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ANR NEWS

A message from Vice President Allen-Diaz



Dear Friends,

Whether you retired 1 year ago or 20, those of us who have the privilege of working for ANR today stand on your shoulders. You sustained and strengthened a 100-year-old foundation that is essential to our ongoing service to the people of California.

Barbara Allen-Diaz

Last year, ANR faced many challenging issues – issues such as finding solutions to nitrate pollution of groundwater through research, education, and partnerships and responding to the huanglongbing virus by utilizing more than 10 years of research and education on the ecology of the Asian citrus psyllid. There were many, many more. If you follow ANR Report and periodically review the ANR website, you will have learned of some of the other challenges and solutions.

It was a year of many accomplishments. We developed and introduced Informatics and Geographic Information Systems (IGIS), a statewide program that will enable academics and the public at large greater access to long-term data collected at our research and extension centers. And we benefitted from the work of hundreds of volunteers who devoted tens of thousands of hours to our Master Gardener and 4-H Youth Development programs. Enrollment in 4-H increased and our trained Master Gardeners are helping to minimize the use of pesticides and fertilizers in our local communities.

The passage of Proposition 30 stabilized our state budget for the time being. Nonetheless, we must continue to seek new revenue sources and ways of reducing costs as unfunded, mandated costs continue to rise.

To help us better understand critical issues facing communities in the coming years, we gathered at an ANR Statewide Conference earlier this month in Ontario, California. The conference began with a Global Food Systems Forum to address how to sustainably feed 8 billion people by 2025. We brought together farmers, researchers, economists, policymakers, geopolitical experts, and environmentalists to

engage in what was a provocative and stimulating discussion. A simultaneous webcast was viewed by 1,500 unique viewers from 34 counties. I invite you to view the Global Food Systems Forum video online at <http://food2025.ucanr.edu/webcast/>.

Additionally, the conference was an opportunity for ANR to examine our Strategic Vision, our initiative process, and new opportunities altogether. The challenges are tremendous; the commitment and dedication of our ANR colleagues is inspiring and powerful.

We are grateful to you for your part in strengthening and sustaining ANR and are very proud to continue this exceptional tradition of research and extension that improves the lives of all Californians.

Sincerely,
Barbara Allen-Diaz
Vice President

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UCCE CENTENNIAL:
On May 8, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed the Smith-Lever Act which established Cooperative Extension. Our nation's land-grant universities received funding to develop and deliver "practical applications of research knowledge." As we approach

our centennial year, Vice President Allen-Diaz has appointed a Centennial Planning Committee to plan and coordinate local and statewide activities and events that will serve to raise awareness with internal and external audiences.

You are invited to share information with the Centennial History Committee. The committee is looking for stories about how Extension programs changed things for the better, comparing yesterday with today and maybe the future. They are particularly interested in the people and what they worked on. The committee is looking for photographs, documents, and stories, including the "who, what, when and where" accompanying these photographs and documents. You can easily send these to us if you have them scanned or digitized by visiting an online survey at <http://ucanr.edu/history>. If you are unable to do so, please feel free to visit your local Cooperative Extension Office for assistance; our County Directors are committed to helping in this effort. If you need more information or assistance, please contact Jim Sullins at jsullins@ucanr.edu or at (559) 684-3309.



Check out this video!

Our friends and colleagues in University of California Office of the President Communications Office produced this video celebrating UC Cooperative Extension's centennial: [UCCE Centennial Video](#)

We will share centennial news, plans, and opportunities with you in the coming months. In the meantime, please share your Cooperative Extension experience and stories by visiting the survey mentioned above.

2013 NFCS REUNION FOR RETIRED and FORMER NFCS and 4-H YDP ADVISORS

Hold the Date – October 8-10, 2013!

By Eunice Williamson



We have scheduled the UCCE NFCS and 4-H YDP Retiree Reunion on October 8, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. to noon on October 10, 2013, in Riverside, CA at the Riverside

Marriott. A planning meeting will be held at the Riverside Marriott on Tuesday, June 4, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. We are especially appealing to those residing in Southern California (specialists, advisors, county directors, SRA's, program assistants, staff assistants, clericals and others) to attend. We need to hear from Retirees as to your ideas for Reunion content. This reunion event began in 1985 with NFCS Advisors and Specialists. Since that time, retirees from other programs have attended. At the last retiree reunion in San Leandro, Diane Wallace and I agreed to co-chair the 2013 reunion. We look forward to seeing some of you at the planning meeting in June, and many of you in October.

Note: Our planning committee would like to have your feedback and know whether you plan to attend. Please contact me at williansonw@aol.com by May 30.

ANR ACCEPTS DONATIONS ONLINE

ANR is making it easier for people to donate to its programs. Donors to ANR's programs may now make their charitable donations online from the comfort of their home computers or wherever they can get Internet service.

Links to the online giving system have been added to the ANR home page, as well as county Cooperative Extension, Research and Extension Center, and Master Gardener home pages. This tool is offered as a convenience to donors and was developed at the request of our Cooperative Extension offices.

To make a donation online, interested donors may visit their favorite county Cooperative Extension website, or visit <http://donate.ucanr.edu/>.



2011-12 PRIVATE SUPPORT FOR ANR

Private gift revenue for Cooperative Extension in 2011-12 exceeded \$2.3 million. Gifts were received from more than 850 individual donors, 357 corporations, and 93 foundations, or not-for-profit entities. Additionally, the California 4-H Foundation received \$893,088 in private support for the benefit of 4-H youth development programs and activities throughout the state. Private gifts enhance our research, extension, and youth development programs in myriad ways.

In the past 9 months, new partnerships between the agricultural community and ANR have been forged. Three agricultural commodity groups have made multi-year pledges to support UC Cooperative Extension specialist and advisor positions. These donations recognize the importance of research and delivery of new information for the sustainability of California agriculture.

The privately funded positions are:

- Rice Research Board of California - \$1.272 million for a rice specialist
- California Table Grape Commission - \$840,000 for a viticulture advisor, specializing in table grapes
- California Pistachio Research Board - \$1.5 million for a nut and fruit pathology specialist

Other recent and notable gifts for ANR include:

- a bequest in the amount of \$160,000 from James and Eleanor Morris, for the benefit of Stanislaus County 4-H
- a screenhouse built and deeded by the Citrus Research Board to Lindcove Research and Extension Center
- a new packline grader from the Citrus Research Board for sorting and grading citrus at Lindcove Research and Extension Center

RETIREES STILL AT WORK:

Gloria Brown hints that Cooperative Extension prepared her for a very fruitful second career. Perhaps she'll share more for the next newsletter.

W. James Clawson co-chaired a successful ballot initiative and election to form a county tax service district to provide the county funds for supporting Extension in Oregon.

Juan N. Guerrero works as the director of a diocesan agricultural extension service in Ayaviri, Puno, Perú.

Joanne P. Ikeda is serving as Vice-President of the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior.

ANR FAMILY NEWS

Personal messages from members of the ANR family



W. James Clawson writes: "We have now been in Dallas, Oregon for 15 years and enjoy the area and scenery around us. I have found myself involved with our Dallas Rotary Club, The Polk Soil and

Water Conservation District, Polk County Livestock Association and more recently with the Polk Extension Service District. I co-chaired a successful ballot initiative and election to form a county tax service district to provide the county funds for supporting Extension. Our county, along with others in the west, suffered from losing the timber (or Rural School Act) funds. This resulted in becoming Chair of the Polk Extension Citizen Advisory Network and a place on the statewide Extension Citizen Advisory Network. Oregon State University Extension also faces tough choices in the face of budget reductions, but it is a change to be involved with a smaller more approachable University and State Government structure. Mel George and I are working on capturing some of the history of the UC rangeland research and extension programs which we plan to publish somewhere when completed. We find it a chore to collect information with so many who could fill in gaps now gone. Last year I also lost a friend and fellow range specialist in Oregon, Tom Bedell, who spent his early Extension career in California, ending up in Modoc County. We manage to enjoy travel and visiting family as we find ourselves able to do less work taking care of our 8 acres."

Juan N. Guerrero writes: "In January 2012, Juan and wife Luz sold their home in El Centro and moved to Ayaviri, Puno, Perú. Juan and his wife are working as missionaries with the Catholic Church in the Andes of Perú. In El Centro it was hot and below sea level, now we are at 13,000 ft and in constant cold (quite a 180° turn). At this altitude trees no longer grow, rural folks burn dried cow dung for fuel in the kitchen. Juan works as the director of a diocesan ag extension service and his wife works at the local parish. The local population is about 95% indigenous quechua-speaking peoples. We plan on staying in Perú for at least one or two more years. We have no car here, so we walk a lot. Juan has lost more than 40 pounds."

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Sonya Hammond writes: “My husband and I are still enjoying Greenville, SC. I encourage people to Google the city – it is mentioned in many 'best places' lists. I have gotten involved with the OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) program at Furman University. Besides taking classes, I am now in charge of the "Friday Cultural Bonus Events.” These are one-time classes that showcase some aspect of local culture or current events that interest OLLI members. Each quarter I design and organize 14-18 classes – anything from wine tasting to hikes to cancer survivorship. A recent class that toured the large performing arts center – the Peace Center – had a waiting list of 46 people.”



Joanne P. Ikeda writes: “I am definitely extending the land grant mission of UC. This year I am Vice-President of the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior.

I am responsible for planning the program for the 2013 Annual Meeting that will be held in Portland, Oregon, from August 9th through August 12th. It's a great chance to see UC colleagues. I also continue to work as a consultant for the Cartoon Network helping them implement their nutrition criteria for the use of their licensed cartoon characters in food marketing.”

Mary Hussey Marion recently wrote that she is currently living in Scottsdale, Arizona. She has moved several times since attending the ANR Retiree Reunion in Fresno more than 13 years ago. Camille, Mary's 12-year old Pug, keeps her good company. She thinks of her days in Napa, Glenn and Placer counties with happiness and gratitude.

Nancy McLaughlin writes: “Following my 1993 retirement from ANR and CNR, I relocated to Port Angeles, Washington, where I purchased an 18-acre horse ranch. The property's south view across pastures is of the wide expanse of the Olympic Mountains, while the north boundary is a high bluff overlooking the Strait of Juan de Fuca with British Columbia in the distance. In addition to caring for my animals, I have enjoyed numerous volunteer activities including two elected terms (2001-2009) on the Board of Directors of the Port Angeles School District. The Board of Directors of the local Humane Society occupied more of my time for a few years, as well as service on the county commissioner's Animal Issues Advisory Committee.

Currently I am a Director on the Board of the North Olympic Land Trust, an organization dedicated to permanent conservation of farmland, wildlife habitat, and scenic vistas. Service on two school district committees continues my connection with education, and my interest in humane animal care is satisfied by a directorship on the board of the Welfare for Animals Guild (WAG), whose mission is to rescue dogs and find them good homes.

Because I was fortunate enough to retire under the Voluntary Early Retirement Incentive Program, I have named my property RANCHO VERIP and have a hand-carved sign to that effect posted on my fence for all visitors to see and puzzle over. I think of retirement as a wonderful professional promotion.”

Rosemary Sheldon writes: “Early last year I was awarded the 2011 Senior of the Year Award for Placer County. I live in Sun City Roseville and have been active in the community. I just retired from ten years as a Director for the Sun City Roseville Foundation. I have also been active with the Older Adult Collaborative of Placer County. Add to this the fact I am "On Call" to work at a Senior Retirement Community in the marketing department. Looking forward to getting the news of everyone. Hello to all of my old friends.”

Seymour Van Gundy recently wrote that he and Ken Burtis (UCD) travelled to Vietnam in August 2012 to participate in the Vietnam Education Foundation (VEF) Interview Mission to select scholarship recipients for US Universities. Seymour and Ken served on the team of interviewers along with 8 other US professors. They participated one week each in the cities of Hanoi and Saigon. In addition, Seymour participated in the 4th VEF Alumni Conference in Danang. Both UCD and UCR have had MOU exchange collaborations with Hanoi University of Agriculture since about the year 2000 and, more recently, are in discussions for collaboration with the Vietnam Ministry of Agriculture.

Larry Yee writes: “Here's a brief update for my life that's busier now than before I retired. I am serving as the co-founder and coordinating director for the Food Commons, a large-scale national project dedicated to designing and building the infrastructure both locally and nationally for local/regional food systems. The Food Commons is a fully integrated food system predicated on innovative business models and a new economic paradigm. Our first prototype is being developed in Fresno, our second in Atlanta, Georgia.

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Also, the Governor appointed me to the LA Regional Water Quality Control Board and that pretty well eats up any spare time when I'm not doing food systems work.

However, my wife and I always have time for our first granddaughter who's now a year old. We still live in Ojai and we just remodeled the last bathroom, so my old colleagues are invited to drop in and visit."

Awards

The American Society for Horticultural Science awarded the ASHS 2011 Outstanding Extension Publication Award to UCCE specialist emeritus **Art Craigmill** and UCCE advisor Ali Harivandi for "Home Gardens and Lead," a publication they co-authored.

Early in 2012, **Rosemary Sheldon** was awarded the 2011 "Senior of the Year" award for Placer County.

TRANSITIONS

Recently Retired

Fatima Afana – coordinator in the UCCE Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program, Riverside County.



Walter Bentley – UCCE IPM advisor, Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center

Kent Brittan – UCCE vegetable crops advisor, Yolo, Solano, and Sacramento counties

Lynn Deetz – director, Contracts and Grants

Melvin "Mel" George – UCCE specialist, UC Davis Department of Plant Sciences

Gerald Higginbotham – UCCE dairy farm advisor, Fresno County

Marilyn Johns – UCCE 4-H and nutrition, family, and consumer science advisor and director, Santa Clara, San Francisco and San Mateo counties

Claudine Kent – principal administrative analyst, Office of the Controller and Business Contracts

Don Klingborg – associate dean, UC Davis School of Veterinary Science and director, ANR Strategic Advocacy and UC Partnerships

William "Bill" Krueger – UCCE tree crop and IPM advisor, Glenn and Tehama counties

Vincent Lazaneo – horticulture advisor, San Diego County

Jeanne Lothridge – 4-H Youth Development Program Representative, Orange and Riverside counties

Richard Mahacek – UCCE 4-H Youth Development advisor and director, Merced County

Lorrie Mandorlao – executive secretary for the Vice President

Neil McDougald – UCCE livestock and natural resources advisor, Madera County

Mike McKenry – UCCE specialist, UC Riverside Department of Nematology, based at Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center

Valerie Mellano – UCCE advisor and director, San Diego County is now the new chair of the Plant Sciences Department at Cal Poly Pomona

Shelley Murdock – UCCE advisor and director, Contra Costa County

Mike Poe – managing producer-director and media services manager, ANR Communications Services and Information Technology

Terry Salmon – UCCE county director, San Diego County

Andra Strads – analyst, Academic Personnel Unit

Charles Summers – entomologist, Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center

Kay Harrison Taber – associate vice president, ANR Business Operations

New ANR Appointments

Rob Atwill was appointed director of the Veterinary Medicine Extension program at the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine, effective May 1, 2012.

Oli Bachie became the UCCE advisor for Imperial, Riverside, and San Diego counties effective December 3, 2012. Bachie specializes in agronomy.



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Romy Basler was appointed the new pest management guidelines coordinator with the Statewide IPM Program.

Jim Bethke, a floriculture advisor, assumed responsibility as county director for San Diego County as of September 17, 2012.

Dustin Blakey joined UCCE as county director and advisor in Inyo-Mono counties on December 3, 2012. Blakey joins us from University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension where he oversaw the Master Gardener Program and focused on horticulture, pesticides, and fire ant education.

Mark Bolda became county director for UCCE Santa Cruz County on September 1, 2012.

Gurreet Brar was appointed UCCE advisor for Fresno and Madera counties, effective January 7, 2013. Brar specializes in pomology and nut crops.

Lyn Brock has joined UCCE as the statewide nutrition education training coordinator. Brock, formerly adjunct professor of nutrition at American River College in Sacramento, will provide direction for the UC Nutrition Education Training Program.

Mary Delany, an avian geneticist, is interim dean of the UC Davis College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

Ryan DeSantis was appointed UCCE forestry and natural resources advisor in Shasta, Trinity, and Siskiyou counties, effective November 30, 2012.

Jim Farrar, former professor of plant pathology at Fresno State University, was appointed director of the Western IPM Center as of December 17, 2012.

Lisa Fischer joined ANR as associate director of the Research and Extension Center System, effective August 1, 2012. Fischer was a program manager at USDA Forest Service for more than 20 years before joining ANR.

Ryan Harms left UC Santa Cruz to become a principal analyst for Administrative Policies and Business Contracts in March 2012.

Latonya Harris was appointed evaluation coordinator for the Youth, Families, and Communities Statewide Program.

Russel Hill returned to Merced on October 1, 2012, as the UCCE 4-H youth development advisor for Merced, Mariposa, Madera, and Stanislaus counties.

Danielle Horne joined the ANR Budget Office as a principal budget analyst in May 2012.

Anne Iaccopucci has been appointed the healthy living coordinator for the 4-H Healthy Living Initiative. Iaccopucci most recently was senior youth program manager for Breathe California of Sacramento-Emigrant Trails.

Jeremy James, former rangeland ecologist at Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Center in Burns, Oregon, has been appointed director of Sierra Foothill Research and Extension Center, effective August 1, 2012.



Shimat Joseph left the Winchester Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Virginia Tech to become UCCE integrated pest management advisor in Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz counties on December 1, 2012.

Susie Kocher, after years of serving ANR as a grant-funded advisor, now has a career position as the UCCE forestry and natural resources advisor in Central Sierra.

Mary Lyall joined ANR as executive administrative analyst for Vice President Allen-Diaz in November 2012.

Fadzayi Mashiri was appointed UCCE director in Mariposa County and rangeland and livestock advisor in Madera, Merced and Mariposa counties in February 2013. Mashiri joins ANR from the University of Arizona.

Kathleen Nolan joined ANR in January 2013 as director of Contracts and Grants. Kathleen was associate director of Operations, Technology & Training of UC Davis' Office of Sponsored Programs.

Regina Rañoa returned to ANR as associate director for the budget office, following several years with UCSF.

Jennifer Rindahl has joined ANR as director of advocacy communications, effective September 5, 2012. Rindahl's most recent experience was as senior manager at the Oakland-based Lew Edwards Group, a communications, government affairs and political consulting firm.

Robin Sanchez joined ANR as principal analyst in Administrative Policies and Business Contracts, effective December 2012. Formerly, Sanchez was with the UC Davis Alzheimer's Disease Center as a technology and education analyst.

Noelia Silva-del-Río, UCCE dairy advisor in Tulare County, has been named UCCE specialist in the Department of Population Health and Reproduction for dairy herd health, production medicine and food safety in the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine.

Andrew Sutherland accepted the position of Area IPM Advisor for Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara counties, effective April 1, 2012.

Tu Tran, former senior associate director of UC San Francisco's Financial Service Center, was named assistant vice president for Business Operations, effective November 2012.

IN MEMORIAM



John "Jack" Foott - UCCE advisor, Tulare and San Luis Obispo counties, died on March 7, 2013, at age 89.

Don Gustafson - UCCE advisor emeritus, San Diego County, died at age 92 on August 12, 2012.

Fred Jensen - UCCE specialist emeritus, Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center, died at age 91 on April 18, 2012.

Adel Kader - specialist emeritus and professor emeritus, Department of Plant Sciences, died on December 10, 2012, at age 71.

Winfred "Win" Lawson - UCCE county director and advisor emeritus, San Joaquin County, died in Sacramento at age 92 on October 2, 2012.

Peter Lert - UCCE farm advisor emeritus and former director, Santa Clara County, died January 9, 2012. He was 90.

Ray Lyon - UCCE county director Glenn County and dairy, forage crops, and 4-H advisor, Glenn and Colusa counties, died January 30, 2013, at age 79.

Fumio Matsumura - professor in the departments of Environmental Toxicology and Entomology died at age 78 on December 6, 2012, following a brief illness.

F. Gordon Mitchell - former UCCE advisor San Joaquin County and statewide pomology specialist and namesake of Kearney's Agricultural Research and Extension Center's postharvest center, died February 10, 2012 at the age of 88.

Kathy Montanez - former financial services manager, Business Operations Center - Kearney, died at the age of 60 on January 10, 2013, following a brief illness.

Bob Pearl - UCCE specialist emeritus, Department of Food Science and Technology died on August 30, 2012 at age 87.

Barbara Ann Reid - former UCCE county director and advisor, Glenn County, died at age 56 on September 9, 2012.

Bernadine Smith - principal analyst in the Office of Contracts and Grants, died of cancer on January 7, 2013.

Dean Smith - UCCE advisor emeritus, Inyo-Mono counties, passed away in Bishop on December 18, 2012. Dean was 87.

Herb Weisheit - UCCE advisor emeritus, San Diego County died on August 5, 2012. He was 82.

Gaylord Whitlock - nutrition, family and consumer science program leader and specialist, died on October 24, 2011, after a short illness. He was 94.

William Wood, Jr. - UCCE specialist emeritus, UC Riverside Department of Environmental Sciences, died May 29, 2012, at age 82.

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