Spring Gala is May 9, Rockefeller to Keynote

Steven C. Rockefeller, grandson of International House founder, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., will give the keynote address at the 75th Anniversary Celebration and Awards Gala on May 9, 2006. An emeritus professor of religion at Middlebury College, he coordinated the drafting of the Earth Charter for the Earth Charter Commission and chairs the Rockefeller Brothers Fund.

The annual gala is the biggest fundraiser of the year. For more information, contact the Development Office at (510) 642-4128 or ihalumni@berkeley.edu or visit http://ihouse.berkeley.edu.

75th Anniversary Campaign In Motion

One Year Ahead to Reach Ambitious Goals

A dazzling array of activities and concerted efforts by Board, Alumni, and Friends of the House has helped generate more than two-thirds of the initial $7.5 million dollar goal tied to the House’s 75th Anniversary Celebration and Campaign. Still, with just over one more year to secure urgently needed funds for building renovations, scholarships, programs, and technology, inspired outreach efforts will continue through 2006.

Please see the enclosed newsletter insert for more information about this exciting endeavor to honor and preserve the special legacy of I-House Berkeley for future generations, including a calendar of upcoming events and special naming opportunities.

Formally launched by Campaign Chairman Peter Robertson in May of this year, Anniversary events and fundraising was begun two years prior led by members of the Board and a Leadership Committee of special friends and alumni around the world. Despite significant progress, more than half of funds contributed to date are through pledges and bequests. Immediate funding needs of the House – most strikingly the critical overhaul of piping and plumbing systems throughout the 240,000 square foot I-House building – will require many generous new gifts to proceed as scheduled and as warranted by safety and maintenance concerns.

Events to celebrate this milestone anniversary and to keep the mission of I-House vibrant among alumni will be held throughout the year, including upcoming gatherings in Singapore, Australia, and Tokyo. A comprehensive menu of special naming opportunities was established by the Leadership Committee to recognize gifts from $500 to more than $1M, see insert for the full list.

Campaign outreach suggestions and gift inquiries are welcomed by Shanti Corrigan, Director of Development & Alumni Relations, at (510) 642-0124 or shanti@berkeley.edu.

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The Newsletter for Friends & Alumni of International House

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE AT UC BERKELEY 75th Anniversary Events

Alumni, residents, and friends are celebrating I-House’s birthday at events planned throughout 2005-2006. For upcoming events, send us your email address on the RSVP panel on page 7 or visit http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/alumni.

Global Homecoming October 1, 2005
A barbeque on the patio was hosted by Jawahar Gidwani before the Cal football game. Cal shut out Arizona in a 28-0 victory! See page 4.

New York Reunion October 1, 2005
United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs Jan Egeland was honored as Alumnus of the Year. More at right.

Ledestor Alumni-Resident Program October 25, 2006
Michael Morgan, Music Director of the Oakland East Bay Symphony, discussed Rhythm North and South: How People in Different Cultures use Rhythm.

Singapore Reunion January 6, 2006
Check off the Singapore box on the RSVP form to help organize or receive an invitation.

Melbourne Reunion January 8, 2006
Check off the Melbourne box on the RSVP form to help organize or receive an invitation.

Edith Coliver Festival of Cultures April 22, 2006
Celebrate the cultures of the world in a tradition that dates back to the 1930s. See page 3 for more.

75th Anniversary Celebration & Awards Gala May 9, 2006
The biggest fundraiser of the year supports building preservation, scholarships, programs, and technology. More at right.

Tokyo Reunion June, 2006
Check off the Tokyo box on the RSVP form to help organize or receive an invitation. See article page 5.

Global Homecoming October 7, 2006
Join a growing tradition for an international buffet and reunion before the Cal vs. Oregon football game.

JAN EGELAND IS 2005 ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR House Honors U.N. Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs

Jan Egeland, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, was honored as International House Alumnus of the Year at an October luncheon held at the U.N. “Living in International House was like living in the United Nations without the bureaucracy,” said Mr. Egeland. “Every single day led to new friendships with engaging students and scholars from all over the world. My year as a Fulbright fellow at Berkeley, living in I-House, was my most liberating, happiest and sanest year ever.”

Acknowledged worldwide for his passionate leadership responding to the Southeast Asian tsunami, Jan Egeland addressed The Global Effort of the United Nations to a luncheon hosted by Executive Director Joe Lurie and attended by current residents, members of the Board of Directors, alumni, and friends. “It is most encouraging to be I-House Alumnus of the Year. I am honored,” said Egeland.

A native of Norway, Egeland was a Fulbright scholar and law student while residing at International House in 1983. In the years since, he has distinguished himself as a leader in humanitarian, human rights, and peace work through the United Nations, the Norwegian Government, the Red Cross, and other non-profit, non-governmental, and academic institutions. He was appointed as the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator in 2003.

Egeland drew attention to “forgotten” emergencies that drew little assistance. “One of the most difficult missions of the Emergency Relief Coordinator is to bring attention to the neglected emergencies, some of which turned, despite early warnings, into full-blown catastrophes, such as Niger or the Sahel in Africa.” He called for creation of a humanitarian response fund to provide assistance when there are early warning signs.

$1 Million Campaign Commitment through by von Kaschnitz

I n a stunning act of generosity, I-House alumnus von Kaschnitz and his wife, Joan, have formally designated a one million dollar bequest to benefit International House in honor of its 75th Anniversary Campaign. “We do this because we appreciate how important the mission of I-House remains and know what an incredible role it can play indisputing the greater international understanding and tolerance our world so desperately needs,” said Mr. von Kaschnitz who lived in the House in 1951-52. The gift is the single largest commitment to date towards the $7.5 million dollar 75th Anniversary campaign, an effort launched to offset daunting financial challenges confronting the I-House facility, its residents, and operations (see insert).

The von Kaschnitz bequest is among the largest philanthropic commitments ever made to I-House since its inception in 1930 following its founding $1.8M gift from John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The bequest supplements previous Campaign contributions made by the von Kaschnitz family to International House in three areas: building support, a resident scholarship fund, and a special program fund to establish an annual classical music concert for residents.

JAN EGELAND (left) and 75th Anniversary Campaign Chair Peter Robertson at the United Nations event honoring Mr. Egeland as Alumnus of the Year.

Former Chairman of Amnesty International USA Julianne Cartwright Tayloe (IH 1968-69), UC professor of human rights Rita Maran, and human rights attorney Sandra Coliver congratulated Mr. Egeland.

Among those attending were alumnus Wolf Homburger (IH 1950-51), Julianne Traylor (IH 1968-69), UC Professor Rita Maran, human rights attorney Sandra Coliver, Board members Elizabeth Gordon and Dick Palmer, and Dr. Abdell-Kader Abbadi, retired U.N. Director of Political Affairs who was honored as Alumnus of the Year in 1991.

“I’ve had the pleasure of knowing Egon and Joan for many years,” says Executive Director Joe Lurie, “ so I am especially appreciative of their dedication to the purpose of the House.” He continued, “And while it should come as no surprise that their thoughtfulness and largess makes them among our most valued supporters for our current campaign, the news of this gift did take my breath away. It marks a very meaningful moment in the efforts of alumni and campaign leaders to shape the financial stability we feel I-House needs in the 21st century.” Mr. Lurie hopes the von Kaschnitz commitment will inspire additional donations to the Campaign, including planned gifts that will enable I-House to recognize these contributions in donors’ lifetimes.

Joan and Egon von Kaschnitz were greeted by resident Rachel Callenback at the spring Gala.

75th Anniversary Events

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
Providing for a Legacy of Hope

In the wake of 9/11, we live in a world that has become much more polarized, often fostering misleading and damaging stereotypes. Yet, at I-House, the day-to-day activities of eating, studying, and doing laundry bring students together and break down those stereotypes while programs like Sunday Supper, orientation retreats, and the Festival of Cultures pass on the history and values of our 75-year-old global community.

Two residents, Sheila Arado, from the Philippines, and Saeed Ahmed Rid from Pakistan, formed an unexpected friendship here at International House, a friendship that reaches across the boundaries of fear and exemplifies the purpose that our founders envisioned.

As a Christian, Sheila learned to fear and distrust Muslims because of anti-Christian violence perpetrated by extremists in the Philippines. “I never would have expected to have a friendship with a Muslim here in America,” Sheila told me while sitting next to her friend, Saeed Ahmed Rid from Pakistan, in the Dining Room. “For me, it was a revelation. It released me from my prejudices.” It was Saeed who nursed Sheila back to health after she had a sudden and severe allergy attack. In Pakistan, he had heard negative stereotypes of Christians but at I-House, he established friendships with Christians and Jews as well as with students from India, Pakistan’s longtime rival.

I find the seeds of hope for a more peaceful and tolerant world in friendship like theirs. Their experiences remind us that the need for I-House and its programs is as strong as it was when the doors first opened.

International House has brought people together for 75 years to live in peace in this global community. Divided by differences in nationality, culture, politics, race, and religion, here they are united by friendship. For our distinguished Alumnus of the Year, Jan Egeland, living at I-House “was like living in the United Nations without the bureaucracy.” His description is especially powerful since Jan is Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs at the United Nations (see page 1 for more about Jan).

It is immensely gratifying to me to see the community of International House – the alumni and friends around the world who value the work of I-House – come together to ensure the future of the House through the 75th Anniversary Campaign. As you will read on page 1, contributions are building a solid foundation for the next 75 years.

Alumnus Egon von Kaschnitz and his wife, Joan, have played a key role in the Campaign and in the life of the House. We are very thankful for their leadership gift of one million dollars which will benefit the House for decades to come (please see page 1 for more).

You can read more about the 75th Anniversary Campaign in the enclosed brochure. As you will see, we are seeking to accomplish four goals:

• To preserve our building through the Architectural Heritage Fund
• To provide scholarship resources through Gateway Fellowship Endowments
• To support cross-cultural education through the Intercultural Program Endowment
• To connect residents, alumni, and friends online through Technology and Communications Funds

Gifts for the 75th Anniversary have already been put to work in the beginning phases of rebuilding the infrastructure that supports our 75-year-old restroom and shower facilities. We have completed the second phase of a massive, multi-year project to renovate restrooms, showers, and related piping systems.

I invite you to select the goal that is most meaningful to you and to join me in contributing to this precious institution. You can even leave your mark through the Buy-a-Brick Program and/or the Room Naming Program (page 5). A pledge form is included on the back of the enclosed brochure. If you would like to discuss a larger gift, please contact our Director of Development, Shanti Cortigan, at (510) 642-4128 or shanti@berkeley.edu.

We have many exciting challenges ahead. Together, we will continue to fulfill our mission while building a solid foundation for the next 75 years. Thank you for continuing to nourish the spirit and vitality of an institution that could not be more relevant in our post 9/11 world.

Celebrating 75 Years!

Award-winning actress Rita Moreno enjoyed mingling with residents at the 75th Anniversary Celebration and Awards Gala in May. Ms. Moreno, who was born in Puerto Rico, transcended barriers of discrimination and set a precedent for actors to be recognized for talent rather than ethnicity. “Why are we killing each other?” asked Ms. Moreno. “We should be living together peacefully just as the students do living in International House.”

The festive event, which is the biggest fundraiser of the year, launched the 75th Anniversary Campaign to support building preservation, scholarships, programs, and technology improvements. See insert for details.

“A Bond That Seems to Last Forever”

1960s Friends Reconnect

“The years melted away and we relived the good times we had at 1-House,” says Stuart Pawsey, describing a June gathering of thirty I-House friends from the mid-sixties. “Living together at 1-House and sharing meals, activities, and excursions created a bond that seems to last forever.” Many have stayed in touch over the years, yet, says Stuart, “it was very special to reconnect in the place where we all met almost forty years ago. Gathering at I-House, having dinner there, and exploring the corridors where we used to live were wonderful experiences. Many stories of our lives together there were shared.”


Alumni came from Northern Ireland, Australia, West Indies, Rhode Island, DC, and throughout California to attend the reunion organized by Stuart and Glenda Pawsey. The group explored old haunts on campus and enjoyed lunch at the Free Speech Movement Café at Moffitt Library. In addition to dinner in the Home Room, the Pawseys hosted dinner at their home in Berkeley and Alan and Jackie Kirschbaum hosted a viewing of Berkeley in the Sixties at their home in Montclair.

If you would like to organize a reunion of friends from your era, contact the Development Office at (510) 642-4128 or ihhalumni@berkeley.edu for help tracking down old friends, reserving a room, and arranging catering.

Renovation Progress Over Summer 2005

International House recently completed the second of several phases of critical shower, restroom, and plumbing renovations. The project will upgrade all 52 restroom and shower facilities as well as related piping systems. These facilities have been in almost continuous operation for seventy-five years. Changes are also being made to enhance access for students with physical disabilities.

The kitchen delivery elevator was also updated over the summer. To minimize impact on academic year residents, construction began on May 23rd and ended September 23rd.

Construction expenses are estimated to total $9.7 million over four to five years. Half of the amount needed is anticipated to come from the operations budget and investments but the remainder must come from contributions.

Donors to the Architectural Heritage Fund support our stewardship of this building: replacing dangerously outdated systems, improving safety and comfort, and taking preventative steps to avoid future costly renovations. See insert for details.
75th Anniversary Sunday Supper

More than 200 alumni, friends, and current residents gathered at International House to celebrate the 75th Anniversary at a traditional Sunday Supper in June. Sunday Suppers are the oldest tradition of the House, established by I-House founder Harry Edmonds in New York in 1909. Speakers representing every era shared their memories in a panel presentation of A Walk Down Memory Lane.

Sherry Warrik, I-House Executive Director from 1961-1987, launched the reminiscences, “I think you can be extremely proud of the institution in which you find yourselves today. I-House offers a broader platform than any organization I can think of for sharing ideas, for developing friendships and understanding, for learning how to get along with people, and for enjoying life in general. It’s interdisciplinary, it’s international -- there are people from many states, universities, and colleges. It’s a great place to learn from each other.”

Reva Dama Lockhart Clark (IH 1938-39) took the audience back to the 1930s by recalling Eugenie Chambers who had come to I-House during the war for more than 20 years. She helped Dama refine her public speaking skills and opened doors that led to many opportunities and a career as a scholar of African philosophy and religion. ‘It was like it was yesterday, yet it was 10 years ago. I’m so grateful for the time I spent here,” Dama reminisced, “that I found myself in the retreats for new residents… with people from Turkey, Iran, and India… listening to the story of the woman from Iran… and her sense of alienation and fearlessness and not knowing where to go but to I-House. I learned a lot just in that moment. Since then, I’ve had a fantastic experience and meet people all over the world… It’s been a positive change for me.”

Hal Gilliam (IH 1941-42) described, to the amazement of current residents, that all rooms were single rooms with a buzzer system instead of telephones and daily maid service. Gender segregation was enforced and “several friends were almost expelled for holding hands in the Great Hall.” Then came Pearl Harbor, studying for finals during Blackouts, and the shocking news of the “horrible evacuation of people with Japanese names. Allen Blandell, the executive director, stood up and said this was wrong. He was a man of great courage.”

Paul Sale (IH 1950-52) remembered, “It was a few years after the second World War had ended, the Korean conflict had started, the Israeli-Arab war was at an armistice – these world happenings gave us many topics for discussion. And discuss we did! But in the spirit of I-House, when 10 p.m. came, we all adjourned for a cup of coffee – all friends again. We were exposed to both sides of conflicts, gained understanding, and made many friends.”

Julianne Cuthbertson Taylor (IH 1948-49) described the 60s as a time of struggle – over civil rights, free speech, and the growing movement against the Vietnam War. “I-House was like a haven. We would return at the end of the day and talk about the day’s events. I-House meant a lot to me. It was more than a place to live. It was my community, a multi-cultural one, par excellence.”

There should be International Houses all around the world. The world needs the type of environment I-House fosters for all of those who are privileged to live here.

Chen Flores (IH 1978-79) noted that in the late 70’s, “the biggest excitement was more about disco than anything else! … for people coming from overseas [Chen is from India], I-House is a wonderful place to be introduced to American culture. Some of the events that were most memorable were the Late Night orientation and the Late Night walks. To go to Late Night with strangers and create an instant family, this was a powerful experience that bequeaths some of the values of this culture.”

Bonna Ghosh (IH 1982-85) reflected, “My perspective is more of a personal one. I really got into the I-House community. We wrote a speed of the Love Boat called the Love House with Sandy Warriker as captain. We all acted and participated and I remember it as a real cross-cultural experience, a mixing of American pop culture and international cultures. We came so close together with these friends. It was really a special experience.” She concluded with a song in her native Bengali, “I just wish we could forget those days. We may drift apart but when we come back together, you’ll always be in my heart.”

Las Le (IH 1994) reminisced, “thinking about I-House brings back many fond memories... my love affair with the library, pizza night, Spring fest… Some of my best friends come from I-House. Whenever we meet, we talk about I-House like it was yesterday, yet it was 10 years ago. I’m so grateful for the time I spent there. I didn’t know anyone in the Bay Area and I-House was really a home for me.”

Kevin Scallan (current resident), “Cost your minds back to September 11, 2001. At that time, I had never left Ireland. Fast forward two years and I found myself in the retreats for new residents… with people from Turkey, Iran, South America… listening to the story of the woman from Iran… and her sense of alienation and fearlessness and not knowing where to go but to I-House. I learned a lot just in that moment. Since then, I’ve had a fantastic experience and meet people from all over the world… It’s been a life-changing experience for me.”

After the panel’s presentations, memories were shared by alumni in the audience. The event concluded with the traditional Candlelight Ceremony which symbolizes the passing of friendship and understanding to others and spreading the work of the House throughout the world.

HURRICANE SURVIVORS FIND A NEW HOME

When Rebecca Olson left New Orleans with just a few books and clothes, it never occurred to her that she would lose everything in flooding caused by Hurricane Katrina. Rebecca is one of three Tulane University students who received I-House scholarships in the wake of the disaster and are now living in International House and studying at Cal’s Boalt School of Law.

Just three weeks after Hurricane Katrina turned their lives upside down the three students addressed residents at an emotional Sunday Supper.

“I-House opened its doors to give us a home. You don’t know what that means when you really have nothing,” Rebecca told her fellow residents at Sunday Supper. “It has been a wonderful experience, under the circumstances, to be around people who are all away from their homes,” said Rebecca who is from Montana. “The hurricane destroyed all of my things and my home, but not my spirit. Life goes on and, in times like these, we are reminded of the good people in the world, like Wolf Homburger and many others, who go out of their way to help those in less fortunate positions. I just want to thank everyone for their kind words and support.”

Students evacuated from Tulane University find a new home at International House. From left: Robin Fitz, Jill Starrels, and Rebecca Olson.

International House was able to offer scholarships to the three displaced students thanks to the generosity of alumnus Wolf Homburger (IH 1950-51) and scholarship funding from the Mark Ross Foundation.

“One thing I’ve learned from this disaster,” said Robin Fitz, who is originally from the Bay Area and did her undergraduate work at Cal, “at any moment, something can be taken from you in the blink of an eye. I’m very grateful to the International House for allowing the three of us to have a new place to call home and a place to transition our lives.” Robin, who hopes to work as an assistant district attorney, adds, “My stay at I-House has been extremely wonderful and supportive. The staff and fellow students make it feel like home.”

“As a community we rally around each other and help others through the hard times.”’

Stay at I-House

Plan a stay in one of two guestrooms and re-experience International House!

Contact the Events Office at (510) 642-0589 or email ihevents@berkeley.edu

Guestrooms are popular so reserve well in advance.

Bay Area Hosts Needed

You can extend the hand of friendship to an international student far from home by offering a holiday meal, visits to local attractions, or a friendly connection through the International Friendship Program. To receive more information, please return the RSVP panel on page 7 and check off the box for the International Friendship Program or call (510) 642-9460.

House Welcomes 75th Year Residents

For the 75th time, International House opened its doors to students and scholars from around the world. Some facts about this year’s residents:

- 379 residents represent 58 countries
- 189 residents are from the USA
- USA, Korea, France, Japan, Taiwan, China, have the greatest representation
- Men outnumber women 333 to 236
- 304 are grad students or visiting scholars
- 225 are undergraduates
- 39 on international exchange programs
- 76 receive I-House financial aid
- Over 7600 meals are served in an average week
- Most popular foods are barbecue lunches, pizza, and hamburgers
- 285 were introduced to I-House and to fellow residents at fall retreats
- 507 residents have high-speed Internet access

Enjoy music, dance, an international fashion show, crafts, storytelling and global cuisine at the Edith Coliver Festival of Cultures on April 22, 2006.

For information about this celebration of the world’s cultures, call the Program Office at (510) 642-9460 or visit http://house.berkeley.edu.
Alumni and Friends Gather for Global Homecoming, 2005

Alumni and Board member, Jawahar Gidwani, hosted a barbecue on the I-House patio as part of Cal’s Homecoming weekend in October. Alumni and friends enjoyed catching up with old friends, sharing memories, and competing for T-shirts in a game of I-House trivia. The event was held before the Cal vs. Arizona football which ended in a Cal victory.

To Register for I-House@cal, go to: https://ihouseonline.berkeley.edu/

- For those with PINs printed on their mailing address label of this newsletter, click on Sign Up Today. Your PIN is a unique number assigned to you by UC Berkeley when you complete a degree at Cal.
- If you don’t have a PIN, click on Verify your I-House residency to request an account.

If you’re already an @cal user, welcome back! We invite you to change your account. If you have any comments or need help accessing the site, please email johnsonb@berkeley.edu

Elderhostel Programs, June, 2006

International House will host two week-long Elderhostel Programs in June. Participating in these programs is a great way to return to the House, enjoy lectures by outstanding Cal faculty, and participate in activities with people who share your interests. Some alumni attend with I-House friends and have their own mini-reunion. I-House staff member, Bethann Johnson, and retired staff member, Vangie Bueff, will coordinate these programs.

A Feast of Early Music: The Berkeley Festival, June 5-11

Enjoy a rich variety of Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque music performed by world-class musicians at the Berkeley Festival. Concerts are complemented by lectures with UC professors who offer insight into the lives of composers and the social history of the era. Our program includes concerts on campus, intimate performances at International House, lectures, and instrument demonstrations. This is the fourth time I-House has hosted this exceptional program.

Challenges and Opportunities in the Middle East, June 12-18

Ethnic and religious tensions make reform exceedingly difficult in the Middle East. UC professors and other experts explore topics including the interplay of religion and politics, regional consequences of the Iraq war, and U.S. policy options that would promote stability. I-House has earned a reputation for balanced, in-depth international programs. An additional feature of this program is a scenic day-long trip to the Monterey Bay Aquarium with its new Ocean’s Edge Galleries and penguins from the New Orleans Aquarium.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

The program fee of $675 includes lectures, accommodations, meals, and activities (including concerts and the Monterey trip). To register or receive a catalog, call Elderhostel at 1-877-426-8050 or visit the website at www.elderhostel.org. Elderhostel is open to adults, ages 55 and better. Registration for June programs begins in January. More information is also available on our website at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu. To receive a flyer, check off the box on the RSVP form on page 7.

Promoting Understanding for 75 Years

I-House was the world to microcosm and … I believe I have sharper perceptions, deeper understanding, more first-hand insights into other cultures and people because of my time at I-House.

—Harold Gilliam (IH 1941-42)

If everyone knew what we learn at I-House, their fear of the ‘other’ would be shattered, and their hate would turn to understanding.

—Zalma Mahony (IH 2002-03)

These quotes are taken from the dozens of personal statements in Close Encounters of a Cross-Cultural Kind that testify to the unique, multi-cultural, idealistic atmosphere of I-House that altered the course of the authors’ lives. The book is dedicated to Barbara Lynch who helped build our international community through her work in the Program Office and may be ordered on the RSVP panel on page 7 for $14.

Country Contacts

http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/countrycontacts

Are you looking for a contact in another country? The alumni listed on the website noted above have volunteered to receive inquiries from alumni living or traveling in their area.

To volunteer to be a Country Contact or to update your listing, contact Bethann Johnson at johnsonb@berkeley.edu.

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**Leave Your Mark! Name a Room or Buy a Brick**

International House makes a lasting impression on many of the people who walk through its doors. Now is your chance to support the House and leave your mark by adopting a room or buying a brick. Every room and brick helps ensure the preservation of the House through gifts to the 75th Anniversary Campaign’s Architectural Heritage Fund.

Donors who contribute $20,000 or more can name a resident room and inscribe a plaque that will convey the history of the House on a very personal level. Seventeen rooms have already been named.

With a contribution of $500 or more, donors are invited to provide an inscription for a brick that will be placed in a renovated patio outside the International House Café. These are just a few of the inscriptions received to date:

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To make a contribution and leave your mark, please use the enclosed envelope or contact the Development Office at 510-642-4128 or at ihalumni@berkeley.edu. Details are available at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/alumni.

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**Designers Commemorate 75th Anniversary**

Two noted designers, Ermengildo Zegna and David Lance Goines will enhance the 75th Anniversary of International House with their creations.

David Lance Goines, a Berkeley-based internationally recognized artist, will design and print a 75th Anniversary poster for International House. The poster will serve as a companion piece to the 50th Anniversary poster he created 25 years ago – now a collector’s item – which features a dove of peace rising above a helmet of war. The new poster will be available for purchase and as a donor recognition keepsake in 2006. Look for the design in upcoming editions of the I-House Times!

Ermengildo Zegna, originally from Italy, is a world leader in fine clothing who lived in International House in the mid-seventies. Mr. Zegna has graciously agreed to create a limited number of Zegna ties and Agnosra scarves to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of I-House and to be distributed to close friends and supporters. His sister, Laura Zegna, also a former resident of I-House, serves as President of the Organizing Committee of the Special Olympics in Italy, and was the featured speaker at a Milan alumni reunion event in June, 2004. Gracie to these artists for helping us celebrate I-House’s birthday in style!

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**“Finding Solace in Diversity”—Khatharya Um Speaks at Sunday Supper**

Dr. Khatharya Um (IH 1983-88), first came to I-House as a refugee from Cambodia and earned a doctorate in Political Science at Berkeley, Dr. Um reflected on her I-House experiences at the first Sunday Supper of the year. This is an excerpt from her article titled “Finding Solace in Diversity.”

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**Kathryn Goldsmith Legacy**

Two of the joys of life for Kathryn McComb Goldsmith were Cal’s superlative library and the multi-cultural community she found at International House. When the 85-year-old Mrs. Goldsmith passed away in November of 2004, she remembered both in her will.

Born in the Philippines, she came to the U.S. with her parents and grew up in Los Angeles. She lived in I-House in 1941-42 and remained active as a member. She recalled her years here as a formative time in her life with particularly fond memories of dinner suppers, Sunday Suppers, folk dancing, and cultural festivals. After graduating in 1941 with a B.A. in humanities, she married Howard Goldsmith, a foreign service officer. They enjoyed posts in Munich and Naples before returning to the U.S. and settling in Washington DC.

Thanks to Mrs. Goldsmith’s generous gift which will total more than $180,000, she leaves a legacy that will impact students for decades to come. In recognition of her gift, her name 9427 will be named in her honor.

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**Board of Directors News**

Four new members were elected to the 2005-06 Board of Directors.

**Dede Barotti**, a graduate of the Haas Business School, is the Administrative Partner at Crosspoint Venture Partners, a leading venture capital firm focused on e-business services and broadband infrastructure. Previous positions include Vice President of Finance for Raychem Corporation, Corporate Controller for the Blue Corporation, and Senior Staff Auditor with Arthur Andersen & Co. She is a supporter of the National Charity League, a mother-daughter philanthropy group, and serves on the Board of the SV2 Silicon Valley Social Philanthropy Fund.

**Jan Fandrianto**, who lived in I-House in 1980-81, is President, CEO, and founder of Sipura Technology, Inc. Over the past 10 years, Mr. Fandrianto led the core development of multimedia networking technology used in multimedia chips for voice, video, and data applications. He was the founder and CEO of Komodo Technology, Inc. and VideoOne Technologies, Inc., and CTIO and VP of Engineering at 88, Inc. He graduated from Cal in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and earned a master’s degree in Electrical Engineering from Stanford.

**Kit Choy Luke**, who lived in I-House in 1970-72, is a partner at Thelen Reid & Priest LLP. She received her J.D. from Boalt Hall School of Law in 1976 and holds a law degree from the University of Singapore. She specializes in real estate, corporate, commercial and finance law; has practiced in Hong Kong, Tokyo, and New York; and represents U.S. investors in business opportunities in East Asia. Ms. Luke has spoken at international law conferences in Singapore and the United States. As a student, she met her husband, Bruce Redwine, at International House.

**John H. Sears**, an attorney with Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton and serves as special counsel in the Corporate Practice Group specializing in Real Estate, Banking, and Finance. Mr. Sears holds a B.S. degree from Cal and J.D. from Boalt Hall School of Law and continues to be a big Cal fan. He is past president of the Onida Country Club and has been involved in several major civic organizations in San Francisco. He is the godson of Allen Blandell, the founding director of the Onida Country Club.

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**ISABEL ALLENDE AT INTERNATIONAL HOUSE**

Internationaly acclaimed author Isabel Allende spoke at International House on Saturday 22 in conversation with historian and author, Sandra Curtis. Allende is one of the most popular novelists in the world today with more than 35 million books in print, translated into 27 languages. The Chilean author discussed her latest novel Zorro: A Novel, a fictional biography of pulp hero Zorro. The Auditorium was packed for the event which was moderated by Harley Shaken, Chair of Cal’s Center for Latin American Studies.

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**Nobel Laureate Owen Chamberlain**

Nobel laureate Owen Chamberlain was one of more than 200 alumni and students who gathered at International House to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Alumna Kathryn McComb Goldsmith. Chamberlain is one of seven Nobel Laureates to live in I-House. He and Professor Emilio Gino Segrè received the Nobel Prize for their discovery of the antiproton.

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**International Alumni Reunions**

International alumni reunions are in the planning stages for: Singapore, January 6; Melbourne, January 8; Tokyo, June, date to be announced.

To learn more, please send us your e-mail address on the RSVP on page 7 or check off the box on the RSVP to receive an invitation. If you would like to help organize one of the events, please contact the Development Office at (510) 642-4128 or ihalumni@berkeley.edu.
Celebrate House Romance!
Did you meet your spouse at I-House? We know of more than 700 couples who met and would love to add you to the list. Please use the RSVP panel or send an e-mail to alumni@berkeley.edu and let us know when and how you met.

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Marcia Tilden Gleden has fond memories of I-House including dancing a Russian dance at the Dance, camping at Tahoe while building the ski lodge at Grindelwald, and planning activities with Jim Longmire, Mike Dillen and Rafael Rodriguez. She is retired from a career in social services with the California Department of Social Services.

Michael King, professor emeritus at Imperial College London consults with industry on problems in petrology, gasometrichysics, and the earthquake stability of large structures. He remains active in research, lecturing, and consulting and lives near Stratford-on-Avon.

Margaret Ambler Nicholson and Nick Nicholson, who have been happily married for 45 years. Nick is professor emeritus of psychology at UCLA.

Robbie Clippers Sethi, an English professor at Rider University in New Jersey, is author of Fifty-Fifty, a debut novel that has recently become a best seller and has been translated into many languages. Robbie is married to his former student Devi Sethi at I-House.

George H.B. Verberg, former CEO of Guarantie in the Netherlands, is President of the International Gas Union, which promotes the technical and economic progress of natural gas.

Winn Brown recommenced his acting career and has been in numerous plays in Los Angeles, often in African-American or Arab roles. He was a Mormon in a TV soap opera and a prince in Steven Spielberg's Hook. Most recently he played an Afghan in a covert action series on the Discovery Channel.

When the lights came on, it was almost midnight.

As friends and roommates add romance.

Celebrate House Romance!
3930s Alumni
Chin Hau Bunka
April 29, 2005
Former Camp Fire Girls executive and elementary school teacher who traveled the world and enjoyed 15 summers in the Berner Oberland in Switzerland. She finally recalled her years in the 1930s at I-House, where she had attended the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge from her room.

Lloyd R. Michels
December 28, 2000
After a career with General Electric in the San Jose area, he worked as a consultant in chemical engineering and nuclear engineering and advised small business owners through Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE). Survived by his wife, Foda.

Kamie Takahashi
May 3, 2005
After graduating from Cal, she was sent to Pioneer internment camp in Arizona where she became the infrequent mayor and married Yohsaku Taniguchi. He had a long career in business in the San Diego area and is survived by his children.

Wheathold Taylor
April 6, 2005
Supertor Court and Appellate Court judge and lifelong Cal fan. An extrovert bodybuilder, he agreed with his Stanford contemporaries that the Big Game would become the perpetual trophy of the Big Game. Survived by his wife of 64 years, Carmen.

Wayne Vacchini
April 21, 2005
A member of thousands of alumni, she rose from the poverty of a primitive mountain village in the Balkans to become a professor of eastern European studies at Stanford. Remembranced as a charming and wonderful teacher.

1940s Alumni
Eugene Canfield
June 10, 2005
A nuclear physicist with a distinguished career of 38 years at Lawrence Livermore National Lab. He loved jazz, music, worked at a lawyer, was a proud father of three UC graduates, and hoped that his four grandchildren would follow suit. He is survived by three children.

Marko Michaud West
April 24, 2005
An enthusiast of gourmet cooking, the visual arts, opera, and music, worked as a lawyer, and was a proud father of three UC graduates. Remembranced as a charming and wonderful teacher.

Eleanor Dolson Tragen
April 15, 2005
A journalist, editor, and collector of Latin American folk art. Survived by her husband, Irwin Tragen who writes that: "We saw a rare I-House residence and our love affair of 61 years. We were married at Berkeley and had our receptions at 3 House-stuff members held in Berkeley's home."

David H. Wilton
Feb 4, 2005
Loved camping, skating, canoeing, fishing, and painting landscapes. Established a gift shop in the Sierras Nevada and founded a publishing company that specializes in remixed educational materials. Survived by his wife Patricia.

Gifts in Memory
The gifts below were received between March 1 and September 1, 2005. The name of the honoree is listed in bold followed by the names of donors.

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1950s Alumni
Grace Saunders Ball
July 5, 2005
Born in Boston, she came to Berkeley to study and met her future husband, Albert Ball, at 1-House. She accompanied him on his teaching career travels and as a Foreign Service wife to places around the world. She learned the art ofhosting in Japan and served plentitude for her inaugural design.

Joseph Bagatti
May 25, 2005
A native of Italy, an owner of Fogliati travel agency, and a founding member of the School of Italian Languages and Culture in South San Francisco. Survived by his wife, Paola, whom he met at 1-House.

Joan Lamb Benson
February 14, 2005
A retired librarian at City College of New York, she lived in New York with her husband, Ray, and took pleasure in books, music, and conversation about politics and international affairs.

Hestor G. Dubinski
February 5, 2005
Professor emeritus of political science at Cal State East Bay. Holocasut survivor, and internationally known historian.

2000s Alumni
Carolyn Cloos
July 18, 2005
A brilliant swimmer who is remembered by friends for her joy of life and ability to lift up a room with her energy. A native of Midland, Italy, she was doing research at Cal in the proposition of styrofoam while pursuing a doctorate from the University of Lecce. Giunki’s life was tragically cut short by a highway accident in Berkeley which also took the lives of her doctor and her climatologist. “She was the person who walked into a room all smirks, and everyone smiled with her.”

Friends of International House
Alejandro Alcazabas
March 30, 2005
Cal professor of anthropology and folklore who co-founded, created modern folklore studies. His knowledge of cultural studies, along with his charismatic wit, made him a favorite among students. A memorial service was held at International House.

Elvira (Ellie) Nishkian
July 25, 2005
A former 1-House Board member who devoted herself to charitable work. She and her husband loved skiing and helped establish Alpine Ski Resort.

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Send me the book, Close Encounters of a Cross-Cultural Kind (see page 4). Enclosed is my check drawn on a U.S. bank for $14 or Visa/MasterCard number and expiration date.
Send me the new I-House T-shirt. $10 US / $15 International
Send me an Elderhostel fl yer for June 5-11 and 12-18, 2006.
Send me a reunion invitation for Singapore (January 6, 2006)
Send me a reunion invitation for Tokyo (January TBA, 2006)
Send me the PBS documentary about I-House, $10 enclosed (see above for payment details). I prefer VHS video or DVD
Send information on charitable estate and gift planning.
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November 17, 2005
Native American Dinner
Dining Room, $8.75, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

January 6, 2006
Singapore Reunion, see page 5

January 8, 2006
Melbourne Reunion, see page 5

February 24, 2006
African American Dinner & Gospel Night

March 7, 2006
Lodestar Alumni-Resident Dinner

April 22, 2006
Edith Coliver Festival of Cultures / Cal Day, see page 3

May 9, 2006
75th Anniversary Gala, see page 1

June 5-18, 2006
Elderhostel Programs, see page 4

June TBA, 2006
Tokyo, Japan Reunion, see page 5

Ongoing Programs

Mondays
Cultural Movement Class
8:00 p.m.
Learn new dance moves, no partner required, $5 for the public, free with an alumni card.

Wednesdays
Coffee Hour,
10:00 p.m.
Alumni card required, no charge.

Thursdays
Globalization Lectures
7:30 p.m.
$5 for the public, free with an alumni card, call the Program Office (510) 642-9460 for topics.

Monday & Wednesday
Fitness Classes
5:00 p.m.
Free with an alumni card, $5 for the public, 5 p.m.
Weekly Language Programs
5:30 p.m.
Call the Program Office for dates and languages featured. $7.75 for dinner.

International House Celebrates 75th Anniversary
Sunday Supper, page 3.
Alumni and residents gathered at the 75th anniversary of the International House.Alumni and residents gathered at the 75th anniversary of the International House.

A Walk Down Memory Lane
See page 3 for more about the event.

Support alumni activities and programs. For updates and more information, go to http://ihouse.berkeley.edu.