



## News From The Chapter:

*Dear Brothers,*

This letter, as you will soon notice, is somewhat different than previous newsletters sent out over the past year. This change in format is highly appropriate, as we hope that it will reflect the change that has come to our chapter and organization as a whole.

As you are probably aware, July 1st was our first day as an alcohol-free chapter. For anyone who is unclear, this means that under no circumstances can any alcoholic substances be taken into our chapter. While, as individuals, the current undergraduate class finds this loss of freedom to be difficult and sometimes frustrating, the change is quite dramatic for our fraternity. We hope the opportunities for this year will be more significant and will represent what could be our finest year in quite a while. In this letter, and the accompanying letters from our chapter President and members of the Housing Corporation, we plan to outline the chapter's plans for the next year and beyond. While I will leave most of the details to those two documents, below is a brief outline of the state of the fraternity.

Rush this year started on the 23rd of August, while school started on the 28th. This is quite a change for us, as we normally find rush occurring at least one week into the school year. Instead of being daunted with the task of preparing for this early rush, we decided to come back and start work as early as the 16th of August. And rather than having to cut work days in order to rush, we

## Alpha Star is Back!

It has been quite a while since our last newsletter, so this is a catch-up edition. We apologize for the fact that some of the items are pretty old.  
(Editors)

have had one of the longest periods of repair and renovation that anyone of the undergraduates can remember. We can do this because of our chapters renewed vigor and energy to make ours the best fraternity on campus. We also do this because we realize that no longer will improvements to the wonderful and historic Phi Delta Theta house be ruined by a member of the house who has had a few too many. Instead of making something work just long enough for someone to ruin it in a stupor, we know that hard labor and skilled craftsmanship will last long enough to stand the test of time.

We plan to make our new alcohol-free status a positive change rather than a negative. We are taking it as a challenge to be the fraternity of the new millennium. This future may seem daunting—it certainly seems so to us undergraduates. We know though, that this simply makes the reward that much greater. Our greatest tenet is the more you put into the fraternity, the more you get out of it. Every member of this fraternity joined because they wanted to get something out of it, whether it be connections, an academic support group, or the sheer pleasure of brotherhood. At general convention this summer, we learned how to create that future. To this

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effect, we are brining back institutions such as the Housing Improvement fund in order to save money for the major repairs. We have already begun to install fast internet connections in the house for those who want them. The Alpha Star, as you can see, has restarted. These and so many more things have been planned and are waiting for execution.

The most important ingredient of this plan is only partially open to us. We need you, the alumni of Phi Delta Theta, to help us in any way possible. We are short on funds and skills. We have the will, but the way is not always clear. I will leave the description of what needs to be done to both our President and our Housing Corporation, but I wish to simply remind you of your importance. You have the many years of leadership behind you, the benefits of the house have become clear. You understand the ongoing benefits of the fraternal bond far more than we do. That is why I ask you to help us continue to create this bond into perpetuity. So please, give back to the organization which helped define your college experience. We are always here and if you cannot make Duck Dinner or any football games, just drop by or give us a call. We are always happy to keep you up to date on the latest happenings. If any doubts are in your mind about the current viability of the organization, we are positive we can allay them. We promise to make this organization as great an undergraduate experience as you remember it.

Sincerely,

Bernard Kornberg,  
2000 Convention Delegate  
#1248

## House Improvements

Dear California Alpha Alumni,

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to help our young brothers continue their quest to improve the Chapter house. In 1991 the California Alpha Association Building Fund was established to assist the house in making necessary improvements. As you may recall, California Alpha raised over \$30,000 during the previous fund raising drives in order to replace the second floor bathroom.

The California Alpha Association has made a commitment to increase the number of Phi Deltis living in the house. The best way to do this is by making the house a better place to live. Competition from more modern University-provided housing and other more up-to-date residences has made recruiting new members difficult. Several rooms are uninhabited because of leaks from the third floor showers and adjacent roof. The water damage must be stopped to prevent long term structural damage and dry rot. This is our number one project and will cost approximately \$15,000 in repairs.

We hope that you will consider a contribution to the California Alpha Building Fund as part of your annual donations. Please return the enclosed card with you generous gift.

Thank you for helping the chapter and making the house a better place to live.

Yours in the bond,  
Rodeny Pimentel

### Better Study Environment

One of the many projects under way around the house is the building and furnishing of a computer center and study lounge. There are several items that we need in order to furnish the lounge. If anyone has a contribution that they would like to make, we will gladly pay shipping. Additionally, we will be taking the necessary precautions to ensure that the items are well secured here at the house. The list below contains many of the items we need:

Large screen television	DVD Player/VCR	Copy Machine	Fax Machine
Scanner Computers	Couches	Stereo Equipment	Dining Table
Benches	Ping Pong Table	Foosball Table	

If you have any donations that you would like to make, Please contact Bernie Kornberg at (510) 665-8521 or email at [kornberg@uclink4.berkeley.edu](mailto:kornberg@uclink4.berkeley.edu)

## New Initiates Find Niche at Cal Alpha

We are happy to announce that we initiated six new men last semester under the direction of Pledge Master Oliver Fernandez. They are already bringing many new ideas and hard work to the fraternity. Our new Phi's are: Michael Pfisterer, 1255 is a sophomore from Golden Colorado and is a political science major. Carlo Funtinilla, 1256 is a sophomore originally from Los Angeles and is also planning on majoring in political science. Alan Daniels, bond number 1257 is also from Golden Colorado, and is a sophomore psychology major. Brian Johsz, 1258 is a junior transfer from Huntington Beach is a 3<sup>rd</sup> political science major. Don Lopez, 1259 is from Knoxville Tennessee, and is a sophomore computer science major. Amir Badeia, 1260 from Los Angeles is a cognitive science major in his second year at Cal. Five of the Six have already moved in, and the sixth is moving in next semester. All of our new Phi's are taking active roles in the Fraternity. Michael is the Alumni Secretary, Carlo is the Secretary, Alan is one of two Social Chairs, Amir is our new Warden, Don is Network Coordinator, and Brian is the Rush Chair for Spring 2001. We look forward to the next few years, and hope to bring in many new Phi's to our Cal Alpha chapter.

## Alumni Activities

### San Francisco Alumni Club Luncheons

The SF Alumni Club holds a luncheon on the first Friday of every month. The lunch is held at Schroeder's, which is located on 240 Front St. in downtown San Francisco. The lunch is informal and begins at noon.



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### 2001 Alumni Golf Tournament

The tournament will be held at the Tilden Park Golf Course on Saturday, April 7th. The cost will be \$80 and will include: Greens Fees, Cart rental, and Prizes. Space is limited so return your entry form promptly. The form is located on the center insert of this mailing.

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*Silver Legion  
Presentation  
at Founder's  
Day 2000*

## *In Memoriam...*

Harmon C. Bell. February 28, 1993. A very loyal Phi, Harmon was born in Piedmont and continued to live there for most of his life. He graduated from Cal in 1928. While at Cal he was editor of the Blue and Gold yearbook and President of the class of 1928, at the same time serving as president of the Phi Delt chapter. He was later president of the San Francisco Grid Club and a Prime mover in raising funds for the Carillon bells for the Campanile. He served four years in World War II, attaining the rank of major. After the war, he engaged in both the insurance brokerage and real estate investment business. In addition to Phi Delta Theta, he was a member of the Pacific Union Club, the Athenian Nile Club, and the Claremont Country Club.

Stuart C. Kierulff. September 10 1994. Another longtime Piedmont resident, "Stu" was born in Berkeley and never really left. He was a member of the class of 1930. He was an employee of the Chevron Oil Company for many years, but his real loves, besides his family, were the outdoors, photography, and his fraternity. Stu was instrumental in preserving much of the memorabilia that ultimately survived the sale of the old house at 2717 Hearst.

William "Bill" Majors. September 27, 1994. A 1948 graduate of Cal, Bill was a San Francisco native and attended Lowell High School in "the city." A World War II vet, he served in the Air Corps. His class year at call was 1945, his graduation, like that of so many others of the era, having been delayed by his war service. He was employed by his own firm, Majors & Mattoch in San Francisco for many years. He lived in Oakland, then moved to Moraga, and finally to Walnut Creek where he was a member of the Rossmoor Men's Gold Club. He was a frequent attendee at Duck Dinners, Founder's Day Events, football activities and always a booster for Phi Delta Theta.

Stephen Glagola. November 26, 1994. Steve was tragically stuck down in a head on collision with a drunk driver who was on the wrong side of six lane I-70 in Maryland. His son, Paul, who was traveling with him sustained serious injuries, but survived. Steve's class year at Cal was 1958. He was a member of the Cal football team. At the time of his death, he worked for Ellicott Corp in Baltimore as vice-president of human resources. His wife, Helen, and his family continues to reside in Middletown, Maryland. Steve was a very active coach for the Middletown Valley Athletic Association. Two "G's" two "L's" two "A's" and an "O"—he will be sorely missed.

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**Please take the time to look over and fill out both sides of this insert  
and then use the enclosed envelope to return it.**



**Yes!**

I would like to make a lasting commitment to  
the Brothers of Phi Delta Theta, Cal Alpha!

Please accept my contribution of:

\$50

\$100

\$125

Other \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please Make your check payable to the California Alpha Association, with a memo entry of "Building Fund."  
Thank you for your generous support.



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**2001 Alumni Golf  
Tournament**

Date: Saturday, April 7th  
Time: Opening ceremonies at 9:00 am  
Location: Tilden Park Golf Course  
Grizzly Peak Blvd & Shasta Rd.  
Cost: \$80 which includes the greens  
fee, cart rental and prizes.

**Yes**, I would like to play in the 2001 Alumni Golf Tournament. I have enclosed a  
check for \$80 made payable to Tilden Park Golf Course.

Please RSVP the above form by March 26th  
If you have any questions or comments please contact Mike Pfisterer at (510) 204-0698