

LAMPLIGHTER

CALIFORNIA DELTA CHAPTER OF PHI KAPPA PSI - SPRING 2017



Undergraduates welcome Phi Kappa Psi alumni home for Founders Day. Alumni pictured, first row from left: Ben Lamson '86, John Huber '75, Cord Nuoffer, Indiana Epsilon '96, Steve Marvin '60, former SWGP, George Humphries, Oregon Alpha '50, Hank Marvin '56, Hank Humfreville '81, Scott Torrence '84, Eric Smith '78*, and Dan Humfreville, California Theta '75. Second row: Robert Pallasch '89* (far left), Brian Murtaugh '01 (first from the right), George Burby '01, and Rene Sarkhosh '94. Third row: SWGP Jim Boyle, Washington Alpha '88, and Luis Hernandez, California Nu '07. Top row: Manuel Martinez, California Theta Colony '15. *Indicates House Corporation board member.*

Welcome Home

California Delta Celebrates Phi Kappa Psi Founding and Successful Year at Refurbished Chapter House

The undergraduates have been busy with their academics, brotherhood, and new member programs, while the House Corporation has been hard at work improving the place you called home. As you are probably aware, California Delta started the new school year in a refurbished chapter house, with improvements in almost every square foot. The chapter house is a structure in which both students and alumni can be proud and was shown off at the first-ever Founders Day event that was held at the house.

I want to give a huge shout-out to **Ben Lamson '86** for successfully spearheading the Founders Day event. Without his hard work and dedication, it would not have happened. Some of the honored guests included keynote speaker and current SWGP **James Boyle, Washington Alpha '88**, former SWGP **George Humphries, Oregon Alpha '50**, Phi Kappa Psi Foundation Trustee **Hank Marvin '56**, along with the many of the Marvin/Humfreville clan, and so many others. The event was a success, a good time was had by all, and we left with a renewed sense

of brotherhood. The undergraduates also were excited and enjoyed their time with their older brothers in the bond.

Because of the success of the Founders Day lunch, we are making plans to host an away game barbecue at the house in the fall, where undergraduates and alumni can come together, eat some good food, hoist our cups, and finish the day in the game room, watching the Men of Troy fight on to victory. We will keep you informed of upcoming details as plans are made.

We encourage all local alumni to stop by the chapter house to see the upgrades yourself. While California Delta excels with alumni involvement, the undergraduates are hungry for more brotherly involvement. One way to become involved with minimal time is to become a member of the House Corporation. It takes only two to four hours a month as most of the heavy lifting is already done and processes are in place to ensure that the business of the chapter and the property is in good order.

Phi Kappa Psi stands as one of the healthiest chapters on the row, thanks to the combined efforts from alumni and undergraduates. We have exciting projects planned as we continue to enhance both the house infrastructure and the undergraduate and alumni experience. We are safeguarding our traditions, while strengthening the bonds within our California Delta community. Alumni involvement is truly a rewarding experience of being a member of a social fraternity. Beyond being on the House Corporation board, there are other ways to get involved: contribute to one of our many causes or mentor a chapter member pursuing a similar career path. I look forward to meeting more alumni of our noble fraternity and encourage you to have fun with your brothers.

Amici,
Cord Nuoffer, Indiana Epsilon '96
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Front Porch and Game Room Upgrades Thank You, Alumni, for Your Support!



Thank You, Loyal Brothers

Through the generosity of 24 donors, \$3,482 was contributed to our fall 2016 appeal. The success and achievements of California Delta are directly attributed to the support and involvement of its members. The active brothers are grateful for and proud of the donations they receive from alumni.

Contributions to the fall appeal, as well as our Centurions, are listed below. If an error has been made in recording the amount of your gift(s), or we have mistakenly omitted your gift, we sincerely apologize. If corrections to your giving record are needed, please send them to California Delta of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity Inc., 10960 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1510, Los Angeles, CA 90024-3702. Your generosity is making a difference!

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California Delta Strives for Excellence Undergraduates See Success in Recruitment, Philanthropy, and More

California Delta welcomed 26 new brothers at the end of the fall semester. This spring, we took 17 potential new members, putting our chapter membership at 108. These young men have large shoes to fill considering more than 40 seniors graduated last spring, many of whom were actively involved members since initiation and all left an indelible mark on the chapter. Luckily, these newly initiated brothers and potential new members have joined a chapter that is excelling in all areas and provides its members the tools necessary to become strong leaders and responsible citizens.

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Stephen Ruff '13 launched a nonprofit called Greek Eats, which partners with a local food bank to collect donated and leftover food from USC fraternities and sororities. Since launching, seven chapters have started participating and the goal is to provide 400 meals a week in the Los Angeles area. Greek Eats has been recognized by the USC student government, which donated \$3,000 to the mission. Members of our chapter receive service hours each day for volunteering to package and deliver the food.

We hosted our Phi Kappa Psi Annual Alumni Golf Tournament on April 7 at Brookside Golf Club in Pasadena, Calif. Proceeds benefit our chapter philanthropy, Kure It for Cancer.

MAKING CONNECTIONS WITH ALUMNI

We want to foster stronger relationships with our alumni base. We've asked alumni to come speak at the chapter house. **Jerry Nelson, California Epsilon '48**, visited us this spring to speak about his background, professional career, and he gave invaluable advice in regard to character building and being better men overall.

Additionally, this spring marked the first time that we hosted our Founders Day celebration at the chapter house. It was a time of great

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Founders Day 2017

California Delta Welcomes Brothers Home to Celebrate

California Delta was proud to host Founders Day at the chapter house. Alumni from all generations and the undergraduates joined to celebrate on a beautiful day in February.

"It was a great time. I was very pleased with the turnout of California Delta alumni and we had several alumni from other Phi Psi chapters. We enjoyed some wonderful food and brothers shared fun stories from the past and present. Since we had such success, we hope to continue the tradition of hosting a Founders Day event at the chapter house going forward and adding more alumni events in the fall as well."

—Founders Day Chairman

Ben Lamson '86

"California Delta is a group of friends who are with us our entire lives. It is a brotherhood of talented men. It is our anchor in Los Angeles. Actually, it is all that and so much more. I'm so grateful I was able to attend this year's Founders Day at the chapter house. I am proud to be a California Delta and being part of our fraternity has made my life fuller in too many ways to count."

—Phi Kappa Psi Foundation Trustee

Hank B. Marvin '56

"Founders Day was a lovely time and the undergraduates were very cordial. When I was in school, we would attend the alumni-hosted Founders Day events with the two area Phi Psi chapters. I'm guessing there were around 200-plus brothers attending. Since then, I've always attended the alumni luncheons or dinners at various locations, but this was the first time at the chapter house, which was a nice change. I thought the house looked great and overall it was a very nice experience. It is also like a mini family reunion with my brother, **Hank Marvin '56**, and my Humfreville cousins. That is what we do—we go to Phi Psi things together."

—**Steve Marvin '60**

"With such a strong family connection to Phi Psi, I've always felt that the fraternity was just an extension of my family. The fraternity brothers I attended college with are among my closest friends, still today. I want the undergraduate brothers and pledges to know that the fraternity will serve them well in many ways, both while in school and as alumni. Celebrating Founders Day together helps reinforce the lasting bond we all share."

—**Hank Humfreville '81**

Thank you to everyone who celebrated with us!



1. Ben Lamson '86 2. SWGP Jim Boyle, Washington Alpha '88, speaks during Founders Day. 3. Scott Torrence '84, Hank Humfreville '81, Steve Marvin '60, and Hank Marvin '56. 4. Cord Nuoffer, Indiana Epsilon '96, Jack McGeah '15, Brian Murtaugh '01, and George Burby '01. 5. Spring new members are recognized at Founders Day. 6. & 7. 2017 Founders Day celebration at the chapter house.

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Jake Giordano '14

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Andrew Finnegan '15

Philanthropy Chairman
Tommy Riggs '16

California Delta Strives for Excellence

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celebration, recognition, and a chance for us to connect with California Delta alumni and local Phi Psis.

BUILDING LEADERS

We distributed more than \$50,000 in scholarships based on individual academic performance for the fall semester, many based on leadership positions and individual contributions made to the chapter. We also revamped our leadership structure. Officers including treasurer, vice president, house manager, and risk manager now head their own committees, which meet biweekly. This new structure was adopted to foster communication between leadership groups and to entice younger members to join committees, learn the positions, and run for more prominent roles in coming semesters.

As California Deltas, we strive to be better and more honorable gentlemen each and every day. We are excited to see what the future holds for our chapter.

Amici,
Jake Giordano '14
Chapter President | jacobgio@usc.edu

Welcome, Spring New Members

Carter Alvarez '17	Brock Ingram '17
Dustin Deluca '17	Grant Jones '17
John DePriest '17	Chris Kelliny '17
William Dym '17	Derreck MacArthur '17
Emerson Garnett '17	Jake McKinley '17
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Alumni News

Charles "Chuck" Greenwood '52 is settling into a retirement community south of Seattle, Wash., with his wife of 62 years, Nancy. They enjoy living closer to several family members and are able to spend more time with their grandchildren. E-mail: nanchuck2@msn.com

Glen L. Dickey '57 has recovered well from his open heart surgery in fall 2016 and is back to playing tennis, golf, biking, and traveling. "Life is good!" Glen lives in San Anselmo, Calif. E-mail: bgdickey@comcast.com

J.R. Arnett '77 enjoys life with his wife, Patricia, in Temecula, Calif., just 70 miles from Palm Springs, San Diego, and Newport Beach. "If you are interested in moving here, I would love to buy you a glass of wine—and sell you a home!" E-mail: drkrtan@gmail.com

John P. Henebry '84 reports that the chapter hosted another successful Phi Psi dinner in December. "It was our 32nd year of getting together for our annual dinner at Larry's Prime Rib." Brothers attending included: **Eric Beelar '83**, **Kelly Davis '82**, **Dave Mast '82**, **Mark Schulz '83**, **Rich Noyes '81**, **Dan Boyd '82**, and **Marc Neff '80**.

Christian P. Bodden '85 celebrated 29 years working for Disney as a show technical director for the Walt Disney Imagineering Division. "I changed the Disney California Adventure *Tower of Terror* built in 2004 to a new theme—*Guardians of the Galaxy – Mission: Breakout*, which opens this spring at the park." E-mail: chris.bodden@disney.com

Travis W. Winsor '85 celebrates 20 years with The Raymond Group, a union subcontractor providing interior and exterior wall and ceiling work, along with specialty and themed finishes. Travis is the CEO and was recently named chairman of the board. E-mail: travisww@pacbell.net

Adrian "AJ" Jayasina '95 welcomed his third child, a healthy baby girl, to the world. He and his wife, Vivian, have been married 13 years and living it up in sunny San Marino, Calif. "Life is good and I would love to reconnect with my brothers!" E-mail: adrianya@me.com

Jeffrey Weinstein '99 has put his passion for music to good use as a professional sales expert for Bananas at Large music company in Marin County, Calif. E-mail: jeff.w@bananas