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Alumni President's Report: A Look Back on 100 Years and the 176th Convention

On Saturday, August 9th our Chapter celebrated its 100th year on the Berkeley Campus with a banquet dinner in the Commandant's Room of the Marines' Memorial Club in San Francisco. This celebration was held in conjunction with the concluding ceremonies of the 176th Convention of Alpha Delta Phi International held in Berkeley that weekend. More than 180 Alpha Deltas and their guests were in attendance including the International Board of Governors; Alumni and Undergraduates Delegates representing each Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi; California Alumni spanning the years 1940 to 2008; and of course the California Chapter's Undergraduate Membership.

In addition to celebrating our Centennial, the California Chapter was recognized with several awards from Alpha Delta Phi International: The Brothers-in-Arms Award for support of the Fraternity was presented to the Chapter's Alumni Association; the Board of Governors Award for service to the Fraternity was presented to Bros. Dale Sartor, CAL'74 and Dick Morrison, CAL'58; and the Order of the Sword & Spear Award for the Fraternity's most outstanding undergraduate member was presented to Bro. Sean Chappell, CAL'08. Brother Victor Guttmann, CAL'09 was elected Student Governor for ADP International and Bro. Billy Mack, CAL'06 has been appointed Editor of Xaipe, ADPhi International's newsletter. Congratulations Gentlemen!

Navy fighter pilot Bro. Jimmy DiMatteo, CAL'85 provided the keynote address on how ADP influenced his life and Chip Erickson, CAL'83 was a superb Master of Ceremonies. Thank you again Jimmy and Chip for service above and beyond the call of duty. And Congratulations to Jimmy DiMatteo's well deserved award as California Chapter's Alumni of the Year. Below is an excerpt from my address
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Undergraduate President's Report: A House that Continues to Strengthen

As I look back on my semesters as President and as an Alpha Delt, I see a common thread in the willingness of the undergraduate chapter to rise to the occasion and meet any challenge life at Cal may throw at us. The chapter has continued to grow in size year after year and is now on the cusp of fifty active members. We've transformed our relationship with the Greek community, the University, and continue to grow more prominent on campus. Most recently, we've hosted the International Convention of the Alpha Delta Phi and collectively put hundreds of hours of work into improving the chapter house. Had I been told, as a Freshman, of the events that unfolded over the past three years, I would have been dumbstruck by what a motivated group of collegiate men have been able to achieve.

During the summer, fifteen of our seventeen rooms were filled with active members. The result was a vibrant continuation of fine Alpha Delt traditions through the season. Our Summer House Manager, Brother Zeller '09, setup a social fund and organized weekly pool-parties and other events. This semester, for the first time in many years, the house is entirely filled with active Brothers. The resulting sense of ownership and community has helped push our drive to succeed to new heights.

Most exciting, this year marked the 100th anniversary of the founding of the California Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi. The International Convention was scheduled to coincide with the occasion, and the ensuing festivities will go down in the history books. The position of Historian was revived by Brother Farrell '09 who has collected, curated and digitized over a hundred years of history. Seeing California Alpha Deltas representing every decade from the 1940s onward help rekindle the ideals of the lifelong commitment of the Alpha Delta Phi.

As our beloved chapter house approaches its 117th year, we continue to find ways to patch over its various deficiencies. With eight of the ten members of last Spring's pledge class living in, a
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made at the Centennial Celebration Banquet.

When I first announced that our Centennial Celebration would be held in conjunction with the 176th International Convention of Alpha Delta Phi, several Cal Alumni asked why are we celebrating “our” Centennial with all of these other Chapters of Alpha Delta Phi? I quickly point out that Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Brunonian, 1875 and President of the University of California in 1908 was instrumental in the establishing Alpha Delta Phi on the Berkeley campus. But the ties between the California Chapter and other chapters of our Fraternity run much deeper than that. Just last week I received an unexpected certified package that included a letter, a book and a generous donation from a member of the California Class of 1908. The letter read:

Dear Douglas,

I enclose a check in the amount of \$1,000 in the name of my father, Robert Pierpont Blake, Cal 1908, a founding member of the Chapter. His father, Charles T. Blake, Yale AD 1847, was a California pioneer in 1849. I was a Bowdoin AD, 1951. I also enclose a copy of “In Search of Byzantium” the story of my father’s life. Page 11 of the book recounts my father’s UC experience during the 1906 Earthquake.

Don Campbell, Cal ’44 is a good friend!

With Best Wishes,

Igor R. Blake, Bowdoin ’51

Letters such as this confirm the strong ties that bridge each Chapter and each generation together. I also received an email last Tuesday that read:

Doug,

Thanks for your email and phone call regarding the Alpha Delt Centennial. I would like to attend, but unfortunately we will be traveling in England at the time. Best wishes for a great party.

P.S. I saw my Brother, John Magee, Cal AD ’41 last night and we were wondering if our father Ralph Magee, Cal ’12 was a freshman in the first year the California Chapter?

Xaipe,

Bill Magee, Cal ’49

Well, the answer to Bill’s question, according to the 1908 Sign-in Book displayed in the back of the Banquet Hall tonight, is yes. Bill and John’s father was indeed a freshmen pledge in the house in 1908 and was included on the rolls of those Initiated at the very first Initiation Banquet of the California Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi.

I look around the room tonight and see many ties that span current generations. Buzz Schulte Cal AD ’65 and his son Ben Phi Kappa AD, ’99 are in attendance tonight.

Finally, and I know the term is over-used, but I see our alumni from the Greatest Generation, the 1940’s in attendance. Their generation made sacrifices that were one-hundred fold of those made by our society today. We honor this generation for the sacrifices they made so that we might live free.

And, just as we honor this great generation I believe we are duty bound to honor our military forces of today. I was just made aware that my pledge brother, Bill Logan’s stepson, Christian currently awaits deployment to the Middle East. To his wife Catherine, we offer you our prays and to your son, and to all our military forces around the world, we wish you God’s speed. The author Edwin Markham wrote about Brotherhood:

There is a destiny that makes us brothers,

No one goes his way alone;

All that we send into the lives of others,

Comes back into our own!

Χαιρε,

Douglas R. McKenzie, ’83

Alumni President

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young and enthusiastic group of new Alpha Delts have undertaken many improvements to the house not out of any personal benefit, but instead from a desire to see the chapter grow and flourish. Despite our hard work, however, many areas of the house are in need of serious renovation beyond what the active chapter can provide.

It is because of the support and guidance from our alumni that the California Chapter has enjoyed 100 years of prominence. With your continued support, I’m confident we can look forward to 100 more.

Χαιρε,

Justin Bonnar, ’09

Undergraduate President

I T MUST BE NATIONAL AND UNIVERSAL IN ITS ADAPTIONS, SO AS NOT MERELY TO CULTIVATE A TASTE FOR LITERATURE OR FURNISH THE MIND WITH KNOWLEDGE; BUT WITH A TRUE PHILOSOPHICAL SPIRIT LOOKING TO THE ENTIRE MAN, SO AS TO DEVELOP HIS WHOLE BEING - MORAL, SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL.

- Samuel Eells on creating Alpha Delta Phi



Bro. Hobbs '10 ambushing his bride-to-be with a bouquet.



Bro. Xenakis '09 preparing for an adventure-themed party.

Social Semester a Triumph as Chapter Continues to Expand

This past semester will be remembered by our actives as one of the most ebullient and creative in recent memory. The election of co-chairs Alex Xenakis '09, and Robby Zeller '09, saw a return to experimental and highly decorative parties, which were tremendously successful. Preparation for the recent "space party" saw brothers taping hundreds of black garbage bags to walls all over the house for two days to simulate the blackness of space, complete with a 'worm hole' (for the Trekkies) through the basement into the bar area. It was the most ambitious effort at themed decoration I have seen in the house during my time here.

In addition to inventive party themes, this semester saw the expansion of our social circle on campus with an exchange with our new friends in Gamma Phi Beta. A successful "Sushi Night" exchange last October netted us a strong relationship, one that can be seen in the constant roaming of their sisters through our halls on a daily basis. We anticipate an even further tightening relationship with them in the future.

In keeping with the social creativity that has marked this semester, we also used a suggestion from an alumnus and held a "wedding party" exchange with Alpha Omicron Pi and "married" then-pledge David Hobbs '10, to an AOPi sister. The Reverend Brother Guttman '09, officiated and our theater-trained Brother Peter Banks-Kenny '11, gave a rousing and humorous speech as best man to the delight of the crowd. Of course, as usual his anchorman hair made the bridesmaids swoon.

The recent growth of our fraternity has been dramatic, and we expect about fifty active brothers in all by the end of the next pledge semester. This increase in size has greatly increased our social circles on campus, as we see the chapter become the largest and most successful it has been in over a decade. This trend is certain to continue.

Χαίρε,
Bro. Jason Farrell, '09

Memorial Foundation Scholarships

Following World War II, the alumni of the Berkeley chapter of Alpha Delta Phi established a scholarship fund in memory of those brothers who had given their lives in defense of our country. The purpose of the scholarship fund was to make it possible for future generations to enjoy a Berkeley education when it might not otherwise be feasible.

In the beginning, the modest endowment created enough income to make one scholarship to a needy and deserving brother. Today, thanks to generous donations from alumni brothers and sound investment management, the fund has grown to a substantial amount allowing the award of over one dozen scholarships each semester. In 2003 the endowment was less than \$700K. In 2006 it peaked at over \$1.2 million, but unfortunately we have not been immune to the overall decline in investment value, and as of October 31, 2008 the portfolio was worth approximately \$900K. Individual awards are in the \$200 to \$4000 range. These scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need, scholastic achievement, and service to the house and community (e.g. university).

The current Trustees for the Foundation include Brothers Sartor, Wong, Hillesland, Metzger, Leach, Whittaker, Erickson, Jacobs, and McKenzie. The Trustees gather twice per year to consider the applicants, and the Foundation hosts an award banquet each semester. The next one is being planned in conjunction with a special alumni dinner at the Pacific Union Club in February. Please join us at one of these events. The Memorial Foundation offers a great way to stay connected to the house and the University. Contact me if you would like to become a Trustee or just attend a meeting.

Χαίρε,
Dale Sartor, '74

Big Things Come in Small Packages

Another semester has gone by, and four more young men have been welcomed into the bonds and secrets of the Alpha Delta Phi. Though this pledge class will not be remembered for its size, it is already clear that their collective contributions to the house will dwarf those of classes far larger in number. Throughout their period of pledgship, Douglas Greene, Charles Choi, Jaeson Yang, and Pledge President David Hobbs showed a singular devotion to the history and traditions of the California Chapter.

As Pledgemaster, it was indeed a pleasure to be at the reins of such a highly successful semester. Their enthusiasm as a pledge class equaled any I've seen during my time in the house. My main goal was to quickly convert these young men from pledges into active, passionate members of our quickly expanding chapter. Such a goal was easily achieved, as nary a day went by when I did not see a pledge interviewing their future brothers, or having a long-winded discussion with Mike in the kitchen.

Their presence was felt immediately. Pledges Greene and Hobbs joined the house intramural basketball team, where their exploits won the admiration of even the most seasoned Alpha Delt. All of the pledges joined together and spearheaded the re-flooring of our bar, installing a new wood panel floor in under two days. In the spirit of the election season, the pledges held a politically themed party that was a rousing success in getting our house on the minds of Berkeley's students. And of course, lowly Stanford was not safe from the more mischievous aspects of pledge semester.

During the rigors of I-Week, the true colors of the class became clear, and as a Pledgemaster I could not have been more impressed. Even after events that ran well into the wee hours of the morning, not a single pledge was derelict in any duty, either as a potential member or as a student. At the events of Alumni Review, each pledge acquitted himself admirably, winning the respect of our young panel of alumni. As a house, we feel lucky to have admitted men of such high character and commitment, and we all look forward to what they have to bring us in the years to come.

Χαίρε,
Peter Banks-Kenny, '11



Bros. Choi '10, Hobbs '10, Greene '12, and Yang '11 pose for a group photo moments after being initiated.

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DOUGLAS GREENE

AN UNDECLARED FRESHMAN FROM GUALALA, CA WITH A PASSION FOR SPORTS, MUSIC, AND ART.

CHARLES CHOI

A JUNIOR MAJORING IN MOLECULAR AND CELL BIOLOGY WITH AN EMPHASIS IN NEUROSCIENCE.

DAVID HOBBS

A JUNIOR TRANSFER FROM UCSD MAJORING IN CHEMISTRY AND HOPES TO TEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AFTER GRADUATION.

JASEON YANG

CURRENTLY IN HIS SECOND YEAR, IS AN INTENDED POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR AND AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ROTC.

The Return of Washington

This past November Brother Pres. Bonnar and I flew to Seattle to witness and partake in the initiation of the first pledge class of the newly restarted Washington chapter.

Under the leadership and support of countless Washington alumni the chapter recruited 15 well-rounded individuals who we are all proud to now call our brothers.

The alumni involved in this undertaking have been thanked and congratulated to the point where they may be sick of it, but they will have to endure one more. The brothers of California would like to thank them for their hard work, their dedication, their steadfast support, and lastly, for giving us another chapter to bond with. With their tireless efforts we have become stronger in our motto, "Many hands, one heart".

To our newly initiated UW brothers, we look forward to getting to know you and would like to extend an open invitation to our chapter. Our home is your home.

So finally, it is with great enthusiasm and immense pleasure that I may offer the California chapter's congratulations to the 15 newly initiated brothers at Washington. May your future success mirror that of your past.

Χαίρε,
Victor Guttman, '09



Cal Brothers Doug McKenzie '83, Mike Ghiselle '85, Justin Bonnar '09, and Victor Guttman '09 in Seattle for the re-establishment of the Washington Chapter.



The Washington Chapter's Fall 2008 pledge class receiving scholarship grants from the Washington Alumni Association.

Alpha Delta Phi in the Cal Community

As one of the oldest and predominant literary fraternities in the United States, Alpha Delta Phi attracts men of all walks of life. Many of our alumni give back to their local communities, states and our entire nation. We have had brothers go on to become governors, congressmen, presidents, leaders of industry, writers, entertainers, and athletes, all of whom have helped changed the world in which we live.

The undergraduate brothers of the California chapter continue this tradition of excellence and persistently strive to be the leaders of tomorrow in fields spanning all that this university has to offer. With interests ranging between history, rhetoric, engineering, math, political science, biology, chemistry, computer science, architecture and many more, our potential to contribute is endless. Brothers are directly involved in activities that continue, and build on the strong reputation of the Alpha Delta Phi literary fraternity and the University of California, Berkeley. We would like to momentarily throw off the shackles of humility and cast light upon a portion of what our brothers accomplish each semester.

In the case of academia, seven of our brothers partake in lab-oriented research spanning multiple fields of study. We serve in the A.S.U.C. Senate, advocating for the 35,000 strong

student body. Brothers are regular contributors and editors of student publications, journals and literary magazines. We are actively involved in the Rally Committee and varsity competitors on the Cal track and field team. Over a dozen of us serve the community extensively through employment with the University ranging from helping manage the Cal football team to acting as campus tour guides for prospective students.

By our extensive involvement and contributions to the university community we also strengthen the presence of our chapter on campus, collectively fortifying our brotherhood to which we belong. It is an exciting time to be an Alpha Delt at Cal, and we look forward to the ever increasing glory of our fraternity.

Χαίρε,
Joe Mkryan, '10

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Selected Literary Piece and Response

“In the world ruled by tigers with ulcers, rutted by strictured bulls, scavenged by blind jackals, Mack and the boys dine delicately with the tigers, fondle the frantic heifers, and wrap up the crumbs to feed the sea gulls of Cannery Row. What can it profit a man to gain the whole world and to come to his property with a gastric ulcer, a blown prostate, and bifocals... Our Father who art in nature, who has given the gift of survival to the coyote, the common brown rat, the English Sparrow, the house fly and the moth, must have a great and overwhelming love for no-goods, blots-on-the-town and bums and Mack and the boys. Virtue and graces and laziness and zest. Our Father who art in nature.”
Cannery row by John Steinbeck

Steinbeck’s “Cannery Row” delves deep into themes of morality and strong ethical standing within men, and whether or not it is the conventional admirable traits—kindness, generosity, honesty—that lead a man to where he ends in life. Steinbeck’s piece suggests wholly that it is not these characteristics of “quality” and “honor” that lead a man towards a healthy, well deserved ending—rather it is something far simpler and peaceful.

“Cannery Row” comprises of a series of vignettes along with an extending story arc relating to them. The main characters of this story arc are Mack and the boys, a group of bums that live in an abandoned building who get along remarkably well with everyone in Cannery Row who isn’t obsessed with getting ahead in life. They are seen by most as “no-goods” and “blots-on-the-town” yet they are the ones who are most at peace with their current situation in life. Mack and the boys have found a beautiful niche of passivity and neutrality—they never intentionally offend anyone, and only have their best to offer to their few friends within Cannery Row.

Steinbeck’s words carry with them great weight as an insight as to how one can choose to live their life. It is understood that a fixation towards nothing more than progress will lead one towards a fully contrary conclusion. We should then, as men of a prestigious university, understand that there is more to life than our excellence in studies, for if this is our only concern then what will we have gained in our time here?

Χαίρε,
David Ruiz, ‘10

California Chapter Literary Influence as Strong as Ever

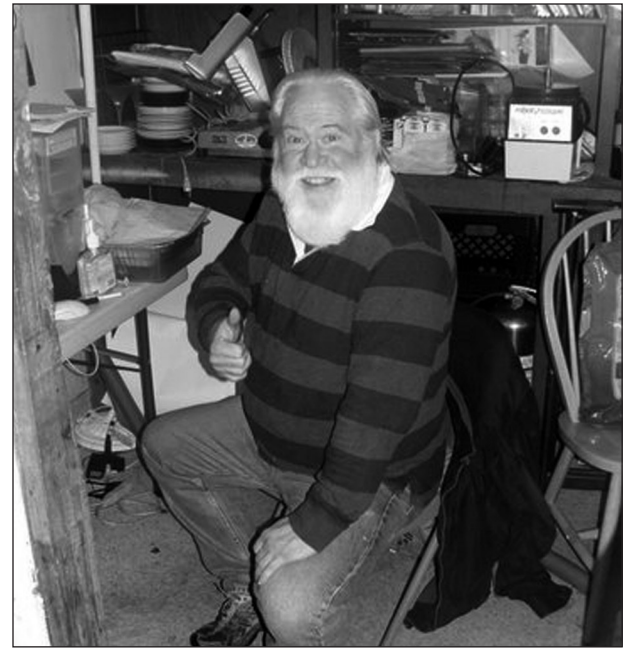
It was a rainy night at the old and rickety mansion of the Alpha Delta Phi, where two men were meeting secretly in a small corner of the house. The electricity had gone out, and so their faces were lit only by the weak flicker of candlelight, threatened by the bitter wind from a nearby broken window.

Aside from the pitter-patter of rain and the dripping of water from the ceiling into a few small buckets, only faintly could one hear their feverish whispering and the sound of mad scribbling on the papers around them. As lightning struck, for a brief moment one could see that they were in fact completely surrounded with papers, graphs, charts, diagrams, books, pens, rulers, chalkboards, glue, popsicle sticks, crayons, calculators, beakers, wire, tape, a small chemistry set, bouncy balls, blinking lights, stickers, funny hats, a thing that beeped, nerf guns, and several piles of empty beer cans. Finally, after much gesturing, drawing, deliberating, pointing, calculating and dancing, they cried out into the night, “EUREKA!” Yes, those two brothers were Victor Guttman and myself, and we had drafted plans for an entirely new and intellectually stimulating literary semester, destined to change the literary traditions of the house forever.

Now, as our plans come into fruition, it can be seen quite plainly that we are in fact redefining the literary traditions of the house. Ice Cream Talks, for instance, is a new event where approximately twice a month a brother will give a short talk on an interesting subject he is familiar with, either through classes, hobbies, or the like. We have had invigorating talks on topics such as water quality in California and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. These talks are becoming a forum for brothers to learn about a new topic, learn about one another, and engage in stimulating intellectual discussion. Aside from Ice Cream Talks, events that we have had include: Trivia Night, a chess tournament, a piano concert by Conrad Tao, story writing competitions, Game Night, and of course Professor Dinner. Additionally, we’ve started a new tradition called “Mystery Brother”, where a random brother is selected to be privately interviewed. Snippets of the interview are presented briefly at the end of our weekly meetings, and brothers must guess who the mystery brother is. This has turned out to be extraordinarily fun, as well as a way for us to learn more about each other.

In summary, Brother Guttman and I believe in promoting intellectually engaging activities and improving the bonds of friendship between us all. We are working closely together to bring our creativity and enthusiasm to the house in the form of new literary events that embody the spirit of intellectual camaraderie, a goal that the literary chair incumbent is uniquely charged to accomplish.

Χαίρε,
Jonathan Ellithorpe, ‘09



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If you haven't already checked out the new look of the California chapter web site, log onto

www.cal-adphi.net

to see the latest improvements. Previous issues of *Xaipe* by the Bay are available to download, as well as recent updates from the undergraduates. Soon to come are photo galleries, forums and brother profiles.

Also be sure to check out the new International web site at

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Preserving Our Past

As Chapter Historian for Fall 2008, I have initiated a preservation project for our chapter archives. This has involved the digitization, restoration and improved preservation of our old chapter photographs (dating back to 1907) and some key documents, many of which are in poor condition due to years of improper storage. In addition, I have been repairing several of the books in the Benjamin Ide Wheeler Library that have been deteriorating, adding some biographical material I have been researching for noteworthy brothers of the Cal chapter, and compiling a complete photographic record for the brothers of our chapter dating back to 1908. Contributions in the form of anecdotes, reminisces, photos, or other information from any alumni brother would be greatly appreciated.

Χαίρε,
Jason Farrell, '09

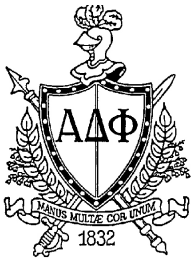
Top right: Mike Burke, the house chef poses at his computer in the kitchen.

Top left: Each year Mike plays Santa Claus at a local church and each year the brothers turn out in support of him. On that note, the Cal chapter would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays!

Bottom right: Bros. Liu '09, Guttman '09, Wing '10, Hirsh '11, Jacobs '08, Rhoads '09, Mack '06, Farrell '09, and Moallemi '11 are all smiles before boarding a cruise around the San Francisco Bay during the 176th International Convention.

Bottom left: Following what has become tradition, the Fall 2008 pledge class throws Pledgemaster Peter Banks-Kenny '11, into the pool.

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