for several extra years. Sincerely,

Clare Bostick

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SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

Robert Larson awards Jaimee
McAllister the PACRA
Scholarship for 2008



MEMBERS WHO PASSED AWAY PAST YEAR

**Mike Barber, Fiscal Services
Raymond Jessup, Physics,
Engineering, Chemistry
Viola Jeffrey, Physical Educaion
Warren Donahue, Mathematics**



JOHN SCHETTLER HONORED

Former Assistant Superintendent, Business Manager of Palomar College celebrated with PACRA about his 90th birthday.

At the Annual Meeting, Dr. Schettler was honored with a presentation citing his commitment and work with the college. In addition a cake was added to celebrate the day. Dr. Schettler was a founding member of PACRA and the founding editor of the PACER, a newsletter.

Later that month, He brought to the house of the new editor a stack of folders measuring two feet high. He had collected a series of clippings since his retirement to add to the archive of the organization. His daughter LeeAnne assisted in the collation of the large work. His concern and interest in the college is still very strong.

Later that month, He received a note from Dr. Huber honoring his 90th and celebrated his 94th. From this note, John encourages members to send notes to Fred.



Dr. Omar Scheidt and Lorraine seated at the lunch

BENEFITS REPORT

In his Benefits Report, Dr. Scheidt maintained caution to provide enough funds to continue the benefit programs for retirees. President Deegan had indicated discussion is continuing but the 2009 year is completed



PRESIDENT ROBERT P. DEEGAN A PRESENTATION OF THE FUTURE

A complete visual presentation of the future of the college was viewed by the members with drawings and visuals of the new college campus. The old campus will be demolished. A significant parking condition may create some problems.

The site for the Fallbrook campus was identified and work will be developing soon. Demolition will take place during the summer.

Ja Dene

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Standing on the stage of an ancient theater, she was asked to sing. Gathering her courage, she sang. As her voice resonated throughout the empty open air theatre, she considered that moment in time as her voice became part of the history of the ancient world.

She maintains her Music career to this day. She sang the Brahms Requiem for a Vista church this holiday season and contributes to the vocal community regularly



Fred Huber and JaDene Dugas



June Rady and Karin Norlin



Nona McClure and Petra Cabellero



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