

CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER

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Please come join the festivities on Friday, October 4, as UCI celebrates the public launch of its Brilliant Future campaign!

This fundraising campaign will have a transformative effect on UCI, its faculty, staff, students and alumni, and all the communities it serves. It will touch every corner of the campus and academic health enterprise.

The official announcement of the campaign's goals and priorities will be livestreamed at uci.edu at 9:00 a.m. This will be immediately followed by celebrations in Aldrich Park on Commencement Lawn (click here for map).

Highlights include:

- **Fun activities**
- **Giveaways**
- **Free food**
- **Selfie station... and more!**

Please join us in celebrating the start of our Brilliant Future!



OCTOBER 2019

HIKES WALKS BIKE RIDES

October 15- 9:00 a.m.

BIKE RIDE - Newport to Sunset Beach

More Info and online RSVP <http://bit.ly/2nA4Cmc>



October 18 - 9:30 a.m.

WALK - Aliso Creek Trail

More Info and online RSVP <http://bit.ly/2mNBvuu>



These activities are led by UCI Retirees Association members.

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Keep on Reading:

▶ Upcoming Events

*Save the Date for the Mission Inn
Holiday Lights Tour!*

▶ CER Annual Reception

*Look out in your mailbox for the
invitation and/or RSVP online now!*

▶ Ask the HCF

*Open Enrollment and Silver
Sneakers coming soon!*

▶ UCIRA Highlight

*Meet the student recipients of the
UCIRA Legacy Scholarship!*

**GET CONNECTED on
FACEBOOK:**

[https://www.facebook.com/
groups/UCIretirees/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/UCIretirees/)

Thank You

You contributed to UCI's phenomenal development, both at the Irvine campus and at the Medical Center. Join us at our Annual Reception honoring UCI Emeriti and Retirees. Enjoy food, student entertainment, and hear a brief update on the state of our campus.

Chancellor Gillman will be our speaker.

YOU ARE INVITED

WHO	<i>You + your guest are welcome</i>
WHEN	NOVEMBER 19, 2019
WHERE	Pacific Ballroom • UCI Student Center Corner of Pereira Dr. & W. Peltason Dr.
TIME	DOORS OPEN 1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
WHY	<i>Reconnect with colleagues and friends, enjoy light appetizers and hear the latest UCI news.</i>

THIS FREE* EVENT IS SPONSORED BY CER, UCIEA, UCIRA

*COMPLIMENTARY PARKING WITH RSVP BY NOV. 12, 2019
CALL 949.824.7769 OR EMAIL RETIREES@UCI.EDU

Click to RSVP Online <http://bit.ly/CERAnnualReception>

CANNED FOOD AND OTHER DONATIONS ARE WELCOMED FOR **FRESH** AT THIS EVENT.
BASIC NEEDS HUB
SEE THE MOST NEEDED ITEMS HERE: [HTTP://BIT.LY/FRESHDONATE](http://bit.ly/freshdonate)

Wednesday, November 6 Tax Efficient Investing



This educational seminar has been planned to help retirees: understand the impact of taxes on your portfolio, identify how you can build a charitable legacy, understand the value of charitable giving vehicles, identify strategies to help you plan for taxes in your portfolio, and discuss the impact of Minimum Required Distributions at the age of 70½.

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Location: Newkirk Alumni Center
450 Alumni Ct.
Irvine, CA 92697

Online RSVP: <http://bit.ly/2pa3aaP>



Experience a veritable fairyland with over three million lights and more than 350 animated figures adorning the exterior of this National Heritage Landmark. You'll enjoy a **guided tour** of the world famous Mission Inn, bedecked in glorious holiday splendor. You might also see carolers strolling the grounds and singing holiday songs while dressed in Victorian costumes. After the tour we will have **dinner** at the Old Spaghetti Factory, then return to the Mission Inn to see the **lights at night**. Tour departs UCI at 12:15 p.m. and returns at approximately 9:45 p.m.

Price: \$106
UCI Retirees Association members only: \$96

Registration opens **October 14** at <http://retirees.uci.edu>

ASK THE HCF!

Open Enrollment + Silver Sneakers + More!



Kwame White - HCF

Open Enrollment is around the corner—beginning **Thursday, October 31st through Tuesday, November 26th**. As a reminder, Open Enrollment is your opportunity to evaluate your current medical, dental and/or vision coverage and make changes for 2020 if needed.

UC Medicare Choice will replace the Health Net Seniority Plus **Medicare Advantage** HMO, with lower premium costs for retirees than Health Net Seniority Plus and the ability to see any provider (both in-network and out-of-network) for the same low copay, as long as the provider accepts Medicare and is willing to bill UnitedHealthcare. In addition, Medicare Choice members will have access to benefits through Silver Sneakers, a fitness program for seniors that includes access to 16,000 participating gyms and fitness centers and much more.

During this year's Open Enrollment, retirees eligible for Medicare and UC retiree health coverage will have the option to enroll in UC Medicare Choice or in any of UC's other Medicare plans — UC Medicare PPO or UC High Option Supplement to Medicare plans (administered by Anthem) or Kaiser Permanente Senior Advantage.

Representatives from United Healthcare will be here to discuss the Medicare Choice plan with UCI Retirees on two days—October 30th and 31st— with sessions on both days starting at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the following location:

Doubletree by Hilton Anaheim - Orange County, 100 The City Drive, Orange, CA 92868

In addition, we also have a session on the Medicare Choice Plan at the Newkirk Alumni Center on November 5th at 11:00 a.m.. I hope to see you there!

UCIRA HIGHLIGHT: *Legacy Scholarship Students Awarded*

We are pleased to announce the recipients of our legacy scholarships for the 2019-20 academic year. Due to the generosity of our members, we were able to award \$6,000 in scholarships to two incoming freshmen and one incoming transfer student who all have staff, faculty or alumni connections to UCI.

Amalia Cardenas is a freshman from Santa Ana, CA majoring in biological sciences. She hopes to give back to the world tenfold by helping those in need, perhaps as an orthopedic surgeon. She will use the money to help pay for classes, textbooks, and bus transportation. Amalia's father is a staff member in UCI Housing Services.

Sara-Ann Zheng is also a freshman biological sciences major. She is from San Bernardino, CA. Her brother is an alumnus and current staff member in the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships. Receiving this scholarship will allow her to focus on her studies. After graduating, she hopes to move on to medical school.

Alessandra Contreras is a transfer student from Calexico, CA majoring in Criminology, Law and Society. Her aunt is a UCI alumna. She plans to become a forensic psychologist and ultimately hopes to work for a federal agency like the FBI. She is grateful for the scholarship money which will help with books and fees.