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Hard-copy distribution to be discontinued

In the interest of economy, future editions of the ANR Retiree Newsletter will be distributed electronically (sent via email). This is the last printed edition of the retiree newsletter.

Enclosed is a copy of the February ANR Report which addresses ANR's Strategic Vision. Currently, we send ANR Report via email to those of you who have requested it.

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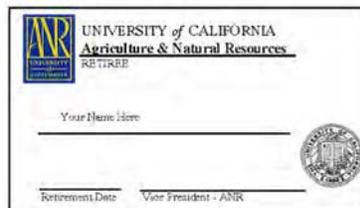
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ANR FAMILY NEWS

Robin Brisco continues to make wearable art and jewelry. Recently, two ensembles earned her two blue ribbons at the Orange County Fair. Additionally, she assists her husband, Chet, embellish his award-winning wood-turnings in pyrography. ♦ Nutritionist Emeritus **Joanne Ikeda** traveled to Cambodia and Viet Nam last Fall. She is now influencing millions of children as a Nutrition Consultant for the Cartoon Network by helping them develop nutrition guidelines for foods that would be associated with their licensed cartoon characters (think "Sponge Bob"). She will train their writers, producers and artists on how to incorporate healthy lifestyle messages into programming. ♦ From Lodi, **James McCarty** writes that his wife, Mary, passed away in 2006. Fortunately, he is blessed to have family nearby – all 5 of his children are within an hour of his home. They have produced 16 grandchildren. At age 82, he still

maintains cherry orchards and zinfandel grapes. Additionally, he remains involved in civic affairs and also writes of his experiences as a farm advisor for a north-county newspaper called, "Lockeford-Clements News." ♦ Professor Emeritus **Alexander (Sandy) Purcell** recently visited Italy where he participated in the International Congress of Plant Pathology, co-chairing and presenting a paper in a session on "fastidious bacterial plant pathogens." This provided Sandy and his wife, Rita, the opportunity to spend time with Italian friends and tour Cinque Terre. He continues to consult and remains active in research projects at Berkeley. ♦ Almond farming remains a passion for **Don Toenjes** and his wife, Virginia. They never tire of exploring the orchard on Virginia's Honda 4-Wheeler and tending to equipment and tractor maintenance and repairs. Their adult children are leading rewarding and fulfilling lives in Montana, Idaho and Northern California. They keep their trips short, preferring not to be away from the orchard for long. ♦ **Ron Tyler's** beloved wife, Dottie, died of colon cancer on August 13, 2008. ♦ In June, **Evelyn Wunderlich** and her husband, John, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. In the early Fall they enjoyed a cruise on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. In October, however, Evelyn endured emergency brain surgery to remove a tumor. She continues to recover and is blessed by the support of her loving family and friends.



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The ANR ID card may be used to join your local UC retiree and emeriti associations and

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EVENTS

2009 ANR Retiree Reunion Postponed

Regrettably, the plans for the 2009 retiree reunion have been put on hold. The recent shifts in the global economy and the state budget crisis have, not surprisingly, resulted in reductions in state funding for the University. Earlier this year the University of California Office of the President enforced an administrative savings, and campus units are also reducing their budgets as well.

For this reason, we will be unable to proceed with plans for the 2009 ANR Retiree Reunion. We regret this very much but view it as a temporary situation. We hope to be able to resume these programs when the economy recovers. In the meantime, we are enormously grateful to members of the Reunion Planning Committee who devoted considerable time, creativity and talent to planning the reunion. They are: **Co-Chairs Marvin Snyder and Frank Laemmlen, John Evans, George Goodall, Wayne Jensen, Norman Macleod, Carol Powell, Vincent Rubatzky, Jo Van Schaick, Bill Weitkamp, and Norma Wightman.**

TRANSITIONS

Newly Retired

The following people have recently retired from ANR. Look for them in the ANR Retiree Directory:

http://danr.ucop.edu/devserv/aer/directory_page.htm

Margarita Alvarez – nutrition educator, Orange County.

Carol Berman – director, ANR Contracts and Grants.

Harry Carlson – director, Intermountain Research and Extension Center and agronomy advisor, Modoc and Siskiyou counties.

David Chaney – education coordinator, Statewide UC Sustainable Agriculture and Education Program, and UC Agricultural Sustainability Institute.

Andrew Chang – director, UC Center for Water Resources, UC Riverside.

Lester Ehler – biological control specialist, UC Davis.

Linda Garcia – county director and nutrition, family and consumer science advisor, Sonoma County.

James Grieshop – UCCE community education development specialist, UC Davis.

Birgit Hempel – administrative assistant, Small Farm Center, UC Davis.

Bill Peacock – viticulture farm advisor, Tulare County.

Phil Phillips – integrated pest management advisor, Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

Richard Ponzio – UCCE 4-H specialist, UC Davis and UC Berkeley.

Karen Robb – county director and farm advisor, Mariposa and San Diego counties.

Larry Yee – county director, Ventura County, and director, UC Hansen Trust.

IN MEMORIAM

Richard S. Bethell – horticulture, viticulture and IPM farm advisor, El Dorado County, passed away in May 2008.

Keith Bowers – viticulture farm advisor, Napa County, died May 21, 2008 in St. Helena.

Marvin Delano Davis – agronomy farm advisor, San Mateo County, passed away November 30, 2007.

Charles R. Hilgeman – 4-H youth development advisor, Humboldt County, passed away earlier this year.

David M. Holmberg – horticulture and nut crop farm advisor, Solano and Yolo counties, died on December 3, 2008 at the age of 93.

Sheri Klittich-Johnson – academic coordinator emeritus, UC Hansen Trust, Ventura County, passed away October 20, 2008.

Joseph Wright Osgood – fruit and nut crop farm advisor, Tehama, Placer and Imperial counties, passed away at age 80 on November 29, 2008.

Virginia Porter – home economist, Placer, Nevada, El Dorado, Marin and Sonoma counties, died on February 7, 2008.

Arthur K. Swenerton – county director, Solano County, died at age 86 on January 5, 2009.

Gerti Thomas – county director, Alameda County and home economist specialist, UC Berkeley.

Ivan Thomason – professor of nematology and plant pathology, and co-founder and director, statewide UC Integrated Pest Management Program.

Ted Torngren – county director, Sacramento County, passed away July 4, 2008 at 84 years of age.

Melvin Zobel – vegetable crops farm advisor, Yolo County, died May 10, 2008 at the age of 91.

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