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Celebrating Forty Years of Faculty Excellence

THIS YEAR marks the 40th annual Faculty Excellence Awards, presented by the Chancellor's Associates in honor of excellence in teaching, research, community service and visual and performing arts. More than 100 faculty members have been honored for contributions spanning all areas of campus. In this issue we highlight six of them and their achievements.

Charles Nager, M.D. '82

Professor of Clinical Reproductive Medicine, Director of Urogynecology and Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery

Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, 1992

Named a *San Diego Magazine* Top Doc for 11 consecutive years, Nager has also been named one of the nation's Top Doctors in *U.S. News & World Report*.

Paul Pickowicz

Distinguished Professor of History and Chinese Studies

Excellence in Graduate Teaching, 2003

Pickowicz helped create one of the nation's leading graduate programs in modern and contemporary Chinese history and is the inaugural chair of the Endowed Chair in Modern Chinese History.

Peter Gourevitch

Professor Emeritus, Political Science
Excellence in Research in Humanities and Social Sciences, 2005

Gourevitch was founding dean of the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies and authored *Politics in*

Hard Times, which was translated into Spanish, Italian and Chinese.

Robert N. Hamburger

Professor Emeritus, Pediatrics, UC San Diego School of Medicine

Excellence in Research in Science and Engineering, 1975

Hamburger was a founding assistant dean at the UC San Diego School of Medicine and helped organize one of the first classical music concerts at UC San Diego, which became the ArtPower! Chamber Music Series.

Carol A. Padden, Ph.D. '83

Professor of Communication, Interim Vice Chancellor for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Excellence in Community Service, 1989

The first recipient in this category, Padden has dedicated her career to studying sign languages around the world. In 2010 she received a MacArthur "genius grant" in recognition of her innovative and groundbreaking work.

Naomi Iizuka, M.F.A. '96

Professor of Theatre and Dance

Excellence in Performing and Visual Arts, 2010

A celebrated playwright whose unique vision and multicultural worldview captivate audiences across the nation, Iizuka continues to attract top graduate students to the Department of Theatre and Dance.

Learn more about the Faculty Excellence Awards and past recipients at www.chancellorsassociates.ucsd.edu.

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Faculty Excellence Awards March 20

JOIN CHANCELLOR

KHOSLA and the campus community to celebrate the 40th annual Chancellor's Associates Faculty Excellence Awards on Thursday, March 20. This year's awardees are **Lin Chao**, a professor of biological sciences, for excellence in undergraduate teaching; **Leslie J. Carver**, associate professor of psychology, for excellence in graduate teaching; **Stephan M. Haggard**, professor of international relations and pacific studies, for excellence in research in humanities and social sciences; **Susan S. Taylor**, professor of pharmacology, and chemistry and biochemistry, for excellence in research in science and engineering; **Ramamohan Paturi**, professor of computer science and engineering, for excellence in community service; and **Susan Narucki**, professor of music, for excellence in performing and visual arts. The event will be at the J. R. Beyster Auditorium at 5:30 p.m. RSVP to ca@ucsd.edu.

Message From the Chancellor



AS a student-centered public university, UC San Diego is working to broaden the path to higher education, as it is the key to upward social mobility. A critical component of that education is the faculty who teach, inspire and encourage our students. As you'll see in our cover story on Chancellor's Associates Faculty Excellence Award winners, UC San Diego is home to an exceptional array of scholars. Across our campus, they are transforming lives, shaping new disciplines and advancing the frontiers of knowledge. As we roll out the strategic plan this spring,

one of our goals will be to ensure that an outstanding faculty remains a pillar of excellence here at the university.

To achieve these and other goals, we must make fundraising a priority. This need has led to the hiring of Steve Gamer as vice chancellor for advancement. I am pleased to welcome Steve to the Triton family, as he is a proven leader and veteran fundraiser with the ability to build strong teams. His knowledge and experience will be vital in helping us to garner support for scholarships, academics and research.

Together, we will continue to spark minds and discoveries that advance our society and benefit humankind.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pradeep Khosla".

Pradeep K. Khosla
Chancellor
University of California, San Diego

From Your Chancellor's Associates Chair



OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS, we have held informal lunches designed to give Chancellor's Associates an opportunity to share their ideas on how we can continue to deliver the greatest value to them, UC San Diego and our Chancellor's Associates Scholars. The recommendations will positively influence future programs while maintaining the camaraderie and character of the group. There is no other campus experience quite like Chancellor's Associates, and we learned that the substance and diversity of the program content is what

brings donors together to help fulfill their lifelong learning aspirations.

So many intriguing ideas were exchanged that it isn't possible to list them all in this letter. But we will circulate a comprehensive outline of initiatives and programming areas for 2014 and 2015 in the weeks ahead. To all of those who participated in these lunches, I want to personally thank you for your time, energy and passion. If you were unable to join us but would like to share your thoughts, please email me. Your contributions will have a lasting and enriching impact on Chancellor's Associates and the campus.

Best,
Nadine Corrigan '78 • nadinecorrigan@cox.net

Minutes and Millimeters: A Surgeon's Journey Through the Brain



Alexander Khalessi, M.D.

FOR DECADES the brain lay beyond the reach of the surgeon's scalpel or catheter, but not any longer. Join us at our next colloquium on Wednesday, April 9, as Alexander Khalessi, M.D., outlines the advancements in surgical technique and catheter-based device technologies that have garnered UC San Diego recognition as one of the first comprehensive stroke centers in the country. He will further review the training and research that is changing the treatment of stroke and its outcomes. Khalessi serves as director of endovascular neurosurgery, and surgical director of neurocritical care for the UC San Diego Health System. He is an assistant professor of surgery and neurosciences and a fellow of the American Heart Association. The event will be held at the Faculty Club at 5:30 p.m. RSVP to ca@ucsd.edu.

Chancellor's Associates Scholars Benefit from Emeriti Program



Mentors with Chancellor's Scholars and Chancellor's Associates Scholars

and community service events, and access to student resources such as support from the UC San Diego Writing Center and etiquette seminars.

An integral part of this venture is the UCSD Emeriti Mentoring Program, which connects retired UC San Diego faculty and staff with first- and second-year students. Created by Professor Emeritus Mel Green in 2006, the program helps prepare students for a successful college experience. "It is exciting to watch our mentees gain confidence in themselves—their ability to accomplish goals, communicate, network and shape their own career paths," said Morton Printz, UCSD Emeriti Mentor Program chair and professor emeritus in pharmacology.

The response from students expressing interest in the program was higher than ever this year with approximately 52 entering freshmen matched with an emeritus mentor. Chancellor's Associates scholarship recipients are truly benefitting from the expertise and experience of our esteemed faculty.

Fundraising Trailblazer Joins UC San Diego

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME Steve Gamer to UC San Diego as vice chancellor for advancement. In his new role, which he started in January, Gamer leads the strategic development and management of campuswide fundraising and alumni relations programs, and serves as president of the UC San Diego Foundation.



Steve Gamer

Prior to joining UC San Diego, Gamer was at UCLA for 11 years where he served most recently as associate vice chancellor for development. He has more than 20 years of experience identifying, cultivating and soliciting individual donors, corporations and foundations with a tailored approach to philanthropic giving. His senior leadership career includes the planning and execution of major fundraising campaigns, including UCLA's upcoming multibillion dollar Centennial Campaign.

"I am excited to join UC San Diego to partner with the academic leadership, alumni, friends and staff as we work together to enhance philanthropy at this amazing campus," said Gamer. "I look forward to helping UC San Diego—one of the top 15 research universities in the world—secure the funding needed to continue its excellence in all areas, from the sciences to engineering, international relations to the humanities."

Welcome

New Chancellor's Associates

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey K. Belk '83
Mr. Robert Brownlie '85
Mr. Nathan Chappell
Ambassador Diana Lady Dougan and
Mr. J. Lynn Dougan
Dr. Laure Brost Halliday '86 and
Mr. Quentin Halliday
Dr. and Mrs. Ronald Heller
Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Legallet
Dr. and Mrs. Robert Martin
Mrs. Sara Moser
Dr. and Mrs. Pramod Multani
Mr. Paul Muret '92 and Mrs. Paige Muret
Ms. Nadine Padilla '85
Ms. Wendy Pincus '91
Dr. Meena and Mr. Venkatachalam
Sathappan
Dr. Joseph R. Shapiro '96
Dr. Gregory Stein '83
Mr. Perry Taubman
Dr. Mary L. Walshok

... New Chancellor's Club

Mr. and Mrs. Jayaram M. Bhat
Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Brown
Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Farmer
Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson
Dr. and Mrs. Aniruddha Joshi
Alexander A. Khalessi, M.D., M.S.
Mr. Frank Lazzaro
Mr. and Mrs. Irv Tashlick

... and New Chancellor's Associates Young Alumni (CAYA)

Mr. Jedd Penaflor '09
Ms. Karen Whitley '04

Breakfast at The Preuss School

JOIN US for an intimate breakfast with The Preuss School UCSD students and leadership on Wednesday, April 23. Guests will connect directly with potential incoming Chancellor's Associates Scholars and hear firsthand how The Preuss School creates a model for success using its longer school year, advisory class, mentor program and more. RSVPs are required; seating is very limited. RSVP to ca@ucsd.edu.

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Around Campus

ARTPOWER! FILMATIC FESTIVAL

ArtPower! is launching its brand new Filmatic Festival, featuring **four action-packed days of cinematic adventures**. The digitally-diverse festival aims to blur the lines between artist and audience, including interactive screenings and installations, gaming, workshops, crowdsourced material, digital industry experts and parties. ArtPower! is reimagining the film festival experience by empowering audiences to become the artists themselves. Dates: April 24–27. Location: Qualcomm Institute. Tickets and info: artpwr.com/experience.

CARTA SYMPOSIUM

The Center of Academic Research and Training in Anthropogeny (CARTA) hosts **“Male Aggression and Violence in Human Evolution.”** The aim of this symposium is to set aside controversial theories and debates and take a fresh look at the causes and consequences of variation

in aggression, both between and within species. Date: May 16, 1–5:30 p.m. Location: Salk Institute, De Hoffman Auditorium. Free. Registration and info: carta.anthropogeny.org/symposia.

DEWITT HIGGS MEMORIAL LECTURE: Join Susan Crawford, a professor at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law and a visiting professor at Harvard Law School, as she discusses **“Who Owns the Internet? Surveillance, Privacy and Social Media.”** Date: April 15, 6–7 p.m. Location: Price Center. Free. Info: (858) 534-1709 or rgregg@ucsd.edu.

ARTPOWER! PRESENTS: The two-time Grammy Award-winning **Soweto Gospel Choir** performs its exhilarating brand of vocal fireworks. Date: April 16, 8–10:30 p.m. Location: Price Center East Ballroom. \$30 general/\$12 UC San Diego students. Info: (858) 534-0499 or moclark@ucsd.edu.

ECONOMICS ROUNDTABLE:

Stephen Mayfield, professor of biology at UC San Diego and director of the California Center for Algae Biotechnology discusses **“Programming Algae for Advanced Bio-Manufacturing: Food and Fuel for the 21st Century.”** Date: April 16, 7:30–9 a.m. Location: UC San Diego Faculty Club. \$50 public/discount for UC San Diego alumni, faculty, staff and students. Tickets and info: (858) 534-9710 or econroundtable@ucsd.edu.

For additional events and more information please visit <http://calendar.ucsd.edu>. For specific Chancellor's Associates events, visit www.chancellorsassociates.ucsd.edu.