

CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER

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GOOD NEWS! *Cost-of-Living Adjustments*

University of California Retirement Plan (UCRP) and UC-PERS Plus 5 Plan benefit recipients, including those receiving survivor and UCRP disability income, will receive a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) effective July 1, 2020. The July 1, 2020 COLA of 2.0% is for those with retirement dates on or before July 1, 2019 and does not vary by retirement date. The increase will appear in checks paid on July 31.

See this link for all information:

<https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/2020/03/2020-cost-of-living-adjustments-announced.html>

UC Net Article: Long-Term Stability of UC Retirement Plan

UC Office of the President has posted a new article. It begins, "Across the University of California system, members of our community — especially the dedicated professionals at UC Health — are working tirelessly to stop the spread of the coronavirus and limit its impact to our health, welfare, and financial security. During this time of uncertainty and upheaval, it is important to know that your UC retirement benefits will be there when you need them. They will be."

<https://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/2020/03/the-long-term-stability-of-the-uc-retirement-plan.html>



We are Here for You - Remotely



In accordance with government and UCI guidelines, the **UCI Center for Emeriti & Retirees (CER)** staff will continue to work remotely until we are advised to return to the campus. Please know you may still call or email us.

Many of our on and off-campus partners are offering online programming opportunities. One example is the Anteater Recreation Center that hosts online classes for all to view here:

<https://www.campusrec.uci.edu/recreation-live.asp>

Please check the CER website for program updates.

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Keep on Reading:

▶ April Events

For health and safety, many April Events have been postponed.

▶ Scam Alert

Be aware of COVID-19 scammers

▶ Save the Date - June 23

Wine tasting Fundraiser for the UCIRA Legacy Scholarship!

GET CONNECTED on
FACEBOOK:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/UCIretirees/>



EVENT(S) POSTPONED BUT STAY TUNED!

April 7th -> TBD Lawn Bowling 101 - POSTPONED

April 22nd -> TBD Modjeska House Tour - POSTPONED

April 29th -> TBD Walk (San Joaquin Sanct.) - POSTPONED

April 29th -> TBD 2020 Political Lecture - POSTPONED

 June 6th -> October 3rd **Anti-Cancer Challenge - NEW DATE!**

**More information TBA. Please stay tuned or contact us at retirees@uci.edu*



**March 18th - April 8th
Estate Planning
Workshops Series
POSTPONED**



**March - April HWBR
Hikes, Walks,
& Bike Rides
RESCHEDULED**

In support of preventative care efforts on campus and beyond, CER has postponed events until such a time that it is safe for gatherings to resume. We deeply appreciate your understanding and cooperation.



COVID-19 SCAM ALERT

You may already be taking steps to protect your health during the COVID-19 emergency. Be sure to also protect your identity from scammers by guarding your personal information.

It's easy to get distracted and let your guard down during these uncertain times. Scammers may try to steal your Medicare Number, credit card, or other information. They might lie about sending you Coronavirus vaccines, tests, masks, or other items in exchange for personal information. Please note, there are no government officials contacting individuals regarding COVID-19 (testing or otherwise). Visit <http://Medicare.gov/fraud> for more information about protecting yourself from fraud and reporting suspected fraud.

SAVE THE DATE! June 23, 2020 - 2:00 pm,
UCI Newkirk Alumni Center

Wine Tasting - Scholarship Fundraiser

The UCI Retirees Association (UCIRA) invites you to an afternoon wine tasting event hosted by UCI alumna Ann Stephens and sponsored by Hi-Time Wine Cellars. We will taste five wines priced under \$15.00 (two whites, one dry rose and two reds) from countries such as Spain, France, Greece and Morocco. A \$25 donation is appreciated, with all proceeds going to the UCIRA scholarship fund.

