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C.A.R.E. Newsletter

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District
Association of Retired Employees

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Websites:

<http://care-news.org>

<http://www.chabotcollege.edu/>

<http://www.laspositacollege.edu/>

<http://www.clpccd.ca.us/>

<http://www.calpers.ca.gov>



Welcome to our summer edition newsletter.

New Service! CARE Member Directory

By Bill Threlfall

Are there retirees you wish to reach, but you lack their contact information? Would you like other CARE members to be able to reach you?

One of CARE's purposes is to serve the social interests of members by providing opportunities to keep in touch with each other. To support this function, we have established an E-mail

member directory which you are invited to join. It is designed to facilitate contact while preserving your privacy.

To see the directory, learn more, and join, visit the CARE website at:
<http://care-news.org>



Also, please check out care-news.org for

- Current and past CARE newsletters
- News about our annual reunion
- Information about CARE and its services to members
- Updates not published in the newsletter

Las Positas College News

Campus physical plant upgrading continues at Las Positas College over the summer.

expanding campus.

another highlight of the new buildings tours.



Campus Aerial View

The most impressive new buildings are the Multi Disciplinary Building 2400 and the new Physical Education Complex, building 2500.

Thank you to Connie Reding, Instructional Division Staff Assistant and Jeff Sperry, Instructional Technology, Support Specialist for giving our group an “insider’s” view of some of the embedded state-of-the-art technology in the Multi Disciplinary Building.

A lone student shooting hoops on the highly polished gym floor posed for our camera as the small tour group agreed that the complex was on a par with a university complex.

Don Nilson was kind enough to lead a campus tour to a few of your CARE Board Members on a beautiful warm summer morning on what was formerly referred to as “The Valley Campus”.

One point of interest for the tour group was the exciting new large lecture hall which included mini microphones hanging from the ceiling throughout the room and the two outside rows of seats with AC and internet connections in each chair for laptop use during lectures.

A new swimming pool is still in the planning stages as of this report. If it’s anything as grand as the P.E. Complex, it will be another jewel in the crown of the Las Positas College campus.

**Building 2500
Physical Education
Complex
Gymnasium**



In the aerial view of the Las Positas College campus upper left, the two new buildings are clearly visible located up the hill on the east side of campus. The “Bell Tower” of the Multi Disciplinary Building will serve as a focal point for students, staff and visitors alike to assist in finding their way around the beautiful and ever

A separate tour led by Don through the two story sunlit Physical Education Complex with indoor track, weight rooms, dance studios, and offices was

The surrounding hills are also growing with more housing, businesses and vineyards. Some cattle still remain crazing on hills behind campus. The campus once visible from nearby Hwy 580 is quickly being obliterated from view by the surrounding growing community.

Chabot College News

Fall Semester at Chabot College will involve continued construction and building renovation projects.

On or about August 3, classroom buildings 800 and 900, renovations will begin. This will be the first major classroom project using current Bond funding for campus upgrades.

According to Doug Horner Facilities Manager, these beginning renovations may not be visible.

Eventually, temporary faculty office projects will also be taking place.

Completed projects include the football field and the Olympic size swimming pool.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

A special invitation is extended to CARE retirees to attend the *Quest Program's* annual FREE Holiday Variety Show on Tuesday, December 18, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center.

For more information please contact Ginger at the Quest office 510.723-6699 or griplinger@chabotcollege.edu or visit Chabot College Quest program web site at www.chabotcollege.edu/quest

The Retirement Reception for this academic year will be held in late April or early May 2008. If CARE members have any suggestions or contributions for this event to help us build our membership, please contact your CARE President, Webmaster, or Newsletter Editor.

FREE Permanent Parking Permits for Retirees upon Request

The President's Office through Campus Safety will make parking permits available to CARE members and other retirees (Chabot, LPC, and District). Please contact a CARE Board member with your request and we will, in turn, pass on your request to the appropriate campus staff member. We will need a mailing address unless your request is made in person.

The CARE Board would like to take this opportunity to thank the President's Office and especially Karen Silva, President Carlson's Assistant, for their communications, support and gracious assistance. Our thanks also goes out to Media Services staff for their friendly and skilled assistance in helping to make this newly formatted CARE Newsletter a success.



**Chabot's Renovated
Olympic Size
Swimming Pool**

The Purpose, Nature and Membership of CARE

From the Chabot-Las Positas Association of Retired Employees Constitution

Why Care?

CARE Provides:

Opportunities to keep in touch with each other

Opportunities to participate in annual reunions and other social activities

Collegiality between the campuses

A liaison between the retirees and the district

Newsletter and Website

Advocacy

PURPOSE:

This shall be a collegial organization whose primary purpose is to serve the economic and social interests of its members as provided by its By-Laws. It may also assist the District and Colleges as it determines.

NATURE:

The essential nature of this organization shall be one of informality, openness and friendliness. It shall

not be for profit. Any actions of the members, the Board of Directors or Officers contrary to this description shall be inoperative.

MEMBERSHIP:

All retirees from the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District are eligible for membership and shall be members in accordance with the rules established in the By-Laws. Membership includes the member's spouse or partner.

Membership continues for the surviving spouse or partner after the death of the member. At its discretion, the Board of Directors may grant Honorary Membership as provided by the By-Laws.

New Retirees

Lettie Camp July 07,
Las Positas College

Karen Hallilday, Aug
07, Las Positas College

Roberta Pratt, March
07, Chabot College

Susan Cota, Aug. 07,
District Office

Barbara Hardy, June 07,
Las Positas College

Ross Shoemaker, May
07, Chabot College

Diana Curl, Aug. 07,
Chabot College

Judith Hanson, Mar 07,
Las Positas College

Donald Skiles, June 07,
Chabot College

Hortensia Franco, June
07, Chabot College

Cecelia Kennerly, May
07, Las Positas College

Congratulations New Retirees!



Special Tribute

A former student's letter to Robert Barthol shortly before his passing.

It has been a long time since I have talked to you. I was in your AJ classes at Chabot back in the early 1970s. You let me participate in research for your book, "*Protect Yourself*" and you provided lots and lots of material for my research speeches on con games and shoplifting. You taught me how to shoot straight and showed me how to learn penal codes so well I remember them today.

I attended your barbershop quartet concert and your end of the year barbeque and I toilet papered your house on your birthday and got caught by you. For punishment,

you invited us all in for cake and ice cream. Wow! I still smile about that.

With your education, I went on to become a police assistant, a deputy sheriff, a private investigator and a fraud investigator with a nationally known insurance company. In my forties I gave up all that to work regular hours with weekends and holidays off, and took a job in accounting at a manufacturing company in the Pacific Northwest.

I would really like to take this opportunity to thank you for the time and effort you spent to teach, to show, to lead. Your help and encouragement meant a lot to me. You made a difference in my life.

When I sent my daughter off to college, I encouraged her to find a mentor in her chosen field. I told her not to be afraid to go talk to him/her during office hours. She has recently graduated from University of Washington. She followed my advice and found a wonderful instructor who really gave encouragement and help to a handful of students willing to do extra work and go the extra mile.

In a way, you made a difference in her life too.

Thank you for all you have done and for the warm memories I have of you.

Sincerely,

M.S. Clark



Robert Barthol
Remembered

Sad News – Retiree Deaths

Douglas Bryant,
July 07, Chabot
College

Mason Layman
May 07, Chabot and
Las Positas Colleges

Gordon Locklear,
June 07, Chabot
College

Ross Shoemaker
May 07, Chabot
College

****CORRECTION and GOOD NEWS****

Louie Abaitus lives!

In the May 2007 Newsletter, it was erroneously reported that Louie Abaitus had passed away. Many of Louie's friends called us to say we were very much mistaken!

Our apologies to Mr. and Mrs. Abaitus and friends for our error.

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://care-news.org/>

Commentaries from Friends

To: Helen Bridge
Date: April 24, 2007

First of all, thanks for doing such a great job. President is not the best job in the world! Secondly, please extend my thanks and congratulations to Bill Threlfall for the website. I am happy to see that both he and Bob Wood are both

taking an active part in CARE. They are both great guys. Keep up the good work.

Newsletter A

Website A

Congratulations!
Leadership counts!

From: **Reed**
(Buffington)

Heard via the grapevine:

"I don't care for the new (newsletter) format!"

Name withheld

Editor's Note:
Comments on newsletter are welcomed.

AN URGENT MESSAGE TO CARE MEMBERS YOUR BOARD NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

- ✚ We need you to pay your annual dues of only \$10.00 to help provide the financial support needed by CARE
- ✚ During the last contract negotiations your Board of Directors was successfully involved in representing you in opposing the District's plan to increase the costs of your health benefits. Printing and mailing costs were required, straining the CARE budget.
- ✚ Approximately 56% of the CARE membership has paid their annual dues. Thanks to all of you who paid your dues after our last request.
- ✚ **PLEASE MAKE YOUR DUES CHECK PAYABLE TO CARE**
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