

LAMPLIGHTER

CALIFORNIA DELTA CHAPTER OF PHI KAPPA PSI - WINTER 2026

CONTINUING OUR LEGACY ALUMNI INVOLVEMENT CREATING STRONGER FUTURE

The return of California Delta has generated clear excitement among alumni, who view this expansion as an important step in restoring a chapter with a long, meaningful history and a traditionally strong presence on campus.

Our legacy includes decades of involvement, leadership development, and community contribution. With our chapter's return, alumni see an opportunity to rebuild that foundation and support a new group of members to carry forward the values that have always defined our chapter.

Much of the enthusiasm also comes from the success of our alumni, many of whom have made notable contributions within the fraternity and in their professional and community roles. This history gives the chapter a strong identity, and its reactivation represents a continuation of that legacy.

Alumni have taken an active role supporting the chapter's development, and their involvement has been focused on helping undergraduate members establish a solid

direction for the future. Current focuses include assisting in preparing for recruitment by offering guidance on effective recruitment practices and reinforcing the importance of values-based membership.

As spring recruitment approaches, alumni are expressing confidence that the chapter is positioned for productive and meaningful growth in a culture that aligns with long-standing fraternity expectations. The priority is not only increasing membership but also selecting individuals who reflect the fraternity's values and will contribute positively to the USC community and to creating a stable fraternal foundation.

The cooperation between alumni and undergraduates demonstrates a shared commitment to building a chapter that is responsible, respected, and sustainable, and we can't wait to see what it looks like.

Amici,
Peter McCormick '91
House Corporation President



In July, brothers took a break from the House Corporation Board meeting with the national team of expansion at the Jonathan Club in Santa Monica. From left: PKP Director of Expansion Jakob Davis, Indiana Eta '19, Brian Miller '91, House Corporation President Peter McCormick '91, John Henebry '84, Karl Breniske '96, Chris Kirk '96, Paul Mendez '96, and Director of Chapter Operations Ben Sigler, Ohio Zeta '10.



A little rain won't stop brothers from gathering for a USC tailgate. Pictured: Zach Musarra '91, Shawn Nelson '86, Peter McCormick '91, Rambo, and Jason England '90.

THANK YOU, LOYAL BROTHERS

We Value Your Support

Thank you to the following brothers for contributing \$5,900 to California Delta in 2025! Your support helps build a strong future for our newly reestablished chapter, allowing us to make house upgrades and more. We appreciate your commitment to our brotherhood.

W. Terry Pearson '50
Richard A. Michel '56
George W. Seitz '60
Robert C. Bishop '62
James P. Warmington '62
Roger C. Wesley '62
Hank Darnell '63
Howard Chao '68
Jay C. Bretton '69
James J. Florance '77
Jon K. Swedlund '78
Eric C. Smith '79

C. Fred Wilcox '82
Tim Schrager '83
In honor of
Cal Delta Pledge Class 1983
William V. White '83
Joseph C. Cleveland Jr. '84
John P. Henebry Jr. '84
Benton H. Lamson '86
Robert H. Pallasch '89
Michael Kite '91
In memory of
Ryan Eastman

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Christopher W. Kirk '96
Paul Mendez '96
Duke Dalton '12
Lorenzo De Plano '12
In memory of
Hi Hi Phi Kappa Psi
Max Schultz '12

Volunteers! Needed!

GET INVOLVED WITH CALIFORNIA DELTA

One Chapter Advisor **URGENT**

Needs to be in communication with the chapter and visit from time to time.

Three Advisory Board Members

Can be done remotely.

Please reach out to John Henebry at 1-310-977-1214 or john.henebry@yahoo.com for more information.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Christopher Chen
Yorba Linda, Calif.

Mario Claborn
Kansas City, Kan.

Koko Haboian
Glendale, Calif.

Kenneth Honig
Corona Del Mar, Calif.

Elliot Jong Hyun Han
Los Angeles, Calif.

Shubaan Sridhar
Fremont, Calif.



Help
Grow the
Brotherhood!

Do you know of a young man attending USC who would want to experience The Great Joy of Serving Others? Refer him to join Phi Kappa Psi!



Scan the QR code to visit bit.ly/refer-a-phi-psi to complete the form. Our expansion team will connect with him about our return to USC. Thank you for your support!

THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX

Our Recruitment Process

Our current recruitment process has largely focused on introducing our friends to join. For instance, I (President **Mario Claborn '25**) recruited my friend **Christopher Chen '25** (historian/messenger). He felt that since I joined and he knew how intentional I am when it comes to joining clubs and organizations, it was a good idea. We have also worked on creating a social media presence by promoting scholarships and posting about our brotherhood events, such as game night and Universal Studios Horror Nights.

We aim to establish a strong presence by highlighting we are well-rounded young men who are academically driven but still like to have fun. Maintaining that balance and showing our multifaceted nature is something we want to emphasize through our philanthropy and brotherhood events next semester. Our strategy is to think outside the box.



Brothers enjoying a meal together. Clockwise from left: KJ Jonig '25, Mario Claborn '25, Chris Chen '25, Aidan Markward, Rhode Island Beta '20 (expansion consultant), Vabe Zobian '25, Owen Gough, Texas Epsilon '21 (expansion consultant), Koko Haboian '25, Elliot Han '25, Shubaan Sridhar '25.



Our first brotherhood event at Universal Studios Horror Nights. Thank you, alumni!

WHY PHI PSI?

Hear from Our Colony Founders

KOKO HABOIAN '25 Treasurer

"It immediately felt like a place where I could grow alongside people I respect. I was introduced through a close friend, but what really made me want to join was the chance to connect with alumni and hear their experiences. The brotherhood, the network, and the community-service mindset all stood out to me. I wanted a fraternity where I could build meaningful relationships, give back, and learn from people who have walked the path before me."

CHRISTOPHER CHEN '25 Historian and Messenger

"I love the idea of being part of something new and small. I'm able to be part of an organization that is still building its foundation and have a say in that process."

KJ HONIG '25 Vice President

"When I first learned about the opportunity to join, I immediately thought back to my time at the University of California, Irvine, where I was previously a member. That experience gave me some of my best college memories and closest friendships. It was there that I truly understood what brotherhood means: the late nights spent working on events, the constant support from my brothers, and the feeling of belonging to something larger than myself. That sense of unity and shared purpose stayed with me long after leaving UCI, and it's what inspired me to join Phi Psi again here at USC."

This time, however, it's different. Joining a brand-new chapter at USC means helping build something from the ground up, a rare opportunity to shape the future rather than inherit the past. At UCI, I experienced what a strong, established chapter looks like. Now, I have the chance to take those lessons and help create that same foundation here."

FROM PHI PSI TO SILICON VALLEY

Mark Stevens '81 Shares Venture Capital Career Highlights

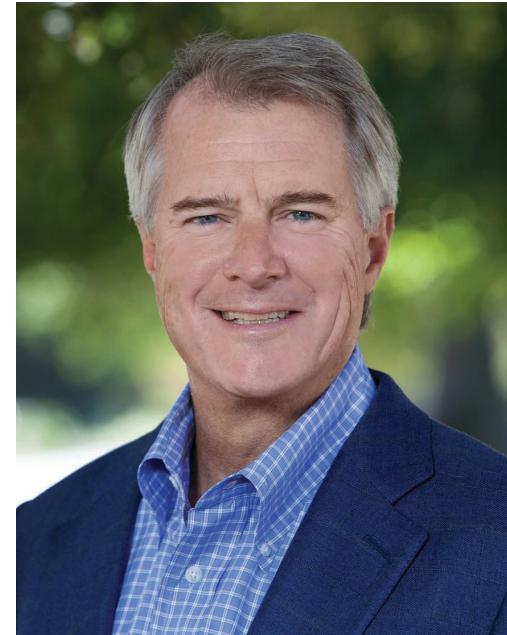
With down-to-earth men and a high value placed on academics, Phi Kappa Psi was the right choice for **Mark Stevens '81**.

Mark was busy throughout college, balancing electrical engineering and economics majors with part-time work at an aerospace firm. Phi Psi provided the social side of college life he might have otherwise missed, introducing him to many great brothers. Those social experiences prepared him for his career in sales at Intel and later as a venture capitalist.

“I joined Sequoia Capital in 1989, right after I graduated from Harvard Business School with my MBA. I was at Sequoia for 23 years before I retired and started my own family investment office,” Mark shared. “It was a great career. I got to work with some of the world’s best entrepreneurs in the technology world and super smart people who worked hard. At my firm, we were fortunate to be the original investors in Cisco, Nvidia, Google, YouTube, Yahoo—the list goes on. I learned a lot and built a lot of lasting relationships.”

Mark has been involved with Nvidia since the beginning. After helping provide seed funding with another venture firm in 1992, he joined Nvidia’s board of directors, which he has served on for over 30 years. “I’ve got a front row seat in terms of the revolutionary impact that AI is making on society.”

Mark and his wife, Mary, have been married for 32 years and have twin sons, Sean and Scott, and a daughter, Samantha. In his free time, Mark tries to ski at least 30 days a year. He also enjoys running, vegetable gardening, and playing pickleball and golf. A lover of college football, he said, “Saturdays in the fall are like national holidays for me.” Mark also serves on the board of the Golden State Warriors.



Sharing the Brotherhood

Mark and his son, **Sean '17**, have enjoyed many Phi Psi memories together, from ski trips with Sean’s brothers (who have also become Mark’s friends) to a Phi Psi campout, where Mark would host Sean and his brothers when they were in town for The Weekender against Stanford.

You can connect with Mark at mark@scubedcap.com.



Send Us Your Photos
We May Feature Them

Do you have photos of you gathering with your Phi Psi brothers recently or during your time on campus? Send them our way! Email them to john.henebry@yahoo.com with “USC Phi Psi Photos” in the subject line.

ALUMNI NEWS

William L. Hatch '53 works out at Planet Fitness and strolls the beach in North County San Diego. As an evangelist, he and his wife of 63 years, Marilyn, have traveled on mission trips to Europe, South Pacific, and Central America.

G. Wayne Graveline '60 lives in Newport Beach., Calif., and plays golf once a week at the Costa Mesa Country Club with his pledge brother, **Bob Parsons '60**. “We both stink at golf.” Wayne also loves to play Omaha Poker at the Lido Isle Clubhouse once a month. He is a staff commodore of the Lido Isle Yacht Club.
Email: wayneandlexi@yahoo.com

Littleton W. Waller '78 married in June. He moved back to California (Rancho Mission Viejo) and enjoys being closer to brothers in SoCal. Email: lwtw1959@gmail.com

Ed Molina '79 has lived in San Clemente, Calif., since 1988. The 2025 president of Orange County REALTORS, the largest association in California, he is married to Christina and is the father of three adult children (all married).
Email: edmolinarealestate1@gmail.com

Todd F. Nelson '84 shares, “After 40 years, I have relocated to Ft. Worth, Texas, from Southern California to enjoy time as a grandparent. I have three kids who are all in Texas as well.”

Scott C. Torrence '84 is a former California Delta House Corporation president (1995-96). “Glad to hear Cal Delta will soon have a colony returning to USC. Fight on!” Scott resides in Orange, Calif. Email: scotttorrence@hotmail.com

R. Shawn Nelson '85 was assigned to the Unlimited Civil Panel in Orange County Superior Court, Department C19. He resides in Fullerton, Calif.
Email: nelsonrshaw@gmail.com



CHAPTER GOALS

Recruit at least 30 to 40 new brothers by the end of the school year.

Host philanthropy events for Hunter's Fund, mental health, and sepsis.

Create a positive, fun, and engaging fraternity experience at USC.

See inside to learn about our alumni-supported recruitment process and to meet our new members and officers!

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Invest in CALIFORNIA DELTA

MAKE A GIFT TODAY

We're thrilled that Phi Psi is coming back to USC! We must work together to ensure a strong return and a thriving future, and alumni contributions are one way to support the brotherhood from afar as California Delta enters a new era.

Making a gift today will help fund essential house projects and communication efforts to keep our alumni connected. To donate, scan the QR code to visit caldeltapk.causedox.com, and to see other ways you can contribute, look inside this issue!



Thank you for helping to provide future brothers with the home and opportunities you enjoyed and for staying connected to California Delta!

Chapter Officers



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