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New Horizons in Leadership

I-House opens an international search for its fifth Executive Director in over 80 years as Ambassador Martin Brennan announces he will step down from the Executive Director role in July 2012 to pursue diplomacy, writing and academic pursuits.

“It is such an honor to serve the global community that is I-House,” says Brennan, who will have completed five years of service before his departure next year. “While my wife Giovanna and I are called to resume overseas humanitarian commitments, I plan to emulate the inspiring example of my predecessors Joe Lurie and Sherry Warrick and remain an active member of the global family that is I-House. I have confidence a new Executive Director with his or her unique vision and talent will continue I-House’s remarkable accomplishments and initiatives.”

Noteworthy new initiatives launched by Martin include a four-unit UC Berkeley course designed and taught at I-House annually since 2009, entitled “Navigating Cultures.” Related trainings have since debuted serving residents, employees of UC Berkeley, and the corporate sector (read more, page 2).

Reich & Fukuyama Launch Speaker Series

An expanded series of lectures by prominent thought leaders on provocative topics debuted this Fall at I-House, linked to a new membership program (see insert). Five lectures over four months this Fall tackled issues ranging from the dangers of globalization to political behavior and American foreign policy.

Political economist Robert Reich, and Stanford University political scientist Francis Fukuyama headlined the series, joined by I Gede Ngurah Swajaya, Indonesia’s ambassador to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, addressing “Making Sense of the Asian Century,” as well as prominent Cal professor and

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Extending I-House Mission to the Corporate World

Although I-House has cultivated experience in fostering intercultural understanding since its founding 81 years ago, it entered the arena of formal trainings in cross-cultural skills just two years ago, and recently by popular demand, extended its reach beyond I-House and UC Berkeley to serve the local corporate community. More than fifteen employees participated in two half-day trainings conducted by the I-House team. The success of this work inspired requests by other companies for similar trainings.

Discovering Doors

At a recent dinner one of our scholarship recipients regaled us with tales of his unique sense of direction. He was born with a gift for losing his way. As a child he became lost so often that his mother finally made him wear a lanyard with her contact information so a kind passersby could assist him. By taking the road less traveled, however, he has been able to experience places he otherwise would have missed.

This story prompted a memory from my days as an exchange student at the University of Padua in Italy. I nervously embarked on my first day of class equipped with the name of a building, and my roommate’s assurance: “You Americans landed on the moon! Of course you can find your art history classroom.” The building proved to be elusive but after careful sleuthing I finally tracked it down. It had not moved since the 16th century. As I rushed in I asked a bemused custodian in fractured Italian where I might find the classroom. He pointed down the long corridor and said something that sounded like, “Look for a large door.”

I raced down the corridor and with a sigh of relief I pulled open a large door and entered just as a loud “Noooo” echoed behind me. I found myself in a huge chamber facing two hundred or so impeccably dressed and quite distinguished adults who immediately stood up. We stared at each other in complete surprise. Somehow this did not seem like my art history class. The Academic Collegium was expecting the Rector of the University and instead they got me. One absolutely not amused custodian led me to my classroom. Perhaps I should have worn a lanyard.

In life we open doors often not knowing what awaits on the other side. Opening the door to I-House has allowed me to enter an experience more meaningful than I could have imagined. I entered the doors with three decades of diplomatic experience which have been enriched immeasurably by the I-House experience. All diplomats would benefit from an I-House experience early in their careers because of the broader understanding it provides of our shared humanity.

I am gratified that I have been able in some small way to build on the outstanding legacies of my predecessors Sherry Warrick and Joe Lurie. Working together, Board, Alumni, Residents and Staff have enhanced the welcoming appearance of I-House and the comfort of our accommodations. Formal trainings in cross-cultural communication, including a new intensive certificate program for residents in Spring 2012, and workshops serving the public and corporate sectors, are furthering I-House’s reputation as, “A World Resource for Global Understanding.” That I-House has accomplished this despite a sharp global economic downturn speaks to the dedication of all who cherish our unique endeavor.

Every arrival presages a departure. With a mix of anticipation of things new and regret for things missed, my tenure at I-House will draw to a close at the end of June. I feel that it is time for me to apply the lessons of I-House in Africa, Asia and beyond. While new doors have opened, I take comfort in the fact that the door to I-House beckons. I will always feel I-House is home and, whenever possible, be an active presence.

I am honored to continue to give to the House that has given so much to so many. Supporting scholarships and our beautiful building remain critically important for our continuing success, whether measured by doors or decades.

New Pilot Program in Intercultural Leadership

Residents are vying this winter for 20 slots in a Spring 2012 six-month training program in intercultural skills. This pilot certificate program includes an off-site weekend retreat, five workshops on topics such as cross-cultural conflict resolution and cultural identity, supplemented by Board mentorship and additional IH program participation. Look for progress updates in the Spring 2012 IH Times!
Meet Some of Our Scholarship Recipients

Since 1930, over 80,000 individuals have come to call I-House home, and have benefitted from its unique multicultural community dedicated to intercultural respect, friendship, and leadership skills for a more peaceful world. Thousands would not have had this opportunity if not for financial aid made possible by philanthropic support. Today, I-House provides room and board scholarships to roughly 100 residents each year, although we are unable to meet the documented need among dozens of qualified applicants each year.

Name: Vasundhara Sirmate  
Country: India  
Scholarship: Arun & Rummi Sarin  
Field of study: Political Science

Background: Coming from Gwalior in the Madhya Pradesh province of India, Vasundhara has a Bachelors in Journalism and a Masters degree in both Political Science and Philosophy. Her previous research covered gender issues and right-wing politics in India. “My current work examines tribal insurgencies in northeast and central India.”

Future plans: “I came to Berkeley because of the intellectual freedom and innovation it offered. My future plans include returning to India frequently in order to further my work on the functioning of the state’s coercive apparatus and its engagement with insurgents. I am also deeply interested in the effect of low intensity conflict on women.”

About I-House & her scholarship: “Living at International House marks a turning point for me. I am experiencing being a regular student again, after three years of repeated sojourns into conflict zones. I’m making new friends and engaging intellectually with people from different fields. I see the Sarin Fellowship as an endorsement of my efforts. I am grateful for the support and encouragement this Fellowship embodies.”

Name: Dana DePietro  
Country: USA  
Scholarship: Open Gateway  
Field of study: Archaeology

Background: Originally from Loomis, Calif., Dana attended UC San Diego as an undergraduate. “It was there that my interest in the peoples, cultures and languages of the Middle East was first awakened by an archaeological dig in Jordan, and studying abroad in Cairo. The experience of living and working in the Middle East’s largest capital city opened my eyes to unique perspectives and rich cultural heritage. I became aware for the first time of the challenges and responsibilities of living as a global citizen, as well as the incredible rewards.”

Future plans: “My ambition is to continue teaching at the university level. I will continue to direct the non-profit Society for Humanitarian Archaeological Research and Exploration, whose current work in Israel/Palestine seeks to engage young people on both sides of the conflict there in an exploration of the past, present and one another.”

About I-House & his scholarship: “I am able to finish writing my dissertation in peace and comfort while at the same time engaging with a vibrant international community I am proud to be a part of. I-House programs provide tools useful in my work for understanding and facilitating dialogue between cultures. I cannot overstate how vital my scholarship is to allowing me to complete my degree at Berkeley, and live in such a special community. I am forever grateful to I-House and the alumni who made my stay here possible.”

Name: Selina Shieunda Makana  
Country: Kenya  
Scholarship: Mouen-Makoua Gateway  
Field of study: Linguistics

Background: “There is a saying in Kenya: ‘To educate a girl child is to educate an entire village,’” says Selina, who grew up in rural western Kenya before moving to Nairobi. She credits her parents with supporting her college education: “I wanted something more and different for myself. Being a first born in a large family of twelve, I wanted to set a good example for my siblings.”

Future plans: Selina hopes to become a professor after completing her program, adding she’s “particularly interested in my department because of its interdisciplinary approach ... No place felt right other than UC Berkeley.”

About I-House & her scholarship: “The International House community is diverse and lively. Never in my life have I interacted with people from almost every corner of the world on a daily basis. As much as I see myself as being open minded, I have realized that there is so much to learn every day about different cultures. Thanks to the Gateway Scholarship, I now have a wonderful opportunity to experience academic excellence as well as cross-cultural fulfillment.”

Read more about our remarkable residents and consider a scholarship gift when visiting ihouse.berkeley.edu.
Residents Conduct Peace Projects Worldwide

For the fourth year in a row, a generous grant from I-House New York alumna Kathryn Wasserman Davis has provided $10,000 grants to Berkeley I-House residents to implement “Peace Projects” of their own design around the world. Ms. Davis met her husband, the late Ambassador Shelby Cullom Davis, at I-House New York and began a tradition in 2007, as she turned 100 years old, of providing $1M annually through $10K grants to 100 students. She has renewed the project each year since and, with the gracious facilitation of I-House NY, a dozen I-House Berkeley projects have since been implemented.

In 2011, Lisa Fleming and Andrew Stokols presented results of their Sri Lanka-based projects at an I-House Sunday Supper on October 9th. Fleming, an environmental science major, and Stokols, a city planning major, teamed up to spread the word on environmentally conscious management in Sri Lanka. “We used part of our grant funds to help the [Sewalanka] Center buy waste bins to separate their waste into green, plastic and other types,” Fleming said. “Also, the Sewalanka Islander Center brings Tamil and Sinhala students… together from around the island so the project involved teaching these students together about sustainable development.”

The second I-House resident awarded Davis Peace Project grant money was Arravind Unni, whose mobile library for peace brought books and used storytelling as a way to promote hygiene, health and communal harmony while combating illiteracy in the Dharavi slum of Mumbai, India. Additional awards for 2012 and submissions for the coming year are pending review, with announcements of projects anticipated in the Spring I-House Times.

UN Day Global Citizen Award

The UNA East Bay Chapter and IH together held an October 28th celebration of UN Day. Awards were given to champions of UN Millenium Goals focused on education and empowerment of women and girls. IH Alumna Dr. Urvashi Sahni, who received her doctorate in Language and Literacy, has impacted tens of thousands of teachers and students in her native Uttar Pradesh, India through leadership in school creation, reform, research, and teacher training.

Winners Gavagnin, Ma, Ito and Gergely

An annual resident essay contest secured awards for five residents who best captured the spirit of their I-House experience. Recipients hail from Italy, France, Japan, U.S. and Chile. In 1st place Elena Gavagnin of Italy wrote, “You don’t need trains, cars or planes to travel, you just have to go down the stairs and rest in the Great Hall, and you are there, in the world… Now when I say I am Italian there is a different sense of consciousness. It could seem a paradox, but I think I really met my own country here, for the first time… Borders are inside us [and to] change the world… we should just change ourselves…” Read this essay and others by winners Nandor Gergely, Kaho Ito, Darko Cotoras and Florance Ma at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/programs

Restroom Remodel: DONE!

Cake (replete with toilet graphic) and champagne marked the end of an eight-year, $12M remodel of 52 restrooms throughout I-House’s 240,000 sq. ft. New pipes, fixtures and ADA improvements resulted from dedicated work by staff, the Board, Noll & Tam architects, Plant construction, and generous donor support for 1/3rd of the cost.
Prince is Charming on Royal Visit

It’s not every day that a prince comes to I-House. On October 25th, His Royal Highness, the Crown Prince Haakon Magnus of Norway (IH 1997) returned “under the dome”—the place he knew as home while a political science post-graduate student at Cal. Executive Director Martin Brennan invoked the Norwegian proverb “Away is good; home is best” to welcome the royal entourage and guests at an intimate reception and award ceremony held in Haakon’s honor in the Great Hall.

UC Berkeley Chancellor Robert Birgeneau conferred to Haakon the 2009 International House Alumnus of the Year award for his extensive humanitarian work as a Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations to promote the Millennium Development Goals. The Crown Prince said he had originally accepted the UN role “because I strongly believe that all people are equal and should have equal rights to realize their potential as human beings.”

Among 100 in attendance, including 20 plus current I-House Norwegian residents, with whom the Crown Prince was a considerable hit, was Joe Lurie, I-House Executive Director Emeritus, who served during Haakon’s residency. Lurie recalled Haakon as a man of humility and great personal warmth. “His Modesty,” kept his future role as King of Norway under wraps, explaining to a resident asking about his future plans that they included “something in government.”

Referring to the recent shooting tragedy in Norway and the Prince’s plea for mankind to “view differences as opportunities,” Lurie personally saluted Haakon “for carrying forward the principles of this House.”

In his acceptance speech, Haakon—slipping off his tie to great applause as he announced the Great Hall “feels like home”—cited how his I-House Experience had enriched him in many ways, both big and small, and contributed to the skills and perspectives of his diplomatic work around the world. He also wryly noted I-House as a key contributor to building his little known skills as a disc jockey….a useful talent in promoting cross-cultural harmony. “It’s a great community to be part of here at I-House,” said Haakon.
IH Alumnus Discovers $2 Trillion Error in U.S. Credit Downgrade

John Bellows, the U.S. Treasury Department’s acting assistant secretary, and I-House alumnus from 2004 received international attention for discovering a $2 trillion mistake in the calculations used by Standard & Poor’s (S&P) key decision to reduce the U.S. credit rating from AAA to AA.

Once Bellows informed the S&P of the mistake, the agency modified their rationale for the downgrade rather than change their plans. News bureaus worldwide later quoted Bellows’ August 6, 2011 post entitled “Just the Facts: S&P’s $2 Trillion Mistake” from the U.S. Treasury Department’s blog. It explained the miscalculation and that “Independent of this error, there is no justifiable rationale for downgrading the debt of the United States…”

John is not only an I-House alum and Cal grad (B.A. L&S, Ph.D. Economics 2009), he also has the distinction of being the nephew of former I-House Information Systems Manager Hellmut Meister, who recently retired after 20 years of service.

International Film Series Draws Diverse Audiences for Screenings & Discussion

Seven diverse films that challenge cultural assumptions and provide insight into intercultural interplay are being screened in 2011-2012 at I-House. Each features a discussion with a film representative following the screenings.

These films and filmmakers celebrate the power of film for its ability to vividly convey different cultural realities. Selected films include documentaries like Disorder, cited by PBS as an “essential documentary about China,” along with several additional films from independent Chinese distribution company dGenerate Films. A romantic Cuban comedy called Guantanamoera, is also featured along with Slingshot Hip Hop that follows young Palestinians living in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel as they describe their common love of Hip Hop. I-House will continue to feature films as a means to explore the cross-cultural understanding of globalization, linking these films to our expanded Speaker Series and to a new membership program.

For a complete list and upcoming film dates visit ihouse.berkeley.edu.

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Residents from India transformed the IH dining hall with candles and sand mandalas to honor Diwali, the mid-November “Festival of Lights.” Traditional lamps signify the triumph of good over evil and stay lit all night as one’s house is cleaned and food is shared to make the goddess Lakshmi feel welcome.

A video from YouTube was screened of Barack Obama explaining the tradition of Diwali. Bollywood film clips were shown in addition to live Bollywood dance instruction.

Cultural theme dinners occur at I-House several times each semester – check the online calendar for details!

New Management of I-House Café

Under new management since Fall 2011, the I-House Café now features easier “grab and go” offerings, a focus on sustainability in its operations, and a fresh new look with a winter “facelift.” I-House meal plans now include the option to eat breakfast in the café, and all Cal students can use their Cal1 Debit card to purchase meals. Menu and hours posted online at ihouse.berkeley.edu/dining.
San Francisco Mixer On June 1st, Christopher Zand (IH 2000-01), Vice President of Bernstein Global Wealth Management, and Martin Brennan co-hosted a vibrant networking event at Bernstein's offices in San Francisco's Financial District. Against a spectacular evening skyline, attendees enjoyed wine, sushi and historical video clips celebrating eight decades of I-House's commitment to global understanding.

New York Reception Ambassador Kenneth Taylor (IH 1957-59) and Dr. Patricia Taylor (IH 1958-60), who first met at I-House, hosted a reception at their Manhattan apartment on May 19th (see Notable Alumni on web site). The intimate occasion was enjoyed by a group of some of I-House's most loyal supporters, with much discussion on the role I-House plays as a connector of people from all over the world. In recognizing the Taylor's warm and generous hospitality, Brennan said: "At I-House Ken and Pat opened their hearts to each other and here in New York they open their home to I-House."

80s Reunion Alf W. Brandt (IH 1985–87) organized an 80s gathering that drew alumni from as far away as Scotland, Australia and New Zealand. The reunion spanned the weekend including a Saturday hike at Angel Island with children (aka future residents) and Sunday Brunch at I-House amid laughter and conversation. Executive Director Martin Brennan hosted a reception where reminiscences of days past were shared including the impact of I-House on world views. "I-House contributed to my belief in public service and the transformative power of education – both of which I am still involved in at Edinburgh University." shared Alumna Sara Welham (IH 1985–86).

Beijing In July Martin Brennan and wife Giovanna met with I-House alumni for a mini-reunion (pictured from left: Libei Tian, Martin, Giovanna, Brenda Bing and Eric Schaffer)

Italy The 6th gathering of “Califriends” in Europe was held in Imola, Italy. David Sullitzer writes: “So three years after meeting in I-House in summer 2008, we still see each other and retain the Berkeley spirit! (pictured from left: Koen Peeters, David Sullitzer, Gilia Lolli Ceroni, Tara Chirimar)

Washington D.C. On May 18th, Executive Director Martin Brennan hosted a reunion event at the kstreet lounge, in the heart of the capital’s chic dining district, which was attended by over 30 alumni. Guests enjoyed catching up with each other over food and drink, and learning more about I-House’s new initiatives in intercultural leadership trainings.

Plan Your Own Reunion at I-House or Elsewhere

Would you like to get together with I-House friends? Using Facebook, LinkedIn, and email, you can spread the word and plan your own reunion at I-House or elsewhere. The Office of Alumni Relations can help! For more information, email ihalumni@berkeley.edu.
This summer, the family of the late Professor Rangaiya Rao assembled on the I-House Café patio to dedicate a bench in his honor. A follow-up letter received by I-House read: “We all enjoyed the day at the I-House. None of us had a tour of the entire building and premises and had no idea of its size and grandeur and history. It was very impressive to realize the extent of help and inspiration it has afforded to so many international and domestic students at UC Berkeley. The location of our “Bench” was very strategic with a lovely view from the area and we spent some very special moments from the site in remembering Rangaiya’s passion and affection for his Alma Mater where he spent a very useful and fulfilling eight years!”

I-House is honored to provide a range of recognition opportunities that put into words the names and experiences of our community. At right are bricks recently added to the Café patio, where views look out towards the iconic Golden Gate Bridge.

**Reich and Fukuyama Launch Speaker Series (continued from page 1)**

renowned cognitive scientist George Lakoff discussing “Retaking Political Discourse,” and national security expert, and former Obama-administration Assistant Secretary for Global Defense, Michael Nacht on “Challenges to Obama’s Foreign Policy.”

Reich, a UC Berkeley public policy professor who served as U.S. labor secretary during the Clinton Administration, discussed in his September lecture what he called dangerous myths about globalization, namely that U.S. competitiveness depends on a race with other countries or foreign companies.

Countering these beliefs he explained America’s job crisis is not caused by other countries taking jobs, but because “globalization, in combination with technology, has changed, not the number of jobs, but the composition of the workforce.”

That change in workforce composition is not a foregone conclusion, he said. For example, in Germany, a successful exporter, where high precision engineering and manufacturing are specialties, workers continue to grow in number and maintain high pay levels compared to American workers.

A powerful rhetorician, Reich closed with a plea that his audience not succumb to pessimism about public institutions and the capacity of our government and institutions to do anything right. “Cynicism is the greatest enemy we have... If you remember nothing else that I say, remember that,” he said.

In his Oct. 6 speech, Fukuyama, a prolific author whose work is linked to the rise of neoconservatism, discussed the “Origins of Political Order.” The Senior Fellow at Stanford University’s Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, highlighted points made in his new book by the same title.

Fukuyama said he wrote the book to explore how to rebuild political institutions in “failed states” like Somalia, Haiti, Iraq and Afghanistan. That led him to research how the “ideal” Western state — his example is modern Denmark — came to be in the first place. But even “the Danes don’t understand how they got to be Denmark,” says Fukuyama.

He looked at how Western Europe “accidentally” developed key democratic institutions — rule of law, consent of the governed and accountability through governmental checks and balances — and compared it to China, which has become a modern industrial and economic powerhouse without these pillars of democracy.

The new I-House membership program provides members e-mails to links of lecture videos online and discounted tickets for those in the area if subscribing. The 2012 line-up will be announced in December — visit ihouse.berkeley.edu for details and for video links to the lectures above.
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Friends,

The mission of I-House is thriving today thanks to those who give so generously of their time, talent and treasure. We are sincere in calling the enclosed list of contributors our “Honor Roll.” Engaging friends and alumni, like Lorraine Fletcher Elliot, pictured here with her 1949 IH Directory, is a highlight of the role I feel privileged to fill. New methods of critical support, like the Membership Program, strengthen our cause and provide mutual benefits for contributors, like Lorraine, an inaugural “Visionary” member.

With lasting gratitude – please let me know how our team may be of service.

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Questions? Contact David Gilliam at (510) 642-9460. Visionary Sponsors, please contact Shanti Corrigan at (510) 642-0124.
I-House alumnus Anirvan Chatterjee (IH 1998) and his wife Barnali Ghosh couldn’t believe their eyes when they calculated their carbon footprint online. Though the couple is vegetarian and had given up their car a decade earlier, their carbon footprint was higher than that of 90 percent of Americans. The culprit? Air travel.

Ghosh, a landscape architect, and Chatterjee, founder of BookFinder.com, make a trip from their home in Berkeley to visit their families in India once a year. They did some calculations and realized that the round-trip flight to India, which produced seven metric tons of carbon dioxide, was cancelling out their car-free year, which saved five metric tons of carbon dioxide.

“It’s the equivalent of exercising and dieting every day. Then on Dec. 31, you have a 200,000-calorie dessert and ruin the whole year,” Chatterjee says.

The couple asked themselves: Could they go for a year without flying?

To bring attention to air travel’s impact on the environment, Ghosh and Chatterjee decided to embark on a trip around the world without setting foot on a plane, chronicling their travels on their blog at www.yearofnoflying.com.

Nine months later, in September 2009, they drove up to Seattle, where they boarded a container ship headed to Yokohama, Japan. A popular way for European retirees to travel, container ships actually offer accommodations and meals for $100 a day.

Over 12 months, the couple visited 56 cities in 14 countries, including China, Turkey, Russia and Italy, and rode only one car, two containers ships, three ferries, 16 buses and 39 trains. They spoke to people affected by climate change on their journey, as well as individuals working on sustainable solutions to the climate crisis; from climate-vulnerable fishermen in Bangladesh to a teenage climate activist in Vietnam.

Since returning to the Bay Area last August, Ghosh and Chatterjee are working on an international aviation justice campaign to make air travel more sustainable and offer environmentally and socially responsible alternatives to flying. They recommend calculating the climate impact of your own travels at TripFootprint.com.
From Persia to Iran: 2011 Road Scholar Program At I-House

Nearly a dozen I-House alumni and volunteers participated in the June, 2011 Road Scholar Program entitled Middle East Forum: From Persia to Iran

Join us in June, 2012 when International House hosts its 20th year of Road Scholar programs (formerly Elderhostel).

An ancient African proverb tells us that “the stranger sees only what he knows”. Examine the cultural lenses we use see the world as it is, not as it seems. Cultural concepts of time, distance, communication, health, power and emotions impact our perceptions and influence daily interactions and world events.

Sessions feature interactive and lively class discussions, unique films and uncommon cultural trips in and around the San Francisco Bay Area.

Acclaimed multiculturalist Joe Lurie will lead the program assisted by the International House team of Ambassador Martin Brennan and Dr. Liliane Koziol and faculty from the University of California at Berkeley. For more information and to register online see roadscholar.org.

Board Member Transitions

A volunteer-based Board of Directors provides governing counsel and oversight to International House, Berkeley. Chaired by UC Berkeley Chancellor Robert Birgeneau the Board includes thirty-four members and three residents of International House, all generous energetic volunteers who are key to ensuring quality in all of I-House’s operations, programs and services to better fulfill our mission. In 2011 Board members and IH alumni Karen Grenberg McConnell and Richard Palmer, as well as longtime Vice-Chair of the Board, Peter J. Robertson completed their third three-year terms with the lasting thanks of the I-House worldwide community. Five new members received unanimous approval to join the Board in 2001. For more details and “Why I Serve” statements, visit ihouse.berkeley.edu/about.

Charles Ferguson (IH 1973-76 & 2011 IH Alumnus of the Year)
Charles is founder and president of Representational Pictures, Inc. and director and producer of No End In Sight: The American Occupation of Iraq (2007) and Inside Job (2010), which received the Academy Award for Best Documentary Film.

Jane Katsura
Jane is a Nurse Consultant and a Clinical Nurse Researcher at Oakland Children’s Hospital. Since 2008, she has served as an adjunct faculty member at Samuel Merritt University.

Simon Lowes
Simon is currently Principal Consultant in Chevron’s Corporate Policy Government and Public Affairs group providing direction to International Business Units on social investment and stakeholder engagement programs.

Peter Taylor
Peter is the Executive Vice President and C.F.O. for the UC system. He has held a number of senior positions in investment banking, including at Barclays Capital, where he served as managing director of public finance.

Tejash Unadkat (IH 1998-2000)
Tejash is currently the C.E.O. and Founder of the career enhancement software Fatminds Inc. in San Francisco, and the co-founder of the South Asian Professional Association of San Francisco.

Eugene Yano
Eugene is Managing Principal of Yano Accountancy Corporation, a local consulting and public accounting firm. He has over 33 years of consulting, public accounting and industry experience.

PLANNING A VISIT TO BERKELEY?
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Contact (510) 642-0589 or ihevents@berkeley.edu.
Edward Harbert opened my eyes and mind to events abroad and inspired my desire interfered with foreign students coming. But those already there first undergrads to gain residence because World War II had on my exposure to becoming a foreign correspondent. I was one of Warren Unna was pr ofi Ambassador Irving Tragen roommate, an Arab Christian from Bethlehem. And I met my wife mankind was much improved by becoming friends with my James Likowski writes “My understanding of the “oneness” of architectural books to the UCB library rare books.” Planning Faculty and my extensive collection of landscape with my town planning books to the UCB Community Regional gifted my rhododendron library to UCB Botanical Gardens along or. I have recently the ‘fair sex’ got ‘deharemized’ from the thir d flo Clive Justice writes “Wanda and I celebrated our 63rd wedding anniversary on 6/21/11. We don’t know how many share with us. I-House guest from 7/1/43 until commissioned as an Ensign, USNR in February 1944. He remembers, “We had to line up by platoons out front each morning at the crack of a California dawn to hustle up around the Campanile. I came to Cal from Piedmont High over the hill and kept my car on the lawn of the Pi Beta Phi sorority house down the street where my girlfriend Marna Reagor was a member. We’ve been married since October 1944. NROTC “midshipmen” with a B+ average could leave the I-House evenings to study in the library or make better use of the time on the heights of Tightwad Hill or other shady spots.” Edward Harbert was an I-House guest from 7/1/43 until 1940s Warren Unna recalls “I suspect my I-House exposure started me on my exposure to becoming a foreign correspondent. I was one of the first undergrads to gain residence because World War II had interfered with foreign students coming. But those already there opened my eyes and mind to events abroad and inspired my desire to travel and see how the rest of the world lived.” 1950s Helen and Raj Desai write “Danika Desai is our second granddaughter to stay at I House. She represents the 4th generation of UC graduates/students in our family. First were my parents Bertha Gollong and Ross E. Crane (class of ’24). Second my two sisters Carolyn Crane and Barbara Crane their husbands Don Homer and Al Manrano, myself Helen and my husband Rajinkant T. Desai- All of us were in early 1950’s classes. Third, two of our children Monica Desai and Chand Desai fourth generations Danika, in the junior year.” Danika helped organize the new resident garden. Mina Parson writes “My life at the International House had a great impact on my adult life as a teacher, a wife who met her husband there and as a mother of two sons. Meeting people from all over the world, Sunday Suppers, coffee hours, discussions made this “house” very special.” Evelyne Rowe Rominger ’50-’51 and husband Rich have 2 granddaughters at UCB - Sarah, just finishing freshman year (a math major) & Katherine (Political Economy & Dance) graduates this (May). Rich - UC Davis ’49 and Evelyne will celebrate their 60th anniversary in August. Hugh and Lois Warren write “We live in assisted living and enjoy being close to our daughter, Carrie and her husband, John and their two children, Drew (16) and Grace (9). Son Wayne lives with his wife, Ana in San Antonio. Daughter Anne lives near Durham, NC. I fill my time with reading, watching TV and movies and time at my computer. Greetings to all that were at I-House when Lois and I were there.” Tito Moruza, visited this fall with Shanti. Born in Santander, Spain in 1921, he survived crash landing a glider in France on D-Day and later recovered Nazi files used as critical evidence in the Nuremberg trials. Fluent in four languages, he met his late wife Margaret at IH and held her hand for the first time on the patio. 1960s Arthur Azevedo participated in the June Road Scholar program (see article page 14) and received his original I-House residency application, which garnered a smile. Arthur is a partner at Green & Azevedo, a Sacramento-based law firm. Gwenne (Bates) Hickman retired from thirty years of teaching - French and occasionally Spanish - in 2009. She and her husband, Joel, came to Berkeley in the Fall of 2009 for Gwenne’s 40th class reunion; then in the Summer of 2010 they participated in their first Elderhostel/ Road Scholar program the Berkeley Forum for the Middle East, held at I-House. Their next Road Scholar trip will be to Tahiti in December 2011. Tom Sloss writes “The greatest thing about Cal is the kaleidoscope of people and ideas and opinions that it embraces and always has. The center of that whole process is the I-House. I first heard the
sound of the Thai language there, I first met Thais there, tasted their food and was introduced to their music. Those glimpses encouraged me to tell the Peace Corps that I had one favored destination. I taught English for two years in a rural community in Northeast Thailand, formed friendships that have lasted almost half a century and met and married the woman who has been my partner for 44 years there (thank heavens our sons look like Mayuree and not me!). My love affair with a very, very different culture started at the I-House. So it is far more than an international student residence to me. Thank you and bask, on this anniversary, in the warmth of all the people who truly love the International House. It is Cal’s greatest blessing….You are the fulcrum of diversity at UC.”

Daniel Temam writes “I spent six weeks in the IH sometime ago. To be precise, it was during the summer of 1969, while I was working in the Lawrence Radiation Lab. I told this to my daughter and when she went to San Francisco this year, she visited Berkeley and IH. She sent me the last issue of IH times. I was very happy to read it. It reminded me of my stay, which I enjoyed a lot, especially because of the people from many different countries that I met and with whom I had lively discussions.”

1970s

Marilyn Allen writes (Class of 1972)”Hi Everybody, To show everyone that us old folks still have some get up and go, I have written a musical (“Chicken Creek Diaries aka Alaska”) which will be produced in Tillamook, Oregon this Summer by TAPA. You can view one of the songs on YouTube, “Revenge of the Mouse” under Marilyn Allen. Hope you enjoy it! My best wishes to everyone.”

Leland Peterson (IH 1970-72) visited in August. Pictured here with his new I-House T-shirt, Lee retired as president and CEO of Sun Health Services in Arizona in 2009 after 37 years of service. He came to Arizona from California in 1972 after graduating from Cal with an M.P.H. and is eager to meet with I-House alumni in Arizona.

Yoshie Tanaka (IH 1975)-pictured far right -who now lives in Hokkaido, Japan, brought together an intimate gathering of fellow 1973 alumni to celebrate friendship and shared memories over brunch. “We were so happy to find the reserved seat was the same table where we used to sit [and] to find the brick which one of my friends donated and placed [on the patio] outside of the I-House Café. I will never forget these wonderful days in I-House,” said Yoshie. This was the first time that the lifelong friends from Algeria, Japan and the US rejoined as a group at I-House.

1980s

Phyllis Chang and Riccardo Gusella (IH 1982-84) met at I-House in the early 80s and after over 20 years of “dating”, just married on August 17th 2011. After a civil service in San Francisco, they spent their wedding day visiting I-House and touring Berkeley along with jubilant family and friends. They currently live in Beijing, China.

Peter L. Reich (IH 1982 – 84) stopped by in October. An author of numerous works on the legal history and environmental law of Latin America and the U.S. Southwest, he is Professor at Whittier Law School.

Kevin Renner, (IH 86 – 88) just completed his book, In Search of Fatherhood: A Mother Lode of Wisdom from the World of Daughterhood. In it, he interviewed 50 women from around the world on their life stories, and how they were shaped by their fathers. The book is the story of his journey, and the profoundly revealing stories of women young and old, rich and poor, famous and anonymous, from diverse nations and cultures.

Tony Robinson is Adjunct Professor in Environmental Sustainability at Southern Methodist University and sits on the Board of Advisors for the Energy & Resource Technology HUB North Texas. He is also president of Axis Design-Build, Inc. and his book, High Performance Buildings: A Guide for Owners & Managers, is forthcoming in 2011. He is co-editor and publisher of Transformation: A Journal of Literature, Ideas & the Arts and he recently published his first book of poetry, The Boundary Layer.

1990s

Sylvie Brieu writes “After two wonderful semesters at I-House (Fall 91 and Spring 92), I developed a stronger interest on cultural diversity issues and human rights. My work on these issues was recently published in a book: Quand s’envolent nos voix - Des Andes à l’Amazonie, une odyssée en terre indienne, supported by UNESCO and National Geographic Society’s All Roads Film Project.”

Graham Ford (from New Zealand, IH 1994) and Elena Rinaldi (from Italy) met in August 1994 in the dining hall of the I House on their first day at Berkeley. They were both enrolled in courses at the College of Environmental Design. They got married in Bologna (Italy) on the 5/25/2002, have two daughters and are currently living in London!

Ratnapala K. Gamage (IH 1989-90) visited IH this fall for the first time in 21 years. An economics major, he is the Chairman of Crystal Leaf (Pvt) Ltd., a tea export company, in his native Sri Lanka. “Ratna” shared he would not have been able to complete his degree if not for the scholarship support he received from the House.

Michelle Khine (I-H 1997) received a NIH Director’s New Innovator Award for 2010, the largest and most prestigious grant awarded to junior investigators by NIH, Khine is an assistant professor of biomedical engineering at UC Irvine.

Dungeon Kim writes “I-House was my second home away from home country, and it still is in my heart. Seeing that, I still gravitate toward returning here once in awhile. The openness, hospitality, and friendship shown by I-House community then and now quietly tells me why I cherish I-House as a central piece of my experience at Berkeley.”
Kathleen Mikulis (IH 96-98) was a one-day winner on the game show Jeopardy!, which aired 10/21/10, and took home $27,201. An even better prize? She and her husband Mark Piloff (IH 96-98) welcomed twins, James and Julia, born 12/9/09 or, as they call it - A Day That Will Live in Twinfamy.

Heather Chan Swei (left) returned to I-House in October with her husband Tony, who was a co-presenter on a session entitled Conducting Business in China as part of I-House's Navigating Cultures class.

Anders Yang (IH 90-91) recently joined UCLA Anderson School of Management as Associate Dean. He previously held senior leadership roles at UCSF School of Medicine and UC Berkeley’s Boalt Law School. While an undergraduate at Berkeley, he spent his junior year abroad at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. Anders is also a graduate of Harvard Law School.

2000s

Shahin Badkoubei (IH 05-06) writes “I am involved with Partnerships to Uplife Communities, where I focus on community outreach efforts by serving as a mentor and electives instructor to middle school students of low-income backgrounds. After undertaking intensive training in educating young children about art and creativity at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, I am now assisting the museum’s curator of Islamic Art.”

Momen El-Husseiny writes “Dear Beloved! I want to send you my best & warm greetings for the I-House 81st birthday. May it continue to be the light for many generations to come! May you remain the candle that brings hope to many students to come! May you see of giving continue to overflow with love, passion & sincerity! Sending you my regards from ‘Free Egypt’ as I am doing my research fieldwork! May peace & prosperity prevail in all nations worldwide!” Momen is a PhD Candidate in Global Metropolitan Studies & Anthropology UC Berkeley.

David Fanfan (IH 99-00) left Cal with his Masters in Engineering and later completing a global MBA at Hult International Business School. This experience led him to Shanghai, China, and, among many related adventures, a visit to the “Great Wall.” David says he “credits I-House as a motivator for me to become a better global citizen in my career as well as in my recreational life…planting the seeds that led me to continue to engage in the global community.” David lives in NY and looks forward to staying in touch with fellow alumni!

Rima Shah (IH 2004) paid a visit to the House in October from her home in Chicago and reconnected with friends from her days at I-House. Shown here dancing at an I-House Gala when she was a resident she recalled “Many fun memories and amazing friendships that wouldn’t have been possible if not for I-House”.

2010s

Ahmed Helal and Ahmed Khairat, two recent alumni of International House (2010-11), returned to their native country after Cal have established a website People4Egypt, as part of the social media explosion that occurred in Egypt in concert with the 2011 revolution. The site collects perspectives on economic stimulating and democracy-promoting strategies and activities and promotes awareness of Egypt’s political reality and its peoples’ perspectives since February 11, 2011 when Mubarak stepped down. “It is because of (the I-House) experience in a cosmopolitan dorm that challenged our understanding of life, friendship, home, and cultures that we were able to establish People4Egypt,” said Khairat. A video that includes statements of solidarity from fellow IH Alumni (Egyptian and other nationalities) is at people4egypt.com.

Summer Volunteers

Interns and volunteers play a huge role in our day-to-day operations. Pictured here are: Junya Tanaka, from Tokyo, Joël Thai, from France (IH 2010-11) and Emily Normile, from the US. Thanks for lending your time and talent to I-House this summer! Volunteers welcome at I-House! Contact ihalumni@berkeley.edu.
Residents and staff collaborated on a stunning altar in the Great Hall to celebrate the lives of departed loved ones, including the list of recently passed alumni and friends that appears in this newsletter. Names and photos of friends and family were displayed with photos, candles, written tributes, and offerings of marigolds, sugar skulls, and favorite foods and drinks of the departed. Presented over four days (October 31-November 3rd), the altar was inspired by residents from Mexico in the tradition of Dia de Los Muertos. The theme of celebrating death as part of life is an ancient tradition with Aztec roots and relates to similar celebrations in Brazil, Spain, Asian and African cultures. I-House honors the lives and memories of those friends and alumni no longer with us. If you would like to participate in our 2012 altar creation at I-House or have staff include the name and/or photo of a loved one in next year’s celebration, e-mail ihalumni@berkeley.edu.

In Memory

1940s Alumni
James Donald Grey (April 1, 2011)
Don loved living in the International House at UC Berkeley. He earned his BA with a major in Economics in 1949 and received his teaching credential in 1963.

Marion A. Jarrett (July 11, 2010)
After graduating from UC Berkeley in 1943 she served in the US Army during WWII as a nurse in the US and abroad. In 2005, she received the City of Cupertino CREST Award for volunteer contributions to the community.

Eugene C. Lee (April 27, 2011) was a distinguished scholar of California government and longtime Director of Cal’s Institute of Governmental Studies. An I-House alumnus from 1946 and lifelong friend to this institution, he served on our Board from 1980-1990.

Mark L. Wightman (December 14, 2010)
After graduating from UC Berkeley in 1941 with an A.B. in Economics, he then served in WW II. He worked for various departments in the state of California before moving to the Bay Area and employment with Santa Clara County.

1970s Alumni
Pascal H. Elleaume (March 19, 2011)
The Director of the Accelerator and Source Division (ASD) of the ESRF - was killed in an accident. He distinguished himself by his numerous outstanding contributions in the development of storage ring based synchrotron radiation.

2000s Alumni
Gideon Sofer (January 12, 2011)
A policy and public health student diagnosed with Crohn’s disease at the age of 12, he pursued creation of an inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) stamp.

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Sherman J. Maisel
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Jeanette Swing

In Memory, Continued

1990s Alumni
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Leo Bromwich
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Arthur I. Coops
Norman Crowell
Sydney W. Dodge
Bruce Edson
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Martin I. Heinstein
Lowell A. Holcomb
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Ludy E. Langer
Harold L. Levy

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Andrew W. Harrell
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Jeanette B. Davis
Jean M. Wong
Martha Dixon
Catherine D. Trecott
Hashem Emami
Shahzad Emami
Mary Frances
Ingrid Borland
Rangaiya Rao
Andrea Adelman
Frank Auer
Theodore Van Duzer
Kathy Howe
Edward Moore
Arnold West
Emmett J. Rice
Rafael Rodriguez
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Arne S. Svanvik
Francisco T. Acero
Cynthia Modelo
Gertrud Wijsman
Ingrid Borland
Richard G. Wilson
Basil G. Hoare
Betty O. Zion
Wilma Horwitz
New Book Chronicles I-House “Golden Age”

Jeanine Costello-Lin, daughter of I-House alumni couple Doralee and Elliot Costello (IH-1940s), has together with friend and oral historian Tonya Staros collected eighteen interviews with alumni of the post World-War II generation at I-House, a group that has dubbed themselves alumni of the I-House “Golden Age.” Now a book published by the Berkeley Historical Society with I-House support and available for $15 per copy, the eighteen participants document “remarkably vivid memories …of how their postwar days at I-House left an indelible mark upon them.”

Experiences of international students who are profiled range from participation in the Norwegian underground (Terje Jacobsen), survival of Auschwitz (Lottie Salz), to isolation in neutral Sweden (Ingrid Borland and Mopsen Ohlsen). Among American students interviewed were men who fought in France (Gene Horwitz), and others who piloted planes, one ending up in a German prison camp (Bob Brewer). Women who served in the Waves (Dorelee Castello, Marie Schutz and Joan Rush) are included, and those who had spent time at women’s colleges or in the strange situation of attending co-ed colleges without men. In addition are perspective of refugees from Shanghai, who landed at I-House ‘stateless’ are profiled.”

I-House celebrated the publication of The Golden Age of International House 1946-1953: An Oral History in conjunction with the November 6, 2011 Celebration Brunch that honored Sheridan Warrick (see story page 5).

Copies of the book may be ordered by calling I-House at (510) 642.4128.
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